

THE VILLAGE LOG

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ANNUAL ELECTIONS SCHEDULED

Annual elections will be held at the March 1, 1983 Village meeting, at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Waynesville at 7:30 p.m. At that time a slate will be submitted by the nominating committee and nominations will be solicited from the floor. Nine Trustees will be elected; then Village officers will be elected by the Trustees.

Members are urged to attend this important meeting.

WILLING HANDS MAKE LIGHT.....²⁰¹⁵

Linda Lee and Frank Crabtree spent one recent Sunday putting away store material. Don Richards is on the construction of an old privy for the farm complex, and Homer Marsh is working on kitchen cabinets. Mic Richards, Ellen Will, Debbie Kopp and others are cleaning up the woodpile area around the gatehouse. Debbie Siva and her brother Greg cleaned up the debris around the Mills house. The two Beckies also removed the Christmas tree and decorations from the Meeting house.

LOTS OF INACTIONS REPORTED

Jim and Sharon, caretakers who are living in the Hatfield house, report a quiet December and even quieter January. They have done some additional insulation in the building and have installed a fireplace insert for heating economy.

MEMBERS ACTIVE IN WINTER

Burnett Butterworth, George Wall and others have done added work in the maintenance shed: Insulation, a work bench, a protective wall back of the heating stove. Tim Hill and Ed Simpkins have constructed a latch-and-pin arrangement that pulls the doors tightly closed.

XMAS PARTY FONDLY REMEMBERED

Described as "one of the nicest Christmas parties I've ever been to" by several persons the 1982 party the first Sunday in December was indeed a memorable and pleasant occasion for all who came.

Group carols accompanied by Jim Merrick on his guitar led off the program. Mrs. Elva Adams followed, giving a featured reading. Bob and Brenda Cox presented musical selections, playing the mandolin, dulcimer, fiddle, and psaltery to portray traditional early American music. A final carol by all closed the program.

Every one then moved to the Lukens house for desserts, coffee and spiced hot cider were served. The Lukens house was decorated with greenery and candles.

The Harveysburg and Waynesville Historical Societies again participated in the annual Christmas party.

BUTTERWORTH GIVES PROGRAM

At the last meeting, the program consisted of an array of interesting and informative slides by Burnett Butterworth of local scenes, historical aspects, natural curiosities and Ohio history.

Burnett has chaired the programs for the past year, all of which have been of excellent quality. The Village now needs a volunteer to line up ten programs for 1983.

Programs are part of the second meeting of the month (the third Tuesday), and should be about half an hour in length. The December one is the Christmas party (not Tuesday), and the March one is kept for the Village birthday observance.

INSURANCE GETS AIRING

Concerned about the high cost, inadequate coverage and outdated procedure by which the Village was buying insurance, a committee consisting of Ed Simpkins (an insurance agent), Ellen Hill, and Linda Lee, made a thorough presentation to the trustees at the January meeting. It was the recommendation of the committee that a "package policy" covering liability, fire and damage, and building contents should be purchased and this should be on a sealed bid basis.

With the voted approval of the trustees, Ellen will prepare a prospectus to mail to several firms that have had or are closely associated with insurance business at the Village. The bids will be opened Feb. 26.

Buildings that have been designated to be insured total \$106,500, contents of them to come to \$35,000; and the liability limits of Village personnel and vehicle use to \$500,000; bodily injury; \$100,000 property damage; \$1,000 medical payment each; and \$500,000 personal injury aggregate. The committee also recommended that a million dollar umbrella policy on excess liability be considered. These figures greatly expand the present coverage of the Village.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED

New recent members include Orville Cofman of Lancaster, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Shewmaker of Mt. Orab, and Helen Kresz, Cincinnati.

Mrs. Shewmaker is a descendant of the original Roades owner of the caretaker house.

Jan 21, 1983, Maple Syrup

VILLAGE GETS WANTED LAND

On January 18, 1983, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources team from Columbus, headed by Wayne Warren, met with representatives of the Village, in the maintenance shed at the Village, to inform us formally of the granting of the additional land requested some time ago. This will be for parking, farm demonstrations and for craftsmen and Villager camping during work weekend and work sessions.

This additional land, still to be confirmed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, is land requested in a fall meeting

The Village, represented by trustee Ed Simpkins, had requested the auxiliary parking field adjacent to and immediately to the southeast of the Village, land between the old fence southwest of the Village and the marina road, and a section of land a section of land across from the Inn location down an access lane to a former residence location.

All three parcels of land were granted to the Village without reservation, to be included in a new lease.

This will probably add approximately fifteen acres. Coupled with the added ravine and wooded land addition last spring and the original seventeen and one-half acres, this will bring our total to

nearly sixty acres. This will include the land where the buildings stand, the center Green, the land behind the farm complex to the marina road, the parking field, the small wedge of land where the Inn will be erected, the wooded ravine and gully land nearly to the border of the lake, and the wedge of land for camping and parking across the road from the Inn.

ODNR representatives said that the road through the hamlet of Henpeck would be closed sometime in the next few years, and a new access road across the end of the auxiliary parking field would be built which would eventually become part of a lake perimeter road. The new road would be the Village's new entrance road and come out on Route 73 on the Harveysburg bypass.

Simpkins said that it did not appear the Village would need any more land in the foreseeable future. He said that an additional parcel of land across Pioneer Village Road, which includes a small pond, may be used by the Village for overflow parking under a year-to-year agreement with park personnel.

This total Village site, bordered by the marina road, lake, private land, and a planned picnic area, will not allow future enlargement.

Simpkins, together with Becky Apostelos who did the typing, was primarily responsible for this expansion and finalization of a long-standing point of contention by the Village: Not enough land and land ill-located for Village use and growth.

PROPOSAL MADE BY COMMITTEE

The Landscape Committee chaired by Martha Martin has made a written recommendation to the Town and Country Garden Club of suburban south Dayton, to ask them to assume several projects and complete the herb garden this summer. The proposal was made to Marge Wyte, who is a member of the Garden Club as well as the Village.

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MAPLE SYRUP SEASON NEARS

Maple syrup time is just around the corner. Help is needed! Homer Marsh says he will run the furnace if others will run the sap.

As in last winter last year, about a hundred sap puckets will be hung on Village trees,

Please call 897-6546 to determine when sap season has begun, or will begin, and please plan to come out and help gather the sap. It is work and it is fun.

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SUGAR CAMP HANDS WILL BE NEEDED IN FEBRUARY

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