

MACOUPIN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

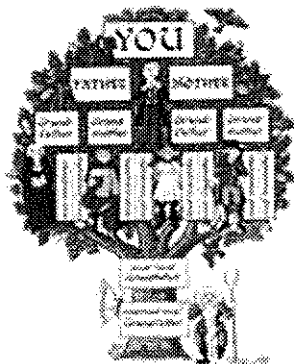


Mon. Nov. 2nd Meeting & Speaker Series

Etter Sisters Give Genealogy Talk

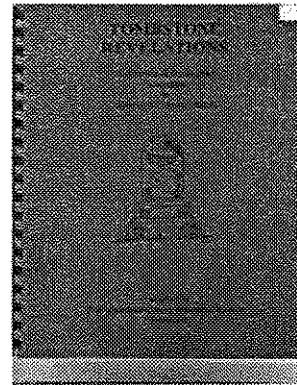
By Marion Hefti

Carlinville 7:00 pm—Please join us at the museum to hear all about Genealogy. Following a brief business meeting, you will be delighted to discover information about Genealogy you probably never knew. The talk is appropriate for all age groups so please bring your neighbors, friends and family to learn facts you always wanted to know about your



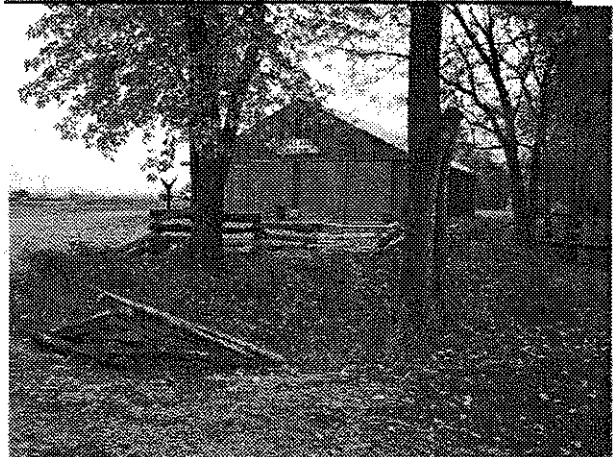
FAMILY TREE

Mary and Dorothy Etter were born in Girard IL and now live in Waverly. Every Wednesday from 10 – 12, you can find the Etters diligently working in the Genealogy Room recording county weddings and obituaries.



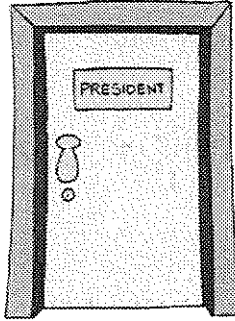
They began providing genealogy services for the Historical Society in 1995 and specialize in Macoupin County Family History. Dorothy worked with Dee Snell to divide the huge “Tombstone Revelations” book into smaller book publications that can be purchased from Peggy Klaus in our Museum Gift Shop or Online at www.macociety.org. The Etters help people gather information on their family tree and help volunteers learn the genealogical process. Dorothy said, “Most people that come to us for help come from Macoupin County, but some come from out of state to find information about their relatives”.

Be certain to attend this important talk to learn how to study and investigate your ancestry and family history.



A new cleverly designed split-rail log fence built by Dave Hockett and Bill Egelhoff—Thanks guys!

FROM YOUR



Wes Loveless

The Fall Festival is over again for another year. It was a very good show as usual. It rained as usual, but Saturday was one of the biggest days we ever had. Sunday was good even though it rained.

I want to thank everyone who came out to support us. I know that the economy is not great so we sure do appreciate everyone who came by.

Again, I want to thank everyone who helps put everything together for the weekend. THANK YOU ALL.

The Christmas Show is next. Hope to see you there. Please don't forget the March Banquet and special program. Keep watching the Newsletter. I want to thank Marion Hefti for the great job she does with the Newsletter and reminding us for notes and articles to put in it. Thank you, Wes

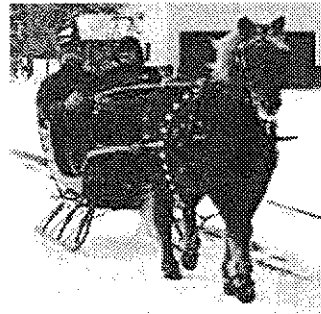
REMEMBER WHEN...



