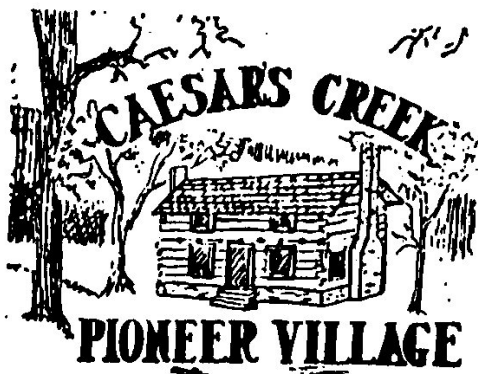
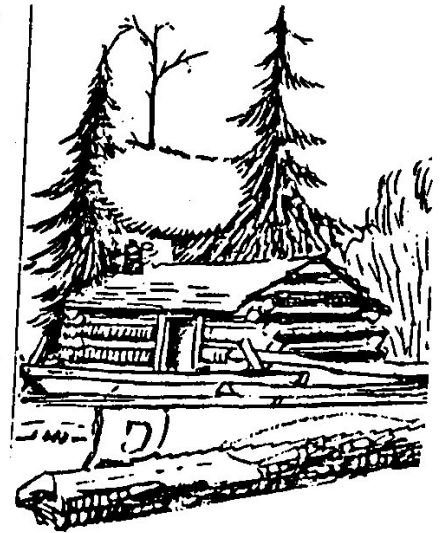




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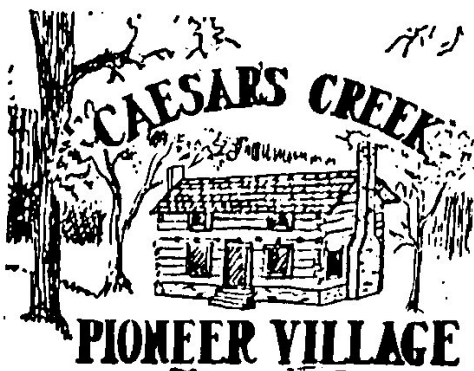
The Old Machinery Club is currently working on organizing a part in the Springfest Parade in Springboro on the 27th, of June. Anyone willing to enter a antique piece of equipment in the parade, is asked to contact Gary Breeze, parade chairman, at 897-7041 in the evenings.

Work on the Pumpkin Patch has started, and we hope to plant during the next few weeks.

Anyone wishing to purchase a Old Machinery Days T-Shirt, who did not order one last month, is asked to contact Gary Breeze, as we are opting for a second printing.

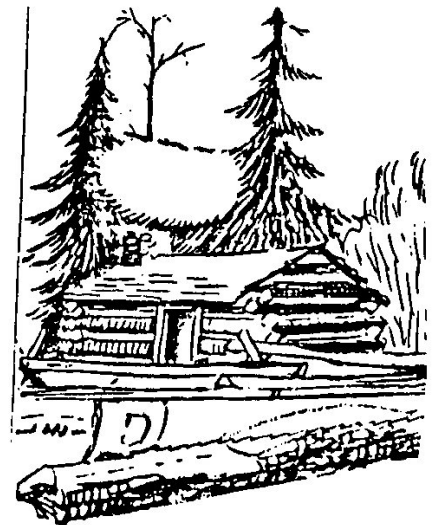
Meetings of the Old Machinery Club are continuing on the first Sunday of each month, and the time is 7:00 p.m. in the maintenance shed, at the Village.





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The Old Machinery Club is currently working on getting all the wheat picked up. Last week, members of the Club spent many hours working on binding the wheat and shocking it. We will have twice as much wheat this year to thrash as last year.

During the 4th of July weekend, providing the weather is sunny, we will be planting pumpkin seed in the pumpkin patch.

Also coming this weekend, our monthly meeting, here at the Village, at 7:00 p.m. and also the deadline for the second ordering of Old Machinery Days shirts.

The Old Machinery Days buttons have come in and are on sale at the General Store. The buttons, the first of a collectors series, depict the Lukens Cabin, and will feature a different cabin of the Village each year. The cost is \$1.00.

Work scheduals are currently being made up for the Old Machinery show, and any one interested in helping out, is asked to contact Linda Lee.

Good news in the making!!! We have recieved the logs from the Mead Corperation, and they will be delivered when we have the mill set up. This means that we will be able to use the endowment from the Village to buy the log mill from Bob Haven, and will have a mill here at the Village permantly. Bill Le May of Waynesville, has offered to supply us with enough wood to cover the mill with a building.



THE VILLAGE LOG

CAESAR'S CREEK
PIONEER VILLAGE

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MEAD PAPER COMPANY TO DELIVER

Gary Breeze, Trustee and member of the Village's Antique Farm Machinery Club, and Don Richards have recently been informed by Mr. Dudley Kircher of the Mead Paper Company of Dayton that the Mead Paper company will cut 18 logs 21 feet long and no less than 18 inches in diameter at their smallest end and deliver them to the Village sometime in the latter part of July. This is in reply to a request for help in locating and supplying logs for the Harkrader barn's deteriorated logs.

The logs will probably be either poplar or oak, and will be taken from Mead's forests in south central Ohio. Mr. Kircher says that the Mead Company is pleased to assist the Village in this manner.

Members of the Antique Farm Machinery Club will saw them and notch their ends during construction.

VILLAGE TO BUY SAWMILL

Trustees recently voted to purchase a sawmill from the Bellbrook area and set it up to the rear of the blacksmith-boiling shed area as soon as time allows.

The sawmill is the solution to the question of how to get replacement logs for the Harkrader barn. The Mead Paper company of Dayton will furnish the logs and members of the Caesar's Creek Antique Farm Machinery club will move the sawmill and set it up. A roof will probably be erected over the mandrel.

