ECHOES OF CEDARVILLE May 2022

Cedarville Area Historical Society



Museum Updates

• **Museum Opens on Memorial Day Weekend**– The museum officially opens on Saturdays from 1-4 PM starting Memorial Day weekend and will remain open through Labor Day weekend. Visitors can visit the museum at other times simply by contacting us. Details are on the last page.

Next Program

Tuesday, May 31st, Antique/Vintage Toy Presentation



On Tuesday, May 31st, well known collector and restorer, Norm Davis will present and talk about his extensive Antique and Vintage Toy collection. These fascinating items will also be on display at the museum through much of the summer. This is something the whole family will enjoy.

To watch via "Livestream" visit the CAHS Facebook page <u>Cedarville Area</u> <u>Historical Society - Home | Facebook</u> or website homepage <u>www.cedarvilleareahistoricalsociety.org</u> and follow the link. A donation link will be available and much appreciated.

Summer Program List

Tuesday, June 14, Life in the 1800's for Woman *Woman of Courage*

Tuesday, July 12, An Evening at the White House *Woman of Courage*

Tuesday, August 16, Concert with a Harp *Alysa Nelson, Chadwick, IL*

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First Program Highlights



Memorial Day Parade, Picnic May 30

day, May 30, from in front of the telephone switch building on adults, \$3 children) starting at 11:30 a.m., rain or shine. If there Mill Street just south of Second Street.

The parade will be led by Cedarville's American Legion Post 1224 under the command of Steve Myers. Traditionally, the spectators — always numbering many more than the official parade marchers - become participants in the procession once it has started. The marchers will stop at the Cedar Creek bridge for a prayer, the casting of a bouquet of flowers into the creek and a rifle salute. The flowers are a special tribute to the village's naval war dead.

The procession will then go to the Cedarville Cemetery on Red Oak Road where there will be a ceremony that traditionally includes the reading of President Lincoln's Gettysburg address, a patriotic song, a prayer and the reading of the names of veterans buried there. Currently the number is more than 150, the oldest being George Washington Clingman dating from the War of 1812.

After the ceremony, the public is invited to the Cedarville Mu-

The Cedarville Memorial Day parade will start at 10 a.m. Mon- seum where the historical society will offer a picnic lunch (\$7 is a parade rainout, the cemetery ceremony will be conducted in the museum at 10 a.m. followed by the lunch.



"It Can Be Done!"

by Lisa Bade Goodwin

This little piece was going to be about our President Emeritus, Jim Bade, turning 90 on May 2nd and all the hard work he has done for over 20 (30?) years to pull the Cedarville Area Historical Society up, out into the public, the amazing museum, programs, and so on and so forth. A sort of timeline of CAHS accomplishments if you will.

But nope, it's not. Here's why; because most of you know all this stuff. And most of you all know what a force of nature Jim (my dad) is and how he gets things done; never asking anybody to do something, or more than he is not willing to do himself.,

So, no. I'm going to honor our CAHS President Emeritus in a different way. More personal. I am writing this perspective as his middle daughter. My two sisters and I were talking about the



things we remember about living under Dad's roof. My older sister, Wendy Bade Gilpin, group texted me and younger sister Susan Bade Myers today. Here's what she texted: "Okay ladies... give me a couple of one liners of things you remember with Dad... Go..."

Uh-oh, I love my dad. Don't tell me I'm gonna get stumped here. No way - there's so much to the man. And suddenly all three of us are cutting into each other's texts and laughing and remembering and typing so fast and furious that auto-correct finally had a heart attack and died (not to worry folks, it's certifiably dead). We went on; bam-bam-bam-bam like ping pong for honest-to-God, 2 hours. I finally cried "UNCLE!"

There are so many marvelous, funny and touching, what we affectionately call "Jim Bade Stories". But, I am only going to share one (mostly because this is my piece and I was trained to write approximately 800-1200 words in newsprint).

Here's my "Jim Bade Story":

It was the very end of June in 1970 or 1971. I was about 11, Wendy 13, and Sue, 6. That year, my dad volunteered to be in charge of our neighborhood, Sylvan Lake, IL 4th of July picnic. Approximately 200 people to 300 would probably show up for the eats. The fare was always pretty straight forward; hot dogs, hamburgers and whatever cold salads happened to show up. But remember, this specific year, my DAD was in charge. A "Jim Bade Spectacular "was about to happen...

Dad wanted to make this picnic special - creative, as is his way. With creativity there comes a certain amount of... difficulty. So, dad offered up the difficulty: corn on the cob. Now, we could have thrown the corn, shucks and all, directly on the grill right? Dad: "HELL NO! They must be done CORRECTLY; shucked, boiled for 2 minutes, in sugar with a tad of lemon juice for sweet, crisp, hot buttered corn!"

Okayyyyy-uh-oh. Shucked. Ah shi-oot. We girls have always been the "corn shuckers" of the family. Ok, a couple hundred cobs shucked divided by three young and strong girls... plenty of time.

NOT. No, NOT when your father, instead of getting enough corn to feed the people, gets a GREAT deal (as in FREE) on, I kid you not, a WHOLE gol-darn-blasted dump truck full of corn on the cob. Yep. Dumped it right in our driveway the next day. What a deal.

We shucked from morning to night day after day after day after... matter of fact, if you look very closely at the night sky, you can still see us shucking. And I swear, God as my witness, the pile was only growing. We were desperate. We rounded up all of our friends to help. We rounded up all the boys who had a crush on one or the other of of us to help. We rounded up ANYONE breathing - or not. I cannot tell a lie, I actually threw a ton in the woods and buried them.

Here's the moral of the story: IT GOT DONE. Because my dad said it could. And that's why we love him so much. Whatever it is, IT CAN BE DONE.

1212 S. Stewart Ave, Freeport IL 61032

Return Service Requested

<u>Museum Hours Saturdays 1:00PM-4:00PM (Memorial Day</u> weekend – Labor Day weekend)

Museum is always available by appointment

During non-open hours you can utilize the Ring doorbell and we will do our best meet you at the museum

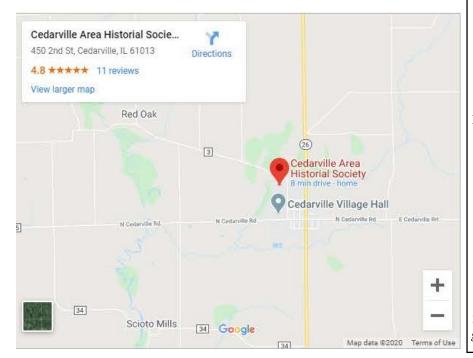
Museum facilities are available for private functions (weddings, reunions, meetings)

Call or text 815-990-0417 or 815-847-9127 to reserve or email info@cedarvilleareahistoricalsociety.org

We Would Love to Share Your Stories

Email us your stories or antidotes about Cedarville or the Cedarville area. We will present them in following newsletters. Email them to info@cedarvilleareahistoricalsociety.org

If you have not renewed your membership, please do so. We need your support. Thank you.



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