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MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

FEBRUARY 9
TRUSTEE
MEETING

FEBRUARY 15
PRESIDENT'S DAY

FEBRUARY 23
TRUSTEE
MEETING

FEBRUARY 28
MAPLE SYRUP
BRUNCH

MARCH 9
TRUSTEE
MEETING

MARCH 17
HAPPY ST.
PATRICK'S DAY!

MARCH 23
TRUSTEE
MEETING

APRIL 4
HAPPY EASTER!
DON'T FORGET
TO SET YOUR
CLOCKS AHEAD.

APRIL 13
TRUSTEE
MEETING

APRIL 17
GREENUP DAY

APRIL 27
TRUSTEE
MEETING

Sunset Dawn

This month's featured band, Sunset Dawn, was formed out of a deep love and respect for the Appalachian culture (especially its music) and all four members are committed to sharing this unique part of their heritage with the public. They accompany their singing with a variety of folk instruments, tell stories related to their music's proud history, and invite audience participation in their concerts. Each member of Sunset Dawn grew up surrounded by music and rural experiences.

Sherry Cook Stanforth spent many hours singing and playing music around campfires and on back patios in her younger days. She sings lead and plays the flute, penny whistle, harmonica, and tambourine. Sherry feels that the songs she sings capture something about a sense of place and belonging in the world and she doesn't want to lose that. You will recognize Sherry as being the lively one dur-

ing a Sunset Dawn concert.

Madgelee Moore, born in Lee County, Kentucky, is one of eleven children in a family where that family and God were the two most important things in life. Her father played the guitar and banjo, her grandmother played the dulcimer, and her mother played just about any instrument that could be found. Madge, who plays the mountain dulcimer and guitar and sings lead, has written a number of excellent songs, including two which are featured on Sunset Dawn's first recording, "From One Time to Another".

Fran Booth has a diverse family background. Her mother, who played the piano, grew up on a Nebraska homestead, experiencing a lot of hard work and the Saturday night barn dances where Fran's grandfather played the fiddle. Her zither- and guitar-playing father emigrated to

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From the Administrator...

February is here and more than half gone. The maple syrup season is over and was very short. Frank, Linda, Reece and the boys tapped more than 40 trees, which have produced no more than three gallons of syrup. On February 6, Frank and Linda took down all but a few buckets, which were left for demonstration purposes. This is kind of sad news, but as Linda said, it is a good example of the uncertainty that the original settlers in Ohio faced continuously. Perhaps next year will be better.

On the more cheerful side of things, work is continuing in the areas of fund raising, program planning, and policy development. It is exciting to see the inner workings of the Village grow and mature. I am happy to report that I believe the Village is in good hands. I am also happy to report that we are planning many wonderful things that may insure a solid future for Pioneer Village. I'm sure that

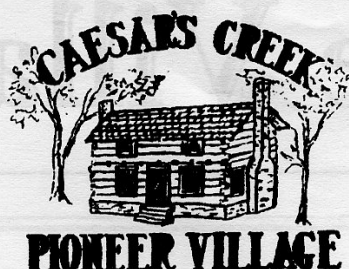
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1. To preserve, restore, and maintain the historic structures of Caesar's Creek Pioneer Village. (Preservation Function)
2. To foster, educate and promote a deeper understanding of Caesar's Creek Pioneer Village and its significance to the history of the Southwestern Ohio Frontier during its settlement from 1793-1812. This shall be done by means of research, exhibits, interpretive programs, primitive farming and any other appropriate educational techniques. Also included in this function is a provision for special events that will educate the public. However, these events will not change the permanent historic site. (Education Function)
3. To establish and maintain collections of objects, furnishings, books, documents and illustrations relating to the history of the settling of the Southwestern Ohio Frontier from 1793-1812. (Collection Function)

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1999 Event Schedule

February 28	Maple Syrup Brunch
April 17	Greenup Day
May 1-2	The Forces of Montcalm and Wolf, School of the Soldier
May 6, 7, 13, 14	School Days
May 15, 16	The Fair at Caesar's Creek
June 26, 27	Old Tyme Music Festival
July 10, 11	Statehood Days
August 14, 15	International Dulcimer Gathering
September 18, 19	Celtic Festival
October 15, 16, 22, 23	Halloween Walk and Hayride
**December 4	Christmas Candlelight Tour

**(please note that the Time Line Event in April has been cancelled and the Christmas Candlelight Tour has been scheduled for 1999)

For scheduled times and/or volunteer information, call

Kevin at (513) 897 - 1120

A Piece of History

The Rader log home, built and owned by Phil and Molly Rader, at 2277 Ogden Rd. in Wilmington, Ohio is of special interest to members of Pioneer Village.

