Upcoming Programs

Wednesday, February 1, 2017, 7:30 P.M.

ATHS President Don Perry will talk about Richard Clough Anderson who fought in the Revolutionary War in the 5th Virginia Regiment. Toward the end of the war, Richard Clough Anderson was promoted to lieutenant colonel; and after the war he was appointed Surveyor General for the western lands to be distributed to Virginia veterans.

We know this area, which includes Anderson Township, as the Virginia Military District. Richard Anderson was in charge of numerous surveyors. He settled at Soldier’s Retreat near Louisville, Kentucky. Both Anderson Township and Clough Pike are named for him.


Our speaker Don Perry has deep roots in the community including the Perry, Bridges, Clark, Hawkins and Wolfangel families. His interest in local history is fostered by these ancestors, who were early farmers in Anderson. Don lives in the home his 4th great-grandfather, Richard Hawkins, built in 1838. His great-grandfather, William Wolfangel, purchased the house in 1881.

“local” girls with Doris Day from Cincinnati and Rosemary Clooney from Augusta, KY. Both their careers took off in Cincinnati. This exciting program for the Annual Dinner includes pictures and stories by Kent Rawlings, plus the vocal stylings of a talented professional singer. We’ll take a sentimental journey through the lives and songs of these two great American entertainers, taking you back to the days of big bands and the successful movies of these beloved Cincinnati stars.

The March 1, 2017 Annual Dinner will be held at the Holiday Inn Eastgate, 4501 Eastgate Blvd., Cincinnati, OH 45255, phone (513) 752-4400. Notice that this is a new location in the Eastgate area since Receptions (our former location) is no longer in business. The doors will open at 6:00 p.m.; dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. ATHS booklets will be for sale, and there will be photos and other items on display. The cost of $20 per person includes a buffet dinner of chicken, beef, potatoes, vegetable, salad, rolls, dessert and beverages. Bring your family and friends. If you need more information, call Bob King (513-474-6988). Please send the enclosed reservation form and your check payable to ATHS to ATHS, Bob King, Treasurer, P.O. Box 30174, Cincinnati, OH 45230 by the reservation cut-off February 20, 2017.

- Lyn Scheper & Lucy Moore, Program Co-chairs


ATHS meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month, 7:30 p.m. at Anderson Center, 7850 Five Mile Road, Lower Atrium, near the History Room, unless otherwise noted. Meetings are free and the public is invited. Refreshments and fellowship follow the programs. We look forward to seeing YOU at these interesting and informative meetings.
**2017-18 Membership Dues**

ATHS annual dues for the year May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018 are due on May 1, 2017. Please send along your dues payment and stay up-to-date. THANK YOU.

Please send your check to ATHS, c/o Linda Scheper, P.O. Box 30174, Cincinnati, OH, 45230 or pay at the next meeting. The rates are:

- Single $10.00
- Couple $20.00
- Family $25.00
- Patron/Corporate $300.00
- Lifetime – Single $150.00
- Lifetime – Couple $200.00

*Thank you!*

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**Election of Officers and Trustees**

The Nominating Committee (Kenny Burck, Bob King and Don Perry) will present the following slate of Officers and Trustees at the March 1, 2017 Annual Dinner Meeting. Nominations may also be made from the floor. The Slate is as follows:

- President Kenny Burck
- Vice President to be announced
- Treasurer Robert King
- Secretary Linda Magee
- Trustee (3 yr term) Lyn Scheper
- Trustee (3 yr term) Sonia Shively

**Welcome New Members**

Please welcome our new members who joined recently:

- Karen Werneke
- Harold Motz

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**SAVE THE DATE – BRING YOUR FRIENDS**

**Wednesday - April 5, 2017, 7:30 P.M.**

Our program for the evening will be “Destination Unknown: Adventures of a WWII American Red Cross Girl.” LeOna Kriesel was a 27-year-old college graduate and teacher when a fellow teacher recruited her for the American Red Cross. She jumped at the chance. From 1943-45 LeOna ran enlisted men’s social clubs in North Africa and Italy.

Our speaker Kathleen (Kathie) Cox grew up listening to her mother LeOna Cox recount her adventures during WWII as a Red Cross Girl “more times than the law allows.” But when she found a box containing her mother’s original wartime letters detailing her many adventures with her beloved GIs, she knew she had to write a book.

The book Destination Unknown is a fun look through the scrapbook like pages and letters of an American Red Cross Girl.

Join us when Kathleen Cox, a professional, author and consultant, brings these stories to life with a great deal of humor and a fresh look at a rarely examined aspect of wartime life. You’ve never glimpsed WWII from this perspective before.

