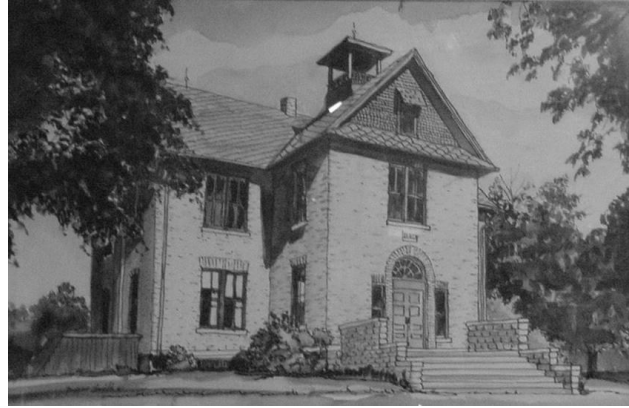


ECHOES OF CEDARVILLE

May-June 2026

Cedarville Area Historical Society



Museum Updates

Upcoming Cedarville Area Historical Society Events-Mark Your Calendars

- May 16th-International Museum Day Celebration-1:00-4:00 (get a sneak peak at the exhibits)
- May 25th-Memorial Day Parade and Picnic- 10:00-1:00
- June 12th & 13th-Cedarville Area Historical Society will be manning Suliivans Lena Brat Stand (looking for volunteers who would like to assist...this is a great fundraiser for the museum)
- June 26th-At Sunset, Friday Night at the movies
- June 27th-Cedarville Historic Tour Walk (does not include inside tours)
- July 11th at 10:00 am -Krafts with Kids -
Call 224-639-3436-Wendy for your reservations-\$5.00 each
- August 11th at 6:00-Panel Discussion-Red Oak History with Current and Past Residents
- September-6th-Jane Addams Birthday with a luncheon and historical based Bingo game-
Call 847-533-1193-Toni for your reservations
- September 22nd-Lincoln-Douglas Douglass Debates-Presented by Dr Andy Dvorak

At our March Board meeting the following individuals were elected as our 2026 officers: Steve Myers-President, Lisa Goodwin-Vice President, Galen Bertram-Treasurer and Toni Galster-Secretary. After many dedicated years as Secretary, Sharon Barmore has stepped down from the secretary role, however she has graciously volunteered to remain on the board. We thank Sharon for her dedication over the last few years and especially for making sure that the snail mail publications of the newsletter get to your mailboxes.

Board members Toni Galster and Sally Kryder-Anderson have been very hard at work updating many of the displays on the first floor of the museum. They have updated displays, added items and photos and in the case of the Jane Addams room they have revamped the entire room. Prepare to be amazed during your next visit! And thank you Sally, Toni and their helpers Cindy and Cindy and Jean. Here are a few photos, but to realize the entire impact of their efforts, you must come and visit the museum.

One of our most successful events is our annual Memorial Day Parade, Program and Luncheon. In partnership with the American Legion and in honor of our country's 250th anniversary, we would like to encourage all of our attendees to come dressed in honor of our country. If there will be children joining us in the parade we would encourage them to decorate their bikes or wagons or strollers. Children that dress up or decorate their "vehicle" will receive a small goody bag. Lets make this a true celebration. Lets show our appreciation and our eternal thanks to our U.S Military personnel who died while providing service to our country.

Thank you to JC WIFI for coming to our rescue and repairing some gnawed on wires so that we got our internet back...always something, right? Thank goodness they are not afraid of heights.



Spring Happenings

Board member Toni Galster, portraying Jane Addams participated in in The Gatsby Gala that was conducted in March, The Gatsby Gala is the signature annual fundraiser for the foundation and its about much more than just a great party. The night centers on the Jane Addams Legacy Fund, an endowment that fuels grants for area nonprofits. While the fund is known for empowering women and girls, it has expanded to support vital community development projects including a comprehensive effort focusing on revitalizing the heart of Freeport, bridging old divides and building a more inclusive future for everyone who calls the region, including Stephenson County, home.

A major highlight of the 2026 event was honoring Patricia Norman with the Jane Addams Legacy Award. As the President of the NAACP Freeport Branch and a retired school administrator, Norman was recognized for her lifelong commitment to social justice, equity, and “peaceweaving” within the community. Her selection celebrates a legacy of moral courage that mirrors Jane Addams herself, particularly through her work organizing the National Day of Racial Healing and building bridges between local institutions they serve.