The house consists of two large, old Miami Valley hand hewn, two story log cabins that were dis-assembled and moved to their present location. They were re-constructed, side by side, on new foundations located 12 ft. apart, and enclosed in native poplar and stone to create a new home of over 5,000 sq. ft, with three natural stone fireplaces.

One of these cabins is the Harkrader cabin from Greentree Rd. in Warren County, adjoining the Lebanon Correctional Institute, and was part of the old Quaker settlement. The barn at Pioneer Village also came from the Harkrader farm. This cabin, built in 1803, is almost completely walnut, with some logs up to 24" in diameter. The Pioneer Village Bullskin Inn has the original stairway and paneling from the cabin.

An interesting side-note is that whenever someone would escape from LCI, they would head straight for the Harkrader cabin; the guards knew exactly where to find them! There is a burned spot in one of the corners where the convicts tried to start a fire on a cold winter's night. If only these walls could talk, just think of the stories they could tell!

The second cabin came from the George family farm on Cherry Bend Rd. (adjacent to Cherry Bend Pheasant Farm) in Clinton County. The age of this cabin is unknown, but it is probably in the 1820-1840 era. Mr. George said his great grandmother could

remember when it had only one story. It is made of White Oak and Chestnut. You can see where the second floor was added to make it a barn, and where a hole was cut in one side on the second floor for the hay mow. The Raders have constructed their home so that the hay mow window now looks down onto the foyer, staircase and front entrance fireplace.

A note of interest to the readers is that once upon a time Warren and Clinton were one county. Now these two pioneer cabins have come together as one.

The story of this unique home began back in 1985 when the Raders joined Pioneer Village, and became interested in the idea of owning a "real" log home. They began dis-assembling the Harkrader cabin in January of 1986.

It was over a mile walk back to the cabin from Greentree Rd, on property owned by Dick and Mickey Rossell. This cabin and another earlier (1700's) one were enclosed in a large house that had been abandoned for over forty years. This house was constructed of hand-hewn mortise and tenon timbers, and the house and the cabins were enclosed and sided with walnut siding. Over that was a layer of stucco, and then a layer of sheet-metal siding. This outside covering was all removed by hand. The logs were all numbered, and the cabin was moved by the Brewers, who own the Clarksville Sawmill, to Ogden Rd. in the summer of 1986.

During this time, Scott Rader, son of Phil and Molly, purchased and dis-mantled the George cabin and it to, too, was moved to Ogden Rd.

Construction, headed by local artist, contractor and friend, Monte Shaw of Lebanon and aided by Dale Bailey and Phil, who did much of the work himself, began in the Spring of 1987 and continued through April of 1989, when the Raders finally moved in!

HOUSE PARENTS

Bullskin Inn -
Don and Suzie
Dunkelberger and
Larry and Mary
Ellen Burns

Collett House -
Mike Smith, Stan
Wallace, and
Shelley Pickrell

Elam House -
Ed and Rosanne
Dorff

Friends Meeting
House -
Jerry Zorns and
Debbie Irons

Furnas House -
John Showalter

Githens House -
Roy and Jean Mc-
Donald and Greg
and Pat Knapik

Harrias House
Country Store -
open

Hatfield House -
Glen and Helen
Rhoads

Hawkins House -
Right Side: Jan
Campbell and Roy
and Carolyn Clark
Left Side: Mic
Richards

Heighway Cabin -
Dan and Debbie
Wilson and Gary
Byrge

Lukens House -
Rick Rhoades and
Colleen Wegley

Sunset Dawn

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the US from Yugoslavia. Fran plays the mountain dulcimer and provides back-up vocals in Sunset Dawn.

Nancy Cook plays the mountain dulcimer and autoharp in Sunset Dawn and sings back-up. Playing the dulcimer and

singing with her family has been a real joy in her life and knowing that her children grew up with songs of her Appalachian heritage is especially rewarding. She feels that it's important for people to hand down the stories and songs of their roots.

