

# SCCA News

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Shade Community Center  
Association

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## Jerseyville Festival October 11 10am—6pm

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### Schedule of Events

Oct. 8—SCCA meeting 7pm

Oct. 9—SCCA meeting 7pm

Oct. 10—Jammin' in Jerseyville

7pm

Oct. 11—Recycle 8am-noon

Jerseyville Festival 10-6

Oct. 25—Hallowe'en party 6:30

Mondays & Wednesdays Open Gym 7-10  
p.m.

Tuesdays—Family night 6-9pm

Tuesdays—Kids Art Program  
6-7:30pm

Tuesdays Dancercise 7:30-8:30pm

Tuesdays—Open Computer Lab 6-9

Thursdays 11-2 Center and

Library Open

Potluck at noon

Shady Ladies at 1:00

Our fourth annual fall music and crafts festival is this Saturday. Come join all the fun, food, and festivities. We have a great round-up of musicians, dancers, and craftspeople to entertain and inspire you.

This year we're sponsoring our first Cornhole Tournament with \$400 in prizes to be awarded. Brian Taylor was the enterprising member who got AEP to donate the prize money, for which we are very grateful.

As last year we'll be broadcast live on WEAQ radio. If you can spon-

sor an hour of time for \$50, please notify Ray Baker (592-5322).

We're asking all of our bakers to contribute one or two cobblers or brownies to serve as dessert. If you don't have your own, the recipe for the fool-proof Henderson cobbler is included in the Cook's Corner on the address page. Please bring your contributions on Friday evening or Saturday morning.

Thanks to Jerry Foster for chairing the event and adding some exciting additions to this ever popular festival.

A brochure detailing all the events being offered is included inside. See you there!

## Annual Halloween Party October 25

Put the date on your calendar, pack up your little trick-or-treaters, and come at 6:30 to our annual Halloween celebration. We'll have games for kids of all ages, a haunted house, a parade of costumes with prizes, and a cake walk.

Volunteers will be needed, of course, but it's fun for everyone and brings in families from all over. We've got this party down pat, and everyone appreciates it and has a good time.

Please contact Gail Jordan to volunteer to help. We'll also need cakes for the cake walk.

Thanks to everyone for making this a fun and safe, very kid-friendly event.

## Shade-Lodi History & Genealogy Page

*The Shade-Lodi History Association meets on the third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 in the History Room on the second floor of the Shade Community Center. Open to everyone interested in history especially Lodi Township and surrounding area or just interested in stories of the past.*

**Contact Brenda Ruth for more information: 696-0070**

**Next meeting:**

**October 21 at 6:30pm**

**Our guest speaker will be Jack Cantrell, owner of Cantrell Honey & Candles, in Shade. He is a member of the Athens County Bee-Keeping Association. Everyone is invited to attend the meeting to learn more about bees and their crucial role in our world.**

### Connecting the Present with the Past

Beverly Schumacher, a volunteer genealogist for the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) and Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), and President of the local Athens County Genealogical chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society, spoke at the September Shade-Lodi History and Genealogy Association meeting at the Shade Community Center.

She discussed each of the organizations and invited anyone who is a direct blood descendant to make an application. Even those who made patriotic speeches, made cannon balls, sewed a flag, or made a patriotic speech are eligible ancestors.

By definition the DAR is a service organization which emphasizes, "historic, educational and patriotic purposes ...to make America a better place in which to live." The first objective of the DAR is "to perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved American independence."

The organization assists in historic preservation, preserving important documents and records of the past. They support schools throughout the United States with scholarships and

funding. The local chapter is the Nabby Lee Ames Chapter organized in Athens in 1903.

The SAR is a non-profit heritage society dedicated to, "historical, educational, and patriotic" principles. Some of the organization's purposes are to "maintain the institutions of American freedom, respect national symbols, and the unifying force of *e pluribus unum* that has created, from the people of many nations, one nation and one people." The local chapter is the Ewing Chapter.

For more information contact Beverly Schumacher at the Athens County Genealogical chapter 65 North Court St., 740-592-2280. The Athens Chapter meets every third Monday from 7-9 pm.

### Manuel Grueser: From Coalmine to Farm

Manuel Grueser, retired coal miner and beef farmer, recently spoke to the Shade-Lodi History group about his underground mining experience. He also shared a video depicting the coal mine where he worked. Coal mining is an example of the many interesting topics enjoyed by those who attend the monthly Tuesday evening meetings.

The fossil fuel coal was found in southern Ohio by settlers as early as 1748 and

the first underground coal production dated back to 1800.

