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MEETING

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TRUSTEE
MEETING

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FESTIVAL

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DAY

JULY 10-11
STATEHOOD
DAYS

From The Administrator.....

May rolled in with a bang... or should I say several small booms. The Forces of Montcalm and Wolfe began arriving on April 30th. On the Morning of May 1, I awoke to find 150 French and British soldiers occupying the grounds of Pioneer Village for the School of the Soldier. It was a truly impressive site. The number of participants this year was more than double that of last year. This trend is a sign that Pioneer Village is a prime site for living history. The comments that I heard from many re-enactors, including virtually all of the leaders of the different groups, indicate that we have the potential to become one of the premier living history sites in the country. Everyone I spoke with is planning to return for the school next spring, which is already being planned. Many of the participants said that they couldn't wait until next spring. In fact, they plan to return in August to attend a "private" event which is scheduled for the 21st & 22nd. It seems the small "private" event has

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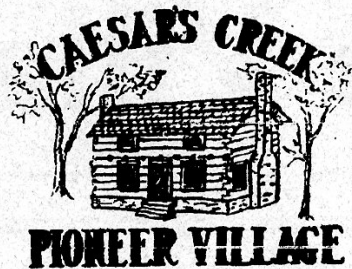
Militia - Firearms Regulations

1. Firearms of the 1793-1812 period are permitted in the Village. No other firearms are allowed without the express permission of the Village Administrator.
2. Blank charges may be fired upon certain occasions, but only with the advance permission of the Event Coordinator, Village Administrator, or the Captain of the Caesar's Creek Militia.
3. Militia members who have demonstrated firearms proficiency may carry firearms. All other members and guests must be inspected before carrying or discharging a firearm.
4. The Caesar's Creek Militia will develop and disseminate the necessary regulations to assure the safe handling and use of firearms. These regulations will generally follow those in use by prominent military re-enacting units such as the North West Territory Alliance (NWTa), the Brigade of the American Revolution (BAR), or the Forces of Montcalm and Wolfe.

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 or handwritten clearly. Please include
 your name and an evening telephone
 number.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission and purpose of the Caesar's Creek Pioneer Village Association, a non-profit organization, are as follows:

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)

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

ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS!!!!

The festivals are coming! The festivals are coming!

It's festival time again and, as usual, we need everyone to come out and play with us. Last year we worked hard and had fun and managed to pull off some rather successful events, but we had a few problems with coordination. Some people worked to the point of exhaustion while others felt "under used." Some people seemed "stuck" in the same job month after month. To address these issues we have made a few changes.

First of all, to ensure proper coordination we will be having a meeting at 9:00 am each morning of a festival before the gate opens. Due to changes in the kitchen, meal tickets will be given to workers at the morning meeting. The jobs that we will need to have covered are the gate, kitchen, restrooms, trash removal, and litter patrol. With proper coordination, no one should feel burned out and everyone should feel as if they were able to contribute to the event and also have time to enjoy the event. My personal objective is to get everything done and see that the members who do the jobs have ample time to play. To accomplish this, I need everyone here at 9:00 am.

One of the most problematic areas of the past few years concerning events and village operation has been the kitchen. Debbie Irons did a wonderful job last year in spite of health problems. It is sad that after all her time and effort, the kitchen posted a loss at the end of the year. This loss was not just financial, but also in burned out members. It is quite frustrating to work

hard preparing food for an event and then throw out 15 gallons of soup. My personal opinion is that Debbie was fighting a losing battle. The menu she was serving was labor intensive and not well received by the public. The only reason she was serving that food was because "this is what we always served." Times have changed. Thank you, Debbie for all your work last year. This year Debbie has given the kitchen over to another kitchen director. The new person in charge is my wife, Jennifer. Coming with Jennifer is a new menu and equipment, which should eliminate waste and simplify the entire kitchen operation. Our overall prices have been lowered to benefit families and boost sales. We have installed a griddle so that we can prepare sausage and eggs quickly as well as hamburgers from frozen patties in only about 8 minutes. Instead of mixing lemonade and serving it over ice in styrofoam cups, we will be serving canned pop. We have also added bagged chips and ice-cream sandwiches. We think this will be a successful strategy. Best of all, the kitchen can be run by only 4 people during the busy times and as few as 2 in slack times. This should make the kitchen a much more fun place to work. But as I stated earlier, coordination is the key.

