Jane Addams Festival September 21

The Cedarville Area Historical Society tenth annual Jane Addams Festival on Saturday, September 21, will showcase a new and exciting format.

The day will start with a 9:30 a.m. 5K run/walk on the Jane Addams Trail. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. the scene will switch to the historical society museum grounds for food, live folk music and demonstrations and sales by eight local area artists and craftsmen.

The run on the trail two miles west of Cedarville will offer participants an opportunity to win a trophy or medal in fourteen age/gender categories.

Immediately after the trail run, the emphasis will be at the museum where runners will receive their awards and visitors will find the artists and craftsmen, two folk song singers and plenty of lunch time food and pastries. Museum admission will be free.

The run or walk will start at the Wes Block Trail Head south of US Rt. 20 and end at Cedarville Road. Pre-registration is $15; registration at 8:30 a.m. on race/walk day is $18. All registrants receive a festival t-shirt. The overall fastest male and female will receive a trophy. First, second and third place finishers in the fourteen groups will receive medals.

A registration form for the run or walk is in this newsletter on page 3. Free copies of the newsletter are also at the museum, the Cedarville post office, community center, Cedarville Mobile, Reed's Service, Hair It Is! on Rt. 26, south of the village, Famous Fossils Winery east of the village on Cedarville Road, Kent Bank on Fairview Road and Rt. 26, Cedarville churches or by calling Jim Bade at 815-563-4485.

Folk song singers Martha Jones of Cedarville and Dan Baldwin of Brodhead, Wi., will perform on the museum grounds. Miss Jones is especially fond of Celtic lullabies; Baldwin, who sang to a full hose at the Cedarville Museum on (Turn to page 6)
Registration / Fees

The fee is $15 for those who register by Sept. 16. Those registering on Sept. 21, will pay $18. The fee offsets the society’s cost of the T-shirts, trophies and medals.

The registration form and a check or money order made out to the Cedarville Area Historical Society should be mailed to the Cedarville Area Historical Society, Box 336, Cedarville, IL 61013

For information contact Jim Bade at 815-563-4485 or bonniebade@comcast.net.

Race Day

Late registration at the starting line starts at 8:30 a.m. The runners will start at 9:30 a.m., the walkers a few minutes later. There will be water on the route and fruit at the finish line.

Awards

Awards will be presented about 11 a.m. at the Cedarville Museum on top of the Second Street hill just west of Mill Street. (See map) Transportation from finish line to the museum will be available. Trophies will go to the first overall male and female winners of the run. Medals will go to the top three male and female finishers in the seven age groups. All walk or run participants get a festival T-shirt.
A Hot Night But Cool Music

Despite temperatures that topped out in the mid-nineties during the day, the Cedarville Museum was filled the night of August 27 to hear Dan Baldwin deliver his versions of American folk songs from the 1960s and 1970s, the so-called “Protest Period.” Baldwin of Brodhead, WI, used both guitar and keyboard to back up his mellow voice. Baldwin will also appear at the historical society’s Jane Addams Festival on September 21. This was this year’s second “Sounds of America” program exploring music and history sponsored by the society. The final program will be September 24 and will feature sixteen women’s voices in barbershop harmony.

A CD or DVD of this program or July’s jazz program is available for $12 with mailing. Just send an e-mail to bonniebade@comcast.net or call Jim Bade at 815-563-4485.
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August 27, is known for his versions of American folk songs.

The artists and craftsmen who are participating include Nancy Jones (mother of Martha), Suzy Beggin, Tami Mulder, Elle Wells, Ellen Bartels, Amanda Spelman, Kathy Wilken and Don and Vickie Franz.

Nancy Jones loves creating corn husk dolls, something she has done since childhood on the farm. She will provide all the materials to create a doll in about half an hour. It’s a great activity for children of all ages. She will be assisted by Diana Reuber.

Suzy Beggin is well known, partly because of her impersonation of Jane Addams but mostly because of her work with wool. She will sell 100 per cent wool from her historic breeds of sheep raised using 19th century farm methods on her Stockton farm. She also sells pattern kits (with yarn) for historical accessories.

Tami Mulder will do spinning and braided/felted wool rug demonstrations. She will have hand spun yarn and hand made soap for sale.

Elle Wells was first inspired to make pottery when she and her child watched Captain Kangaroo on television thirty years ago. Years later she took a pottery making class from Linda Auman. Elle cooked at girl scout camp to earn money for a kiln and eventually taught herself wheel throwing.

Ellen Bartels is a painter and printmaker. She earned degrees in art at the University of Texas in El Paso and at the University of Washington. She taught art in Orangeville for 12 years. She will feature her prints and drawings.

For more than 20 years Amanda Spelman has enjoyed making jewelry from a wide assortment of gemstones and found items. She searches for unique items to incorporate in the one-of-a-kind pieces she designs. She learned her craft in classes in Palo Alto, CA. Her work is on display year-round at the Freeport Art Museum where she will be teaching a class this fall.

Kathy Wilken said she came to wet felting after trying many other art forms. “My work has become more abstract and with painterly qualities, I use the fiber to create abstract works that are sometimes sculptural or two dimensional,” she said. Victoria and Don Franz are the owners of Victoria’s Candle Shop on Etsy.com. They make eight varieties of beeswax candles by hand. “We have been making them for 16 years,” Don said. Franz, a Civil War buff, added that sometimes he reads by candle light. “They burn with a bright flame and they do not smoke, he added.”

Participants at Jane Addams Festival

Don Franz

Vickie Franz

Martha Jones

Suzy Beggin

Kathy Wilken

Amanda Spelman

Tami Mulder

Ellen Bartels

Dan Baldwin

Nancy Jones

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CAHS Member
Charlene Gaard
Dies at Iowa Home

Charlene P. Gaard, a longtime member of the Cedarville Area Historical Society, died of a heart attack at her home in Clive, Iowa, on July 28. She was 74.

Mrs. Gaard and her husband, Tom, were history enthusiasts and traveled several times from Iowa to Cedarville to attend CAHS programs. She was especially interested in Stephenson County residents who traced their background to Lippe Detmold in Germany, the area of her ancestors. Her husband is the great grandson of Cedarville’s Thomas Jefferson Moses, a Civil War Union soldier in the Illinois 93rd Infantry Regiment. He has contributed a great deal of information to a pending CAHS manuscript that includes the autobiography and Civil War diary of Moses.

Mrs. Gaard grew up in Baxter, Iowa, where she was the valedictorian of her high school class. She later moved to Des Moines where she met her husband. They were married in 1964.

She was a very talented painter and good at crafts of all types.

Charlene was preceded in death by her parents. Survivors include her husband, a brother and a sister and nephews.

Former Micro/Honeywell Employees, Listen Up Now!

It seems as if most everyone in Stephenson County once worked for these companies so this is a public announcement.

The annual M/H picnic for former employees will be Sept. 10, in Fellowship Hall, Bethany United Church of Christ, Freeport. Doors open at 11:30 a.m.; lunch at noon; social hour until 4 p.m.

Bring a dish to pass and your own table service. $2 donation. Coffee, punch and lemonade will be furnished.

Thanks to Wanda Solace for this news.