



# BAY VILLAGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

"Preserving the Character of Our City"

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## Potluck and Program Holly Tramba, Vice President

**Thursday, May 18 —Bay Lodge**

**6:00 p.m. social, 6:30 p.m. potluck dinner, 7:00 p.m. program**

Main Dish – provided by The Bay Village Historical Society

**Last name beginning with:**

**A-L** bring a side dish for ten; **M-Z** bring an appetizer or dessert for ten.

**Bring your own place setting.**

**Please bring a beverage of choice. Alcohol is permitted at Bay Lodge.**

**There will be a \$10 charge for non-members at the door.**

## PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE OF THE CLEVELAND CULTURAL GARDENS



Lori Ashyk, Executive Director of the Cleveland Cultural Gardens, will speak on the history of the gardens, the gardens as they are today and the future of the Cultural Gardens.



**RSVP to Holly Tramba; 440-537-1581 or e-mail: [htramba@sbcglobal.net](mailto:htramba@sbcglobal.net) by May 12.**

## Board Positions

**Cathy Flament**

Dave Tadych's trustee position has expired. We appreciate his involvement over the years.

The Nominating Committee is proposing Marie Albano to step into the position for a three year term. Marie is currently spearheading the docent program and has been an enthusiastic and dedicated leader. She has been actively creating costumes for the docents to wear with impressive results.

If you are interested in the position or would like to nominate someone, we will take nominations from the floor at the general meeting.

**We look forward to seeing you on Sundays at:  
Osborn Learning Center, Rose Hill and the Cahoon Cabin.**



**May 2023**



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## President's Message

Cathy Flament

Winter provided time for us to delve into our collections and continue with the organization of the archives. It was a time to feel the revitalization of our treasures as we made new discoveries and created a safe space for the artifacts we have. The fire arms, dating back to the 1800's, were evaluate and cleaned by Bob Shaw. Barb Comienski created a report and appraisal of each of the dolls revealing some interesting discoveries. Ed Rowe revitalized one of our walking wheels so that spinning demonstrations on it are now possible.



Don't miss your chance to experience "Beadwork: The Beauty of Small Things" at Rose Hill. On display are over 100 beaded items of clothing from the 1800's-1920's, jewelry, purses, combs and even salesman's samples from the Darvas School of Design in Cleveland and much more.

These stunning works of art showcase the versatility of beadwork and its enduring place in fashion and adornment. Join us on Sundays to witness the stunning beauty and cultural significance of these small yet powerful objects. This is a show you do not want to miss. Special thanks to Diane Pavan, a regular volunteer. Without her help and input the show would never have been as spectacular. Thank you, Diane!



The League of Women Voters is celebrating their 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Bay Village and we are celebrating with them! Come and check out the display in the upper alcove of Rose Hill. One of the Cahoon sisters has joined in the celebration, come see which one. Stay tuned for an event this summer where we will be partnering with them.

This year we are participating in the Memorial Day parade to increase awareness of the Historical Society in the community. Anyone who would like to join in the fun contact Marie Albano, [maadds@roadrunner.com](mailto:maadds@roadrunner.com).

The city recently added a humidifier to the heating system on the second floor of Rose Hill. Protecting our collection by regulating heat and humidity is always a top concern for its preservation. We appreciate the support the city has consistently provided.

The latest item we rediscovered is a table rug hand made in 1840. It is a striking artifact that was "hiding" in the library behind the Osborn weather vane. We hope to be able to display it more prominently in the future. I have found family members who were unaware and overjoyed that it exists. We may have some out-of-state visitors this summer.



We recently welcomed Bob and Gigi Monroe back to Rose Hill. The Monroe's played a critical role in the transformation of Rose Hill from a library to a museum creating a solid foundation for the museum to go forward. They provided us with some interesting construction details that we were unaware of providing a wealth of information we are excited to share with our visitors.

The family of Gail Wieland Stewart of Malvern, PA graciously requested that donations in her memory be forward to the Historical Society. We are extremely grateful to them for providing us with this gift. Gail and her siblings grew up in Bay and she graduated from Bay High in 1954 and frequently returned to Bay and visited Rose Hill. They were a delightful group to welcome. Donations such as this help to maintain the collection and allow us to expand on our mission.

Enjoy your summer and be sure to make time to visit Rose Hill and the Osborn Learning Center with friends and family.

