Letter from the Executive Director

Summer is upon us and the state mandates have been lifted as of June 2. I have seen an increase in visitation as more people get their vaccinations. It is time to get out and enjoy the various programs we have to offer at the Village. The first event is the June 12 and 13 Marching Through Time: A Military Timeline. We will have reenactors from the Roman Legion through WWII camped in the Village. This event was planned for 2020 but was cancelled due to COVID. Inside this issue you will see some of the other upcoming events.

In May, we were notified that we received a $20,000 grant from the Charles H. Dater Foundation. These funds will be used to purchase education supplies, pay the summer camp counselor, and assist with Education Director, Steve Preston’s, salary. We are grateful for the long-time support of the Charles H. Dater Foundation.

I am happy to report that Benedict Cottage has an upgraded electrical system courtesy of the financial support of Mark and Marilyn Meckes, as well as Bill Schott. This work was needed and allowed for the McAlpin Clock to be put back in service. The four clock faces are once again giving off light in the Village at night.

The Myers Schoolhouse received electric service earlier this year. Then work began on the restoration of the interior. The floor joists were given additional bolts and leveled before the subfloor was added. Stairs to the basement have been built and a partition wall added. On the wall will be a slate chalkboard donated by Mount Saint Joseph University. More work is needed on the school, as is additional money. To help with the fundraising we will be hosting an online event on July 10 that will include talks about what work has been done and what needs to be done, some history of the school, the role the Hamilton County Retired Teachers Association had in the school coming to the Village, and a first-person presentation of 1890 teachers. We will have an auction where you can bid on wonderful items and/or donate for the Myers Schoolhouse Renovation. More information about this event will be coming soon.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Village with your family and friends.
First Person Programs

Our First Person Program series will run on Friday evenings July through August. Each program begins at 7:00 p.m. and includes dessert. Advance registration is required. Call 513-563-9484 to register. The cost for each program is $17 for members and $20 for non-members. Attend three or more programs to take advantage of special pricing.

**Jun. 9 - Jean Rankin**
Jean Lowry Rankin was an abolitionist and pioneer in the antislavery movement who assisted formerly enslaved people in their journey to freedom along the Underground Railroad.

**Jun. 16 - John Cleves Symmes**
Judge John Cleves Symmes purchased a land grant of 2 million acres between the Miami rivers and, along with the first pioneers, founded the first settlements that would grow into the river port of Cincinnati.

**Jul. 30 - James and Dolley Madison**
The Madisons will discuss their early lives, James’ political career culminating in serving as U.S. President, and significant historic events.

**Aug. 6 - Laura Ingalls Wilder**
Laura Ingalls Wilder will reflect back on her life and experiences and how they shaped her “Little House” book series.

**Aug. 13 - Aaron Burr**
After his duel with Alexander Hamilton, Burr heads west and conspires to carve a new nation out of Ohio, Kentucky, the Louisiana Purchase, and Mexico.

**Aug. 20 - Martha Washington**
Martha Washington was known for her great love and dedication to her family. Her style and social graces made her one of the true great ladies of her time.

Gen. John Hunt Morgan led the longest raid of the Civil War through Kentucky and Indiana and across Ohio.

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*Jun. 19, Jul. 17, Aug. 21 & Sept. 18*
*Noon, 1:30 p.m., and 3 p.m.*

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**Quilted Treasures**
*Jul. 22 - 23 12 - 8 p.m.*
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Free Days
Aug. 11 - 14 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Aug. 15 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Free Days at the Village is the perfect chance to experience the Village for FREE. You will be able to enter several buildings and learn about the history of Ohio in the 1800’s through demonstrations. Plein Air artists will paint scenes of the Village on Aug. 14 and 15.

Period Dinners
Aug. 25 & Nov. 17
6 - 9 p.m.

Join us for a Period Dinner and sample some 18th and 19th century cuisine. You will enjoy a candle-lit dinner. Education Director, Steve Preston, will prepare the meal and give guests background into the history and preparation of each dish. The cost is $35 per person. Reserve your seat by calling 513-563-9484.

