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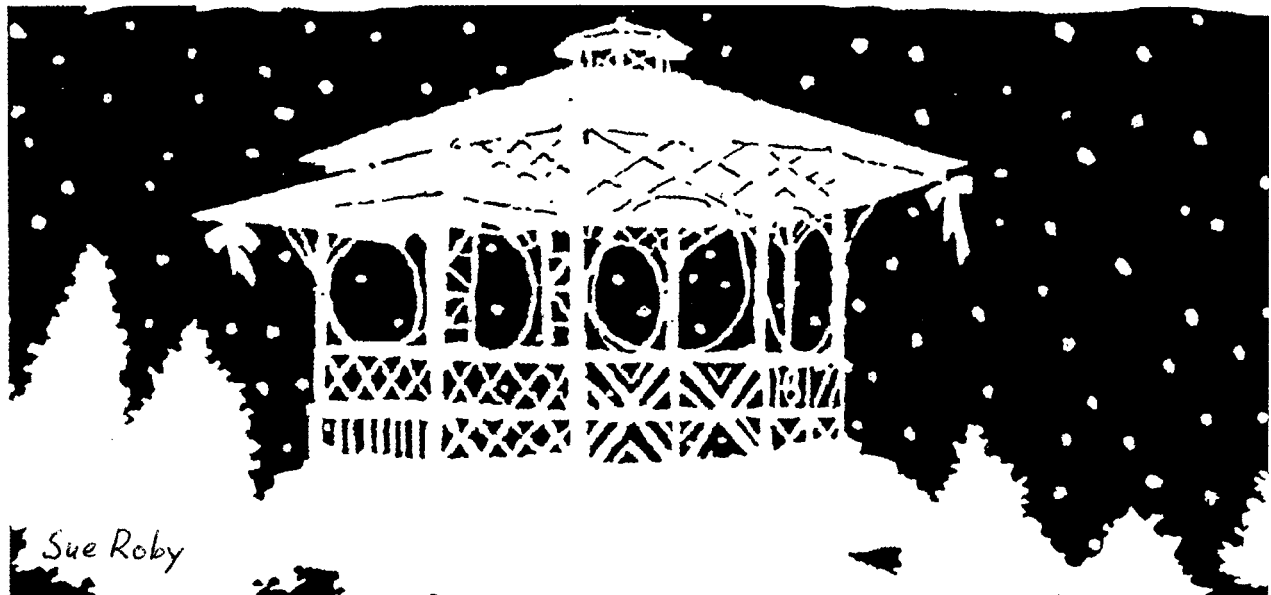
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COME TO OUR CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

Friday, December 4th, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Downstairs in the Shute Building



Hot Cocoa & Homemade Cookies.

Santa Claus for The Kids.

The Middle School Chorus Singing Carols.

Our Victorian Christmas Tree & Holiday

Decorations in the Museum.

Old Fashioned Toys for the Kids (and Adults) to try.

*The Annual Caroling by Candlelight in Triangle Park
from 7:00 to 7:20 p.m.*

Time for Christmas Festivities

Our annual Christmas Open House will take place on Friday, December 4th, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Lots of attractions this year.

Hot Cocoa and Homemade Cookies
The Middle School Chorus singing
Carols for us

Our wonderful Santa Claus for the kids
Our Victorian Christmas Tree upstairs
in the Museum and other decorations
Old Fashion Toys for the Kids (and the
Adults) to try

And if you're so inclined - the Annual Candlelight Caroling in Triangle Park from 7:00 to 7:20 p.m., sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce with Scrap Zalba leading the singing. So come and sing the traditional carols, then come to the Historical Society for hot cocoa, cookies, and all the rest!

We've invited the staff and families of the Village Employees, the Service Department, and the Fire and Police Departments to come join us.

Bakers Alert

We always depend on our wonderful bakers to do their thing and provide their homemade tasty cookies for our members and guests. We'll have containers on the front porch of the Shute Building on Thursday and Friday, so you can leave your cookies there. Our Bakers have traditionally put their cookies on decorated paper plates to liven things up. They do make things more festive! .

Pam Lubs, Hospitality Chairwoman

Antiques Road Show A Big Hit

A good size crowd came with a great variety of interesting antiques and collectibles to our "Antiques Road Show" on November 19th. Jane and Ed Martin, our Antique Dealers, were very interesting and helpful in providing information and identifying local resource people who could help with prices for the objects brought in. Among the interesting objects were a saber and sheath, a leather fireman's helmet and bucket, some

Haviland and other china, old cameras, copperplate prints, mechanical birds in a cage and pewter cups.

In a short business meeting before the program, Historical Society Members at the program gave their unanimous approval of our Revised Constitution.

