

JAMESTOWN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER



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Jamestown Area Historical Society
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BEAN FESTIVAL PARADE



We were honored to have our oldest member, Iola Creamer, represent the Historical Society in the Bean Festival Parade this year. At age 92, she attends all meetings and helps with all projects. Iola, in circa 1880s costume, was escorted by members Lou and Joyce Green in a 2012 Dodge Convertible courtesy of Key Chrysler, Xenia. We thank all who supported our garage sale and tent. We also thank Marathon Gas Station for donating the pop for activities in the tent. Many people toured the Opera House and were pleasantly surprised by what they saw. Our students are amazed there is such a “cool” venue in Jamestown.

Other events in 2011 were a Gospel Music Concert featuring the Southern Aires, George and Rowena Walker and the Gibbons Family. The Sauerkraut German Band of Dayton played their “oompah” music and the New Carlisle Area Community Chorus did an outstanding performance of Broadway, patriotic, popular, classical and sacred selections. Mayor Mark Ferrell held his Mayor’s Scholarship Fund Benefit on May 30th which was Jamestown’s 195th birthday. Performers in the benefit were the Greeneview High School Band and Ryan Roth, an Elvis impersonator.

“VOICES OF OHIO”



“Voices of Ohio”, who presented our inaugural performance for the Opera House’s 120th birthday party in December of 2009 will be returning December 3, 2011 at 6:00 PM as part of Jamestown’s Small Town Christmas Celebration. The “Voices”, so impressed by our venue, requested a return engagement. This ensemble consists of former members of the Ohio State Fair Youth Choir who enjoy singing their repertoire of gospel, Broadway, pop, rock, blues, traditional and patriotic music. They have performed on the “Kenny Rogers Christmas and Hits Tour”, at the Millersport Sweet Corn Festival, Ohio Pumpkin Show, Cuyahoga County Fair, Willard Summer Concert Series, Dynamite National Showcase, the Ohio State Fair and the Ohio Governor’s Residence. They like to say:

“Come Hear Us Again for the First Time”

The Long Family Band will be returning on November 5 at 7:00 PM and the Greeneview High School Drama Club will present “Be My Ghost” on November 11 at the Opera House and November 12 at the high school.

The dressing rooms are mostly completed. Walls and woodwork are painted, new doors put on the individual rooms, floors carpeted and the steps leading down from the stage have been rebuilt and painted. Rick and Linda Johannes donated a classic ticket booth consistent with the Opera House era and it has been installed along with new tile on the lobby floor. The tile was graciously donated by Ed and Marcia Brill. The lobby is stunning!!!

At this writing the south wall exterior brick is being repaired. Upon completion of the brick repair, balcony renovation will begin. This will include floor repair and painting, wall painting and stencil and seat repair and installation. We are again respectfully asking friends of the Opera House to help with the balcony seats by donating \$25.00 per seat so that the balcony can be completed by the end of this year. We gratefully thank all of you who have been so generous in the past.

A reminder we are still meeting the second Thursday of each month at the Phoenix Restaurant at 6:00 PM. Dinner at 5:00 if desired. Meeting dates for the rest of 2011 are October 13, November 10 and December 8.

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