- Lyn Scheper & Lucy Moore, Program Co-chairs

**ATHS E-mail Notices**

If you would like to receive e-mail reminders for all the monthly meetings, send an e-mail to athsloghouse@yahoo.com and we will add your e-mail address to the ATHS e-mail list.

**Aluminum Can Recycling**

We continue to collect Aluminum cans. Bring your cans to the monthly meetings or leave them by the Log House Outhouse or call Bill Dreyer (474-0568) and arrange for him to pick them up.
President’s Message

As we enter a new year and I am closing out my term as President, I would like to thank ATHS for the support and assistance over the last two years. The time I have spent with the Society has included some of the most rewarding moments of my life. This would not have been possible without the efforts of the Board, Officers, Committee Chairs, and Members. I hope to support the Society in coming years to the extent of my abilities.

We have accomplished much in recent years. The physical condition of the properties is approaching “excellent.” The Log House and grounds are stable, well maintained, safe, and attractive. The recent addition of a fire and intrusion alarm system should help assure many more years of service to Anderson Township. Likewise, the Brick House appearance has been enhanced by painting and improvements to the landscaping. Many hands have been involved in accomplishment of the improvements.

The community outreach programs continue to prosper. We had higher average attendance at more open houses. We again had successful plant sales and Country Stores. Plus, we added a new activity by participating in the Anderson Garden Tour. The educational activities have included new displays, the acceptance and integration of new accessions, better archival storage of our records and additions to our document collections. Again, the credit goes to the many volunteers who made this happen.

Looking forward, we still have challenges. The Clough Pike barn near the Log House is in need of stabilization and repair. The roof is sound but the exterior walls and framing need serious attention. Likewise, the other barnyard structures near the Log House are starting to require attention to the roofs and siding. The Bartels Road property continues to be a puzzle. We removed a couple of structures before they fell but the buildings and landscape continue to deteriorate. As a Society, we must decide what our vision for this property is and then determine an appropriate plan of execution. Finally, we need to continue to pay attention to the financial side of ATHS. Our current condition is excellent but we should always explore ways to modify and continue our fund raising efforts and improve the return on our investments. All-in-all, it is by no means an easy road forward.

Again, thank you for your support (and challenges). I am looking forward to more years of participation and learning.

- Don Perry, President

The Dave Vogel Landscape Company trimmed the trees overhanging the Brick House in October 2016.

Mike Bottom scraped and painted the wood trim on the Brick House along the south side of the house.

Some large dead trees on the Bartels Road property were cut down and trimmed into pieces by Vogel Landscape Co. Photos by Janet Heywood.
Accessions 2016

The ATHS is exceedingly grateful for donations of items of interest to the Historical Society. Here is a condensed list of the accessions donated or purchased for the ATHS collections in 2016. Since the early 1970s, ATHS has followed the practice used by historical societies and museums, both large and small, of assigning accession numbers to items added to the collections. The accession number consists of a trinomial: “the year. the lot number. the item number.” This number is permanently affixed to the item and is recorded in the master sets of Accession Volumes.

2016.1.1 - 3 Collection from the Centennial Celebration for Mt. Washington village in 1967 (plates, wooden nickels and badges), donated by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lowery

2016.2.1 - 27 Collection of documents relating to the operations of the Second Brigade, First Division of the Ohio Militia in the 1840s. Gen. P. P. Turpin (1818-1848) was the commander. Donated by Rob Graves

2016.3.1 Notebook of ATHS Secretary Minutes from March 16, 2011 to December 5, 2012. Handouts given out at meetings included. Donated by Linda Magee

2016.4.1 “Markley Cemetery at Five Mile Chapel” Notebook prepared and donated by Louise Markley Wynee. Includes a sketch map of the cemetery, alphabetical listing of all known burials with birth and death dates and photos of the gravestones.

2016.5.1 - 62 Images (jpegs) taken and donated by Nancy Krueger on June 5, 2016 during the Log House Open House when the Log House was one of the stops on the Anderson Township Garden Tour

2016.6.1 Antique wooden cradle crib, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Gerwe (placed on display in the Log House)

2015.7.1 - 7 Andersonian yearbooks: 1934, 1935, 1936; Anderson High School diploma and related clippings, once owned by Margaret Louise Henke (Patten), donated by Judy Stewart

2015.8.1 - 28 Collection of items gathered by ATHS member Nancy McClure includes history books, yearbooks from Terrace Park High School: 1942 and 1944-1956, yearbooks from Denison University: 1950, 1952 & 1953 and a carry bag with the Anderson Township est. 1793 logo, donated by Dave McClure

2016.9.1 Indian Head Penny (dated 1901), found in the donation box at the Log House

2016.10.1 Moss Shedder, manufactured by Fred Franke & Co. of Louisville, KY in the early 1900s. Spanish moss was processed and used as filling for upholstered products.