Exhibits

Transferware Exhibit
Feb. - Aug.
Transferware is a china decorating style which began in the late 1700s in Staffordshire, England. It was a beautiful, yet affordable pottery made for the emerging middle class.

Nancy Ford Cones Photography Exhibit
Apr. - Aug.
Nancy Ford Cones was an early photographer who lived in Loveland, OH. Her pictorial style photographs depicting country life earned her many awards. Her photography was shown in art galleries around the world.

Northwest Ordinance - 1787 Exhibit
Aug. - Sept., 2022
On July 13, 1787, Congress enacted the Northwest Ordinance of 1787, which chartered a government for the Northwest territories, laid out plans for how to add new states, and established a bill of rights for settlers in the territory.

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Hello Volunteers!

Thank you for the great work and contributions so far this year! We recently had over 40 volunteers at our official first onsite event, Heroines of Our History. Volunteers helped with admissions, concessions, guiding tours, handing out ice cream, helping with crafts, staffing the gift shop, as Heroine interpreters, and more! Volunteers from the Harriet Beecher Stowe Museum also contributed to the event with a button making station in the crafts area, so thank you to them.

We have some exciting events planned and scheduled for the remainder of 2021! Two of our next onsite events, Marching Through Time in June and our Quilted Treasures Show in July, will require onsite volunteer help. Marching Through Time represents different periods in military history. The Roman Legion, Holy Roman Empire Landsknechts, Wayne’s Legion, War of 1812, WWI, and WWII British Paratroopers will be brought to life by reenactors. This family friendly event also includes demonstrations and Civil War music performed by the 275 Brass Band. Quilted Treasures will have quilts from our collection on display throughout the Village. There will also be quilting and textile demonstrations. If you are interested in volunteering for these events, please email me.

In addition to our onsite events, we are continuing our home or virtual volunteer opportunities. See below for some of these opportunities and if you are interested in volunteering email me so we can coordinate appropriately. If you have been coming onsite to volunteer, continue to do so.

- Working with Heritage Village to conduct and share research on a variety topics, events, and aspects of life during the late 1700s through the 1800s
- Reviewing volunteer training information on our Volunteer Google Drive, which I will be adding new information in the coming days and weeks. New information dumps will be accompanied by an email so you will know when more information is available!

Let me know if you are reading a book, watching a video, or trying out a new craft, game or historic recipe and the time that you spend doing that could count as volunteer hours. (Or if you’d like a recommendation for something along those lines!)

I would also be happy to discuss other at home/virtual volunteer possibilities with individual volunteers on a case by case basis. Just send me an email.

Once we have discussed your prospective virtual/at home volunteer opportunity you will be reporting your volunteer hours to me via email. I will record your hours in both our physical Volunteer Hour Binders, as well as online on our Volunteer Google Drive. Your emails reporting volunteer hours should include the following information:

- Date of activity
- Time you begin working that day
- Time you end working that day
- Total time spent working that day
- Description of what you did

I hope to hear from many of you soon to take advantage of some of these virtual/at home volunteer opportunities to help support Heritage Village Museum during these challenging times!

Once again, from all of us at Heritage Village, thank you so much for your valued contributions as volunteers. If you are not currently a volunteer and are interested in getting involved with this incredible group of volunteers in 2021, please visit the volunteer page on our website or email me for more information about upcoming events and opportunities. Looking forward to a great 2021!

– Trevor Casper, tcasper@heritagevillageconcernati.org
Volunteers of the Year

Our Volunteer and Jr. Volunteer of the Year awards were just announced during our annual meeting. Shirley Clancy was selected for Volunteer of the Year. Shirley served on the Heroines of Our History committee and portrayed Electra Collins Doren during the event. She was our on-camera docent for Kemper Kitchen in our Education Program videos. Shirley, along with Pat Danneman, put together the take and make crafts for A 19th Century Guided Tours and helped pass them out during the event. Shirley is a dedicated volunteer who has helped the Village in many other ways, including as an Education Docent, and cleaning buildings before events.