By Josephine Remling

...We would be having the Christmas Show and suddenly we would hear the jingle of real antique Sleigh Bells. Then, in the door would come our

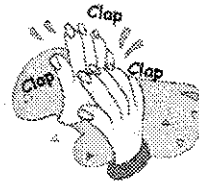
own smiling Santa Claus, Mr. Henry Ruyle. He fit the roll so well with his snow-white beard, hair and happy nature. Henry had been Santa every year since he was 27 when he helped his sister, who was the teacher in a one-room country school. Alene was a quiet, charming lady who spent her life in the teaching profession. Henry was a farmer who loved and raised horses.



Because they enjoyed the Historical Society and believed so much in our work of protecting and preserving our early history, they left the Society a nice gift from their estate.

But, most of all...they left us the gift of JOY in our years with them. Now, the sleigh bells are silent...Henry and Alene, we miss your and thank you.

A BIG Round of Applause



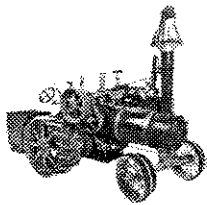
by Marion Hefti

To our New Members...

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| Dave Hockett | Litchfield, IL |
| Marcella White | Litchfield, IL |
| Raymond Reynolds | Shipman, IL |
| Irene D. Engelhaupt | Carlinville, IL |
| Virginia S. Schlomann | Campbell, CA |
| Doug & Nicole Eichen | Girard, IL |
| Roger Suhling | Carlinville, IL |
| Terry Pridmore | Girard, IL |
| Norm Settles | Carlinville, IL |
| Louise Jett | Chesterfield, IL |
| Jay Endress | Carlinville, IL |

Macoupin Agricultural Antique
Association
(MAAA)

“Fall Festival Report”



By Veryl Reiher

A BIG THANKS YOU to the Club members, the MCHS, the Tractor and Machinery Collectors, and the Public for making this Festival successful.

Our featured tractors were Fords, Fergusons, and their later tractors-- Massey-Harris, and Massey-Ferguson. Because the National Ford Tractor Show was on our weekend as well, only 6 Fords showed up, but there were 44 Massey's and Massey-Fergusons. (Seven of them came out of Les Totsch's shed. They are his field tractors).

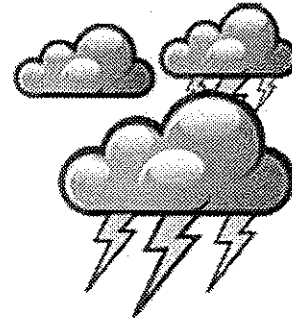
The Stone Brothers and Stanley Hauschild brought us some nice and rare Masseys.

Ten days before the Festival, I was notified that a friend of mine had purchased an old Massey-Harris “50” Clipper pull type combine in operating condition. He brought it to my house on his trailer. I took one look at the combine and then started unloading it! It was displayed at the Festival and now belongs to the MAAA and to me.

P.S. My friend was going to junk it!!

Saturday, the MAAA Kitchen sold around 1000 Pork Chops and Pork Burgers. Dave Ladadge and the Grill Team were grilling with 2 racks, turning out 90 cuts of meat every 15 to 20 minutes. We could barely keep up with the demand.

THEN THERE WAS SUNDAY



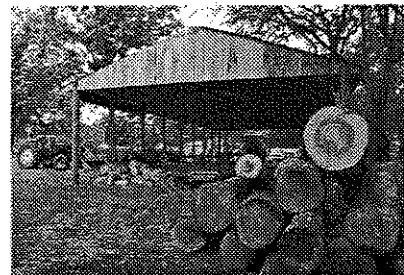
The drought situation was solved! We only grilled 200 sandwiches on Sunday morning, and the last 100 of them were cooked in the Hays Building.

Saturday we did get some ear corn picked, that will be shelled next year at the Strawberry Festival. We had to get some wheat from Hazel Dell at Jerseyville to run through our Threshing Machine. Bob Huyear's tractor was on the threshing machine and Mike Winsel operated it. Bill Egelhoff found some capable young gentlemen to do the threshing, and we thank J. D. Wilson, Kyle McAfee and Nathan Wegener for all their help.

We didn't do sorghum because the crop wasn't ripe enough and we had plenty left over from last year.

THANKS TO ALL!!!!!! Veryl

THE SAW MILL RAN WELL ON SATURDAY



By Bill Egelhoff

We cut several boards from donated logs and cut up a large, walnut tree that had died on the grounds. The crowds were huge on Saturday, and large numbers braved the rain on Sunday to watch.

Bill Egelhoff (cont.)

