

ECHOES OF CEDARVILLE

FEBRUARY 2019

Cedarville Area Historical Society

CAHS Lunch at Museum February 3

The February 3 Cedarville Area Historical Society soup, salad, sandwich and desert luncheon and annual meeting will convene in the Cedarville Museum on top of the Second Street hill.

The move from the community center to the museum building was made last year because that building now has new and modern food serving facilities and climate controlled temperature equipment.

The use of the museum will also give visitors the opportunity to see the many local history exhibits including the dozens of Jane Addams family artifacts that were added last year.

The eighteenth annual event has always been held on so-called Super Bowl Sunday, the day the top two American professional football teams clash for the honor of being called "top dog" for a year.

The lunch, which is open to members and non-members of the historical society, starts at 11 a.m. and ends at 1 p.m. The lunch, which always includes four homemade soups and dozens of homemade pastries, costs \$6 for adults and \$2

for children under 12. Second helpings are free.

In addition to enjoying the lunch, CAHS members will also receive a copy of the organization's annual financial report and be asked to vote for three persons to serve three years on the nine member board of directors. Current board members Sharon Barmore, Carol Meyers and Jim Bade are up for re-election or replacement.

The lunch will be served in the second floor meeting room. A one button elevator is available for handicapped visitors and the bathrooms will be open.

There is ample onsite parking. In the event of snow the street to the museum site and the parking lot will be plowed.

**The story behind the
people whose names
appear on the
museum's LaBorde
"Friendship Quilt"
starts on page four.**

TICKET ORDER

	<u>Number of tickets</u>
Tuesday, April 2, History of Cedarville (1800—1917) <i>Andy Dvorak, American history instructor, Highland College</i>	\$10 _____
Tuesday, April 16, History of Cedarville (1917—1940) <i>Andy Dvorak, American history instructor, Highland College</i>	\$10 _____
Tuesday, April 30, The Life of Laura Ingalls Wilder, author of “Little House on the Prairie” <i>Laura Keyes, professional actress</i>	\$10 _____
Tuesday, May 14, The Stories Behind Our Art Collection <i>Jim Bade and roundtable of selected local artists</i>	\$10 _____
<u>One ticket for all four programs above</u>	\$38 _____

TOTAL PAYMENT ENCLOSED

All tickets are transferable without penalty from one person to another person if you cannot attend a program.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone or e-mail _____

Make payment to Cedarville Area Historical Society, P. O. Box 336, Cedarville, IL 61013. For more information call Jim Bade at 815-563-4485 or e-mail bonniebade@comcast.net.

Society Announces Spring Programs

The Cedarville Area Historical Society has chosen four outstanding history related evening programs for the Spring months of 2019. All will be at the museum at 7:30 p.m. on a Tuesday evening.

Because there have been so many new residents in the village in the past ten years, the first of two hour long programs will concentrate on the basic history of Cedarville and the surrounding area.

April 2 will be labeled Cedarville 1 and will cover from the early 1800’s until 1917, stopping short of World War I. The April 16 program, Cedarville 2, will include World War I and conclude with the end of the 1930’s Depression.

Andy Dvorak, American history instructor at Highland Community College, will be in charge of both classes.



*Andy Dvorak
Highland Community College*

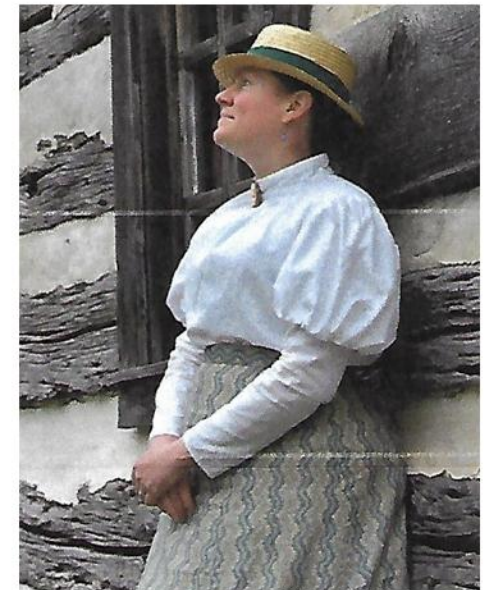
On April 30 there will be an outstanding performance of the life of Laura Ingalls Wilder by Laura Keyes. Laura Ingalls is known for her books and television programs generally titled “Little House on the Prairie.”

The museum currently has an exhibit of 19th century clothing that features a young girl of the Ingalls family.

On May 14, several local artists will join CAHS President Jim Bade in a round table discussion of the museum’s permanent local art collection located in the room where the program is held.

Free refreshments will be served after each program. A simple elevator is available for handicapped visitors.

See ticket order form on previous page.



