Abraham
Lincoln:
A Man of His Time,
A Man for All Times

An exhibit focusing on the life, accomplishments, and legacy of one of the most revered figures of American history.

May 2nd -
May 28th

Wednesdays-Saturdays: 10am-5pm
Sundays: 1pm-5pm

Admission: $2.00 adults/$1.00 children ages 5-11
Children 4 and under and Museum Members are Free
Notes from the Executive Director

By William J. Dichtl

The earlier than anticipated spring (or on some days “summer”) causes us to be hopeful for an increase in visitation this year. We kicked off the year with an exhibit opening reception on March 16th for the First Ladies of Fashion exhibit. Board President, Wayne Purintun greeted 36 people attending this wonderful evening, of whom, were heard to make positive comments throughout the evening. Many times I noticed two or more would gather in front of gown and talk about what they liked about it or which one was their favorite. I also observed guests sitting at a table or standing together with food and drink, talking and enjoying themselves, in no hurry to leave. Special thanks go to Sonya and Jerry Kirkland, Susan Gordy, and Addison and Jean Clipson for overseeing the food and drink.

I have borrowed this exhibit four times at two different museums; and, I can say with confidence, the exhibit has never looked better than it does now at the Village. Thank you goes to Dorothy Moenich, Lisa Egan, Shelly Gregg, and to Kathy Luhn for their help in setting up the exhibit. The exhibit is open for viewing until June 17th, $2.00 adults, $1.00 for children 5-11, and free for members and those under 5.

April is volunteer month. We have 172 volunteers who help in many areas of the Village. They give guided tours, staff the buildings during special events, serve on committees and the board, provide office help, work on exhibits and collections, get their hands dirty with the landscaping, and so much more. The exhibit opening and exhibit installation benefitted from the work of seven volunteers. I would like to say “Thank you” to 172 volunteers for all you do to make the Village a great place and help us carry out our mission to engage, enrich, educate, and entertain people of all ages, interests, and backgrounds.

Enjoy your spring and we hope to see you at the Village soon!

Guests at the opening reception of the First Ladies of Fashion Exhibit held March 16, 2012.
Upcoming Programs

First Ladies “First Impressions” Programs

Imagine how fascinating it would be to meet one of history’s most influential and often misunderstood women. Heritage Village Museum will be holding four “first-person” programs that take an in-depth look into the lives of four of the nation’s most revered First Ladies. Abigail Adams, Dolley Madison, Mary Todd Lincoln, and Eleanor Roosevelt will be featured in their own evening of humor, tears, and enlightenment. These “First Impressions” programs are presented by Jessica Michna, who offers a compelling portrayal of the women who shared the White House during some of America’s most perilous times.

All programs are $17.00 for members and $20.00 for non-members and include a delicious dessert sponsored by Grand Finale. Programs will begin at 7:00pm in the Hayner House.

Abigail Adams
March 30th
Sponsored by PNC Bank

Dolley Madison
April 20th
Sponsored by Marshall Tucker & Winkie

Mary Todd Lincoln
May 11th
Foster in honor of the Presidents of the National Society of Colonial Dames of American in Ohio

Eleanor Roosevelt
June 8th
Dessert sponsored by:

Civil War Program Series

In conjunction with the “Abraham Lincoln, A Man of His Time, A Man for All Times” exhibit that will be on display in May, Heritage Village Museum is proud to present a series of programs that will feature some of the most critical and history-changing moments of the Civil War. These programs are free to the public, and are sponsored, in part, by the Ohio Humanities Council, a state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities and will take place in the Hayner House.

Abraham Lincoln and the Gettysburg Moment-April 25th at 7:00pm
Ride the rails with Lincoln as he travels to Gettysburg, completes his famous Gettysburg Address, and then delivers the most admired and most important speech in American history. Professor Marin P. Johnson of Miami University will be our guide as we look into the mysterious and controversial story of the speech that changed the course of the Civil War and transformed our vision of ourselves.

Shadow Wars-June 13th at 7:00pm
Behind the Union’s unwavering stance and celebration of all who marched into glory in a war fought on distant battlefields in the South was an unspoken division of political warfare that plowed up Ohio’s middle ground, dividing communities large and small. Professor Christopher Phillips of the University of Cincinnati will show how this “shadow war” was far more than a simple battle of ballots.