Michelle DeHaven Quast, CEO
Toni Galster portraying Jane Addams and Sarah Flashing Clow, VP Strategic Initiatives



Patricia Norman, , Jane Addams Legacy Award Winner



Sarah and Toni

On Tuesday, April 7th, the Cedarville Area Historical Society attended a ceremony at The Foundation for Northwest Illinois, where we were awarded a \$5000 grant which will be used to support, preserve and acknowledge the area’s vibrant history and Jane Addams legacy. There to receive the grant was Toni Glaster, CAHS Secretary, Galen Bertram, CAHS Treasurer and Lisa Goodwin, CAHS Vice President.

CAHS cannot thank The Foundation for Northwest Illinois enough. The funds from the grant will be used to purchase new window treatments which are needed for improved security and to help protect our artifacts and artwork from harmful sunlight rays.

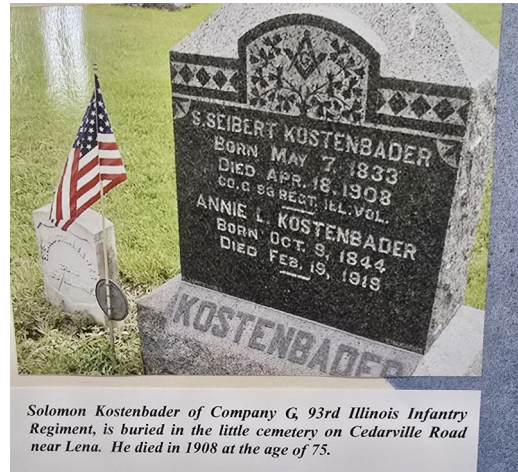


Please check out their website learn all about the great things the Foundation is doing www.fornwil.org. We will let you know as soon as the window treatments are complete so you can come and check them out.

Left to Right
Toni Galster, Michelle DeHaven Quast, Galen Bertram and Lisa Goodwin

Visitors to the Museum

In mid-April Michael and Chrissy Hoff reached out to us wondering whether someone could open the museum while they were visiting the area. They were interested in finding out some information about Michael's ancestors, the Kostenbader family. Board member Toni was available and offered her services to open the museum and as Jane Addams answer their questions



Solomon Kostenbader of Company G, 93rd Illinois Infantry Regiment, is buried in the little cemetery on Cedarville Road near Lena. He died in 1908 at the age of 75.

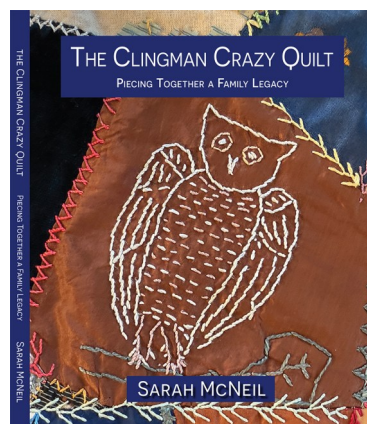
A New Look at Cedarville History: The Clingman Crazy Quilt-Piecing Together a Family Legacy

Artist and storyteller, Sarah McNeil has released a new book that brings history to life through a cherished family heirloom. Sarah weaves together photos of a beautifully embroidered and locally made late 19th-century quilt-inherited from her great grandmother-with stories of her pioneer ancestors, the Clingman family, and their lives in Cedarville from the 1830's through the early 1900s.

Jim Bade's historical insights aided in this project; his knowledge of the Clingman family provided invaluable context. The resulting book is partly a visual record of this amazing textile and partly a family chronicle. Rich, detailed photography captures the quilt's intricate embroidery and weaves a thread of connection to the historical text.

About the Author: Sarah McNeil is a mixed media artist, yoga teacher, and storyteller based in the San Francisco Bay Area. Having raised her family in California, she enjoys bridging the past and present in her artistic work.

We will have a copies of her museum starting in June. Cost



book available for purchase at the of the book at the museum will be

MEMORIAL DAY

PARADE & CEREMONY

Monday, May 25, 2026

Decorate Your Bikes, Strollers, & Wagons!
Join our Patriotic Walking Parade!



