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ONE MORE MEETING IN 1984

The end of the year is usually slow at the Village with some dates held in limbo or canceled. So for the rest of the year and until regular meetings are assumed again, the trustees will meet for the last time in 1984 at the Village on December 4, in the maintenance shed. Since the first Tuesday in 1985 is New Year's Day, there will be no meeting that day either.

The first meeting for the new year will be on January 15, at St. Mary's church in Waynesville, where the meetings will be held through March.

VILLAGE SADDENED BY DEATH

Miss Eleanor Hatton, one of the original charter members of the Village, sister of Miriam Lukens, and a member who at one time assumed the responsibility of keeping track of accessions, passed away recently in Lebanon. She was retired from the Lebanon High School and a career of social work.

Those who wish to memorialize Eleanor can send their gifts to the Village for the Eleanor Hatton Fund, P.O. Box 329, or to Miriam Lukens, 204 Northwood Drive in Lebanon. Gifts so given will be used toward the Village library.

OLD MACHINERY TO SHOW

One of the new dates on the 1985 calendar (which will be mailed out with the January Log) is an antique machinery day with the cooperation of the Warren County Antique Machinery Club.

The tentative date has been set for the third weekend in August, keeping the trend of using the third weekend of each month as a special activities event.

Joe Worley is the contact person with the Antique Machinery Club.

WALKERS GIVE ANTIQUES

The Village has received several household artifacts from Dr. and Mrs. George Walker of Waynesville. These appreciated items are a flail, clothes tong, rope binder, clamp, and muffin mover. All are early American items and most are hand-fashioned.

VILLAGE APPLIES FOR CETA PERSON

Don Richards recently applied for a CETA person for the remainder of the year and part of 1985.

Informed that such a position was available, Don filed the necessary papers so that the Village will have one person for two or so hours five days a week for general maintenance and ground work. The hours will be from 3 to 5 p.m., with Linda Lee acting as supervisor. The position, not yet filled, will be open until May 1, 1985.

Richards said that much of the work will consist of building fence.

SPENDING WINTER IN STYLE

Samantha's pen is now complete and she can face the cold weather in style. The building was worked on by several people over a number of weeks, and Burnett Butterworth and Homer Marsh recently finished it by fencing and a door, manger, and feed box.

The vertically sided building has an opening to the north of an adirondack-type style. The shingle roof slopes to the south. Bedding for Samantha will be stored elsewhere. Fencing for the barnyard is to be completed.

LEE TO WORK THROUGH 1984

The trustees voted recently to employ Linda Lee as Coordinator for the rest of the year at the same rate and times as in the past. Trustees will decide what to do for 1985 when that time arrives.

VALLEY MALL SHOW GOOD ONE

The Springfield Upper Valley Mall show was a success for the Village, according to Linda Lee, who set it up and kept it going the five days the first part of November. She reported that about \$600 was grossed at the booth, and much good promotional publicity was also realized.

Those who helped tend the Village booth were: Kathy Spray, Marilyn Kegg, Calvin St. John, Mic and Don Richards, Harold and Katherine Smart, Becky Apostelos, Joe and Thelma Hatfield, Anna-frances Riddle, Frank Crabtree, Mike and Mary Archer, Burnett and Kathryn Butterworth, George Wall, Stan and Anna Belle Ireton, Joe and Miriam Worley, Scott Campbell, Roxanne King, Dianne Jones, and Norman and Katherine Minnich.

P & G ROTOTILLER TO COME

According to Joe Worley, who has acted as the purchasing agent for the Troy Built Rototiller, the tiller should be here by the last of November. The tiller has been bought with the Procter and Gamble grant secured through application by Village member Al Byrd.

AND NO ONE CAME AT ALL

A meeting for school days curriculum was to be held at the Village for and with the participating schools, but no one showed up.

VISITORS FROM MANY PLACES

Ethel Jeffers, who, with Burnett Butterworth, has been coordinating the Toll house project all summer, reported recently that a surprisingly large number of foreign and out-of-state visitors had come to the Village and signed the register. She said we have had visitors from 37 states and 15 foreign countries!

MUCH TO SHOW FOR 1984

As in the past several years, the November Issue of the Log will detail the accomplishments of the past year in this, the last Issue for 1984. The first Issue of 1985 will be for January.

1984 may not be so busy as some of the years past, but then you can be the judge by the list which follows.

During 1984, the store porch was completed and the gable end was done, taking the window out and replacing it with a solid wall. The inside of the Mills house was mudded, with some repair work on the outside. The front of the smokehouse was repaired by replacement logs in some of the front and re-mudding on the back side.

The fireplaces on the Hawkins house were completed and much of the chimney was put up. Some mudding was done on that building. Seating was set up for the stage. A pen was built for the sheep that was given to the Village. Fencing was acquired and built for the sheep and the barnyard. The blacksmith shop was put under roof and the main building was completed.

An addition was built on the front of the kitchen and screening at the slides. The Lukens barn roof was repaired and painted. Most of the Inn logs were raised and other

material was acquired for completing it. Two houses were dismantled and brought in, the Heighway house, stored in the barn and the Wright house, with logs stacked behind the store, as it will be the addition to that.

Much work was accomplished at the herb garden as it was enlarged put into further use. The counter of the Toll house was set up and that building operated as an information center for incoming visitors. Signs were made and erected in the parking lot. The remainder of the circular roadway around the green was completed. Much work was put in on the camping area, clearing, cutting, mowing and bushhogging.

The Butterworth trail was set up and marked with signs and tree and plant markers. Gates were built for the green and an orchard was put in the farm area. A new map was developed, which updated the developments and future plans.

1984 saw four major public activities: The spring festival, which was successful; the music festival, the best attended yet; a Civil War enactment, better than last year; the harvest festival, well presented and attended. In addition, the Village hosted the Winter Hike, the Volksmarsche, spring and fall sessions of school days, several weddings, many tours and field trips, the homecoming party, and

participated in the Harveysburg parade, the Clinton County corn festival, and the Upper Valley Mall crafts show in November.

For pioneering toil, two weeks of maple sugaring were done in the late winter and a crop of cane was raised and turned into molasses by September.

The Collett house got its logs straightened and set, the subfloor in, the second floor on, the roof on and the gable ends enclosed.

The not-so-obvious participation was important. Kathryn Butterworth continued in her role as Secretary with her excellent minutes. Patty Apostoles prepared a fine annual report, and kept the treasurer's job until it was assumed by Thelma Hatfield. Joe Worley acted as purchasing agent for many items, and Al Byrd secured a P&G grant for the rototiller. Jim Merrick kept the grass presentable and supervised the CETA workers through the summer. Linda Lee, the Coordinator, kept the Village functioning smoothly. Beverly Lee and Annafrances Riddle ran the store. Ethel Jefferis and Burnett Butterworth saw that the Toll house was supervised from May through October. Ethel also kept the membership job, and Elva Adams served as Accession Secretary.

These and many dozens of others kept the volunteer places filled at the daily and weekly activities and the special shows, festivals and events.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS -- SEE YOU NEXT YEAR.

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