Many folks have enjoyed the music of Sunset Dawn at the June Music Festival over the last several years and we hope that they will continue to share their music and stories with us for many years to come.

*The Music Festival
Committee*

Mills-Taylor Saddlebag House -
Left Side: Billy Howard
Right Side: Wayne Milton and Tom Riehle

Schoolhouse -
Charlotte Wilkie

Toll House -
Dan and Amy Martin

Blacksmith Shop -
Troy Williamson and Jack E. Bender

Elam Smokehouse -
Mike

Lacy Springhouse -
Don Richards

The Herb Garden Shed - Mic Richards

Village Kitchen -
Debbie Irons

Open:

Anderson Corn Crib, Bailey Gazebo, Barbecue Building, Harkrader Barn, Henpeck Coop, Lukens Barn, Maggie's Coop, Meeting House Shed, Outdoor Oven, Outdoor Stage, Sables Building, Sorghum/Maple Syrup Buildings, Storer Shed, The Head Shed, Wood Storage Building, Zoar Building.

From The Administrator...

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you will read about these things in future issues of the Village Log.

Some of the more immediate changes that we are planning have to do with the coordination of our festivals and events. Some these changes are due to problems that have arisen during events, but others are in response to the surveys that we have received from membership. One of the biggest problems we have is inefficient management of volunteers. Our plan for solving this problem is to hold organizational meetings at least one hour before the gate opens at each of our events. All volunteers who plan on working at the event are going to be asked to attend these meetings. Hopefully this will alleviate some of the confusion that happens during the day. Some members have complained that they felt unneeded at times, but I assure you we still need all the help we can get. If at any time during a Festival you need or want something to do, come find me. Another problem that I have observed is that a few members wind up getting stuck in the same job month after month. I

think these individuals have earned some time off so that they can enjoy some of the activities. I believe that as volunteers, everyone deserves to enjoy the events as recreation and not merely as a job to raise money for the Village.

Other changes that are taking place include the deletion of one event and the addition of another volunteer workday. The Time Line that was scheduled for April 24 and 25 was removed from the schedule due to various reasons. We made a hasty decision to add the event back into our schedule. After further examination it was apparent that we had a total of seven scheduled programs packed into five weeks. The schedule was far too aggressive, and we don't want to burn volunteers out at the beginning of our busy season. The volunteer work day was added for April 10. We will be participating in an event held by Wilmington College called a quake. The college will be sending a group of students to the Village to participate in whatever programs we decide.

This is similar to what happens during Greenup Day. There is also considerable potential in other programs with Wilmington College.

Some other programs that are fast approaching are Greenup Day, School of the Soldier, School Days and The Fair. These are the programs that will be taking place in that five week span that I mentioned earlier. We will need all hands for Greenup Day. Last year we had more than 150 volunteers on site and could have used many more of our members to help coordinate. Likewise, we need many more volunteers to assist in School Days. If you can help, please give me a call soon.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind all of our volunteers that Sunday February 28 is our Maple Syrup Brunch. We began serving the public at 11 a.m. and stop serving at 2 p.m.. We plan on holding the organizational meeting at 9:30 a.m.. We will have coffee and donuts available for the meeting. We will see you then.

Waiting List for House Parents

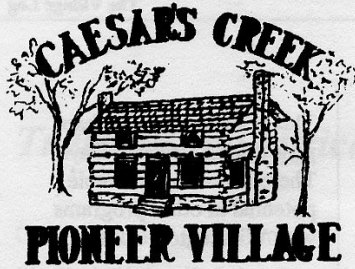
September 20, 1997 -
Mike Thompson

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Opportunity Knocks!

Would you like to dress 1800-ish and learn the fine art of hearth cooking? Do you already dress 1800-ish and know all about hearth cooking, but don't have a hearth to cook on?

If either applies, you'll want to contact Susie Dunkelberger (513-726-6314) or Larry Burns (513-523-3272) to discuss volunteer opportunities at the Bullskin Inn. They provide excellent working conditions!



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*Come join us for the Maple Syrup Tours
and Brunch on February 28.*

*Tours are 45 minutes and begin at
11 a.m., noon, 1 and 2 p.m.*

Brunch will be served 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

\$5 adults / \$2 for kids 12 and under

*Call 513-897-1120 to volunteer or for
more information.*

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