There was also mining on the surface of a hillside. Long Run Road, Lodi township, was the site of a surface mine. Another mining site was close to Bartlett Road. Coal was mined using picks and shovels, loaded onto wagons pulled by mules or ponies, and carried to the coal tippie for shipment.

At the corner of Fossil Rock Road and Sargent Road, a coal tippie once stood. (cont. p. 5)

### Donations to the Shade-Lodi History & Genealogy August-Sept. 2008

From Clyde S. Barnhart, Sr., PhD, the book, Sense or Nonsense Philosophical Musings by a Nonagenarian, written by himself.

5 copied pictures donated by Jack Friess: 1. Lodi School April 27, 1934 2. 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade on april 25, 1934 with Orville Martin teacher and Clifford Ruth, principal. 3. 1931 Lodi School 4. Jerseyville, Ohio 1915. 5. 1961 Shade high school class picture.

From Ralph & Amy Calvert. Old pages from a farming magazine and old child's boot found in rafters while renovating their home, formerly owned by Clyde and Mabel Smith.

From Lois Bigley. Advertising Card which says, "Dance and Eat at the Parrot Inn Shade, Ohio on Athens-Pomeroy Road. Reba Shafer, Prop. Chicken Dinners."

From Tim & Chris Moore. Late 1800s wardrobe cabinet made by the father of Gertrude Weisenbach, Dutch Ridge Road in Lodi township. The Weisenbachs were very active in the St. John's Church (est.1861) in Anthony. St. John's is believed to be the oldest Catholic Church in Athens County. Many German families, including Schuler, Kenkoskia,

Staab, Niggemeyer, Kinnen, Josten, Warner, Klingenberg, came to Lodi township by way of Pomeroy. The church burned to the ground March, 1965. A new building was dedicated in 1967.

From Tim & Chris Moore. Booklet written by Gertrude and Anna Mary Weisenbach. Dedication of the New St. John's Church Guysville Ohio. Many pictures are included in the booklet. The last wedding at St. John's church was April 6, 1963, the Niggemeyers. Also donated was a newspaper clipping telling about the 100 year-Old Church destroyed by fire.

From Carol W. Brown via Athens County Historical Society and Museum:

The Bulletin- Aug 1995 through June 2007 (missing Feb 2005, Feb & April 2006 and Feb 2007)

Diary of Elijah Hatch (Athens County) 1791-1847 typewritten copy

Index to Athens county Estate Records 1805-1914

Tombstone Index- Pleasanton, Woodyard etc

Tombstone Index- Vinton county

Booklet: Update Henry Genealogy, August 14, 1983. Compiled by Martha Appel Burton, 1994

Book: Genealogy of the Descendants of John Henry of Bern Township, Athens County, Ohio, 1922, Compiled and edited by Heber Homer Henry of Amesville. Printed by *The Messenger* Printery Company, Athens, Ohio From The Athens County Historical Society and Museum, books that originated in Lodi Township, Athens County, Ohio

Book: White's Graded-School Series, A Complete Arithmetic: Uniting Mental and Written Exercises in a Natural System of Instruction. On the inside cover appears, "Bought 1887. Mary Williams Shade Ohio." Inside the book was a sheet of paper: Map of Ohio showing vote for Secretary of State November 4, 1890 by counties.

Book: Tarbells Lessons in Language Book II, 1894. On the inside cover appears, "Mr. W. Leo Williams, Shade O."

Book: The Leading Facts of American History, by D.H. Montgomery, 1897. On the inside cover appears, "Anna Pearl Williams Shade Ohio Oct. 97." In the book is a pencil sketch of a woman with words, "Looks like Jess Allen. A.P.W. and on the back it says A.P.W. at 23 yrs of age."

## Announcements

### New Lifetime Member

Clyde Sterling Barnhart is in his nineties and upon joining the Community Center donated a book he authored: Sense or Non-sense..Philosophical Musings by A Nonagenarian. Clyde Sterling

Here is an example of his musings::

"Neither worrying nor hurrying enhances longevity. Caring and sharing, on the other hand, do."

Makes sense to me.

On the back of the book: is a description of the author: "A farm boy who finally managed higher education before, between, and after Army service in WWII and the Korean conflict. In retirement, still a country boy at heart."

Welcome and thank you, Clyde!

Grueser, cont. from p. 2

The industry has come a long way since those days. Manuel's audience was shocked when told he had to go underground 350 feet just to get to work! He explained long wall mining with the continuous operating machine was the type of mining operation he worked in. The seam of coal was sheared from the face of the wall, the coal dropped onto a very large conveyor belt and carried out of the mine. Once it was out, it was removed to a preparation plant for removal of some sulfur and extracted rock.