### Wish List:

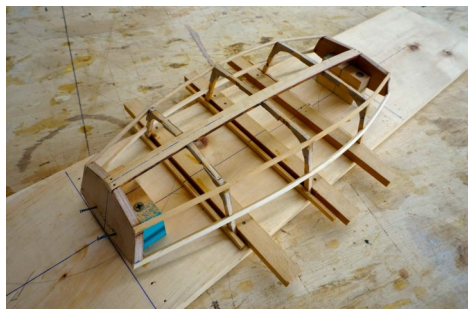
Need full slip and full-length mirror to be used by docents dressing in costume, corsets, doilies and card-table-size tablecloths.

## Wischmeyer Boatbuilding Project

Ed Neal

### His Boat Is Finally Being Built

The Bay Village Historical Society holds a collection of boat plans drawn by Henry Wischmeyer, a hobbyist naval architect whose family ran a small Lake Road tourist hotel perched above a sandy Lake Erie beach. One of his proposed boats is finally being built 70 years after he designed it.



*Builder's model of the Wischmeyer pram. Small boats are built upside down.*

The Cleveland Amateur Boatbuilders (CABBS) won a John Gardner Fund grant from the Traditional Small Craft Association to build Henry's 1953 design for a 10ft. pram. A pram is a boat with a sawn-off or flat front end rather than a conventional pointy end. It is made for getting into tight spaces.



*CABBS member Paul Herrgesell tows a mock-up of the Wischmeyer pram through the North Coast Harbor debris field it is intended to help clear.*

The Wischmeyer boat will be used to clean-up a debris trapping channel of North Coast Harbor, the lakefront area behind the Rock-n-Roll Hall of Fame. The channel is very narrow and has a right angle turn in it which creates floating mats of debris visible to thousands of passing pedestrians. The Wischmeyer boat is small enough to fit into the channel and will work in conjunction with the Port of Cleveland clean-up boats, FLOTSAM and JETSAM to dramatically clear the channel on a regular basis.

Want to see the boat under construction? The Cleveland Amateur Boatbuilders workspace will be open to visitors on **each Sunday in May 1:30 – 4:30 PM**. Visitors can see boatbuilding activity and – possibly – join in for some hands-on experiences. Children are welcome!

### Cleveland Amateur Boatbuilding and Boating Society

3535 Perkins Ave. (Cleveland State area. Corner of E36th, one block north of Chester Ave.)  
Cleveland, OH 44114

Free parking in the lot across from our building



## Osborn Learning Center

Tom Phillips and Dean Brennan

We look forward to welcoming friends, old and new, back to the Osborn Learning Center. We hope you will join us for three historic and interesting porch talks this summer.

### PORCH TALKS

June 11—2:00pm

Eliot Ness became the Director of Cleveland's Public Safety after his efforts to bring down Al Capone. The movie "Untouchables" will be shown in the Osborn Learning Center Crime Room.



July 15—2:15pm—"The Fuller House"

Robert Corna will speak about the 130 year history of the Fuller home. Originally built on property overlooking Lake Erie by Washington Lawrence for his daughter Irene Fuller in 1898, family members lived in the home until 1955. Corna purchased the home, and moved it in 1984 to the present location in Huntington Beach Park and donated the home to Bayarts.



August 20—2:15pm—"Buckeye"

Beryl Prusimosit will discuss the many curiosities attributed to the State of Ohio, one of them being our nickname.



## Support the BVHS

Eric Eakin



Stop by Boss ChickNBeer in the Bay Square Shopping Center all day on **Thursday, May 25**, and mention the Bay Village Historical Society. Ten percent of your check will be donated to the society.

## Save The Date

Co-Chairs Pamela Ebert & Monica Thomas

The Bay Village Historical Society invites you to attend a fall luncheon

*Silhouettes of Style*  
Lakewood Country Club  
September 24, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.

Cash Bar  
Mystery Bags  
Raffle Items

The fashion show will  
feature vintage pieces  
created by our own  
**Marie Albano** with  
highlights of the styles  
of the early 1900's.



## Historic Hikes with Stephanie West and Monika Rock

Mark your calendars:

**Thursday, Sept. 21**

Details: Historic homes along Lake Road West

Meet at Rose Hill at 9 a.m.

**Saturday, Sept. 30**

Details: Historic homes along Lake Road East

Meet at Reese Park at 9 a.m.

**Tuesday, Oct. 10**

Details: Bay Village History Hike

Meet at Rose Hill at 10 a.m.  
3 mile option also available

## Membership— Thank you to the following for their generous donations

**Eric Eakin**

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