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Here it is, May 2018, hopefully no more snow and lots of sunshine. If you have dropped by the Miller House or driven by, you will have noticed that contractors were installing new drainage pipes and replacing the concrete sidewalk leading to the back yard. Good news, the work has been completed. Every downspout is reconnected to the new drainage system. The steps on the side of the Miller House have been repaired, just waiting for new handrails to be installed second week in May.

There have been a few changes inside our museum including repainting the Depot Display walls, located in the Miller House lower level, dusting, sweeping, and organizing our archives. The lawn has already been mowed several times following the yard "cleanup", thank you Brockhage Landscaping for helping with the cleanup work. In addition to the activity at the Miller House, your officers, and board members have met three times this year, passing a budget for this year, creating several important committees, and purchasing and installing new accounting software. We are very pleased to welcome Steve Ballman as our new Recording Secretary.

Help needed, the society is still in need of someone to serve as Miller House Museum Director. The museum director is responsible for the Miller House displays, and most of the events at the Miller House, including the annual visits from the Madeira 1st and 3rd grade students. The Museum Director also becomes a member of our board. Anyone interested in this position should contact Doug Oppenheimer at 240-4348 or consultdoug@cinci.rr.com.

We are sorry to announce that Board Member Liz Frederick will be resigning her position as a member of our board, effective June 1, 2018. Liz and her husband Lee will be moving to Symms Township to be closer to Lee's Father. Liz will work through her "Backyard Social" Sunday May 20th before giving up her position on our board. We will also have a ribbon cutting officially accepting our restored Chicken Coop at the event. We will be searching for someone to fill the position held by Liz on our board. Contact any board member if you know someone that would like to serve the society.

Madeira Art Fair, Our organization will have a booth at the Madeira Art Fair Sunday May 6th, from 11AM until 5 PM. We will be selling books "Images of America, Madeira" and will be promoting the Madeira Historical Society. You can volunteer to help or stop by and visit.

Pictures, photos of the many society events on our website, madeirahistoricalsociety.org

Museum Open House, the Miller House Museum is now open for your enjoyment, tell your friends and neighbors. Every first Saturday and third Sunday, 1 PM until 4 PM. Volunteers are needed to greet and tell the story of the Miller House. Call 561-9069 to leave message for Dianne Davis that you are willing to help. Very enjoyable.

Hosbrook History Files, program "Through the Lens", May 12th at the Madeira Branch Library, beginning at 1 PM. This program is about the book "The Remaking of Music Hall" presented by Matt Zory, Assistant Principle Bass Player for the Symphony Orchestra. Matt includes in his book more than 275 photographs in his book, which will be available for purchase. This will be our third program in the 2018 "Hosbrook History Files" series of programs. Our first program was presented by the Music Professor Jim LaBarbara. Our second program in April was presented by our own Les LeFevre, a history through Madeira.

Yard Sale, drop off, at the Miller House, your gently used donations for the Saturday May 19th "Madeira Mart". The proceeds from the sale of your donations will help support the Madeira Historical Society and the Miller House Museum. Thank you in advance for your help. You can call in advance, 561-9069 prior to dropping off you donation.

July 4th and Memorial Day March, Memorial Day, March, Monday May 28th, July 4th parade is July 3rd beginning at 7 PM. Participate or cheer us on.

Back Yard Social / Chicken Coop Ribbon Cutting, Sunday May 20th from noon until 2 PM in the Miller House "Backyard", bring your lawn chairs or blanket. Free food, drinks, games for youngsters, artwork auction and dedication of our fully restored chicken coop. Madeira long ago was known for community "Yard Socials", bring your family, friends, relatives and neighbors, and enjoy our "back yard social". Meet Nathan Born and hear about his Eagle Scout project. Live Chickens? Maybe.

Miller House Museum Open for Special Events, our museum will be open the day of the Madeira Art Show May 6th and during the time of the "Backyard" social May 20th.

Much accomplished, recently at the Miller House thanks to the generosity of Florence Hoffmann, Regina Villiers the Karl Mattes Company, and others. The society has invested more than \$12,000.00 in repairs and maintenance. We still are in need of additional financial assistance if you are interested in helping. A sump pump needs installed in the garage because of water problems, all six columns on our front porch must be replaced, and we need to repair cracks that are all through the front porch concrete. Last, is the work needed in our garage including plastering, repairs of foundation cracks and painting? The estimate to complete all of the needed projects is \$7,500.00.

Your membership and support is greatly appreciated,

Madeira Historical Society Board Members & Officers