

ECHOES OF CEDARVILLE NOVEMBER 2013

Cedarville Area Historical Society



CUB Brat Stand Nets Society \$1,176

Eleven Cedarville Historical Society volunteers worked sixteen often hectic hours over October 25 and 26 grilling hot dogs, brats, steak and pork sandwiches earning the society almost \$1,200. The weekend income represents ten percent of the society's anticipated 2013 operation expenses.

The money was the society's share for managing the brat stand sponsored by Freeport super market CUB. This was the society's second opportunity in recent years to operate the stand. For photos of the event and names of the volunteers, turn to pages four and five.



*Kelly Priewe
serves an early
customer.*

One steak sandwich coming up at brat stand!



Museum Repairs

Two months ago the historical society board authorized repair of the museum roof because an inspection indicated shingles were missing from the crown and the valleys needed additional tar. Less critical repairs to the bell tower were postponed. Bader Construction, Freeport, completed the job for \$3500.



Workers from Freeport's Bader Construction needed a lift to make the museum roof repairs because of the steepness of the roof.



Miss Eliza Clingman's Grove, northeast of Cedarville

In 1869 the early settlers of Stephenson County formed the no-longer-existing Old Settlers Association. Throughout the years, the association's annual picnic was held in several locations.

The early twentieth century photo above, is a scene in "Miss Eliza Clingman's Grove", 40 acres located at the southeast corner of what is now Illinois Route 26 and Angle Road.

The 1899 program is typical of the early get-togethers. There was an address by a locally well-known speaker, band music and "a 25 cent warm meal served by the United Evangelical Church ladies."

There was also a warning: "tie your horses so they will not injure the trees and thus avoid a fine."

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Lining up to place an order



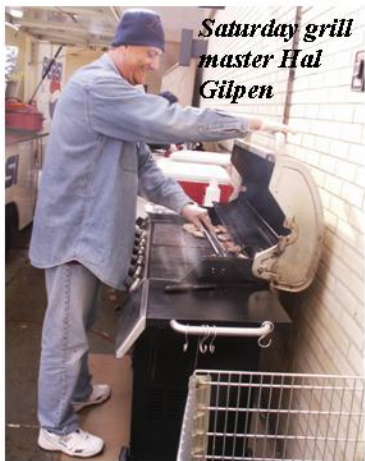
One brat coming up!



Sue Myers, left, and Kelly Priewe direct traffic



Steve Myers and Dale Priewe take their turn at grilling



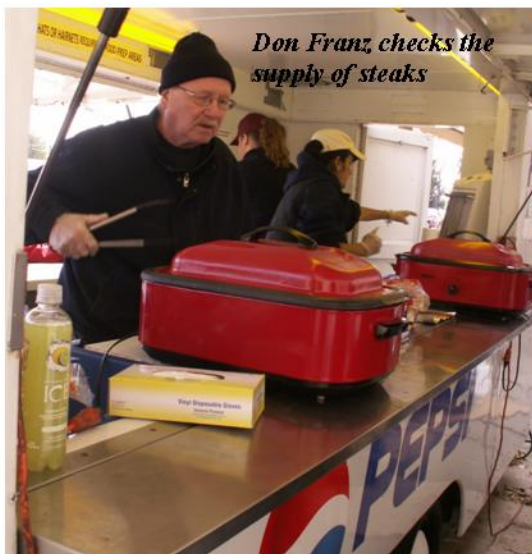
Saturday grill master Hal Gilpen



The food was worth the wait

2 Great Days at Brat Stand

Historical society volunteers for two days manned the brat stand at CUB supermarket in Freeport. Their hard work paid off with almost \$1,200 in profit for the society. Our thanks to Sue and Steve Myers, Kelly and Dale Priewe, Jim and Sharon Barmore, Wendy and Hal Gilpen, Lisa and Kelly Goodwin and Don Franz. The society also thanks CUB's management for this opportunity.



Don Franz checks the supply of steaks



Hal's wife Wendy took her turn



And now it's time for the stuff that goes on top

FROM THE ARCHIVES

Memories of the Late Frank Lied

(Frank Lied of Cedarville died in 1978 at the age of 78. Sometime between 1964 and the time of his death, he recorded his early memories of the village and its residents. He is buried in the Cedarville Cemetery. Editor's notes in brackets [])

My parents, Daniel and Kate Lied, lived at 30 W. Oak St., Cedarville, for a number of years. When I was a small boy, I delivered strawberries which we raised on the seven acres we owned at that corner to the home of Jane Addams. I remember that often [the second] Mrs. John Addams would say they didn't want any, but Miss Mary Fry [maiden aunt of Cedarville's Paul Fry] would say that I



Frank Lied said he once lived at 3120 W. Cedarville Rd. The house was on north side of road just west of Richland Creek. Couple has been identified as Kate and Daniel Lied, Frank's parents.

should come on in and then she'd say "we'll take some". I can remember playing hide and seek in the old mill where it originally stood with the other boys.

