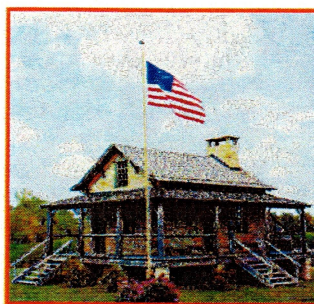


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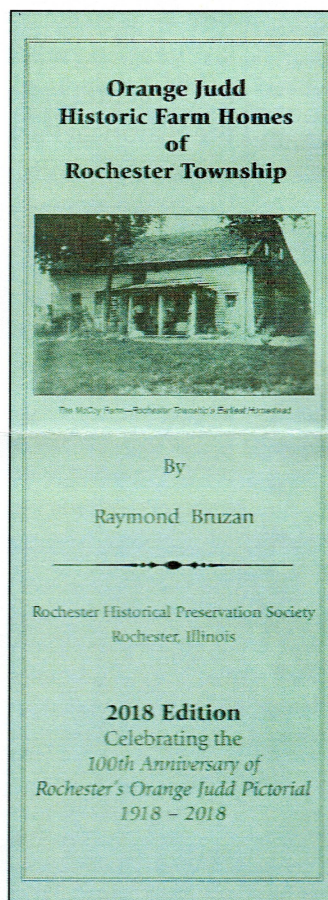
Party to Mark 100th Anniversary of Rochester "Orange Judd Pictorial"

The September 24th meeting of the RHPS will celebrate with a 100th birthday party for the "Orange Judd Pictorial". In 1918, the Orange Judd Publishing Company of Chicago published a photographic and written account of Rochester village homes, businesses and Rochester Township farms.

A few years ago, Ray Bruzan proposed an "Orange Judd" walking tour guide to the RHPS board and in 2015 the first guide of O.J. homes in the village was completed and made available to the public.

The second phase of the project was to do the township farms. Party attendees will receive the booklet, "Orange Judd Historic Farm Homes of Rochester Township: 2018 Edition Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Rochester's Orange Judd Pictorial 1918-2018" by Ray Bruzan.

Make plans now to attend our celebration of the 100th Anniversary of Rochester's Orange Judd Pictorial Album. The fun begins at 7:00 PM September 24 at the Rochester United Methodist Church.



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Earlier this summer, the new site map for the Historical Park was installed at the corner of the site.

RHPS received a donation of several loads of dirt from members Christy & Dave Hood. Dave Ramsey spread the dirt in the lower portion of the park where flooding has been a problem.



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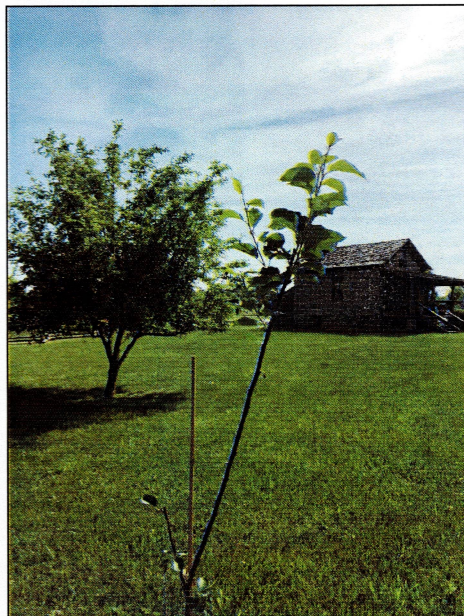
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Thoughts
From
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John

The Historical Society and Rochester community suffered a tremendous loss with the passing of Vice President, Scott Leach on July 10th. While serving for the last year and a half, he had been instrumental in the new design of the Historical Park and was involved in the efforts to rebuild the Capoot log house. His contribution to preserving Rochester history, and his dry wit and friendship will be greatly missed by the membership and the Rochester community.