2016.11.1 Antique Wooden Chest, donated by the Scheper family (on display in the Log House, used as a base for surveying display)

2016.12.1 Biography of Henry Clay by George Prentice, published in 1831, a book of this title was owned by Ichabod Benton Miller. Purchased for display.

2016.13.1 New System of Mercantile Arithmetic, adapted to the Commerce of the United States by Michael Walsh, published in 1825, a book of this title was owned by Ichabod Benton Miller. Purchased for display.

2016.14.1 - 7 Collection of materials that an 18th century surveyor such as Ichabod Benton Miller might have owned and used. Includes Geodasia by John Love (1796); A System of Geometry and Trigonometry by Abel Flint (1808); A Treatise of Practical Surveying by Robert Gibson (1789 edition and a rebound 1798 edition); antique Jacob’s Staff used by pioneer surveyors; antique surveyor’s 2-pole chain (48 links and 2 handles, 2 rods length); and antique surveyor’s compass (dates to 1790s). Purchased for display.

2016.15.1 Washboard, Columbus Washboard Co., 8.5 x 18.5 inches. Text on washboard: “Ideal for silks, hosiery and lingerie or handkerchiefs. Just the right size to fit in a bucket, pail or lavatory,” donated by Helen Fehn

2016.16.1 - 2 Framed Displays of early papers from Anderson District Schools from 1880s & 1890s, donated by Richard Toepfer, FHSD


2016.18.1 - 100 Collection of materials gathered by Lois Berk Hight includes the wedding dress of Mary Mathews Markley (1831-1878), booklets, clippings, a scrapbook, photos from the Johnson, Markley and Hight families, donated by Jim and Bonnie Hight.

2016.19.1 - xx Various household items, donated by Carol Kortekamp
Photos Tell Stories
Since ATHS was founded in 1968, the Society has been collecting images that illustrate the history of the Anderson area and the lives of those who have lived here. Looking forward to the 50th anniversary of ATHS and the 225th anniversary of Anderson Township in 2018, we are working with Arcadia Press to produce a book of historical images, “Anderson Township, Ohio,” as one of Arcadia’s “Images of America” series. Our goal is to have a first draft completed this March. ATHS is still actively collecting images. If you would like to share your photos, we can arrange to scan them. Please contact Janet Heywood, ATHS Research Chair, at ATHS, PO Box 30174, Cincinnati, Ohio 45230, leave a message at the ATHS office phone at 513-231-2114 or email us at picapia@msn.com or at Research@AndersonTownshipHistoricalSociety.org.
- Janet Heywood, Research Chair

OHRAB GRANT 2016
In 2016 Anderson Township Historical Society was pleased to receive project support from the Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board (OHRAB) through funding from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission, National Archives and Records Administration. ATHS received an OHRAB grant of $1,478 to help ATHS in preserving a significant collection of records relating to the family histories of those who settled the area and who have lived here over the last two centuries. The funds were specifically earmarked to purchase archival-quality supplies for the storage of these records. The project has both helped to preserve these documents and also facilitated the use and accessibility of these important resources.

The materials include family sheets and documents such as letters; photographs; newspaper clippings; cemetery records; and items from churches, schools, social organizations and businesses. The papers are organized and stored in labeled archival file folders within archival document cases, supported by internal case dividers. Original documents, fragile items and photographs were placed in polyester sleeves and in polypropylene and polyethylene envelopes. Newsprint clippings were photocopied onto Permalite 20# paper. During the transfer, many paper clips were removed. Guides to collections care caution against the use of metal paper clips; removing the paper clips from these papers reinforced this rule. Clips used as recently as 2003 already produced rusty imprints.

We created first-round finding guides to these collections in the form of Excel spreadsheets, tallying 8,648 items (where “an item” refers to single sheets as well as bound booklets). Our spreadsheet for the family history papers reveals 977 primary surnames used for filing. Over 200 items, including photographs and samples of letters, cards, wills, land records, tax receipts and such brochures as 1870s seed catalogues, were scanned.

