Rosabelle Cronau Research Center

Historical society members and the public can use the Rosabelle Cronau Research Center on the museum’s second floor. The late Mrs. Cronau was a strong supporter of the society.

The center is home to the society’s collection of books, magazines, documents and electronically recorded text and photographs related to the history of the Cedarville area. In the collection are books written about or by Jane Addams, Cedarville’s most famous citizen.

The collection is stored on shelves contributed by Winifred Macomber in memory of her late husband Vernon.

Museum Art Gallery

The museum’s second floor art gallery in the LeRoy Wilson Theater features four 48 by 68 inch acrylic murals by Cedarville area artists Harlan Corrie, Dan Edler, Roger Goodspeed and Duane Smith. They portray the village topically rather than chronologically. The gallery also has 19 smaller original paintings belonging to the society. A booklet of the collection is available for two dollars.

The second floor rooms can be reached by using the one button elevator on the museum’s first floor.

Museum Hours

May 2 through October 31
Saturday and Sunday
1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
or by appointment by calling
815-563-4202 or 815-563-4485

Admission free to members of
Cedarville Historical Society
$3 for non-members over 12

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Historical Society
2015 Programs & Events

Saturday, May 2 — Museum opens weekends from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for six month season.

Tuesday, May 12 — Accordionists Bobbie Edler and John Waelti in a program of German, Swiss, Slovenian, Italian and French songs.

Monday, May 25 — Memorial Day parade 10 a.m. on Mill St. with 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. picnic lunch at museum following Cedarville Cemetery ceremony.

Tuesday, June 16 — Casey’s Fancy perform popular Irish songs.


Tuesday, July 14 — Antonio Castillo, guitar and vocal program of well-known Mexican songs.

Tuesday, August 4 — Andy Dvorak, American history instructor, Highland Community College. The events in the world and U.S. that shaped the lives and work of Jane Addams, Ellen Gates Starr and Julia Lathrop at Chicago’s Hull-House.

Tuesday, August 18 — Rockford actress Suzanne Crandall in a first person narrative of the life of Ellen Gates Starr and her relationship to Jane Addams and Hull-House.

Tuesday, September 1 — Suzanne Crandall in a first person narrative of the life of Julia Lathrop and her relationship to Jane Addams and Hull-House.

Tuesday, September 15 — Suzanne Crandall in a first person narrative of the life of Jane Addams, Hull-House and her relationship to Starr and Lathrop.

Saturday, October 3 — Celebration of Jane Addams’ 150th birthday. Morning 5K walk/run on Jane Addams Trail. Special events at the museum.

Saturday, October 31 — Museum closes at 4:00 p.m. for the season.

Tuesday, Dec. 8 — Evening Christmas sing-a-long, food at the museum. Free.

All Tuesday evening programs are in the museum at 7:30 p.m. and are held in the second floor LeRoy Wilson Theater. Free refreshments after programs. A one button elevator to the second floor is available for physically handicapped museum visitors.

$20 ticket covers all three evening music programs. $7 for single ticket.

$25 ticket covers all four evening history programs. $7 for single ticket

All tickets are transferable without penalty from one person to another. For more information or tickets, call Jim Bade at 815-563-4485 or send an e-mail to bonniebade@comcast.net.

Cedarville Museum
2015 Exhibits

Cedarville-born and Nobel peace prize winner Jane Addams: her family and her work at Chicago’s Hull-House and for world peace. Many new artifacts and pictures added this year.

Three dimensional exhibit of 37 persons related to Jane Addams buried in Cedarville Cemetery.

Fashions and clothing of Cedarville residents throughout history

Civil War and Stephenson County

The story of the Cedarville Fire Department in photos

The origin of Cedarville settlers

Trivets for pressing irons used in eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries

Arrowheads from Cedarville area

Cedarville School memories