After a very cold winter with hardly any snow cover, we were glad to see that our new Johnny Appleseed tree, which was planted last fall, is alive and doing very well

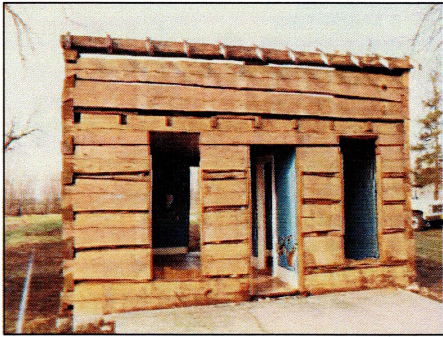
Illinois Bicentennial Event Planned in Rochester



Barry Cloyd, singer, songwriter, multi-instrumentalist, and educator will be performing in Rochester as part of our Bicentennial celebration to honor the 200th anniversary of Illinois Statehood. He performs over 200 shows a year and is one of the featured entertainers on the Spirit of Peoria riverboat based in Peoria.

He will present a program entitled, "Our Land Between the Rivers: Illinois in Story and Song" at 6:30 pm at the Rochester United Methodist Church on Thursday, October 25, 2018. The concert is free and open to the public. Program sponsors are the Rochester Sesquicentennial Committee and the Rochester Fortnightly Book Club. For further information, please contact: Carolyn Moore (498-7891 or carmor1@comcast.net) or Ruth Ann Theis (498-9804 or ratheis@aol.com).

RHPS to Celebrate 30 Years



Log House at the time of discovery before it was dismantled.

In December of 1987 the Rochester Christian Church started a routine demolition project of an old house that stood near the church. The late Mel Creviston started tearing off the siding when he found the remains of a log house. The log house, which could date to 1820, is thought

to be only the second to exist in Sangamon County at the time of discovery. No nails or metal were used to tie the logs together, only wooden pegs and clay were used.

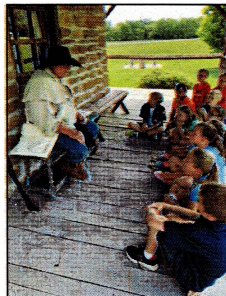
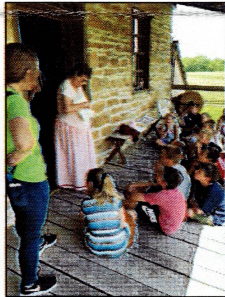
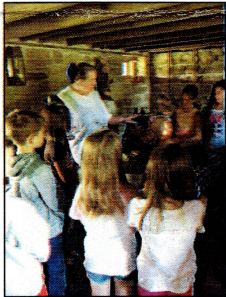
The house was owned by the parents of George Beck from about 1925-1948. A Roch-

ester woman owned the property from 1948-1983, when it was sold to the Christian Church.

As a result of this discovery, the Rochester Historical Preservation Society was established. On January 18, 1988, an organizational meeting was held at Petticoat Junction in Rochester to discuss the formation of the society, and preservation of the recently discovered log house. Officers elected were

President, Carolyn Moore; Vice-President, Joe Hill; Secretary, Jody Bortmess; Treasurer, Bob Church. Board members were Mel Creviston, Pam Bruzan, Wilson Park, David Ramsey and Dorthy Ross.

Hope you can join us on Monday, December 3rd at the Rochester United Methodist Church for our annual Christmas potluck at 6:00 p.m. We will celebrate 30 years of RHPS with a short program and entertainment.



In May, while visiting the Stone House, 3rd graders learn about life in the 1830s from docents, Carolyn Gerberding, Reba Robertson and Dave Ramsey.

Members of the RHS football team assisted RHPS on June 24th with the salvage of the Southwick house. Materials will be used in the reconstruction of the log house. Pictured from left to right are: Coach Nelson, Jarrett Reed, Talon Williams, Josh Scranton, Shawn Dulin, Mitchell Morris, Jordan Raps, Colton Rowden, Cole Allen.



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**SEE YOU AT THE SEPT.
MEETING - SEPT. 24th
ROCHESTER UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
7:00 p.m.**

High Temperatures Translates to Low Attendance at Open Houses

There have been very few visitors, 3 or 4 each time, to the Stone House this season so far. The heat has not helped us. However we have one more Open House date, October 7, 1-4pm. Docents Curt and Kathleen Winhold will be glad to share the history of the Stone House with visitors. PLEASE spread the word so we might be able to end on a more positive note.

Special thanks to our 2018 docents-Ann Rowley, Jerry and Reba Robertson, Victoria Speller, Carolyn Gerberding, Bob and Jane Fairchild, and Marty and Diana Fairchild.

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