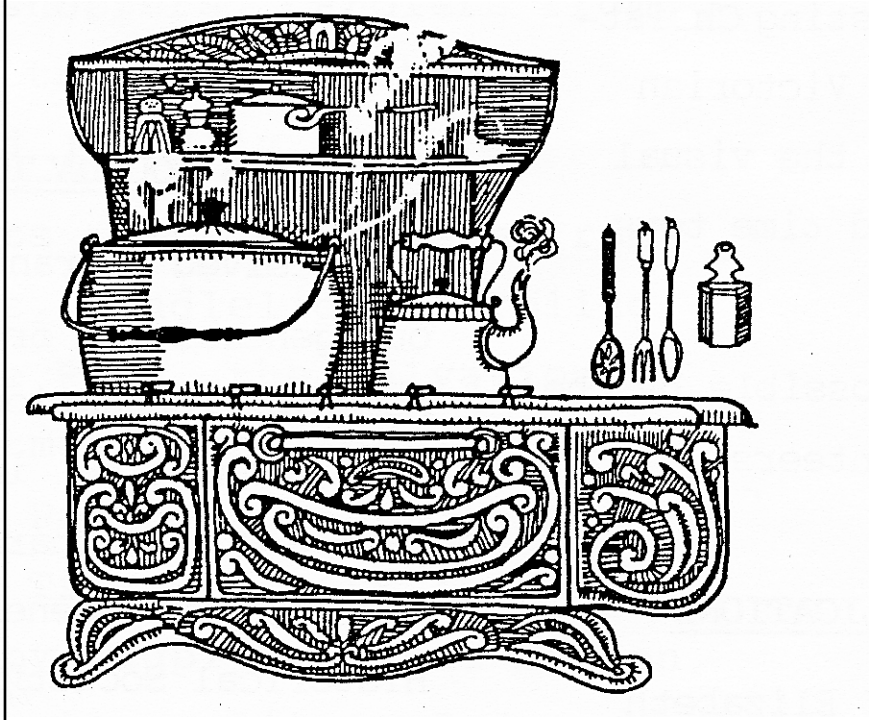
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The Annual Soups & Breads Luncheon

Thursday, January 21, 2010 11:00 a.m.
Shute Building



with
Don Barriball talking about the Chagrin Falls Electric Interurban Railway

and

MUSIC AT THE LIBRARY
Saturday, January 9, 2010 2:00 p.m.

SISTER JEAN, THE RAGTIME QUEEN & LITTLE LAUNDRY on the Washboard

Refreshments, of course!

Welcome to New Members

Arlene & Jack Abbott

OUR SOUPS & BREADS LUNCHEON

Mark Thursday, January 21st on your calendar. It's time again to bundle up and come to the Shute Building for the many delicious soups, breads, muffins, spreads and desserts that our members & friends prepare for our enjoyment. Please call Pam Lubs (338-1855) if you are bringing soup or a bread so she can plan what she needs. We'll have helpers at the curb to carry your soups, etc., downstairs. And please bring a ladle with your soups. A clever idea used by many is to bring a muffin tin in which you can serve yourself samples of a number of different soups all at one time!

If you don't plan to cook or bake, please bring a donation of dried or canned food for the community food bank at the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center..

For our 11:00 a.m. program, author Don Barriball will talk about his research for his best selling book on the Chagrin Falls Electric Railway (the Interurban). We will have copies of the book for sale, which Don would be glad to autograph for you.

THE CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE WAS A HIT!

Following the enthusiastic carolers at Triangle Park, our annual Christmas Open House on Friday, December 4th was a warm, friendly gathering of members and guests, with their children. They consumed hot cocoa and homemade holiday cookies. Our Santa Claus, as always, was wonderful with the little children on his knee, helping them relax and tell him what they wanted as presents for the holidays. We heard him prompt one nervous child, "Well how about some purple cabbages?" Eventually he would get them to mention something they were really hoping for. And as a special treat a group of singers from the Middle School Chorus sang Christmas carols for a very attentive and appreciative audience. It was like a cozy party at someone's home.