- Janet Heywood, Research Chair

WHERE DID THAT COME FROM?
Those who possess hidden information or special knowledge that gives them an advantage over others may be said to have the "inside track", but where did the term originate? The answer to this question is simple and may seem somewhat obvious. For centuries it had been known that in a race on an oval or circular track, the inside position closest to the middle of the race track, had the shortest distance to run. This naturally provided a distinct advantage to the one on the inside track. This term easily made the jump from racing to everyday usage.

Hope you have the inside track throughout the new year.
- Lou Trent

Clough United Brethren Church Sunday School, May 8, 1921.

Coney Island Race Track, 1925-26. This first-class track operated in the summer seasons of 1925 and 1926. Later in the 1930s it reopened and was known as River Downs. Today it is the site of Belterra Park. Photo donated by Ernie Purdon. Article from the New York Times, July 25, 1926: “Cincinnati. July 24. Crusader is Victor in Cincinnati Derby - A king of the thoroughbreds was crowned here this afternoon. Crusader received a marvelous reception from 35,000 racing enthusiasts as he trotted back to the judges' stand.”
Log House Yard Update

I would like to thank everyone who came to help prepare the Log House landscape area for the winter, we got quite a bit done. We used the white pine needles as mulch to protect our plants. We worked on getting potted some perennial plants to be sold at the Log House Plant Sale in May 2017. Our perennial/tree/bush experts helped to guide us.

Spring bulbs were planted in front of the Brick House as well as shrubs. Our goal is to make our many garden areas more manageable.

Nancy Krueger planting bulbs in front of the Brick House.

The gardening group drew up a proposal of our plans and ideas and organized the yard into nine garden areas. We have been looking for volunteers to be responsible for just one garden spot, maintaining whatever it needs: pruning, mulching, watering, etc. We need a few more volunteers.

A library of gardening books has been set up on the bottom shelf of the bookcase as you enter the “gar den level” of the Brick House. Don Perry has made us a compost/debris storage box on east side behind the Brick House. We do have a pile of wood mulch next to Bartels Road barn that was donated by Bill Dreyer and Sue Wettstein. A greatly appreciated donation was made by ATHS member Leniegh Schrinar of Riverton, Wyoming, to purchase more plant labels for our gardens.

The following volunteers are on the Garden Planning Committee: Diane Schneider, Deb Ruehiman, Sonia Shively, Sharon Perry, Janet Hawkins, Kathy Hoelscher, Meredith Roos, Nancy Krueger and Ann King (chair).

Come spring, we need to have our volunteers recruited and begin to prepare for the May Plant Sale (Jan Hawkins, chair) and the Anderson Township Garden Tour. The ATHS Plant Sale will be Saturday, May 13. The Garden Tour is usually early in June on a Sunday. The Garden Tour needs volunteers for many activities in addition to gardening. For example, we serve refreshments so we need cookie makers and servers; we need host/hostess to welcome visitors and to pass out plant information and need docents for Log House.

The ATHS Plant Sale (May 13) welcomes donations of peony, Jack in Pulpit, wildflowers and other perennials plants to sell. If you know of any available, please let us know. In April, we will have some blooming Winter Aconites (yellow blooms) and Snow Drops (white blooms) for sale, if you are interested in purchasing any, call Jan Hawkins at 231-7078. They are beautiful and a great addition to a garden.

- Ann King (513-231-9557, cell 315-1629)

With Deepest Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy goes to member Kenny Burck and his family on the loss of his mother on December 31, 2016.

Join the Kroger Community Rewards Program and Support ATHS!

If you’re a Kroger shopper, there’s no easier way to support the Society than registering for the Community Rewards Program and using your Kroger Plus Card. Once you have enrolled online, you will benefit us each time you shop at Kroger and use your Plus Card. ATHS received $483.87 in 2016 from the Kroger Community Rewards Program thanks to members already registered.

If you have not registered, please do so and remember that everyone has to renew each year in April to continue in the program so we can continue to receive contributions from Kroger.

To register visit www.krogercommunityrewards.com Click Cincinnati Ohio and follow the step by step instructions. Enter agency number 80156 or Anderson Township Historical Society.

Thank you for supporting ATHS and spread the word to your families, neighbors and friends!

Ann King and Sonia Shively busy at the November 5, 2016 Fall Clean-up Day at the Log House.
Log House – Open Houses

It was a very busy year sharing our Log House and surroundings with the community. Second grade students with their parents stopped by, working to complete the History Challenge they had received at the “History to Schools” days at Anderson Center. Mercer Elementary third graders with their teachers and parents walked down the hill for a tour of the Log House in late May.