Claire Anderton was awarded Jr. Volunteer of the year. Claire was one of our summer camp counselors. During Haunted Village, Claire lent her acting talents as our cursed archaeologist and led groups as a ghost host. She was a tour guide during A 19th Century Holiday Guided Tours. She has also helped during our Period Dinners. Claire just graduated from High School and we are excited to see what the future holds for her!

Summer Camps

Kids love Summer Day camps at Heritage Village Museum. Campers will discover the past through games, toys, crafts, and hands-on activities. Camps run 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. The camp fee is $150 per week for museum members and $175 per week for non-members. To learn more, visit our website, call 513-563-9484, or e-mail spreston@heritagevillagecincinnati.org.

19th Century Life Camp: Jun. 21–25 (ages 6-12)
Learn what life was like for kids in 1800s Southwest Ohio. Campers will visit our thirteen historical buildings to discover different aspects of life such as cooking, chores, medicine, surveying, and transportation. Hands-on activities, crafts and games will make this a fun learning experience!

Immersive History Camp (ages 13-15)
Week 1: Jul. 12-Jul. 16 Week 2: Aug. 2-6
This camp is designed for ages 13-15 who would like an immersive experience in Cincinnati area history. Each day of camp will cover a different period of local history. Topics will include: Native Americans, Early Settlers, Civil War, Architecture, and Surveying.

A Letter To Our Members

Thank you to our members, new and old! Your membership and support continue to help maintain, grow, and improve The Village. We could not operate without you! A special thanks to our members who have renewed or signed up for a new membership this year. These members include: Linda Roberts, Kasiani Myers, Arch Carson, Julia Sandman, Christina Solomon, Dilly Dooley, Shirley and Ed Clancy, Glenna Stricklett, Daryl and Joyce Hackbarth, Nancy Chenault – VanBree, Becky Linhardt, Pat Danneman, Bob Sharkey, Bill and Julie Dichtl, James Gibbs, Mike and Kari Ball, Stuart and Tyna Anderton, Susan Hunt, Mark and Marilyn Meckes, Susan Bacevich, April Barton, Rick and Janis Kiefer, Yvonne Reissig, Frank and Michele Davis, Richard and Susan Schmidt, Carolyn Bruckmann, Thom Cloppert and Alicia Speed, Jane Young, and all members of the Vintage Base Ball team. Again, we sincerely appreciate your support.

To all members, if we need to update your information, such as adding a spouse to your membership, please reach out to me at tcasper@heritagevillagecincinnati.org.
As many of you know, the museum has been hosting what we call “period dinners” for over three years. We have found them to be a successful, well attended event hosted by the Village. Historic foodways are an excellent way to connect the past to the present. “Foodies,” history buffs, and other adventurous souls have turned to the past for “new” experiences. Heritage Village has recognized this as a way to increase and diversify the guests who visit each year. Heritage Village Museum and Educational Center hosts these public dinners quarterly and the menu is different each time.

Education Director, Steve Preston, and Collections Manager, Kathy Luhn, generally work in tandem to select the dishes that make up the dinner. Starting often with period non-alcoholic drinks, soups, sides, main entrée, and dessert are chosen to loosely fit into a time period. Kathy and Steve research cookbooks dating back all the way to the 1730s in search of tasty dishes. Cookbooks from Fort Michilimackinac, 18th Century Britain and France, as well as colonial and early Federal Period America are perused to find foods representative of early Cincinnati and America. They share their ideas with each other, and a “Bill of Fare” is set. Sometimes a theme is explored in preparing the menu, such as when Kathy suggested using a cookbook of dishes enjoyed by prominent early Americans. Other times, the meals often reflect what was available for consumption based on the time of season or social class.