The sawmill will become a permanent part of the Village and will be used for demonstration work during public activities and festivals as well as may become involved in some custom sawing. The mill, according to Breeze, is a well-preserved antique type and is complete with all parts.

CIVIL WAR REENACTMENT SET

The next public activity set for the Village, scheduled as usual on the third weekend of the month, July 18 and 19, will be the annual civil war reenactment put on by the Army of the Cumberland out of the Cincinnati area.

Both the north and the south will be represented as in the past, and the battle will be that of Holly Springs, Missouri, the same as in the past three years.

This year it will be fought across the Village Green as a primary battle ground, using the buildings only as beginning and ending areas, unlike the past several years when the battle was fought totally around the log houses.

The usual camp life of the companies will be displayed along with weaponry, mustering, parade maneuvers, and again the undertaker and surgeon's quarters to care for the battle casualties.

The dress tea and competition among the ladies for the best-dressed will be held again on Saturday afternoon and a dress ball is planned for Saturday evening.

The ball is open only to those dressed in period costumes, men and ladies of the armies and Village personnel who may wish to attend.

Both armies will be fed Saturday evening from the Village's commissary (the big iron pot) with vegetables being contributed by participants and the meat and potatoes by the Village. Pancakes and sausages can be eaten at the barbecue building Sunday morning.

For the personnel, both army and public, a short church service will be held in the Meeting House Sunday morning at 10 AM.

Hours for visitors are the usual 10 AM to 5 PM both Saturday and Sunday. Admission fees remain at \$2 for adults and 50¢ for children under twelve.

The civil war at the Village has become somewhat of a tradition over the years and most of the previous descriptions are a listing of annual features of this annual event. It is, however a money-raising event and put on for the edification and enjoyment of the public. It is designed as a family entertainment event and should provide good entertainment for those who come to watch and visit.

MIRIAM LUKENS NOTES THANKS

Miriam Lukens, the Chairman of the recent food and music festival, wishes to thank all the people who so generously gave of their resources, food, time and energy to make it a success. She writes, "As chairman of the recent festival, I am most grateful for the help we have received from our members and some non-members, quite a few of both participating actively for the first time. There were many generous donations of food and help in serving, some of you providing both.

The workshops, the music and square dancing were excellent. The festival was pronounced a success and it was mainly because of your help. Many, many thanks."

SIX NEW PICNIC TABLES PURCHASED

Six new picnic tables were recently purchased by the Village through a Hillsboro area builder and negotiated for and brought to the Village by Gary Breeze in time for the last festival.

The tables, totally built of rot-proof "treated" wood should last for many years, and were bought to replace several that have literally fallen apart due to the hard usage and weathering they have had since they were purchased many years ago.

These tables should bring the total of tables available in the kitchen food serving area to twenty.

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Congratulations to Grandpa Sampson: 92 years young!

PIONEER FOOD ADDS ZEST

The addition of pioneer food to the traditional music festival recently held in June was a wise choice, according to the general opinion of all who attended the activities at the Village.

For several years the attendance at the music festival, a June regular, has been low or declining, and ways were discussed to enhance it so it would appeal to a broader range of guests. The suggestion of adding pioneer food became the solution to try to boost morale and attendance as well.

Miriam Lukens volunteered to assume chairmanship of the food part and Linda Lee coordinated the music part. Food was served at many places around the Village and music was heard mainly on the stage, although dulcimer music was heard continuously from the porch of the Inn as well. Miriam also secured several musical groups as well as other workshop type activities in the Meeting House both days. The two approaches worked well together.

Although attendance could not be described as "heavy" on either day, it was up significantly over last June's festival. A neat and attentive crowd of guests sampled pioneer food and heard pioneer music.

Miriam's dedication and hard work paid off according to the

feedback from the guests, and although turnip stew, pumpkin soup, hominy and sauerkraut, and other delectables among the some thirty types of food available to sample as well as the standard "old time" menu at the Village kitchen were not the usual fare found on festival weekends, most guests were seen with little white cups with a spoon sticking out of them, indicating that much sampling was going on. For a dime to a quarter a good (delicious) cup of food could be enjoyed.

Not a twinkie could be spotted anywhere!

SOFT DRINK DISPENSOR SET

At the urging of several Trustees who felt that since many of the visitors at the Village would patronize a soft drink dispenser if one were installed, it was decided to set up an outdoor dispenser on the porch of the store for the convenience of those who might be thirsty while visiting.

Gary Breeze was to see what brand of soft drink to order, and none has been set up yet. In keeping with the theme of the Village, the dispenser will be sided with appropriate wood siding so that the front will show.

It was pointed out that the revenue from the machine will help support the operation of the Village and the restoration work being carried on there.

WE ALL DREAM OF LOGS

Logs, logs, logs! Did the pioneers have so much trouble finding them? Probably not-- they just went out in the woods and cut down a few trees and drug them up to the house and built a building. Or so the history book would lead us to believe.

Actually, with all their primitive tools and equipment, they probably got along better than the Pioneer Villagers do, for logs of the kind that are needed to replace the deteriorated ones in the Harkrader barn are exceedingly difficult to come by.

To replace the logs that need replacing in this building, we must secure eighteen 21 foot long logs of at least an 18 inch diameter, solid throughout and of only a selected few types. Oak, beech, yellow poplar, walnut are about the only choice. The Harkrader barn is built of walnut logs.

The Mead Paper Company of Dayton has the supply, and they have generously agreed to cut them out of their forests in south central Ohio, haul them to the Village and deliver them to the Harkrader barn site. The members of the Caesar's Creek Antique Farm Machinery Club will take over there. Heavy equipment haulers, diesel trucks, paved roads, power track hoes, tractor and a saw mill will assist these pioneers!