I remember going to the old Cedarville School [now the Cedarville museum]. Some of my teachers in those days were Miss Salima Rutter, Miss Edna Moses and Miss Helen Barber. There were eleven in my class at that time, as I recall. Ten girls and myself. There girls were Ermina Phillips (Kaiser), Irene Kahly (Neberman), Jessie Law, Esther Kryder, Leila Strohm (DeZell), Ruth Fackler, Miriam Fackler [the last two probably daughters of the principal], Goldie Pepperman (Schrack), Vida Soliday and Frances Ermold. I had attended school for a short time at Bellview before coming to Cedarville.

In the winter we skated on the creek at noon and I remember that when we came back in school we would leave our skates on so we were ready at recess.

I well remember Harry Rutter making ice cream for the John Bollman store (now Perdue's). He would do this east of the building [on Cherry Street between Harrison and Rt. 26] and a group of us kids would be waiting around to buy some.

A man named Bartholemew ran the



The Cedarville Road house once lived in by the Lieds as it looked from the road in 2006.

creamery and I often would go after buttermilk for pancakes. When Roy Cromley worked there, he would make wooden skies for the children.

My father had only one horse and when we needed another to make a team, we would borrow one from [the family of] John Addams. We used to drive horses to Freeport and often we would see Lincoln (Link) Pfeiffer on the road. When our horse jogged we would pass the walking Link, but when our horse walked, Link would pass us. He was known to be one of the fastest walking men of the area.

One of our games at school was "pump, pump, pullaway," and when Howard Epley was janitor, he would play with us. We thought this great fun. We almost always stopped at the old Richart store on the northwest corner of the street going to the school to look at the candy.

This was run by Henry and Alma Richart and also by Grace, daughter of Henry. The post office was here also.

Another of our winter sports was hooking on to the bobsleds with our sleds. Turner Clingman was our favorite for this sport as he would allow us to "hook on" with our hands holding to the bobsled runner or frame while lying on our sleds. In turn some one behind us would hook on to us and sometimes there would be a whole line of sleds behind the pulling team and bobsled. Turner Clingman would tolerate us, but many of the other drivers would lick their horses to a speed where we could not hook on the fast moving bobsled.

In those days, we also had bus service from Cedarville to Red Oak for passengers and for delivery of the mail to and from the train at Red Oak. This was a covered wagon, or hack, with a row of benches, one on each side, with passengers facing each other. Oscar Fink operated this for many years.

We attended the Evangelical Church and I remember Billy Fehr there who would shout "Amen" when he agreed with the minister. My brother was janitor for the church and he would have to get up very early to get the wood fire going to get the church warm for service time.

At a later time, in the period shortly after 1915, Homer B. Ash (father of Mary Ash

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The house on West Cedarville Road was gutted by fire in 2008. It was later torn down and a new house constructed.

Mau) was issued a franchise to furnish electricity for the village. A generator run by a large stationary gasoline engine was installed in the old Globe Hall. [*an abandoned church on Harrison Street*] The engine and generator were run by Nelson Staas and also at a time by Hiram Kryder. Electricity was available only when the engine was running, usually from 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. In later years the equipment was sold to Illinois Northern Utilities.

Later our family moved to Red Oak and later to a farm just west of Richland Creek on the Cedarville-Lena Road. There my wife and I farmed, but in 1933 I began operating a feed mill on the corner where the Reed Service Station now stands. I ground feed for farmers, mixed grains, added supplements and soon the

business was known as Lied's Feeds. One feed sold was Lied's All Round Mash. Among the men who worked with me were Charles Kryder, Logan Kahly, Charles Hirsbrunner and Clare Miller. In 1937 we moved our location to the south end of Cedarville. In 1946 my son-in-law joined me in the business, which continued until 1964, when we closed.

While in the feed business I also began dealing in sectional or pre-fabricated homes, corn cribs, grain bins and sheds. These were among the first "ready-cuts" and my buildings came from the Economy Portable House Co. of West Chicago. Cyrus Kryder and Henry Sills, as well as several others from Cedarville, helped assemble the ready cuts. Also, in 1948, I began handling travel trailers which developed rapidly as trailers became popular.

Many interesting events have been happening in Cedarville since my first coming there with my parents in the early 1900s.

The preceding article first appeared in the July 2009 issue of the historical society newsletter. It is reprinted because of Lied's reference to so many former residents.