Defending the Union-September 12th at 7:00pm
Historian and author Ray E. Boomhower of the Indiana Historical Society will examine the role citizen soldier Lew Wallace played for the Union during the Civil War. He will trace Wallace’s rise from commander of the Eleventh Indiana Volunteer Infantry Regiment, his early successes in battle against Confederate forces, his promotion to major general and his fall from grace at the Battle of Shiloh. Boomhower will then explore how Wallace resurrected his reputation by successfully defending Cincinnati from a threatened Confederate attack.
Volunteer Spotlight

KATHY LUHN

There are not too many of our volunteers left who can say they have been associated with the Village for over half of its existence. That is not the case for Kathy Luhn, who has been connected with the Village for over twenty years, including many years as a staff member and most currently, as a volunteer. Kathy, who was once our Collections Administrator, is currently working with two NKU interns on a variety of collections projects including the inventory of the buildings and updating the clothing collections records. She is also working to organize all of Dr. Langdon’s documents and helped with the exhibit set-up in the Hayner Ballroom.

Kathy is a native Cincinnati west-sider, who ended up moving to the north side when she got married. She has a B. A. in Spanish Education, a B. S. in Education, a Masters Degree in Public History, a certificate in Public History and a certificate in Historic Preservation, all from the University of Cincinnati.

Now that her husband Ed has retired, they enjoy traveling together to go visit their four grown sons (all of which are Eagle Scouts—an accomplishment for which Kathy is very proud!) and three amazing grandchildren. Their family is spread out between Denver, Chicago, Cleveland, and most locally, Morrow.

When she is not here at the Village or traveling, Kathy also teaches swimming lessons at the Powell Crosley YMCA and is the Secretary/Treasurer of the Ladies Living History Society in Cincinnati. She also loves to sew, especially Civil War era reproduction clothing. She is the official seamstress to five vintage base ball teams!

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Opening Saturday
May 5th

Join us as we welcome the Ohio Valley Region Model “A” Club and the Antique & Classic Car Club of Hamilton who will be displaying their vehicles in the Village!
In addition, both vintage base ball teams will play the Wood Co. Infirmary Inmates!
$5 adults/$3 children (5-11)
Children 4 and under and Members are Free
**Vintage Base Ball at the Village** - submitted by Bill Dieckmann

On a few selected weekends from May through September you can see base ball (2 words in the nineteenth century) as it was played in 1869. The Cincinnati Red Stockings and Cincinnati Buckeyes re-create the game wearing authentic uniforms, using authentic equipment, and playing by the rules and customs of the day.

Both teams play their home games at Heritage Village Museum (www.heritagevillagecincinnati.org) and are members of the Vintage Base Ball Association (www.vbba.org), a national organization of approximately 70 teams whose mission is to preserve, perpetuate, and promote the game of base ball as it was played in its formative years, primarily the 1860’s. The Red Stockings and Buckeyes have been in existence since 2000, and each team plays approximately 40 games a year at venues throughout the Midwest and East from Minnesota to Connecticut, including an annual 3 inning exhibition at Great American Ballpark.

There are about 35 club members, ranging in age from 20’s to 60’s. The club supports itself by dues from the members. The players pay all of their own travel expenses, and buy their own uniforms. The uniforms are custom made, as close as possible to the specifications of the 1860’s clubs. The ball is made to the specifications of the day, a little larger than a modern baseball, and about the same weight.

The players are playing strictly for the love of the game, and are always anxious to answer questions about the rules or customs. It is not unusual to see players pitching to young spectators, trying a wooden bat for the first time, after the game.

Every year the club hosts the Queen City Vintage Base Ball Festival, a six team event played on the second Saturday of June at the Heritage Village Museum. Each team plays three games, but there is no champion. It is played strictly for the fun of playing the game, and to celebrate the great game of base ball, as it was played in its early years.

