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# Lake Villa Historical Society's Vintage Views

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# Susan K. Cribb Gallery

At the April meeting, the LVHS Board named and dedicated the gallery at 223 Lake Avenue as the Susan K. Cribb Gallery, honoring Sue for her years of dedication and hard work. Below is a photo of Sue and the sign that now hangs above the gallery doorway.



## Thank You To:

LVHS Officers and Board members as they end their tenure-

Sue Cribb, President 2005-2017 Alyce Brownlee, Vice President: 2005-2017 Elaine Teltz, Secretary 2005-2017 Jim McDonald, Member at Large 2005-2017

#### **Election Results:**

The Membership voted at the April meeting to elect the following Board Members:
Dan Botts, Sue Cribb, Frank Loffredo, Kim McCollum, Lori Heitman, and Robert Frank.

#### **New Officers:**

The LVHS Board Members met on May 15th and voted on new officers: Lori Heitman, President Kim McCollum, Vice President Julie Stanley, Secretary Barb Venturi, Treasurer

## **Welcome New Members:**

Bob Sobon, Lake Villa, Vanessa Villareal, Lindenhurst, and June Venturi, Lake Villa

## **Our Sympathy To:**

Members Bob and Joan Streicher on the passing of Joan's 97 year old mother, Anne Kathryn Kremply of Lake Villa. Anne raised 17 children, had 34 grandchildren and 43 great grandchildren. What a legacy.

## **Congratulations To:**

Jim McDonald on his election to the office of mayor of Lake Villa.

#### **Recent Donations:**

Village of Lake Villa- (1986) poster board of parade in honor of Sue Lapera, the first Miss Lake Villa to become Miss Lake County Fair Queen. Lunch was at Prime Time with a reception to follow when Sue was given a key to the Village. Additional posters featured photos of contestants in the Miss Lake Villa pageant. Program books from 1992-1994 Lake Villa pageants.

**Barbara Secheta**- News Sun ad from November 13, 1939 "Lindenhurst Farms" featuring Fancy Fowl, turkeys, ducks and geese, processed and ready for sale.

**Bob and Joan Streicher:** wooden butter churn, white ironstone ceramic chamber pot, iron rug beater, wooden embroidery hoops, fireplace tongs, wooden rolling pin,and buggy foot warmer.

Patricia Gallagher – her report cards from Lake Villa School, grades 1-5; (Ruby Falch was one of her teachers); a penmanship reading circle awards for 1945-49 signed by W.C. Petty, Lake County Superintendent of Schools.

Gail Maynard – small child's wooden grade school desk from Lake Villa School used in 1920s by John and Jeanne Cribb; set of china (6 settings).

## **Calendar of Coming Events:**

Membership meetings are held the <u>third</u> <u>Tuesday of each month</u> (except January and July). LVHS Board meetings are held on the Mondays preceding membership meetings. Business meetings will be held at 223 Lake Avenue at 6:30pm, followed by programs at 7:00pm, unless otherwise noted.

Museum hours: Thurs, 1:30-4:30pm;

**June 10** – Booth selling popcorn, water and candy at Lake Villa's Celebration of Summer at Lehmann Park;

**June 14** – Tours available through Lehmann Mansion (6:00pm) prior to Concerts in the Park at 7:00pm

June 20 – Linda Willhite of the Grayslake Historical Society will share her research of the Lemuel and Churchill Edwards family who were landowners in the area and operated an axe factory early in the 20<sup>th</sup> century

**June 21** – Tours available through Lehmann Mansion (6:00pm) prior to Concerts in the Park at 7:00pm;

#### **JULY - NO MEETINGS**

August 16 – A Wednesday-will be our summer outing to a 1:00 p.m. Matinee Performance of the Lippizans at Tempel Farms, 17000 Wadsworth Road, Old Mill Creek, IL Tickets are \$22 (group rate) in advance or \$25 at the door.

## **History on the table:**

Girls Scout Cadettes of Troop 41560 not only presented a great program in April, they also shared homemade cookies made from the original recipe of cookies made and sold by Girl Scouts in 1922. Girl Scouts mixed up the cookies themselves until 1936 when commercial bakeries got involved in baking and packaging. The recipe below probably equates to the 'Shortbreads' or 'Trefoils' that are sold today.



## Original 1922 Girl Scout Cookie Recipe ATTENTION SCOUTS! FORWARD MARCH! BAKE! SELL!

This is your chance to show how much Scouting means to you.

#### **GIRLS SCOUT COOKIES**

1 cup butter, or substitute

2 cups flour

1 cup sugar

2 teaspoons baking powder

2 tablespoons milk

2 eggs

1 teaspoon vanilla

Cream butter and sugar, add well beaten eggs, then milk, flavoring, flour and baking powder. Roll thin and back in quick oven (375). Sprinkle sugar on top as soon as they come out of the oven. Yields 6-7 dozen.

COOKIES large and cookies small, made by SCOUTS both short and tall. What's your ORDER? Phone us quick. So that we may do the trick. THIRTY CENTS is all we ask, And we find it is no task. To DELIVER to your door, DOZENS—one, two, three—or more!!

Telephone\_\_\_\_\_\_



Girls Scout Cadettes of Troop 41560



The following recipes are from a 1972 Girl Scouts of the USA "The Beginner's Cookbook" by Jody Cameron Malis of Celebrity Kitchen, Inc.

