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# LYME LINES



What a wonderful gift!!

Through much conversation between the Village and the descendants of the Avery/Wright families, this fantastic model of the Wright Mansion was donated to the Village just before Pioneer Days. It is on display in the Visitors' Center. Randy and Bryant Avery got it all started with emails to the Village in late Spring. Their mother, Frances Avery attended a Wright Reunion and took photos and made sketches and took measurements and went home and 'created it'!! After she passed away, the daughter and son-in-law (John and Peggy Stetzel) drove it down from Vermont just before Pioneer Weekend. Thank you all so much!!

Pioneer Days at Historic Lyme Village came to life again this year. Thanks to the hard working volunteers and participants. Overall, the feedback regarding the authenticity and fun were positive. Children were overheard talking about the horse rides, adults applauded the Lincoln political speeches and Scottish Highland piper, and everyone was awed by the artillery unit and their booming cannon! The smell of the working blacksmith shop, the general store run by the blacksmith's wife, the sound of children's laughter while playing games in the courtyard in front of the Merry School, the warmth of the sun and coolness of the night rain all lent to a full immersion into the different time periods and skills being demonstrated; and the village itself...open tours of the Merry School, Detterman church, the log cabins, The Seymour house and Wright mansion drew interested tourists wanting to walk through history on their own. Thank you to the many participants: Buckskinners, Civil and Revolutionary Wars, broom makers, weavers, quilters, soap makers, faithful volunteers and many more. Your hard work created another successful Pioneer Days event for participants and visitors alike.

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From the Board President.....

I recently turned 79 and my body reminded me the older I get the more "repairs" I need. The same is required of our aging buildings here at Historic Lyme Village. After all, our oldest building was built in 1824 and our newest building (not counting the Schug Hardware or the Visitors Center) was finished in 1882. I'll let you guess which buildings these are.

After work was started on repairing the Mansion soffits they discovered the dormers and portions of the roof were leaking. After further inspection and estimates we signed a contract to repair the roof and dormers. The cost to repair the dormers, roof and soffits is \$63,000 plus the cost of lumber. The next project will be to restore the walls and ceilings due to damage caused by the water. This prompted the Board to discuss other projects and needs around the village. We came up with a list of 31 items. The Board guessed the cost of these projects to be about \$200,000.

To get right to the point, during Pioneer Days, we kicked off a \$200,000 Capital Improvement and Projects Campaign.

The Bellevue Kiwanis Club gave us an initial donation of \$2,000 to start the fund-raising. Much thanks to Kiwanis! Also, to take advantage of the low interest rates, we have established a line of credit with the First National Bank. You will be receiving more information on the campaign in a future mailing.

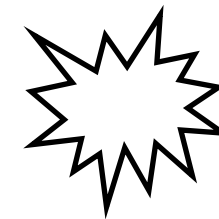
Despite the Coronavirus Pandemic and the questionable weather forecasts, Pioneer Days was very successful. While not all the expenses are in, we definitely made a much needed profit. Thanks to the many volunteers who made the event a success. Special thanks to Roger Knight, Dennis Bauer, Tim Rife, Roger Bolton, Brad Harp and Vern McConnell, who took the lead in planning the weekend. And again thanks to the Bellevue Kiwanis Club for over 40 volunteer hours during the weekend.

Due to the pandemic we have had to cancel Storybook Adventure and the Barn Dance, co-sponsored by the Bellevue Historic Society. We will be able to host the Annual Victorian Christmas Dinners on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. It is not too late to make a reservation.

Take some time during the next few weeks to enjoy the colors and aromas of the Autumn Season.



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**Memorial**  
Harriet Parcher  
From Don & Linda Kerr



The Miniature Horses came to visit

The Broommaker



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