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Membership – open (help needed)

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Upcoming Events

May 22-23 Bowl-Vessel Forging Class, GTHS School of Blacksmithing.

Roy Adams of Christ Centered Ironworks will be guiding this weekend class in the exploration of steel bowl and vessel making. \$375 includes materials and lunch both days. Details at goshenhistory.org.

June 12 Goshen Band Boosters Car Show Fundraiser

Goshen High School 6767 Goshen Rd. Car show in the parking lot in front of the log cabin, noon – 5pm. The cabin and the GTHS School of Blacksmithing will be open for tours and information.

June 25-26 Forging Muzzle Loading Rifle Hardware, GTHS School of Blacksmithing

Led by Frank & John House. Tuition for 2-day class is \$375 and must be paid in advance to confirm your registration. \$375 includes materials and lunch both days. Details at goshenhistory.org.

July 7 “Night at the Museum” GTHS Open House

Museum and history library open house from 6-8pm. Tour permanent and rotating exhibits on 2 floors, explore the 1st floor history library, and meet our volunteers. The Anchorage 1843 St Rt 28.

July 24-25 Ornamental Garden Bench Class, GTHS School of Blacksmithing

Roy Adams of Christ Centered Ironworks instructs fabrication of forged elements and a solid wood slab bench top. \$375. Details at goshenhistory.org.

August 14 Vintage Baseball: the Cincinnati Red Stockings vs The Goshen 9

Come cheer on our local talent as they take on the Red Stockings in a game played by 1869 rules. Refreshments, split the pot, raffle for a prize from the Cincinnati Red Stockings, and more. Fun for all ages. Time still to be determined.

Board of Trustees Update

Last Meeting May 10, 2021

Perry Thacker, manager of the Cincinnati Red Stockings vintage baseball club, confirmed the date of Saturday August 14 for the Cincinnati Red Stockings game against the Goshen Schoolmasters. The game will be held on the soccer field at Goshen High School. Our team the Goshen Schoolmasters will be made up of local business owners, pastors, school and township officials. If you want to nominate a player, email us at goshenhistory@gmail.com. Invitations will be extended soon to nominees. The game will be played by 1869 rules (no gloves!), team shirts will be provided, and is guaranteed to be a great time for those on and off the field. Fundraising for the GTHS will include food and refreshments, split the pot, and a raffle prize from the Cincinnati Red Stockings.

The Board extended a huge thank you to Diana Phillips and Shannon Hill who led the plant sale fundraiser on May 1. Over \$2,500 was raised for the GTHS and will be applied to the project to install electric at the Cook Log Cabin Heritage Center. The GTHS School of Blacksmithing hand forged garden tools to sell at the event, then held both the blacksmith shop and the school open for demonstrations. Members of the Grassy Run Historical Arts Society came in period costume offering demos in weaving and rope making, and provided dulcimer music throughout the day. We also provided space to a limited number of vendors who all reported they would participate in this event again. GTHS volunteers were on hand for tours of the log cabin and grounds. We hope to make this an annual event.

The Grassy Run Historical Arts Society is interested in expanding their partnership with the GTHS by conducting more of their educational programs at the Cook Log Cabin. Grassy Run have supported many GTHS events, providing living history demonstrations that engage and delight visitors of all ages. Grassy Run President George West, who is

also a member of the GTHS Board of Trustees, gave an excellent presentation, attended by several other members of the group. We look forward to exploring ways our two organizations can help each other grow in membership and reach a wider audience.

The sign in front of the Anchorage will be replaced but its replacement is still under discussion. Advisor Jim Poe is leading this project.

The installation of the Sam Leever historical plaque on school grounds and a commemoration ceremony remain on hold. The project to purchase the plaque was completed in 2020, but follow up activities were impacted by the pandemic. Installation of the plaque will continue to be monitored by GTHS director Rick Rhoades who has chaired this project from the beginning.

As most know, our beloved Historian Gerald Ross passed away in February. Gerald's daughters Nina King and Tina McDerman notified the Board that they have decided to step back from their roles with the GTHS. This is a tremendous loss for the GTHS. Gerald, Nina, and Tina collectively have done so much to improve and enrich our organization. We can never thank them enough for their creativity, networking, resources, and countless hours of work. Their love of history and community was unmatched. We are sad to lose Nina and Tina, but we respect their decision and will continue to hold them in the highest esteem and affection.