*Laura Keyes
as Laura Ingalls Wilder*

In the November 2018 issue of the historical society newsletter, the society announced the gift of a late nineteenth century "Friendship Quilt" from former Cedarville resident Florence LaBorde Evans. The Laborde family quilt featured the embroidered names of thirty women related to or close to the family. Society researcher Ladona Wardlow has uncovered the basic biographies of most of them. The results of her work starts in this issue with the first fifteen women. Ladona would appreciate additional information from newsletter readers. After each identifying number is the name as used on the quilt. Editor



*Florence LaBorde Evans
In 2013 at age 90*

The Lives Behind the Thirty Women on the LaBorde "Friendship Quilt"

Number 1 (Mrs. Painter)

Mary (Michael) Painter was born in 1838 and died in 1916. Her parents were David and Phebe (Thurstin) Michaels. In 1895 the 17-year-old girl was married to Emanuel Painter, then 25. Over the next 18 years the couple had eleven children, all of them girls except one, Palmer, born in 1870.

Mary's husband became a prosperous blacksmith in the Clarno, Wi., area. Besides owning his shop and house, he also acquired 75 acres in the area. He died in 1906.

Both Mary and her husband are buried in the West Clarno Pioneer Cemetery in Green County, Wi.

Number 2 (Mrs. J. Schrack)

Gladys (Curtis) Schrack was born in 1887 in Green County, Wi., and died in 1939 in Oneco, Stephenson County, at the age of 51. Her parents were Samuel and Nellie (Everett) Curtis. Gladys was married to John Jacob Schrack in 1908. Both were 21 years of age. His parents were Perry and Eliza LaBorde Schrack. The husband of Gladys died in 1931 at age 44. The couple had no children. It is believed that both are buried in the Orangeville Cemetery although that has not been verified for the husband.

Number 3 (Mrs. W. LaBorde)

Mary Jane (Siler) LaBorde was born in 1839 in Pennsylvania and died in 1914 in Orangeville, Il., at the age of 74. She traveled west to Illinois in 1846 with her grandparents Peter Rubendall and his wife and settled in the Brush Creek area north of Cedarville. She remained in that area all her life.

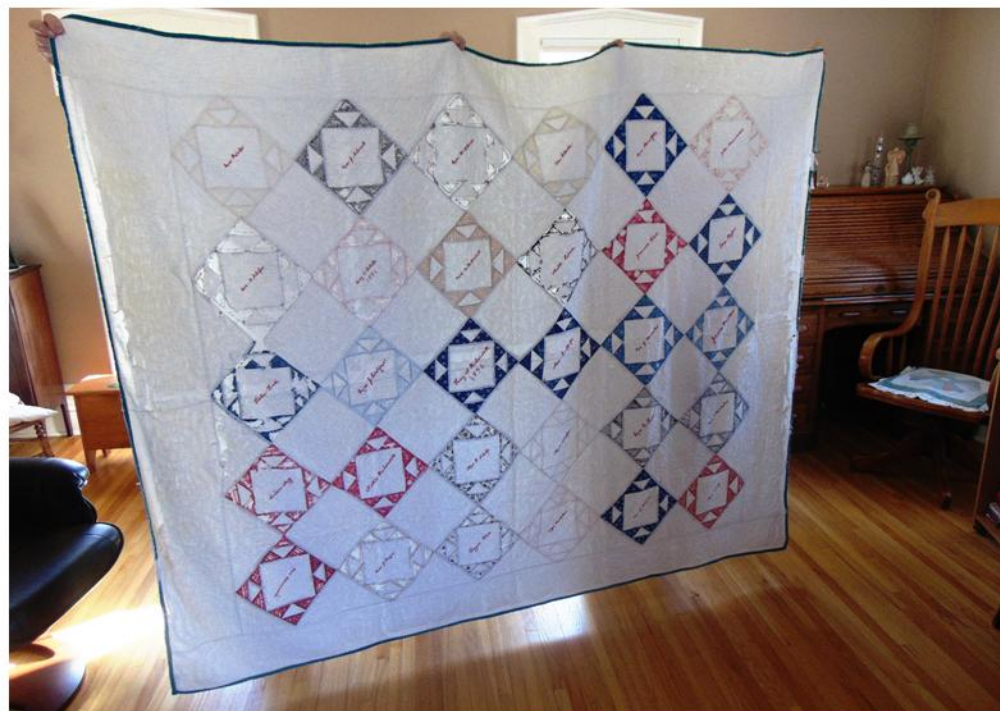
In January 31, 1862, Mary Jane was married to Willis G. Hass who was killed in the Civil War battle for Vicksburg, Ms. May 22, 1863. They had a child who died in infancy.

In 1865 she married William LaBorde who died in 1877 at age 46. His parents were David and Catherine LaBorde.

William and Mary Jane had seven children. At the time of his marriage to Mary Jane, William was a widower and had fathered two children, a boy and girl, by this earlier marriage.

William and Mary Jane are buried in Rock Grove Cemetery in Stephenson County.