# Frankfurter Pancakes

Top of range Makes 6 pancakes

2 frankfurters

1 egg

½ c. pancake mix

1 T. vegetable oil

½ c. milk

1 T. margarine

Cut frankfurters into penny slices. Combine pancake mix, milk, egg and vegetable oil and beat for 1 minute until batter is fairly smooth. Melt margarine in frypan over medium heat. Pour a little of the batter into the pan by making small circles. Arrange frankfurter slices on top of pancakes. Cook until pancake tops are covered with bubbles and edges look cooked. Turn to cook other side.

## Cracker Jack Cake Oven Makes 1 single layer cake

1 single layer cake 3/4 cup chocolate frosting 3/4 cup cracker jacks Spread frosting on layer cake covering sides and top. Scatter cracker jacks on top and gently press down in frosting.

# A Page from the Past:

Excerpts from: "My Good Live"

A biography written by Doris Margaret Shetterly in 1977.

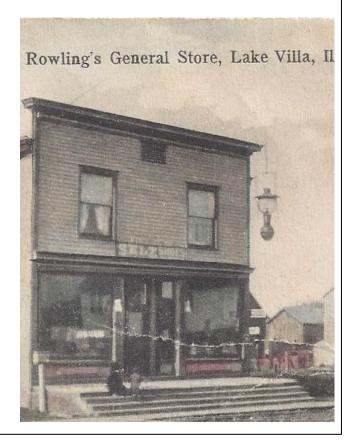
I was born in Lake Villa Illinois, Lake County, on September 24, 1897. The fourth child of Lincoln W. Rowling and Elma (Dott) Olena Gilbert Rowling. I had four sisters and three brothers – sister Beulah was 2 years older than me – but she passed away when nine months old of pneumonia- sister Gladys was two years younger and was born prematurely and lived only three days. My oldest brother, Loy was the oldest of the family and my oldest sister Eva, was just younger than Loy. Homer Joseph was four years younger than me and Lincoln was two years younger than Homer. When he was 6 years old a baby girl, Carola was born on December 23<sup>rd</sup>. I was overjoyed. I had teased and prayed for a baby sister for years.

My father had a nice general store and was Postmaster. We lived in very comfortable rooms above the store. Mother was an excellent housekeeper and cook and made a very pleasant and attractive home. One cold windy night in April 1903 a fire burned most of the business houses of our little town of 300 or so inhabitants – including our store and home. The only fire department at that time was a Bucket Brigade – Everybody worked hard to save what they could. My father had to spend all his time saving the Post Office and all its contents. He was able to open the P.O. the next morning in a section of the Hardware store across the street from the burned area.





Postcard of Rowling General Store on Cedar Avenue



Father bought land across from our old location and started building at once – a large barn was built first and Dad moved the store and P.O. into it at once. Mother curtained off rooms upstairs and we lived quite comfortably until the store building and our living quarters were finished. We had an outside and inside stairway to lovely spacious rooms above the store. The floors were hardwood (Eastern maple) which Mother kept gleaming. There were four large bedrooms, a parlor, a sitting room, dining room, kitchen and bathroom (no toilet – it was outside) and a large screened in back porch. At first we had a coal stove for heat besides the kitchen range, but father installed a coal furnace in the basement and the heat was piped to registers in each room except the kitchen. Our basement also had a large cistern and water was pumped up to our kitchen sink. Our lighting system was white gas in the store but I had the pleasure (?) of keeping our kerosene lamps filled, trimmed and the chimneys shining. Our parlor lamp was beautiful with a pretty flowered globe that fit over the chimney. I also was the "chamber maid" which I detested!

...Lake Villa was a lake resort- many summer homes were built around the lakes and most were owned by wealthy businessmen of Chicago. Cedar Lake, a big lake with an island was about half a block behind our place. We played in it and rowed boats and fished in the summer and skated on it all winter. About 6 blocks from our place was Deep Lake. Ice was cut and stored in a large ice house there so we could buy ice all summer. Hobos from Chicago usually came and worked on the ice all winter. Chicago was about 45 miles from us. Cedar Lake and Fox Lake had many summer homes, so our store business was especially good then and

we delivered to those people by horse and wagon 3 times a week. There was no bakery near so when these people asked how they could get a birthday cake made, my father always told them he'd see that they got one. I made them – got 50 cents a cake. I must have made 50 Lady Baltimore cakes one summer. One lady had one every Saturday. I made enough money to buy my winter coat, shoes and a Sunday dress that summer.

Winters were fun – skating, coasting, bobsledding and sleighing – things none of you can imagine. What fun it was to go for a ride in a sleigh with hot bricks at your feet and a fur robe over your lap and the sleigh bells jingling on the horses. Nearly always tipping over when one turned out to pass another sleigh. Fun, yes, but the times I cried from being so cold-frozen nose, frozen toes and fingers and plodding through deep snow to school and back each day. 16 and 18 degrees and more below zero, and chillblains were horrible. We always had to walk 1 or 2 miles to school. When blizzards came parents came and got you or you'd never get home. My Aunt Ola (Carola) and Uncle Will Barnstable lived close to us and I was with them a great deal. Aunt Ola was my Mother's oldest sister. They had no children so they kinda took to me. I was the only blue eyed one in our family. They both had blue eyes. One night as they were coming to see us, my uncle was killed by a train. They had to cross the railroad tracks whenever they came to town. It was such as shock to all of us. After the funeral it was decided that I would stay all night with my aunt. I was 11 and did this for some time. Mother finally decided I shouldn't stay there anymore. My Aunt built a house next to ours.

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# What's your story?

Have memories or family photos of Lake Villa, please consider sharing them with us. We would love to hear from you. Contact any LVHS Board Member.

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