This leaves us with several open appointed positions on the Board of Trustees: historian, librarian, museum curator, and membership chair. The treasurer's position is an elected position and GTHS president Andy Evans has appointed Gene Zackerman as interim treasurer until elections are held in December. We are actively seeking people to fill the appointed positions. If you or someone you know has an interest, please email goshenhistory@gmail.com or contact Linda Wasson at 513.223.9333.



Life of a 19th Century Doctor

During the 19th century, rural doctors were general practitioners by necessity. They delivered babies, set broken limbs, pulled teeth, and tended to all sorts of wounds and diseases. Except in large metropolitan areas, few doctors had medical specialties. Rural physicians needed a variety of tools to be prepared for any situation.

Doctors traveled long distances on foot, on horseback, in wagons, buggies, ferries, canoes and boats. The doctor's bag was designed to carry the tools of the trade and withstand travel in all sorts of weather. Bags of durable oiled canvas or leather stood up to extended travel, whatever the season and terrain.

A variety of tools for everything from pulling teeth to delivering a baby to amputating a limb might be found inside. A basic medical kit would include scalpels, tweezers, razors, and scissors. They would have carried catgut for suturing and gauze bandaging as well. If they were desperate, even fiddle strings would suffice when stitching up an injured patient.

Other items in the bag might include a stethoscope, glass thermometer, splints for broken bones, forceps for labor and delivery, and bloodletting instruments.

Because the antiseptic technique was slow to be adopted in American hospitals, medical instruments continued to be manufactured with decorative etching, wooden or grooved handles, and velvet cases.

Doctors would have had a variety of painkillers at their disposal including laudanum, morphine and cocaine. By 1850, most doctors carried some basic anesthetics for use in extreme cases. Nitrous oxide, called "laughing gas" because of its euphoria inducing qualities, was first used as a dental anesthetic in 1844. Ether was used for general anesthesia starting in 1846, and chloroform in 1847. Chloroform anesthesia became very popular after it was administered to Queen Victoria in 1853 for childbirth.

Keeping up with the latest medical procedures would have been a high priority for rural doctors. The

American Medical Association began in Philadelphia in 1847. Members received a quarterly newsletter announcing new methods of surgery, recent research, and advice from prominent physicians on the East Coast or Europe.

Because of their dedication to their patients, 19th century rural doctors were often the most well-known and most valued members of their communities. They likely delivered every child in the community and sat with the dying as they drew their last breath. They saw people into and out of this world, and in the meantime tried to keep them alive and healthy. Their selfless devotion to their patients and creative ingenuity have left a legacy that continues to capture the imagination of the American people.

The GTHS museum known as The Anchorage was once the home, and eventually the medical office, of Dr. Daniel Lyman. Visitors to the museum today can see photos of Dr. Lyman and his family and the iron weight Dr. Lyman used to tether his horse when he arrived at a patient's home. Called a tether weight or pester, this weight was kept in the doctor's buggy, always ready to secure his horse's reins on a house call. The restored bank barn at the Cook Log Cabin Heritage Center next to Goshen High School houses a doctor's buggy similar to that of Dr. Lyman. It was not a comfortable conveyance and provided little protection from inclement weather, but it was light and easily pulled by one horse making it invaluable to a rural doctor who traveled dirt roads at all hours, year round.



GTHS School of Blacksmithing Update

The fundraising efforts have been encouraging. We have enough funds available to place the work order for the transformer and wire from the road back to the log cabin. Thank you to everyone who has contributed. We still need to continue the efforts to run power from the transformer to the school studio, the timber frame shop and the log cabin, but we are nearing our goal. Please help us cross the finish line by donating to the project *Electric at the Cook Log Cabin Heritage Center*. Donations can be made securely on our web site GoshenHistory.org.

We have spots available for all the classes on the schedule and have added more. Full class descriptions are posted on the website www.goshenhistory.org.

Roy Adams "Forged Bowls & Vessels" May 22 & 23rd. Tuition \$375

Bill Corey "EZ Tongs" June 12th. This is a one-day class where Bill will share his method to simplify basic tong making from 3/8" x 3/4" and 3/8" x 1" bar stock. Tuition is \$125

Steve Auvenshine "Forged Chef's Knife". June 26 & 27th. Tuition \$375

Roy Adams July 24 & 25th "Garden Bench". Tuition \$375

Frank House & Joe Seabolt "Forged American Knife" November 5 – 7th Tuition \$450

Roy Adams "Forged Gifts for Christmas" Tuition \$375.