A big Thank You to the Sawmill Crew: Lon Hood, Joe Ross, Mark Bouillion, Ben Wegener, Dave Waggoner, and Josh Allen. Larry Pitman, Ben Pitman, and Joe Allen ran the Steam Engine. **REMINDER** – We need logs for next year!!

“ABE LINCOLN DAYS”



FALL FESTIVAL DRAWS FRIENDS AND FAMILIES FROM NEAR & FAR

By Marion Heft

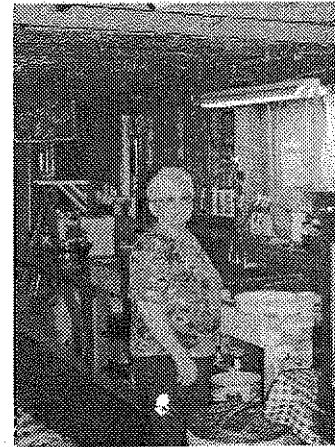
Once again, the museum was decorated in all its splendor by our wonderful House Crew headed up by Mary Schwab. Hundreds of festivalgoers stopped in to see the Lincoln Era memorabilia on loan from our members and friends of the museum. Barb McCormick could hardly keep up—but she did! Outside the log splitters, Dave Hockett, J. D. Wilson, Kyle McAfee, and Nathan Wegener drew large crowds.



Inside the Red Barn Kitchen, Jim Frank and Joan Anderson even served up huge “Lincoln Days” Sweet Rolls in addition to the hundreds of home baked pies, Ham & Beans cooked in an antique kettle over an open flame, chicken & Noodles, Barbeque, hot dogs etc., etc.

Despite the rain, we still drew huge crowds. My hat is off to the faithful volunteers who come out to serve year after year.

Who’s this Sweetie?



It’s Melba Ribble—our Ice Tea and Coffee Lady—PLUS—many more TALENTS!!!

Vada Frank and Barb McCormick prepare hundreds of Pies



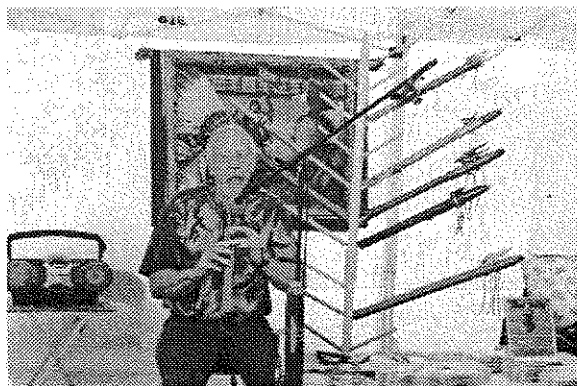
Nancy Strohbeck tops off a delicious Gooseberry Pie



BOOTH RENTALS— FALL FESTIVAL

By Jean Ball

This Festival, we rented out 196 Craft Booths. Rentals were way up from last year! We had many new people who called for the rental information—some are planning to come from out of state.



Booth Vendor displays his really cool Native American Goods for Sale

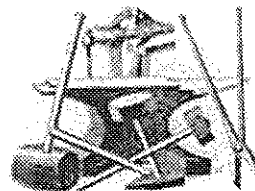
Many vendors told us that our Festival is one of the best-organized Craft Shows that they attend. That makes us really feel proud of our Society. New vendors are always amazed at how polite most of the shoppers are and many already wanted to reserve their space for next year and asked that we send them a contract.

Everyone was happy with his or her Saturday Sales, but Sunday rains caused most vendors to...pack up.



I want to thank Virgil Sutton who marks off the booth spaces. Kay Vance, Karl Ball, Eileen Nichols, Pat Duncan and I do the maps and fill in the spaces. Then, on Friday, Mike Vance, Karl Ball, Kay Vance and I put out the flags. Friday and Saturday we ride

around in donated golf carts. We couldn't get along without them. Saturday morning it takes Karl, Kay, Pat, Eileen and me to get the rest of the crafters in. We love meeting new friends and meeting with the faithful people who have been coming for years.



IVBA HAMMER-IN NOVEMBER 7TH

Carlinsville—The Hammer-in will be held from 9 - 4. For more information, please call Augie Schmidt. 618-254-9235.