The Museum was brightly decorated with our Victorian Christmas Tree, with many antique ornaments and greens were hung with red bows. A collection of wind-up toys, tops and old time toys were available to try on our main room table. The kids had a good time, and so did some of the adults as they tried their hand as well.

A very nice, warm gathering for the holidays!

MUSIC AT THE LIBRARY

Our opening concert of the 17th Annual Winter Music Series, co-sponsored by the Historical Society and the Friends of the Chagrin Falls Library, will take place on Saturday, January 9, 2010, at 2:00 p.m. at the Library. This year our old favorite Sister Jean, the Ragtime Queen will be accompanied by her grandson, Little Laundry on the percussion washboard, replacing Laundry Fat, his late grandfather. With great energy and verve Sister Jean will play Ragtime tunes by Scott Joplin, such as the Maple Leaf Rag, The Entertainer, and other classics of the era.

Refreshments during the intermission, courtesy of the Friends of the Library. So put the insert in this issue of the Newsletter on your refrigerator to remind yourself to attend this winter's free concerts. Hope to see you on Saturday, January 9, 2010 at 2:00 p.m.!

A REMINDER FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Oh! How my mind is slipping.
Did I forget my membership dues?
Thru my check register I'm flipping,
Am I too late to send in my dues?
Must write that check before my mind is slipping. Again!

Ann Goss, Membership Committee

WE APPRECIATE THE COMMUNITY'S SUPPORT

We are always grateful for the special donations made to the Historical Society by community organizations and individuals.

Recently the Chagrin Valley Women's

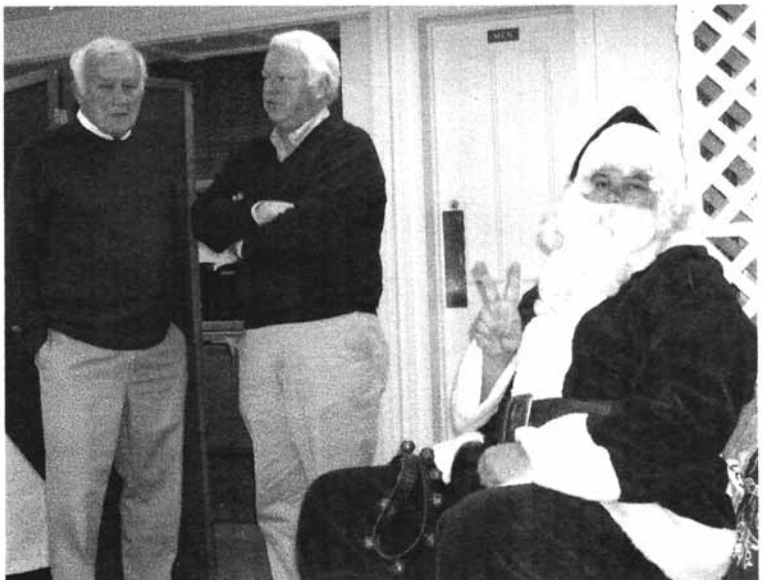
Exchange - The Sassy Cat - made a second donation to us from their remaining funds after they closed down their store on Main Street. And, many thanks to their many volunteers who have served the community with their work at the Sassy Cat, and their financial donations to community service groups.

Our thanks to member Michelle McQuade for her generous donation to the Annie Gumprecht Photography Collection Fund of the Historical Society. We are also grateful to the many people who make donations during our annual Heritage (formerly Endowment) Fund drive, to our Honor Book, and in memory of loved ones and friends who have passed away. The names of such donors are printed annually in our Newsletter.