Brian Brazeal has offered to return for back to back weekends. He suggested more instruction of the fine points of fundamental techniques and his methods developed from years of actually studying

forging versus hitting it until it is satisfactory. Learning from Brian will change your whole approach to forging. No dates set at this time so now is your chance to speak up and, if you have an area of interest, I will see if that is an option.

All of these classes are appropriate for folks of any skill level.

Please join our Facebook group *Goshen Historical Society School of Blacksmithing* and share your projects. We also have an Instagram account *GHTSSchoolofBlacksmithing*.

Jamie Gier
Resident Blacksmith
GTHS School of Blacksmithing



The GTHS Board of Trustees extends a huge thank you to Jamie Gier and the other talented blacksmiths who donated their time and talent to create garden trowels and herb cutters sold at the recent May 1 plant sale "Seeds to Sprouts." These artisan tools, priced from \$45, were sold almost as quickly as they were made, profits of which benefitted the GTHS.



In Memoriam:

Honoring the life of our Historian Gerald Ross, 1943-2021



Gerald Ross next to a clock saved from the old
Sheila E. Green School building.

On February 20, 2021 Goshen lost one of its best and the historical society lost a cherished and dedicated member.

Gerald Ross was an avid historian and loved genealogy and history research. He was a devoted member of the Goshen Township Historical Society, served on the GTHS Board of Trustees, and was our Historian for many years. In addition to his tireless research and responding to public information requests, Gerald held the museum open once a week, and quietly funded several major projects for the museum and the GTHS School of Blacksmithing. He also participated in the restoration of the Cook Log Cabin, next to Goshen High School. Gerald loved this community and he gave generously of his time and talent so that others could appreciate Goshen's history and enjoy its small-town values.

Gerald was a lifelong resident of Goshen. Born to Norman and Georgia Ross, he was one of six children. He married his high school sweetheart Cressie Brock Ross and they spent 52 loving years together before her death in 2013. Together they shared two daughters: Nina King and Tina McDerman. Nina is the Curator of the GTHS Historical Museum and Tina serves as our Treasurer and our Librarian.

Gerald and Cressie were successful business owners who for decades operated several service stations in the area. Gerald relished the little things in life: golf, restoring old cars, grill outs in the back yard, and spending time with his family and friends.

Gerald had a heart of gold. Anyone lucky enough to have known him, knew he was the king of putting others first. His generosity knew no bounds and those who experienced it first hand have been enriched for the better. He, along with his love and kindness, will never be forgotten.



The Goshen Township Historical Society extends its deepest condolences to Nina, Tina, and the rest of Gerald's family. This is an irreplaceable loss for them, for us, and for the community, but the impact Gerald had in preserving local history and the love he had for Goshen will live on.



Scavenger Hunt

Cook Log Cabin Heritage Center

The next time you visit the log cabin and other buildings at the Cook Log Cabin Heritage Center, take this article with you and complete the GTHS Scavenger Hunt. It's been recently updated with a few new items. This is a fun way to explore the grounds and learn about local history at the same time. When GTHS volunteers are on site for special events, they will be happy to help you locate items and tell you all about them. See if you can find all 7 items. Have fun!

1. **Fruit cellar door**
2. **Blacksmith Jamie Gier's signature mark (hint: there are several)**
3. **Chinking**
4. **Outhouse**
5. **Memorial paver "Class of 1954. Miss Cook was the best!"**
6. **Dog trot**
7. **Springhouse foundation**



Shop the GTHS

All GTHS merchandise can be purchased from our online store at goshenhistory.org/gths-store. Prices include tax and shipping. Bicentennial pennants, our collectible, hand painted slate ornaments, books, and blacksmith class gift certificates make great gifts.

Jim Koch's book *Before That*, a pictorial then and now tour of various sites around Goshen Township, is also available at the Goshen Grind, 6744 Dick Flynn Blvd. While you're there, pick up a bag of The Grind's exclusive *Anchorage* blend coffee, named after our museum. Thanks, Goshen Grind, for your support!



The Log Cabin Memorial Walk

Become a Part of Goshen History

Add a custom brick paver to our Memorial Walkway at the restored Cook Log Cabin. Visit goshenhistory.org/gths-store to download the order form and purchase your paver, complete the form to customize your engraved message. Email the completed form to goshenhistory@gmail.com. Forms are also available at the museum and log cabin during open events.