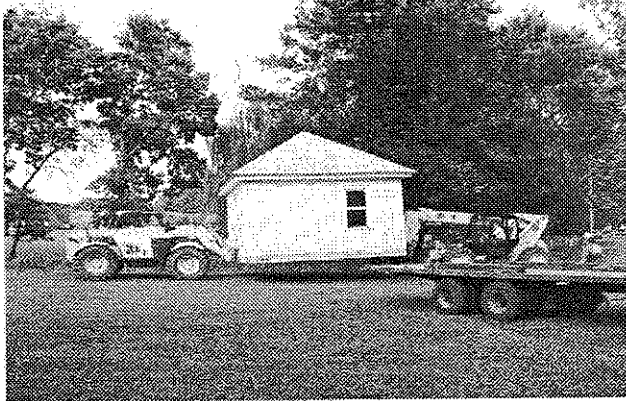
ANNUAL WIENER ROAST



DREW NEARLY 100 PEOPLE!!

This year, we roasted wieners behind the Red Barn. It really worked out well because people brought their casseroles and desserts to the large tables in the Red Barn and we ate under the Pavilion. Vice President Bill Egelhoff called the business meeting to order and Secretary Joan Anderson read the minutes. The Ghost Finders Program was fascinating and a bit "spooky". Kelly Davis and her friend, Loren Hamilton, did a marvelous job telling of their many paranormal experiences. Following the program, many stayed to ask the "Ghost Hunters" questions about haunted locations.

WHAT IS THIS ALL ABOUT?



Well, you guys did it again...you never cease to amaze us! Wes Loveless, Ray Riffey, Veryl Reiher, and Bill Lange actually obtained a "free" hundred-year-old building and commissioned Joe Jacobs of Quickie Rentals to move it to the museum grounds. The Hallock family donated the old Summer Kitchen/Smoke House to the Society when their farmhouse was demolished to make way for more farmland.

Attention Members: What should we do with the little 16' x 16' building? Some suggested we turn it into an old Gas Station or a Village Bakery. Please let your Board Members know what you think.

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS



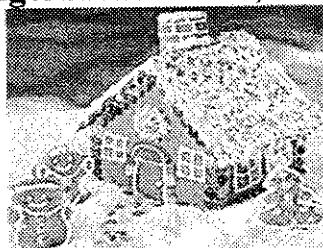
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SHOW

Dec. 4th, 5th, and 6th

The Christmas Trolley is coming and your name is on it. We need you! Won't you please VOLUNTEER to be a Museum Greeter--call Barb-217-854-3099 or serve in the Red Barn Dining Room? call Jim-618-836-5890

WHAT IS THE BEST HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS??

By Kendra Mize
A Gingerbread Home, of course



Please help me create a Gingerbread Village.

I have recipes and patterns if you need them so if you or someone you know is interested in making a Gingerbread House to add to our Christmas Village in the museum, please let me know A.S.A.P. 618-585-3952. Remember, I can't do this alone—I NEED YOU to help



bring a lot of smiles to a lot of faces this Christmas.



Lloyd Strohbeck getting ready for the Christmas Show—Be careful, Lloyd!

WE'RE HAVING A CHRISTMAS TEA...and YOU'RE INVITED

By Marion Hefti



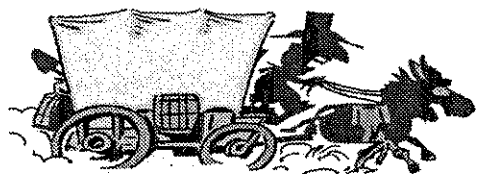
Monday December 7th at 7 p.m.

Please join us in the museum for the annual Lucy Klaus Memorial Christmas Tea. (Lucy was one of our Founders) We will visit and share stories of our many 2009 accomplishments and discuss our future hopes and dreams for 2010. Please bring a "finger-food" dessert or appetizer and grab your family, neighbors, and friends for an evening of fellowship, great food, and musical entertainment by the ever-so-popular group, Sam, Nate & Linda.

Officers—2009 *Macoupin County Historical Society 920 W. Breckenridge, Carlinville, IL 62626*				
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2009 Programs for Macoupin County Historical Society				
Date	Program	Location/Remarks		
Nov. 2 nd	Genealogy Talk	MCHS Museum 7pm		
Nov. 7 th	IVBA Hammer-In	MCHS Blacksmith Shop—MCHS Grounds		
Dec. 4,5,6	Christmas Show and Open House—"Home for the Holidays"	MCHS Museum and Christmas Village Please Volunteer! Call Josephine 854-8916		
Dec. 7 th	Lucy Klaus Memorial Christmas Tea	MCHS Museum 7pm- Music by Sam, Nate & Linda		

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And Yours

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