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*The LaBorde
"Friendship
Quilt"*

Number 4 (Ada LaBorde)

Ada M. LaBorde was born in 1880 in Stephenson County. She never married and died in a convalescent home in Byron, Il., in 1956 at the age of 76. She was the daughter of Joseph and Catherine LaBorde. She lived in the Rock Grove and Orangeville area all her life. She is buried in the Rock Grove Cemetery.

Number 5 (Anya Kenifle)

No information has been found on this woman. It is possible the spelling of the name on the quilt has been mis-transcribed.

Number 6 (Julia Hermsmeier)

Julia was born in 1880 and died in 1966. Her parents were Friedrich Wilhelm Hermsmeier and Louisa Schelp (or Schelp). On the first day of January, 1907, she married Walter A. Smith. He was born in 1881 in Baraboo, Wi., and died in 1941. His parents were Lon and Mary Smith.

A newspaper story at the time of his death stated that he died at the annual board meeting of Freeport's Embury church while he was reading a report. He had been a member of the church board for 30 years. He also served a

term as a member of the Freeport board of education.

The couple had four children: Marcella (Smith) Kilker, Harold, Roger and Walter.

Number 7 (Anna C. Schafer)

Historical society research has found no information on this woman.

Number 8 (Lucy E. Schelp)

Little information has been found related to Miss Schelp. She was born in Freeport in 1891 and died in 1984 in Stillwater, Mn. She also may have gone by the name of Esther Luella Schelp. She was a young girl when her name was added to the quilt because the date 1896 is affixed.

Her parents were Charles Schelp and Minnie Rubendall. Lucy apparently had at least three sisters: Vernice, Elsie (Ellyce) and Emma. See number 30 in next article.

Lucy married Elmer L. Frazier, date unknown. He was born in 1888 and died in 1982. They had at least one daughter because her name — Jeanne — is in a 1940 newspaper article. At that time Lucy and her husband were living in East Mound, Wi.

Number 9 (Lucy H. Rubendall)

The historical society has been unable to find reliable information on this woman.

Number 10 (Mabel LaBorde)

Mabel LaBorde (also known as Anna Mabel LaBorde) was born in 1877 in Stephenson County and died in 1959 in Freeport. She is buried in Freeport's Oakland Cemetery. Her parents were William LaBorde and Mary Siler, the same woman profiled in number 3

She was married in 1901 to Frank Spaide. His birth date is not known, but he died in 1930. The couple had three daughters: Mildred, Marie and-Hazel.

Number 11 (Jennie Lied)

Jennie or Regenna (Regina) Lied was born in Freeport in 1868 to Edwin Lied and Elizabeth Jones. She died in 1929 in North Dakota. Jennie married Heaster Lausch in 1895. Born in 1845, he died in 1900. Both are buried in North Dakota. The couple had two sons: Edwin (1906—1983) and Ernest (1908—1980).

Jennie had two sisters: Mary

Louella, who is profiled in number 13 and Lizzie, who will be profiled in number 27.

Number 12 (Ida Pyfer)

Ida Luella was born in 1875 in Ogle County and died in 1950 in the Dixon Public Hospital in that county. She is buried in Chapel Hill Cemetery, Dixon, Il. Her parents were George W. Pyfer and Lucy Deihl.

Ida was married to Jeremiah Stuff and the couple had three children: Clifford, Ralph and Marjorie. Ida married George Rife after her first husband's death. She also had three brothers and a sister.

Number 13 (Lula Lied)

Mary Luella Lied was born in Freeport in 1871 to Edwin Lied (1842—1915) and Elizabeth Jones (1843—1900).

Mary's sister Lizzie Ellen Lied, who will be profiled in number 27, married Samuel Zimmerman.

Mary's son Elmer married Vernice Schelp (1896—1983) named a sister to Lucy E. Schelp, profile number 8.

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Number 14 (Anna J. Crotzer)

Anna was born in 1853 in York County, Pa. As a young girl she moved with her parents to Indiana and later to Lancaster Township, Stephenson County. She died in 1938 and is buried in the Dakota Cemetery. Anna's parents were Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Thoman.

Anna was married in 1874 to Elkanah Crotzer. That marriage resulted in the birth of two sons and a daughter. The husband, one son and the infant daughter preceded Anna in death.

Number 15 (Lucy A. Rubendall)

Lucy Ann was born in Orangeville in 1870 and died in 1940. She is buried in the Cedarville Cemetery. Her parents were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rubendall. She was one of eleven children.

In 1894 she married John H. LaBorde (1869—1944), the son of William and Mary Ann Siler LaBorde profiled in number 3. John and Lucy had one son and three daughters, the daughters dying in infancy. Besides his son, Lucy Ann's husband was survived by two sisters: Mrs. Jane Windecker, who will be profiled in number 17, and Mrs. Mabel Spaide, who was profiled in number 10.

Memorial Income Exceeds \$4,600

More than \$4,600 was contributed in 2018 to the Cedarville Area Historical Society as a result of memorials requested in the obituaries of four society members who died last year.

The four members were John Kryder, Narcissa Engle, Paul Bertram and Yvonne Bade. The exact amount was \$4,640

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