Parade starts at 10:00 am on Mill Street & Second Street

To the Bridge, then to the Cedarville Cemetery for a Memorial Service
Honoring Our Fallen Heroes

Following the Ceremony — at the Museum

Lunch & Refreshments

\$6.00 per person • \$4.00 Kids

Veterans are Free! • Friendly Conversation

CEDARVILLE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

450 W. Second Street, Cedarville, IL.

Cedarville Remembers

For a rather small town, over the years Cedarville had many groups and organizations that produced musicals, plays and social events. Back on December 21st, 1923, there was a minstrel performance titled Brother Elk. Below you will see the program pages listing not only the participants in the program but also some ads of local businesses.

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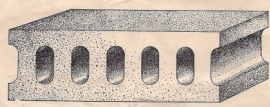
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Synopsis of Scenes
Act 1 Interior of a Country Club
Act 2 The same scene two weeks later
Act 3 The same scene six days later

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6:15 am.	6:50 am.
7:15 am.	8:00 am.
9:30 am.	11:30 am.
4:00 pm.	4:45 pm.
5:10 pm.	5:40 pm.

Saturday Bus leaves Freeport 12:15 instead of 11:30

EXTRA TRIPS SATURDAY ONLY
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Leaves Cedarville 6:30 pm., leaves Freeport 9:30 pm.

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"BROTHER ELK"
Cast in order of their appearance