It is not uncommon that any subject chosen for our meetings, to be interjected with comments about how 'it' was done in the good old days. Carbide lights became the conversation sub-

### New Members

Please welcome these new members to the Community Center:

Larry and Hilda Cross and their children:  
Nancy Bail, Cody Bail, & Nathan Bail

Beverly Schumacher

Virginia "Gini" Coover

ject. Shirley Webb remembered her father's light. Of course then she wondered where it was. Carbide lamps or acetylene gas lamps were used in mines to illuminate a totally dark tunnel. Acetylene gas was formed when calcium carbide and water reacted with each other. The gas goes to the top of a chamber, out a tube to a burner tip. The tip was lit with a flint. But, there was always the risk of explosion.

Manuel was confronted daily with the dangerousness of his occupation. One of the stories he told was about a day he will never forget. A fire ball 6 to 8 feet in diameter flew toward he and his fellow worker, burning Manuel's ears and the other fellow body so badly he required skin grafts.

### Alternative Energy Source heard on NPR

The 2009 edition of the Old Farmer's Almanac is predicting a colder winter and includes advice on how to use wood to heat your home. In addition to tips on the best wood and how to build a fire, there's also a trick for staying warm all winter long with a single log.

The method was popularized in 1777. It involved throwing a log out an upstairs window, dashing downstairs, retrieving the log, dashing upstairs, throwing the log out the window again and again and again. Editor Janice Stillman says do that until you work up a sweat and you'll be warm all winter on a single log.

### Who's Who

**President:** Gail Jordan 740-696-0070

**Vice-President:** Myra Robinson 740-696-1218

**Treasurer:** Teresa Winning 740-662-6844

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**Librarian:** Teresa Winning 740-662-6844

**Maintenance Committee:** Jerry Foster 740-593-6192

**Open Gym:** Marvin Marty 740-541-1852

**Kids' Art:** Heidi Marty 740-696-1499

**SSCA President:** Sylvia Randolph 740-696-1057

**SSCA Newsletter Editor:** Stephanie Hysmith 740-696-1157; <hysmith@ohio.edu>



### Jammin' In Jerseyville

October's jam will be on Friday, October 10 as a prelude to Saturday's festival. .

Come jam or just enjoy the music from 7pm to 10.

Bring friends and family. Free and open to the public. Refreshments will be provided.

### Blum's Farmer's Almanac reports October's Best Days to:

Plant above ground crops: 1-4, 8, 9, 12, 13, 28-31

Plant root crops: 16, 17, 20, 21, 22

Plant flowers: 1,2, 20, 21, 22, 28, 29

Transplant: 1-4, 28, 29, 31

Seed beds: 3, 4, 20, 21, 22, 30, 31

Prune: To encourage growth: 20, 21, 22

To discourage growth: 5-7, 10, 11

Apply chemical fertilizer: 3, 4, 5, 12, 13, 30, 31

Apply organic fertilizer: 20, 21, 22

Destroy weeds: 18, 19, 23-27

Harvest crops: 14, 15

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## **The Cook's Corner**

### **Henderson Easy Fruit Cobbler**

from Roberta Henderson

2 qt. Frozen or canned fruit  
1  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup sugar or Splenda to sweeten – varies by fruit  
3-4 Tbsp flour to thicken  
Combine and put in bottom of 9x13" pan

#### **Topping for cobbler**

1  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup flour  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup sugar  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp salt  
2 tsp baking powder  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup milk  
1 tsp vanilla  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup melted shortening  
1 egg

Combine and pour over fruit. Bake at 350° for 45 minutes or until brown.

### **Breakfast Casserole**

from Amy Calvert

1 lb bag Shredded Hash Browns  
1 lb bulk Sausage (browned, drained, cooled)  
1  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 cups of Sharp Cheddar Cheese  
10 to 12 Eggs (beaten)  
1 pkg (2.64oz.) Country Gravy Mix (like McCormicks)

Spray 9 X 13 baking dish lightly with cooking spray or butter. Mix hash browns, sausage and half of the cheese together. Spread mixed ingredients into the 9 X 13 pan. Pour beaten eggs over ingredients in pan. Bake at 375 degrees about 40 minutes - until eggs are set and casserole is browned. Prepare gravy mix according to package directions. Top casserole with the gravy and remaining cheese. Bake another 5 minutes or so until cheese is melted.

This recipe was given to me by Tiffany Holt. She worked with me at McBee Systems. It was one of our favorite casserole when we had food day. Food day was more often as it got closer to the plant closing.

(Note: This was a big hit at the recent breakfast fundraiser.)