Scrap Zalba

Looking Ahead to January

It won't be too long before the weather turns real cold, and we'll probably have some snow on the ground. Brr. A good time for our Soups & Breads Luncheon on Thursday, January 21st. At 11:00 a.m. Don Barriball, always an interesting speaker, will talk about his research in writing our recently published book on the history of the Interurban Railway in Chagrin Falls. Books will be on sale and Don will be available to sign them. The book is full of photographs of the trains, the local residents who worked on them, the snowy tracks and train wrecks and maps of the many interurban railway systems that were connected to one another in northeast Ohio. At one time you could ride by electric trolley cars all the way to Pittsburgh!

At 12:00 Noon we partake of the many delicious soups and breads offered by our cooks and bakers. So start thinking about your favorite soup, rolls or spreads that you might bring. Please let Pam Lubs (440/338-1855) know what you are planning to bring. If you are not planning to bring something for members and guests to eat we ask you to bring a contribution of dry or canned food-stuff that we can deliver to the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center Food Pantry.

Member Dues

If you have not already done so, please get your annual membership dues in for 2009-2010. Make sure you will qualify to attend our annual MEMBERS ONLY POT LUCK DINNER on February 18, 2010. If you are a Life Member you do not need to make annual membership dues, though some make annual contributions to help support the Historical Society. *Ann Goss/Muriel Bean*

**Welcome To
New Members**

**Bentleyville Road
Neighborhood Club
c/o Kathy Goldman**

Diana Nazelli

George Quay

Condolences To

**Olive Wilkens
and Family
upon the death of
Fred Wilkens**

**Vivian Miller
upon the death of
her husband
John Miller**

Thanks To The "Mighty 45"

You are the spirited, motivated, joyful and focused volunteers, complete with masterful orchestration by Margi O'Brien and Carolyn Sihler, in addressing, stuffing, stamping our Heritage Fund (formerly known as the Endowment Fund) annual Benefit Request Letter.

Don Barriball, Maggie Batchelor, Muriel Bean, Ralph Beattie, Susan Beattie, Jack Bennett, Glen and Dee Bomback, Tom and Louise Brick, Barbara Brown, Margery Bynoe, Nancy Carpenter, Bonny Corlett, Sue Dunn, Ann Dunning, Phyllis Ekelman, Mariellen Frank, Carrie Gluf, Joyce Gorretta, Brit Gardner, Jack Henry, Patty Hridel, Pris Hoag, Pat

Hosmer, Barbara Hubbard, Dorothy Hunt, Barb Kortwich, Pam Lubs, George and Joan Matilo, Karen Perry, Tre Pfaff, Barbara Rall, Chris Robinson, Jo Roeder, Ed and Grace Shields, Carl Slater, Sally Smith, Jeanne Tripp, Bobbie Walker, Penny Whitaker

You are priceless treasures, and we are forever grateful! The Heritage Fund is our strongest and most compelling link, as we prepare for today and tomorrow when they become history.

Lucy Beattie



CURATOR'S CORNER

Overview Calendar

- December 4 "Christmas Past" open house at the Museum, Shute Bldg. 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Preceded by Candlelight Caroling at Triangle Park, 7:00 p.m.
- 7 Village Nursery Pre-school Classes visit the Museum for a program of "Music and Toys" with Pat, 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.
- 8 Historical Society Board Meeting, Shute Bldg., 10:00 a.m.
- 11 Village Nursery Pre-school Class visits the Museum for a program of "Music and Toys" with Pat, 10:00 a.m.

Recent Events

Don Barriball was the speaker at the Chagrin Valley Women's Club Luncheon. He spoke about his research and book regarding the Chagrin Hardware Store. Scrap Zalba tagged along and sold 15 books on the Hardware Store and the Cleveland & Chagrin Falls Electric Railway.

In celebration of the recent publication of Don Barriball's book on the History of the Interurban Line in Chagrin Falls, the large display case at our Public Library will feature photographs and artifacts from the Interurban Line throughout the month of December.

Two Cub Scout troops visited the museum recently to learn about some of our old buildings and events of the past. It is always interesting to see history through the eyes of an eight or nine year old, who thinks that popcorn was always pre-packaged and then microwaved!

Accessions With A Chagrin Falls Connection

Three ledgers that had belonged to attorney Leonard A. Murphey, covering the years of 1928-1943 and 1963-1979. (Betty Solether)

The metal ticket stand (for admission stubs) from the Falls Movie Theater that was located on East Washington Street. (Mike Solether)



HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!



Please call if you would like to make a special appointment to visit the museum during the holidays.

Pat E. Zalba, Volunteer Curator