There are lots of reasons to purchase a custom engraved paver:

- in memory of a loved one
- acknowledge your favorite teacher
- thank a veteran or first responder
- commemorate your club, life group, or business
- show your graduating class school spirit
- unique birthday or anniversary gift
- a family commemorative

Please note that pavers are sent to the engraver in batches, not individually. It may take 2-3 months for a paver to be engraved and installed in our memorial walkway. If your paver must be installed by a certain date, please contact us at goshenhistory.org BEFORE you make your purchase. We will try to accommodate your request.



Walt Schultin was honored with a paver for creating the massive stone fireplace and chimney, part of restoration of the Cook Log Cabin.



12 Things Turning 100 in 2021

Mark Kalnitz, Dec. 2020

Chanel N°5. Chanel's first perfume, N°5, was launched in 1921, the result of a collaboration between Coco Chanel and perfumer Ernest Beaux. Named N°5 because Chanel selected the fifth scent sample Beaux presented to her for the perfume, it had a profound impact on pop culture. Its iconic yet simple bottle drew the attention of people like Marilyn Monroe and Andy Warhol.

Cheez-It. The Green & Green company released the 1-by-1 inch cheesy squares 100 years. The company started producing the snack during World War I, during which it donated a whopping 6.5 million pounds to the US military. Cheez-It would go on to be acquired by various companies including Sunshine Foods and Keebler. It is currently produced by the Kellogg Company, which acquired Keebler in 2001.

The Laughing Cow Cheese. Invented by Jules Bel in 1921 as a "tasty, affordable, portable potential of processed cheese." Once his son Leon Bel took over his father's company, he trademarked the tiny circular cheeses we know and love today.

Wonder Bread. Elmer Cline became enamored with the dozens of hot air balloons dotting the sky during the International Balloon Race at the Indianapolis Speedway. Inspired by the "wonder" of their colors and shapes, Cline decided to name his bread after them. To celebrate its 80th birthday in 2001, Wonder finally got a hot air balloon of its own.

Edy's Pie. In 1921 when Joseph Edy created his now-iconic chocolate-covered vanilla ice cream bar, he named it the Eskimo Pie. In June 2020, Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream, which now owns Edy's, announced it would change the derogatory name to Edy's Pie in honor of the ice cream's creator.

Betty Crocker. In response to a 1921 promotion for Gold Medal flour offering customers a pincushion if they could complete a jigsaw puzzle, the Washburn Crosby Company (General Mills, Inc.'s predecessor) received thousands of responses and questions from

eager customers. The persona Betty Crocker was created to answer the customer's inquiries. "Crocker" was chosen to honor the company's recently retired director, William G. Crocker, and the name Betty was added because it sounded friendly. Female employees submitted signatures for the character and the one chosen nearly 100 years ago is still used today.

The Polygraph. California-based policeman and physiologist John A. Larson made the tool with the hopes of simultaneously measuring changes in blood pressure, heart rate, and respiration rate to detect when suspects were lying.

Braun. The German electronics company produced the first unit featuring both a record player and a radio, numerous electronic razors, and the brand now recognized as Oral-B.

The Word "Robot." Karel Capek adapted the term from the Czech word "robot," which translates to forced labor. Capek used the word in his 1921 play "RUR," which stands for Rossum's Universal Robots.

Hot Springs. America's smallest national park.

The Chicago Theatre. The blueprint for the modern movie theater. When it opened in 1921, it screened "The Sign on the Door" and featured a 50-piece pit orchestra and a Wurlitzer pipe organist.

The Tulsa Race Massacre. On May 30, 1921, a young black man shared an elevator with a white woman. An "inflammatory report" about what had happened in the elevator appeared in the Tulsa Tribune on May 31, 1921, and prompted mobs of black and white people to gather outside the courthouse. An unknown gunman fired a shot into the crowd and the African American protesters retreated to the Greenwood Business District, which was commonly referred to as Black Wall Street for its abundance of successful Black-owned businesses. June 1, 1921, Greenwood was looted and burned to the ground, razing 35 city blocks, injuring more than 800 people, and, historians believe, killing as many as 300 people. Additionally, over 6,000 people were imprisoned for as long as eight days.

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