Visitors attended Open Houses on the first and third Sundays from April through October in 2016. Gardeners on the Anderson Township garden tour on June 5 enjoyed our gardens as well as the Log House. Summer school groups, scout troops and other groups scheduled tours too. All seemed to enjoy their visits and marvel at our treasure.

Volunteers are needed to continue to share the love of history. Training and a handbook will help you feel confident. Plus we learn from each other with on the job training. Please consider becoming a guide for our log house and property for this year. Open Houses will be held on the first and third Sundays of the month from May through October.

Call Diane Schneider at 232-6552.

- Diane Schneider, Projects Chair

Visitors at the Log House in recent years:

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“History to Schools” Project in 2017

Once again this spring, members of ATHS will join the Anderson Township employees to present “History to Schools” to second graders in the Forest Hills School District and third graders from IHM Elementary School. Volunteers from ATHS show the students our History Room, explain a day in a one room school, exhibit artifacts showing life then and now, and present facts about early settlers of our community. Each year we receive feedback from teachers, parents, and students expressing their interest and appreciation for the enjoyable day spent at the Anderson Center learning history.

Volunteers are needed to make these experiences informational to all. Please consider helping us share a love of history.

Guides in the History Room, teachers, and timekeepers are needed. Lesson plans, outlines, and instructions are provided. If you can help on any of these dates, please contact Diane Schneider 232-6552.

Mercer second graders. Wednesday, April 5, 2017
Maddux second graders. Thursday, April 20, 2017
Wilson second graders, Monday, April 24, 2017
Summit second graders. Friday, April 28, 2017
IHM third graders. Wednesday, May 3, 2017
Ayer second graders, Monday, May 22, 2017
Sherwood second graders, Thurs., May 25, 2017

Nancy Meyer, Diane Schneider and Linda Magee (l to r) at the Log House, ready for the arriving third-graders visiting from Mercer Elementary School, May 27, 2016. Photos by Janet Heywood.
Mark Your Calendars

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Remember members are invited to attend Board Meetings if they wish. Board Meetings are held at the ATHS Brick House, 6550 Clough Pike.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK . . .
There is no such thing as a bad day; some days are just better than others. - Lou Trent

Member Meetings Snacks
Thanks to all of you for making the Christmas cookie exchange successful for yet another year. Special thanks to those who may have helped in organizing, setting up or making a meeting snack throughout the year: Marty Burnes, Jackie Canter, Helen Fehn, Elaine Ritter, Michael Rhein, Lyn Scheper and Bev Robinson. Sorry if I missed anyone slipping their dessert onto our snack table. If you are interested in sharing your favorite treat or party table invention, please contact Sharon Perry at (513)-231-4304. Thanks again, Sharon.

Thanks for Your Service
Bill Dreyer, Ann King, Bob King, Lucy Moore, Don & Sharon Perry, Linda Scheper, Diane Schneider and Lou Trent for contributing to this issue. And to Linda and George Scheper for printing envelopes for the Surveyor.

Many thanks to those members who served as docents for the History Room in November and December 2016 and January 2017: Janet Heywood, Lucy Moore, Sharon and Don Perry, Michael Rhein, Bev Robinson and Charlie Wallace.

Adopt a Roadway/Road Cleanup 2017
The Historical Society has joined forces with Anderson Township and continues to participate in the “Adopt a Highway” program. We are helping to keep roads and areas litter free. 2017 will be the sixth year for the Society to participate in the program. We are responsible for keeping clean both sides of Bartels Road from Newtown Road to Clough Pike and Clough in front of the Log House to Royalgreen. The Township supplies gloves, bags, vests and T shirts, and pickup tools for our use. The bags of trash are left at the roadside and the Township picks them up. The Township will provide liability release forms for each participant. There is a sign in front of our parking lot which gives us recognition for our work.

Please plan to support this worthwhile project this year. Here are the dates for 2017: Sat. January 21; Sat., April 22; Sat., July 22 and Sat., October 22. Add them to your calendars. We will start at 9:00 a.m., cleaning our adopted roads. Please come and join in, for the more we have working the easier it will be for all. For additional information, contact Bill Dreyer 474-0568.

Visit the History Room This Winter
Come visit the History Room during its open hours: Sunday and Wednesday afternoons, 1 to 4 p.m., and Tuesday evenings, 6 to 8:30 p.m. Learn about the history of Anderson through photos, hands-on exhibits and artifacts. Lower Level, Anderson Center, 7850 Five Mile Road. The History Room is a joint project of ATHS and Anderson Township. Volunteers from ATHS staff the History Room.

Part of the Now and Then Display in the History Room. Can you identify the locations?