ECHOES OF CEDARVILLE JUNE 2011

Cedarville Area Historical Society



Free Friday Night Movies Start June 3

The 1960 film classic "Swiss Family Robinson" opens this season's series of nine free Friday night outdoor movies at the Cedarville Museum.

Starring John Mills and Dorothy McGuire, the film and selected shorts will be shown June 3 at dusk on the north lawn of the museum. In the event of rain the show will be in the museum's second floor program room.

Four Cedarville history murals unveiled prior to dedication: Pages 4, 5

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June 10—"The Long, Long Trailer" (1954) with Lucielle Ball and Dezi Arnez;

June 17 — "Brigadoon" (1954) with Gene Kelly;

June 24 — "Life With Father" (1947) with William Powell and Irene Dunn.

Bring your own lawn chairs. Fresh popcorn, lemonade, sodas, coffee and candy will be available for 50 cents in the museum.

July's films will be: "Widows Gap" with Abbott and Costello; "Those Men and Their Magnificent Flying Machines", "The Bride Goes Wild" with June Allyson and John Albright; "Mr. Blanding builds his Dream House" with Cary Grant and Myrna Loy; and "The Inspector General" with Danny Kaye.

The two month program is under the direction of Sue and Steve Myers.



We all love a parade!

Here are a few scenes from Cedarville's Memorial Day parade and cemetery ceremony. No names. Just an example of one village and its residents honoring their neighbors who served their country.









Lower left, above, below: A pause at the bridge over Cedar Creek to remember the area's veterans who served in the navy.





Photos
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The crowd was attentive as a young man about to enter military service read the traditional Gettysburg Address.



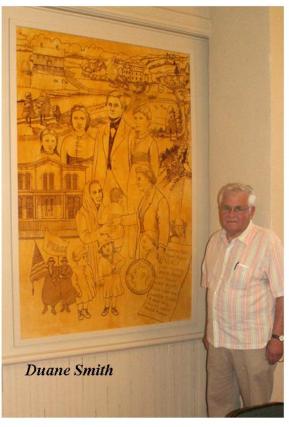




The Cedarville Lions Club in the familiar yellow vests



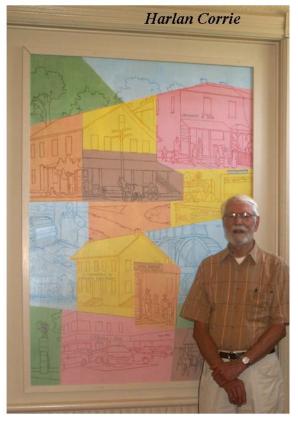
Cedarville artist Roger Goodspeed went back to the beginning of time when asked to create a mural reflecting Cedarville history. Check the explosion in the upper left. That's his version of the "big bang." Follow the story line diagonally to the lower right and you find pioneer Benjamin Goddard and his cabin. In between are various time periods, including an ice age and the native Americans who preceded the pioneers. Freeport artist Duane Smith has always been interested in the impact the John Addams family — and his famous daughter Jane Addams — had on the development of the Cedarville area. Thus, he turned to them for his theme. In his mono-colored mural you can clearly see members of the family, their house on Mill Street and Jane Addams' contribution to society through her work at Chicago's famous Hull-House.





Already well-known in the area for his blown glass work, Cedarville artist Dan Edler switched medium and chose to portray some of the late nineteenth century brick homes in the village. The fact that he lives in one made his decision relatively easy. He titled his work "Joani Shall We Go For a Stroll?" Photographs of the actual homes are in a separate exhibit on the museum's first floor

Harlan Corrie of Cedarville, like Dan Edler, is also known for a different art medium — watercolor. A former art teacher, Corrie turned to nineteenth and early twentieth century Cedarville businesses for his inspiration. He used simple lines within soft pastel colored blocks, to portray the many thriving businesses, most of them family owned, that were the mainstay of commercial activity in the village at that time. Interestingly, there are very few businesses in the village today







Above: Hamburgers, brats, hot dogs, beans, salad and then (right) the trimmings. Several members of the Cedarville Lions Club helped with serving.



Photos by Bonnie and Jim Bade





Picnic Draws Crowd
As you can see from the picture above, it was necessary to bring out two of our oak benches from the museum to provide seating for the unexpectedly big crowd.







The Cedarville Area Historical Society was pleased to invite eight visitors from Pakistan to the Memorial Day festivities. The group is in the U.S. as part of the U.S. Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program and the Freeport Area International Visitors Council. Harlan and Judy Corrie of Cedarville acted as unofficial guides. Above, Judy greets them at the picnic. Lower left: The group enjoyed typical American food. Many of them commented that they especially liked the homemade desserts/ Lower right: After the lunch, CAHS president Jim Bade took them on a tour of the museum.

Time to Sign Up for Cemetery Walk

Ever wonder what stories lie under the old, worn monuments in the Cedarville Cemetery?

You can get some of the answers by joining Jim Bade, president of the Cedarville Area Historical Society, as he conducts a

CAHS Needs Volunteers For June Brat Sale Duty

The Cedarville Area Historical Society needs volunteers to operate the Freeport Cubs food store brat stand on Friday and Saturday, June 10 and 11.

Profits from the two days will be retained by the society.

Members interested in working a three hour shift should contact Sue Myers at 815-238-4194

Other Future Society Events

August 4, 7:30 p.m.: Talk by Douglas Dammann, director, Civil War Museum, Kenosha, Wi.

August 18, 7:30 p.m.: Program on early black settlers in Stephenson County by Joyce Slater Johnson, author of 2 books.

September 24: Jane Addams Festival with morning 5K run/walk on Jane Addams Trail and games and food at museum starting at 11 a.m.

Saturday morning, July 16, one hour walk through the oldest part of the cemetery.

You might learn why some of the monuments reflect a burial in the 1840s when the cemetery was officially opened in the early 1850s.

The cost of the 9 a.m. walk is \$15 and is limited to 20 persons. Reservations can be made by calling Bade at 815-563-4485.

At the end of the tour, a booklet related to the walk will be given to each participant.

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