Once a bill of fare is set, Kathy and Steve divide up the cooking of the dishes. The shopping begins a few days out from the scheduled dinner to ensure freshness and availability. Local stores such as Kroger’s, Jungle Jim’s, and Aldi’s provide the bulk of the ingredients, while more “exotic” ingredients such as colonial era style chocolate are purchased online. On the day of the dinner, the Hayner House kitchen is bustling with energy and motion. Our dinners used to be held in the 1804 Kemper Kitchen. This wonderfully authentic venue quickly grew too small to accommodate the increasing number of dinner guests. Hayner House is an easily accessed historical location that can fit many more guests and retain historic ambiance. Tables are set and arranged based on the size of each party. Once the guests are welcomed in, wonderful volunteers like Tyna and Claire Anderton make sure the guest have everything they need. Kathy makes sure everything is served in a timely fashion and Steve and volunteer, Terrie Puckett, keep the foods and plates filled for the guests.

An interesting aspect of these dinners is often the food itself. Many of the foodstuffs served over 230 years ago are the same we enjoy today. Chicken tenders, macaroni, ice cream, and even doughnuts were consumed by our post-revolutionary forefathers and mothers. The foods did not change so much as our palates have. The addition of sugar to food is so pervasive in our diet today that we’ve grown accustomed to the taste. The dishes served to our guests use ingredients such as nutmeg, fresh nosegays of rosemary, thyme, sage, basil, or apple cider vinegar. Even a dessert that will serve 12 people rarely calls for more than one cup of sugar. Guests always comment on the unexpected flavors that bombard their taste buds. This refreshing take on food is healthier, tastier, and just plain fun to indulge in.

If you are looking for an old but new take on food and an entertaining evening at the Village, we still have dinners scheduled for August 25 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and again on November 17. Our latest additions to the evenings has been a brief presentation during dessert by emcee, Frank Farmer Loomis, antiques expert, and local historian and food connoisseur, Dann Woellert. Join us for a wonderful two-hour dinner and fun.
Meet Our New 2021 Donors

Our members and other individuals have supported us financially. I would like to recognize our donors during the January 1-May 21, 2021 time period.

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*Meckes, Mark & Marilyn

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*Davis, Frank

Meet Our New Staff Members and Volunteer

Felicity Cook
Felicity joined Heritage Village Museum in May 2021 as the Marketing Assistant. Currently, she is pursuing a bachelor’s in Electronic Media at the University of Cincinnati. She hopes to get a master’s in Screenwriting and to one day write novels and scripts for a living. In her free time, she enjoys watching marching band shows, reading, and writing. She lives in Mason with her family and a surprisingly vicious ten-pound dog.

Azu Hernandez
Azu is back for her second year as a summer volunteer with Heritage Village Museum. She is a rising sophomore at Taylor University where she majors in Biology Pre-Med. Her goal after graduation is to work somewhere in the medical field. She enjoys reading, cooking, and traveling. She also loves soccer, swimming, and ultimate frisbee. Azu is originally from Guatemala; this is her third year with her host family.

Emily Broyles
Emily is a Marketing Major at Northern Kentucky University and is so excited to apply what she has learned in her classes to real world experiences. She has the goal of going to the University of Cincinnati for a master’s in economics after she graduates. She has loved history from a young age, and it was one of her favorite classes in school. In her free time, she likes to bake, read books, and travel.

Megan Westermeyer
Megan is an intern at Heritage Village, working on developing the new exhibit on the Northwest Ordinance of 1787. She is a senior at the University of Cincinnati, where she majors in History. She is also receiving certificates in Historic Preservation, European Studies, and Museum Studies. She likes how interesting the Village is, and how much there is to learn. Megan is entering her third year as the Bearcat Bands Band Council Historian.
As a friend of Heritage Village Museum, you can support the mission of Historic Southwest Ohio, Inc. each month with a donation using your credit card. By making this recurring gift, you will add to the financial stability of the Village. Just complete the form below and mail it or drop it off at the office.

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__ **Join us for two new events in 2021!**

**Marching Through Time**
*a military timeline event*

**Quilted Treasures**
_Jul. 22-24_

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