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GUESS WHO IS COMING TO OUR MARCH MEETING !

Give up? You should recognize this famous Firelands pioneer by his headgear, although I understand it was later replaced by a cardboard box. Yes, that's right, it is JOHNNY APPLESEED. He will be here in the person of Ken Hammontree. All of you who saw Ken's personification of Simon Kenton last year know what a great job he does bringing legends to life.

The meeting will be held on Sunday, March 20 at 2:30 in the Fellowship Hall of the Presbyterian Church on Jackson St. The entry is on the Washington St. side and there is parking in the back. This will be an excellent program and you are encouraged to bring guests.

Ken Hammontree is from Shelby and is a former teacher. He developed the characters he does to make the courses he taught more interesting to his students.

We will have refreshments after the meeting.

THREE CHEERS FOR HELEN HANSEN —

for starting a new career at the age of 91. She is now a full time author, researcher and gardener. The best thing is that she now has her Sundays free and can come to the ECHS meetings. Maybe we can get her to do a program next year.

The Library Board is hosting a reception in honor of Helen at the Follett House between the hours of one and four on Sunday, April 10. We are all invited.



Cincinnati Type Foundry specimen (1888)



TO OUR NEW MEMBERS -

Dr. E. J. Baxter
Jim and Pat Caldwell
Roger Dickman
Suzanne Dietrich
Ralph Henry
Vera Hill
Elaine Lawson
Pat Rose
Bill and Carol Steuk

HISTORIC MARKERS

In case you may have walked through the park by the school lately and wondered what happened to the bronze plaque that the ECHS placed by the concretion, it was the victim of a snow plow. It was not destroyed, only moved off its base. So the park department workers rescued it and put it in the greenhouse until the snows are over.

Speaking of the city greenhouse, our historic marker that we purchased a couple years ago with the story of the docks at Shoreline Park is still reposing there (in a safe place they assure me). When the city decides to dedicate the park, they will place our marker and we will dedicate it.

REGION TWO MEETING

The Annual Spring Meeting of the member organizations of the Ohio Association of Historical Societies and Museums in our region will be held on Saturday, April 30 in Norwalk. The Firelands Historical Society is hosting the meeting which will be held in the First Methodist Church. The theme of the day is "Celebrating the Past - Special Events and Festivals". One of the talks will deal with "Education vs Entertainment". Following the formal program is planned an abbreviated Main Street Walking Tour and visits to the Museum and the Laning Library.

We should be receiving more information about this in a month or so. If anyone even thinks they might be interested, let me (Janet) know and I will see that you are contacted about attending.



FOR ON YOUR CALENDAR

- March 12-13 Lyme Village, Bellevue
Doll and Toy Show 1-5
- 20 Erie County Historical Society
Presbyterian Church 2:30
- April 10 Reception for Helen Hansen 1-4
Follett House opening for the season
- 16-17 Lyme Village Quilt Show 1-5
- 30 Region Two Meeting, Norwalk
Methodist Church 8:30
- May 15 Erie County Historical Society
Presbyterian Church 2:30
Ohio Forts and the Indian Wars
Tom Vince