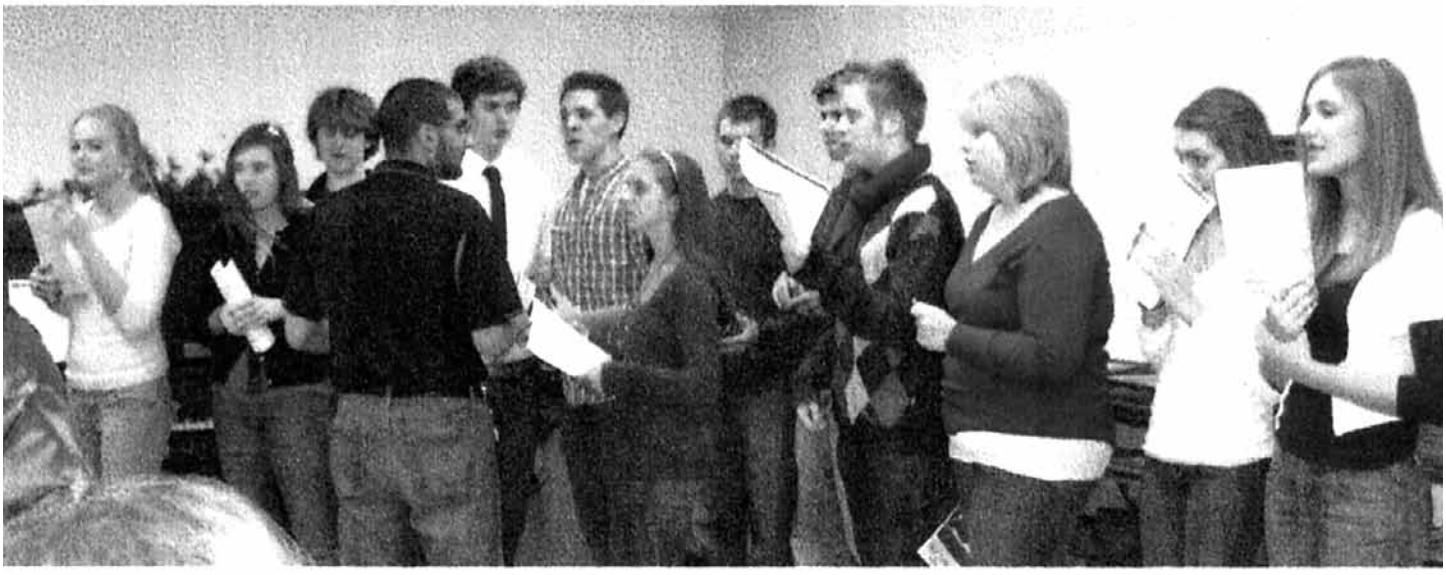
PHOTOS BY JOYCE TEEFT
At the Christmas Open House



Santa and Child



Cocoa Servers
Glen Bomback & Pete Lubs
Santa waits for the next child



The Middle School Choir sings Christmas Carols

CURATOR'S CORNER

Overview Calendar

January

9 Music At The Library, 2:00 p.m., Sister Jean, The Ragtime Queen, and Little Laundry, Percussionist.

12 Historical Society Board Meeting, Shute Bldg., 10:00 a.m.

21 Soups & Breads Luncheon; 11:00 speaker: Don Barriball, Noon: Lunch.

A Cub Scout Troop will be visiting this month.

THANK YOU ALL!
Our Christmas Past Open House was a success due in large part to all of our volunteers! Thanks to the museum decorators, the bakers, the cocoa makers and servers, hosts and hostesses upstairs and downstairs, and of course our very own Santa Claus!

ACCESSIONS WITH A CHAGRIN FALLS CONNECTION
A humorous drawing of Chagrin Falls with the Bandstand, the Falls and Popcorn Shop as the center of the Universe, and with New York City as our Suburb!

(Stuart Root)

A Chagrin Falls Postcard of "The State Fish Hatcheries"; two Historical Society 1953 Commemorative china plates; a framed, under glass sketch of the Falls Movie Theater on E. Washington Street.

(Charles & Geraldine Jones)

An 1882 Chagrin Falls and Southern Railroad Pocket Guide, with a list of Officers and Directors, which included the important men in the Village at the time; a Ledger Book with records of the Executive Board of the Cuyahoga County Agricultural Society, Jan. 20, 1862-Oct.6, 1894.

(Anonymous Donor)

NOTICE
The Victorian Christmas Display will be in place until after the Soups & Breads Luncheon on January 21st.

A VERY HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL!

Pat E. Zalba,
Volunteer Curator