Jen Edkington	Barnetta Ash
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Mrs. Rudcliffe	Mrs. Roy Ballman
Walt Woodward	Mel Kaiser
Marie Kenish	Katherine Zankovigen
Old Martin Young	Roy Ballman
Young Martin Young	Ralph Phillips
Jim Kendal	Ernest Rinehart
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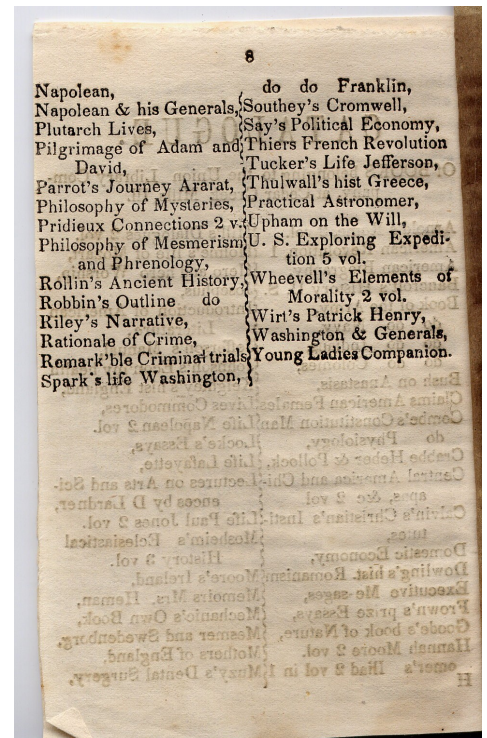
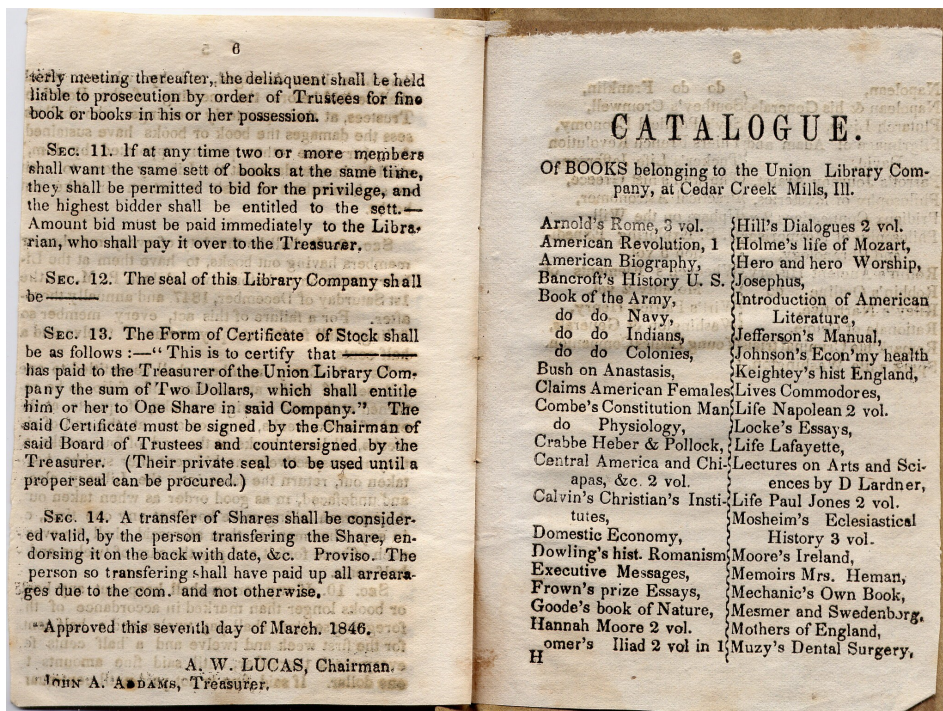
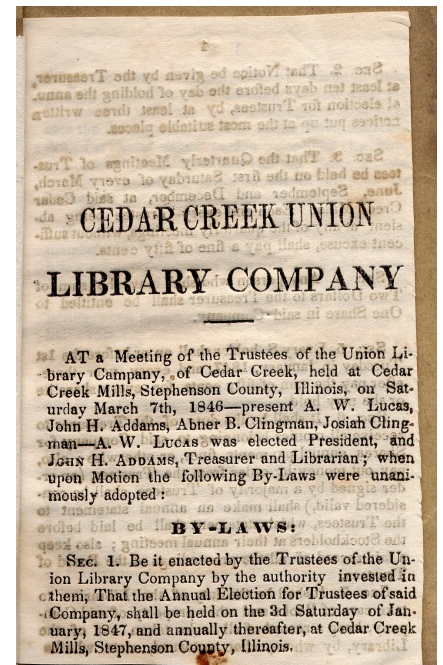
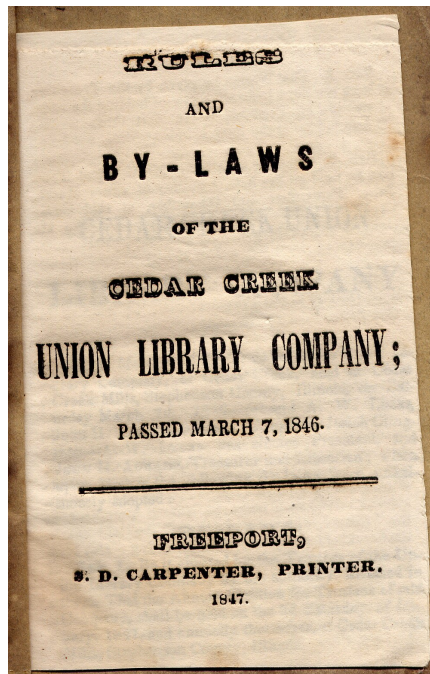
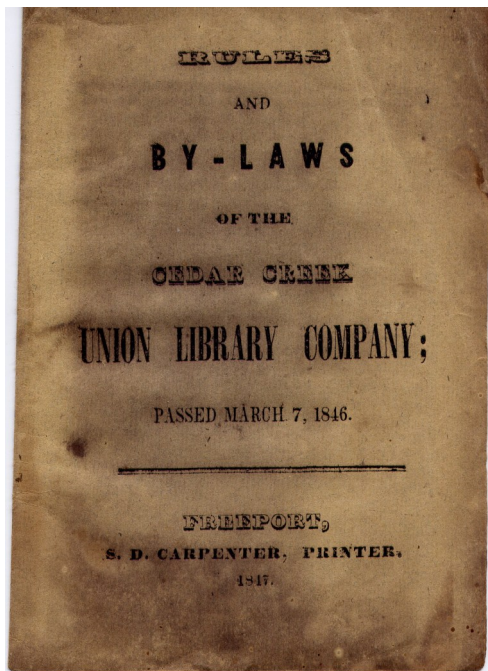
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RAY E. BOLLMAN
Local Representative

Cedarville Remembers

The rules and by-laws of the Cedar Creek Union Library Company were passed and adopted March 7th, 1846 by the following trustees: A. W. Lucas (president), John H. Addams (treasurer), Abner Clingman, Josiah Clingman.

Shares were issued at a price of \$2.00, the annual meetings were held for shareholders on the first Tuesday of January, at which time a fee of fifty cents was due. It was the duty of the library to loan books, keep an account of the same, collect fines for overdue books. A fine of twelve and one-half cents was collected for an overdue book. A supply of Rules and By-Laws was printed in 1847 by S. D. Carpenter. Records indicate that the physical presence of the library was located at the residence of John H. Addams. There is no known record of another library in Cedarville.