Because of the changes in the kitchen, we will also be making changes in the way volunteers are fed at events. Last year, I ate countless leftovers from events. I think volunteers deserve better than that, and seeing as how we are trying to eliminate waste, there

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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

Rhoads/Hatfield
House -
Glen and Helen
Rhoads

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

Highway Cabin -
Dan and Debbie
Wilson and Gary
Burch

Lukens House -
Rick Rhoades and
Colleen Wegley

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

Flam Smokehouse -
Mike

Lacy Springhouse -
Don Richards

The Herb Garden
Shed - Mic
Richards

Village Kitchen -
Jennifer Hurt

Open:

Anderson Corn
Crib, Bailey
Gazebo, Barbecue
Building, Harkrader
Barn, Henpeck
Coop, Lukens
Barn, Maggie's
Coop, Meeting
House Shed, Out-
door Oven, Out-
door Stage, Sacles
Building, Sorghum/
Maple Syrup Build-
ings, Storer Shed,
The Head Shed,
Wood Storage
Building, Zoar
Building

ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS!!!!

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shouldn't be any leftovers. To make sure that all volunteers are treated equally and fairly, we will be issuing meal tickets to all the volunteers who work at a festival. The key here is work. In order to receive a ticket, any volunteer needs to sign up to cover a slot in any of the jobs listed above. We are doing this to keep things fair for all volunteers.

I know your wondering how these meal tickets work. Simple, you come to the meeting and sign up for a job and get a ticket. When you are hungry, take it to the window at the kitchen and get the food you want. How much food? I base this on my own appetite. It works out to about \$5.00 per person. This is what you can get: 2 hamburgers, a bag of chips, a can of pop, and an ice-cream sandwich. That is enough food to fill most people. We will also have coffee and drinks available throughout the day at no charge. Doesn't this sound better than leftover soup or sloppy joe? The next logical question is, "What about kids?" We won't quibble over small children, but older kids can work to earn their food as well. Announcing things around the village and litter patrols are always good jobs for kids. They can also sell ice for the kitchen. This system should keep things fair for everyone and also help the kitchen track all of the food that passes through it. Tracking inventory is necessary to make any business profitable. Let's all wish Jennifer good luck. My last question is, how many of you have ever flipped burgers at McDonalds? We need your expertise!

♦♦♦♦NOTICES♦♦♦♦

Wanted: Apprentice
Where: The Village Gift Shop

A request has been made for help in the Village Gift Shop. Amy and Dan Martin will teach you the ropes. The gift shop is open at each festival, beginning with The Fair on Caesar's Creek in May.

Call Amy Martin for information 937-438-8183.

Wanted: Apprentice
Where: The School House

Looking for someone to help Charlotte to conduct school at scheduled times during each festival. Each school session will last between 20 and 30 minutes.

Call Charlotte Wilkie for information
513-591-2926.

Waiting List for House Parents

No one waiting in line!!

**** For corrections or to be
added to the list, please
contact Kevin at
513-897-4141.**

Village Membership

Please remember to send your Village Membership applications and renewals to Shelley Pickrell.

All checks should be made to Caesar's Creek Pioneer Village.
\$10.00 = 1 year membership.

Questions, email Shelley at : smcclanaan@inetmail.att.net
Please put CCPV in subject box.

The Watched Pot - Black Iron Cooking At Caesar's Creek

A new cookbook for Caesar's Creek Pioneer Village has been published!

With our humblest gratitude to Larry Burns for all his hard work and dedication for researching these recipes. (We know he didn't mind the sample tastings either.)

Each of these recipes have been prepared by our hearth cooking demonstrators in the Bullskin Inn.

Cookbooks are being sold for \$9.95 each. To order a copy contact:

Kevin Hurt
3999 Pioneer Village Rd.
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513-897-1120

OR

Larry Burns
3200 Hamilton - Richmond Rd.
Hamilton, OH 45013
513-523-3272

THANK YOU TO THE DRAGUL GROUP!

