

Maple Syrup 1988 THE VILLAGE LOG

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TWO PIECES REFINISHED

The Friday work crew have nearly completed refinishing the two furniture items that had been in the Elan house since that building was erected; both from the Lukens house and dating from the first half of the 19th century.

The dry sink has been stripped and an oil finish applied. The jelly cupboard, the better of the two pieces, has been stripped by Jeff Vice of Lebanon at a reasonable price to the Village and is being refinished. It is made of walnut, cherry and poplar and is a very attractive item of furniture. Both pieces will be put into the Lukens house when done.

NEW COOKS SELECTED

Two young ladies from the ranks of the Village volunteers have put their names in for the job of Village cooks for the 1988 season and have been approved by the Trustees. They are Michelle Ghearing and Barbara Lee.

The two with some experience from previous years will replace Dottie Hawke who had been the cook for the past several years.

Since both ladies have young children, it was voted to provide baby sitting service for their children during festival times.

Village cooks are extremely important people since much of revenue of the season comes from the sale of food as well as the kitchen being central to much of the activity and function takes place there.

SPRINGHOUSE STILL WAITING

Two stone masons have expressed an interest in the Lacey Springhouse this winter, but both, upon visiting the site have not returned nor expressed further interest. Don Richards is still attempting to get things going here.

MAPLE SYRUP SEASON IS HERE

By this time the sap buckets are usually hanging on the trees, but unseasonably and even unreasonably cold weather have slowed down the season, so the trees will be tapped Friday, February 19, and the sap collected as the buckets fill. Boiling will probably be done on the weekends as much as possible.

Becky Siva is again going to be in charge of this pioneer type activity, with any and all volunteers welcome to help out.

The pancake-and-sausage and genuine maple syrup dinner will held at the Village starting at 2 PM on Sunday, March 6. Members and guests are welcome.

CHIOPASS WILL BE USED

The Chiopass system will be subscribed to this year by the Village in the hopes that a wider advertisement of the activities there will be available over a multi-state area.

This system, a development of the state travel and tourism bureau, will carry the Village ad and a tear-off coupon offering a special discount for that coupon if presented for some special event at the Village. The coupon and ad will be in a sizeable booklet interested parties may get free if they call the buckeye number. The system will cost the Village \$100 for the season.

VILLAGE TO "GREEN UP" APRIL 16

Again for the second consecutive year the Village will participate in a state-wide "green-up" day when parks turn out volunteer groups to police grounds, clear trails, put out summer facilities, and in general get the grounds ready for summer use. The Village will cooperate with the park and the Corps, with volunteers doing routine grounds work on that day.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS AND NOTES

Ethel Jefferis, Membership Chairperson notes several items of interest to readers: Brian Mefford has a new address- 305 West Kanawha Drive, Columbus and Miriam Rosell also: 28 West Orchard, Lebanon.

She also informs us that one of our most loyal supporters, Kathryn (Vandervoort) Bissell-Coning has donated \$100 toward the restoration of the Hawkins House, and Elwood and Josephine Smith have sent \$25 for that purpose. Kathryn lives in Otterbein in Bethany Hall and the Smiths at 279 King Street, Xenia.

VILLAGE TO APPROACH ANTIQUE SHOPS

Citing the fact that the Village is one of the major tourist attractions in the area and psychologically and historically in line with the main Waynesville industry; that of antiques, it was decided to approach the various Waynesville antique shops for donations toward furnishing the various Village buildings.

A committee consisting of Edna Marsh, Kathryn Butterworth and Helen Wall will follow up a letter being sent regarding a request for donations.

The Village buildings need furniture to make them attractive and most of them are restored enough to accommodate modest furnishings.

NEW BUDGET DEVELOPED

At a January meeting held at the Richards a 1988 budget was developed that will be discussed in greater detail at the next issue of the Log. Briefly, an anticipated income of \$64,357.39 was set to balance anticipated expenses of \$64,225.00.

These figures and many others will appear in the annual report now being completed.

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HOLD YOUR GARAGE SALE AT THE VILLAGE BARN SALE

VILLAGE BARN SALE SET FOR APRIL

At a recent meeting, an idea advanced by Miriam Lukens was put into action, resulting in plans for the first Village barn sale.

On April 9 and 10 tables will be set out for any member who wishes donate "garage sale" or "Elee market" items to be sold for benefit of the Village's fund needs. The person wishing to sell these items will be expected to donate the usual 15% or the entire proceeds if they wish, to the Village. Items are those that are usually sold through the popular garage sale method of merchandising, extra clothing, appliances, brick-a-brack, tools, toys and sundries. No admission charge will be made for those who wish to come to buy.

More than one table may be furnished for large lots, and the unused items will have to be removed by the seller when the two days are over. Material may be brought in on the Friday before, the 8th of April.

Trustees wish to emphasize that this venture is not a festival, but rather an attempt to let members help out the Village in what may become two days of fun and frolic to start off a successful season.

SMALL YEARLY CALENDAR PRINTED

Each year the Village tries to print a small hand-out of the

yearly public events and their dates so that everyone who might wish may have a copy to pin on the refrigerator, stick in a bill fold or keep in a handy place. This year these have been sized to a third of a page for bulk hand-out purposes.

In the several years past considerable sums of money have been spent on newspaper advertising with uncertain results. This year the publicity committee has decided to ask the membership to assume some of the advertising responsibilities, so all members are asked to carry a fistfull of them with you and take a few minutes when you go to a festival or public activity and slip a couple dozen of them under the wiper blades of cars around yours. To do so will not take much time and will broadcast the agenda for the summer wider than any paid advertising we might buy.

To get some just ask the Village for them, 897-1120, or PO box 329 Waynesville, Ohio 45068. They can also be put on bulletin boards, used as mailers and put in letters.

TRACTORS ON THE MEND

Major repairs are being done to the Village Ford tractor. It has been in the repair shop most of the winter. The Allis-Chalmers has a new front tire and a coat of paint, complete with new decals for the hood.

INEXPENSIVE BROCHURE PLANNED

Due to the fact that the color brochure developed last year has become so popular and have gone so rapidly; and cost so much, a new black-and-white one is being planned as an inexpensive giveaway for bulk use, informational use in the tollhouse, and uses where large numbers of the color one would be used.

The brochure will have membership information, rules and regulations of the Village, a map of the grounds, and a guide to the various buildings.

Additional numbers of the color brochure are also being ordered and will be available for more discriminating use.

GROUP TO CAMP IN APRIL

The Jeff Davis Rifles, a civil war reenactment group will again hold their yearly muster at the Village this spring, this year on April 16. Some three hundred participants are expected. The day will be spent in drilling, planning for the year, and practicing their very authentic activities.

MAY PARTICIPATE IN RIVERFEST

Trustees have asked Jim Merrick to look into the possibility of being included in the Dayton Riverfest celebration over the memorial day weekend.