

**VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS
HISTORICAL COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES**

The Historical Committee met on Saturday, February 7, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. in the Cuyahoga Heights Village Hall. Committee members present were Barb Bartczak, Cheryl Harris, Laura Hine, Dianne Suhy, Kathy Swartout. Absent: Sandy Waldemarson. Guests: Todd Bloam & son, Lois Henley, Robert Mantell and Irma Schab.

The committee approved the January minutes.

2009 Project Reports:

Book Binder – Sandy was excused from the meeting due to a death in the family. She will give her report in March.

Movies to DVD - Barb met with the people she knew about putting the movies on DVD's. They will give us about 40% off their regular fee. All agreed to have them do the job for us.

Cemetery Tour - Cheryl contacted Harvard Grove and Calvary Cemeteries about doing a tour(s). Both were very helpful and suggested to do it after Father's Day which was when we wanted to do the tours. They told Cheryl that if we gave them the names and death dates of individuals, they would make maps showing the grave sites. If we do our tour on the right day, they could have someone talk to us. Laura will search the genealogy program for records of people buried in both cemeteries. Cheryl is going to put an item in the newsletter so people can give us names of relatives in the cemeteries and to sign up if they would be interested in going on a tour. A date will be set after we see how many residents are interested.

Mayor's Biographies - Cheryl interviewed Mr. Contipelli and started working on her first draft of his biography. Once she has finished it, she will then start on Mr. Gallitz. Kathy showed the committee what she had on Mr. Schmit and Mr. Kennedy; when she has finished on them she will start on Mr. Gerdon. The committee will need someone to work on the following biographies: Jack M. Bacci, Marilyn C. Duszynski, Louis J. Bacci; and Stanley W. Klima.

Open House - The date is June 6, 2009 time from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Wedding Display - The committee will meet every week in May to start setting up the room, if needed. Everyone is to still get wedding pictures.

Genealogy Display - Laura brought the 270 family files and trees. We talked about how we will display them during the open house. Laura also showed us the report she got from Italy on some of the Village people's ancestors.

Refreshments - Dianne passed out a sheet of suggestions for the open house refreshments. Everyone liked all her ideas and we settled on coffee, tea and punch. The punch will be served in plastic wine glasses. Favors will be five (5) almonds wrapped in Tulle. We will serve cupcakes for our wedding cake and have tiny cupcakes for people to take home in a box topped with hearts, rings, etc. Each tradition we use will have a card telling why these are part of weddings. We will have white tablecloths. Kathy and Lois will make copies of some of the bouquets found in our wedding pictures for table centerpieces. Love songs will play in the background. Dianne will make the CD.

Other Items:

Next month, Laura will show her slide show of Italy. We will advise the residents by informing them in the newsletter that we will have the slide show at the March meeting.

Kathy gave a lesson on how to scan pictures to the computer and Laura showed everyone how to search for the history of owners of homes using two county web sites.

Wherefore, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m. Our guests and member talked, looked around in the historical room and at all the family history files and trees Laura had lain out. In addition, Todd Bloam brought us a box of pictures and documents to scan. We closed the doors and went home at 1:15 p.m.