Are You Ready?

Sally Kryder Anderson and Toni Galster have spent countless hours getting ready for the Museum's 2026 season. They have spent hours of research and digging to assist them in the development of new and updated displays. In addition to new material being added to displays, there has been quite a bit of "relocating", especially in the Addams Room. Toni and Sally have also solicited the assistance of President Steve Myers in the updating of some of the fixtures allowing for easier movement of fixtures and opening up more space.



Join us in September for Jane's birthday celebration. A nice luncheon and then some games with some great prizes. Save the date and call in your reservation.

Finally our hearts go out to the community of Lena and all of those impacted by the recent tornado/storm devastation. If you are looking for a way to assist the residents, consider a donation to Lena Strong Community Fund, This fund has been activated by The Foundation for Northwest Illinois. All funds donated will be directly distributed to the nonprofits lending aid during this time of crisis. Additionally, the Foundation has pledged to match these funds, dollar to dollar up to \$50,000. Donations can be made online at their website or Mail or In Person donations may be made to. The Foundation for Northwest Illinois C/O Lena Strong Community Fund at 1525 S Forest Road, Suite 200, Freeport IL 61032.

There have been tornadoes in the past in the community.

Photos from the tornado of June 22, 1944, left to right, Donald Folgates house, Lloyd Tielkmeiers house and clean up crew at Ray Angle's farm



COMMUNITY EVENT

LUNCHEON & BINGO

TO CELEBRATE
JANE ADDAMS' 166th BIRTHDAY

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3	20	38	57	64
5	20	55	46	66
8	26	35	54	65

Sunday,
September 6, 2026
11:00 am – 1:00 pm

**Cedarville Area
Historical Society
Museum**
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\$20.00 per couple,
Military Discount \$15.00 per couple.
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Call **847-533-1193 (Toni)** for tickets, or email us at
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Tickets will be available at the museum on Saturdays in June through
August, 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Cedarville Area Historical Society
1212 S. Stewart Ave, Freeport IL 61032

Postage

Return Service Requested

Museum Hours Saturdays 1:00PM-4:00PM (June, July and August)

Museum is also available by appointment

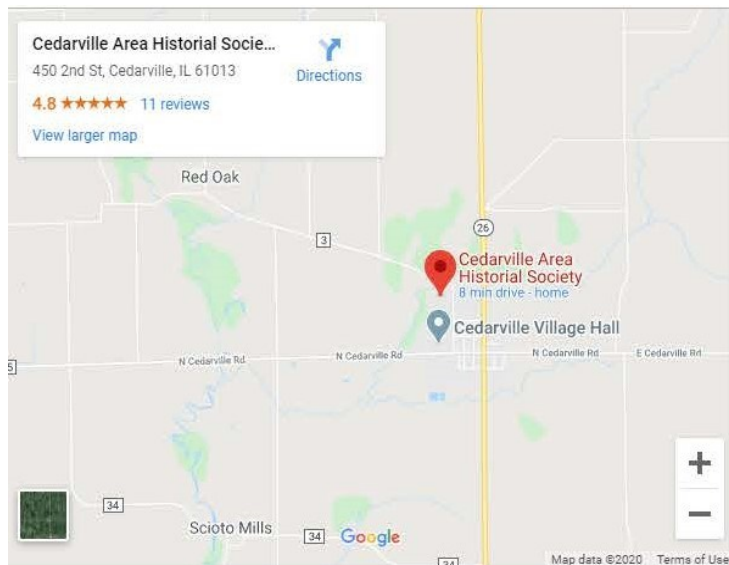
During non-open hours you can utilize the Ring doorbell and we will do our best to respond and meet you at the museum

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

Call or text 224-639-3436 or 815-847-9127 to reserve or email: info@cedarvilleareahistoricalociety.org to make arrangements



REMEMBER: If during your household cleaning you come across items (photos, postcards, apparel, school items, military, historic retail items, etc.) that have significance to the history of our surrounding community and you are thinking of throwing them out STOP. Those items may be of historic importance to our community and we would love to have them for current/future displays. We thank those who have recently donated items to be used in current or future displays. Give us a call (224-639-3436) or email us at info@cedarvilleareahistoricalociety.org.



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