Marc Dragul announced at the Trustees Meeting on April 13, 1999, that his firm will lead the way by making a pledge of \$1,000.00 to Pioneer Village.

This is the beginning of the Executive Council which is chaired by Miriam Lukens. In the coming weeks, we are planning a kick off brunch to initiate our fundraising campaign. Look for an announcement in *The Village Log*.

Following is a sample of one of the recipes you can find in the *The Watched Pot*.

CORN MEAL DOUGHNUTS

1/4 oz packet dried yeast, with 1 tsp. sugar
1/4 cup warm water
3 cup corn meal, divided
1 cup scalded milk
3 cups wheat flour, divided
1 cup sugar
1 nutmeg, grated
1/2 cup butter or margarine
2 eggs, beaten
Lard or oil for deep frying

- 1 Combine yeast, 1 tsp. sugar, and 1/4 cup water. Set aside until foamy.
- 2 Pour scalded milk on 2 cups (only) of the corn meal, mix well together, and set aside to cool.
- 3 Combine 2 cups flour with sugar and grated nutmeg.
- 4 Cut the butter into the wheat flour, then mix well with cooled cornmeal mixture.
- 5 Blend in beaten eggs plus yeast mixture and mix well, adding additional flour or water as necessary to make a stiff dough. Cover and set aside in a warm place until it rises to about double its bulk.
- 6 Roll out to about 1/2" thickness, cut into diamond shapes and fry in deep fat until done.



Coffee

or



Tea ?

From The Administrator.....

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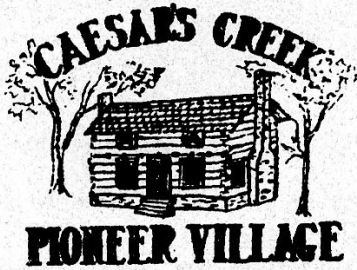
taken on a life of its own and has become a potentially major event. This is good. I wish we had time to show photos taken last weekend, but the prints are not done yet. I promise to print them in the next newsletter.

Other news of programs must include school days. School turnout is only half of what it has been in the last few years. We can easily accommodate 300 students per day and have had approximately 150 for the first two days. We have around 200 scheduled for the third day and none for the last. After talking with some of the teachers and principals, I have discovered that many teachers have used up their field trips for the year, while other schools are still playing catch-up from the snow days. On the bright side, we have had an excellent turn out of volunteers to do interpretation for the kids. I wish to thank each of you for coming out. I heard news that a school board member from Waynesville attended this week and was very pleased and impressed with the job you all did. I hope this will generate more participation in future years.

Looking ahead, we have the Fair on Caesar's Creek coming this weekend. We need all active

members to participate on either or both Saturday and Sunday. All houses need to be occupied and we need help on the gate and in the kitchen. Read more about this in the article on page 4. The Fair is shaping up to be a tremendous event this year. Rick Duvelius has been working hard to bring in quality merchants. We decided that we needed to bring in more reenactors this year and a bit fewer merchants. The last count was 30 merchants and 60 camps pre-registered. This is excellent! We have had a slew of other calls for pre-registration from the Coalition of Historical Trekkers, but because they are having a parallel event, we are not registering them. We are also expecting members of the American Long Rifle Association to show up. As far as merchants are concerned, we have some of the most well known names coming, such as Panther Primitives and Smoke & Fire. Among the craftsmen coming is Randy Wolfe of Bethel Forge. Randy is one of the finest backsmiths in the mid-west. On the entertainment side we are expecting Fare Wynds, Commonstock, and Rodney the Younger. We have something for everyone. I encourage all members far and wide to attend this event. It's great fun!

**THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE MEMBERS OF CAESAR'S CREEK
PIONEER VILLAGE ON TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 4, 1999.
7:00 P.M.
AT THE BULLSKIN INN**



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*Come join us for The Fair
at Caesar's Creek*

May 15 and 16

10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Don't forget the kiddies!

Volunteers needed for School Days

May 6, 7, 13, and 14

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