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In our May edition of the “Vintage” the first paragraph began “hopefully no more snow and lots of sunshine”, well our hopes are fulfilled. This has been a sweltering week, temperatures in the 90’s, great for Duke Energy. But then winter will be back soon enough, when we will be disappointed that summer is gone.

***Recap of recent events, the Madeira Art Fair** went well both for the Madeira Women’s Club and for the Madeira Historical Society. Weather was perfect and there were many in attendance. The society made lots of new friends, while raising money for the operations of the Miller House. Society members, Diana Davis, Les LeFevre and Bob Bartlett are in photo below.*

***Chicken Coop Dedication**, is now in the records book. The event was well attended, everyone enjoyed lunch, and the society sold donated artwork. Liz Frederick planned the entire event including making sure that there were chickens inside the completely restored 100 year old Chicken Coop. Liz provided a lunch for all of those in attendance. There was a sale of donated artwork and a ribbon cutting. This was the last official project for Liz, as she and her husband Lee are relocating to Symms Township to be with Lee’s father. See Liz in below photo.*



***Yard sale** was again an important fundraiser, in spite of rain nearly the entire day. Terri Frietch wife of board member Tom Frietch created several gift baskets that were displayed at the yard sale. Terri sold raffle tickets giving purchases a change at winning a gift basket. Winners will be determined at the August “Breakfast at Dinner” event. Our organization received nearly a thousand dollars at this year’s yard sale.*



***Miller House** gets new handrails! Handrails have been installed on the Side entrance steps, and new railings are now installed around the basement entrance to the Miller House. The railings complete the capital improvements that were board approved earlier this year. >*



Upcoming Events, bring your family, your friends, and your neighbors, to the August 22nd annual “Breakfast at Dinner” event held at our own “First Watch Café” located at 8118 Montgomery Road. Suggested donation for this dinner event is \$15.00 per person. Our goal is set at 100 attendees. Included with your Buffet breakfast will be a coffee, Tea or soda, Juice extra. Gratuity is not included in the donation. Well known treasure hunter Levi Durst will talk about his own history, and treasures found in Greater Cincinnati and Southern Ohio, beginning at 7:30 PM. Dinner seating begins at 6 PM. Four tickets are included with your newsletter, please return your ticket stubs with your name, contact information and your check. Additional tickets can be purchased, call 561-9069, let us know how many additional tickets are needed. This is an important Miller House Museum fundraiser, and a fun event, please attend.

“Hosbrook History Files” local businessman and resident Todd Woellner, will talk about the 150 year “History of Railroad Avenue”. Todd is a member of the Madeira Historical Society Board of Directors and is an expert when it comes to local Madeira History. Todd’s business is located on Railroad Avenue in the Historic Area. His presentation at the Madeira Public Library will be presented on Saturday, September 15th beginning at 12 PM. Prior to Todd’s presentation, the Society will have an open meeting of members and guest at 11 AM.

Openings, on the Madeira Historical Society Board. There is an opportunity for a person to serve as a Madeira Historical Society board member, and the society is also looking for the right person interested in the position of “Museum Director”. The Museum Director also holds a position as a board member. Please contact Douglas Oppenheimer if interested, 240-4348 or consultdoug@cinci.rr.com.

Miller House Museum, open every first Saturday and third Sunday, from 1PM until 4 PM. Also the Miller House can be available for special tours by appointment. Families, School or Church groups, Scouts, etc. Call 561-9069 for details. The “Grounds” are open daily from noon until dusk. Miller House address is 7226 Miami Avenue, please see our website, for more details madeirahistoricalsociety.org

It is a privilege, serving as president of the Madeira Historical Society during our 46th anniversary year. In addition, we are celebrating the 20th anniversary year of the Miller House Museum. The goal this year is **“preparing the society”** for the next 46 years. The Madeira Historical Society has always been well managed and has always had excellent officers and board members. Our future success will depend on our ability to attract new and younger members to our board, increase membership, and make certain that our organization continues to be well funded. I am confident that our current officers and board members share in the same goals and objectives. The board thanks you for your continued support.

Douglas Oppenheimer, President