At the vintage game you will see gentlemanly conduct from the players (sometimes called “ballists”). Both teams will introduce themselves to the spectators before the game, and will formally congratulate each other after the game. You may see both teams shout “Huzzah” for a fine defensive play by a fielder. You may see the umpire ask a spectator, or even a player, for assistance in making a close call. You will not see players wearing gloves, they had not become popular yet.

Bases are 90 feet apart, just like today. Pitching is underhand, the pitcher stands between two 6 foot wide lines 45 feet and 51 feet from the home base. The “striker” (batter) must stand astride a line drawn through home base, and he is not permitted to overrun first base. The catcher stands back and catches the ball on a bound. Balls and strikes are called only after an appropriate warning by the umpire, if a pitcher or striker is delaying the game. A foul ball is not a strike, but a foul ball caught on one bound is an out. Ballists may be heard to inspire each other by shouting “strike well” (get a hit), or “leg it” (run hard), or “good ginger” (smart play or good effort). Players may be fined for spitting, cursing, or any other ungentlemanly conduct.

For full schedules and more information see www.cincyvbb.com.
Heritage Village Museum
Annual Membership Information
Individual Membership.........$30.00
Family Membership.............$50.00

Membership Includes:

- Free admission to the Heritage Village Museum during normal operating hours and all special events.
- 10% discount in the Village Gift Shop!
- Members-only pricing on Kids Summer Day Camps, Kids Activity Saturdays and Adult Workshops.
- Quarterly Newsletter

Sign up to be a member today!
Call (513) 563-9484 or download a membership form at www.heritagevillagecincinnati.org

Heritage Village Museum
Volunteer Information
Have you always wondered how you can become a volunteer at the Village? It’s easy! Just call the office at (513) 563-9484 to get more information!

HVM is always looking for volunteers to help in the following areas:
Gift Shop/Admissions
Tour Guides
Education Programs
Special Events
Office Work
Maintenance

We also have a wonderful Junior Volunteer program for kids ages 10-18! Call for more info.

Donation forms are now available for download at www.heritagevillagecincinnati.org
Please consider a tax-deductible gift for Heritage Village Museum in 2012!

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\text{Saturday 10:00am-5:00pm/Sunday 10:00am-3:00pm}
\text{BATTLES BOTH DAYS AT 2:00PM}
\text{Admission: $7.00 adults/$4.00 children (ages 5-11)}
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Get details on the First Ladies of Fashion Exhibit and all of our upcoming events and programs at:
www.heritagevillagecincinnati.org
2012 Calendar of Events**

January
21st-Adult Volunteer Meeting 10am

February
11th-Kids Activity Saturday 9am
11th-Junior Volunteer Meeting 12:30pm
25th-Adult Volunteer Meeting 10am

March
10th-Kids Activity Saturday 9am
10th-Junior Volunteer Meeting 12:30pm
17th-First Ladies of Fashion Exhibit Begins
24th-Adult Volunteer Meeting 10am
30th-Abigail Adams Program 7pm

April
20th-Dolley Madison Program 7pm
21st-Adult Volunteer Meeting Noon-4
25th-Gettysburg Moment Program 7pm
29th-Vintage Base Ball Opening Day 1pm
30th-Abraham Lincoln Exhibit Opens

May
2nd-Village Opens for Tours
5th-Model A & Model T “Drive-In”
11th-Mary Todd Lincoln Program 7pm
16th-Emancipation Proclamation Program 7pm
19th & 20th-Civil War Weekend

June
8th-Eleanor Roosevelt Program 7pm
9th-Free Open House/Base Ball Festival
13th-Shadow Wars Program 7pm
18th-22nd-Kids Summer Day Camp Week 1-Pioneer Camp

July
2nd-Endangered Cincinnati Exhibit Begins
11th-Endangered Cincinnati Program 7pm
9th-13th-Kids Summer Day Camp Week 2-Doll Camp
23rd-27th-Kids Summer Day Camp Week 3-Pioneer Camp

August
22nd-Living Like Kings Program 7pm

September
12th-Defending the Union Program 7pm
22nd & 23rd-Fall Harvest Festival
30th-Village Closes for Tours

October
12 & 13, 19 & 20, 26 & 27-Haunted Village

December
TBA-Holidays in the Village

**Please check website for event details and pricing: www.heritagevillagecincinnati.org

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