



Lake Villa Historical Society's Vintage Views

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

It's hard to believe summer is over already! Thank goodness for the beautiful picture that Mother Nature paints for us in autumn, which makes saying goodbye to summer a little easier.

LVHS had a very busy summer. In addition to our monthly meetings and programs, we led **tours of the Lehmann Mansion** during the concerts in the park series and organized a new monthly summer event, "**3rd Saturday Markets**," that was held at the train station. Thank you to Robert Frank, Dan Botts, Greg Kos, and Jean Mueller for helping with the tours of the Mansion. Thanks also goes to Dan Botts, Sue Cribb, Kim McCollum, Glenn McCollum, Julie Stanley, and Barb Venturi for helping set up the 3rd Saturday Markets. All of these great events give us the opportunity to make the public more aware of the Lake Villa Historical Society.

Our 7th **Annual Breakfast with Santa** will be held **December 2nd at the Lehmann Mansion**. In an effort to serve the crowd more efficiently, we will be selling tickets, in advance, by a time schedule. A maximum number of tickets will be sold for an 8:00 a.m. arrival, a 9:30 a.m. arrival, and an 11:00 a.m. arrival. Popular arrival times are likely to sell out, so please get your tickets early. A limited number of tickets **may** be available at the door.

Hope to see you at our **December 11th Christmas program at the Lake Villa Library**, where we will have Antioch High School Madrigal Choir performing.

Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday season!

Lori Heitman, President

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



DECEMBER 2 at Lehmann Mansion
GET YOUR TICKETS NOW

www.lakevillahistory.org

Tickets are \$10 (plus conveniencefee)

Pancake Breakfast
Visit with Santa
Millie's Musical Adventures
Craft---Stories---Raffle

Hosted by Lake Villa Township Lion's Club
and Lake Villa Historical Society
All proceeds benefit LVHS.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Susan Smith, Lake Villa
Joan Knoblock, Round Lake Beach
We're happy to have you join us!

OUR SYMPATHY TO

The family and friends of LVHS member Susan Makela. She passed away on Friday, October 19th. Susan is the sister of LVHS member Joan Streicher.

CONGRATULATIONS

Tracy Kiederlen on her retirement from United Airlines, where she worked as Senior Analyst for the past 23 years;

John and Terry Hamlin on their 50th wedding anniversary in 2018;

Bill and Carol Richards on their 50th wedding anniversary in 2018.

RECENT DONATIONS

Thank you to the friends and members who have made recent donations to the Lake Villa Historical Society.

Linda Bye
Barbara Secketa
Lynn Hoffman
Mary Konrad
Don and Judy Rosedale
Len Mattson



Alyce Brownlee and Joan Delisi chat over refreshments at our September meeting.

MUSEUM HOURS

Thursdays 1:30-4:30pm
Or by appointment by e-mailing
lvhs@lake-villa.com

COMING EVENTS

Membership meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month except January and July. Business meetings convene at 6:30 pm at 223 Lake Avenue followed by a program at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted. LVHS Board meetings are held on the Monday preceding membership meetings.

November 20: NO MEETING due to the fact that it is two days prior to the Thanksgiving holiday. Families will be making holiday preparations or traveling to be with family. Happy Thanksgiving!!

Saturday, November 24: Watch for LVHS member Rob Frank in **Lake Villa's Annual Lighted Holiday Parade**, beginning at 5:00 pm and concluding with the tree lighting in Lehmann Park. Visit Santa and enjoy refreshments at the Lake Villa train station.

Sunday, December 2: Breakfast With Santa at Lehmann Mansion hosted by the Lake Villa Historical Society and the Lake Villa Township Lions Club. Tickets are available at www.lakevillahistory.org.

December 11: LVHS meets at the Lake Villa District Library, 1001 E. Grand Avenue at 7:00 pm for our holiday program. The **Antioch High School Madrigal Chior** will perform under the direction of Mr. Michael Hickey. Please bring a plate of holiday cookies to share.

January 2019 No Meeting HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

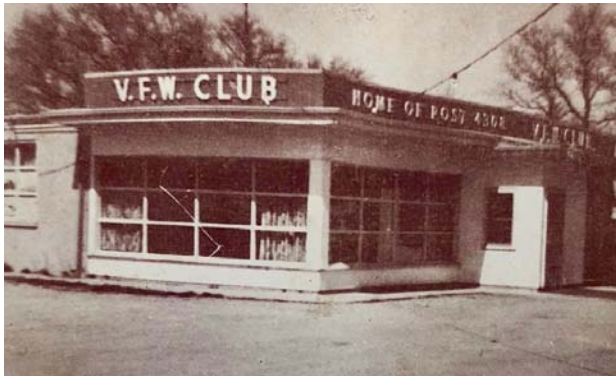
February 19: Kim McCollum presents "Lake Villa Trivia, Part 2" showcasing people, places and events that have shaped Lake Villa.

A PAGE FROM THE PAST

Lake Villa Veterans of Foreign Wars

Post 4308, 130 E. Grand Ave., Lake Villa

(The historical data below was gleaned from Lake Villa Then and Now: Centennial History of Lake Villa, Illinois. Current information was provided by Commander George Simons and Auxiliary President Anne Simons. A future addition of Vintage Views looks forward to presenting the history of the Kadettes and Junior Kadettes.)



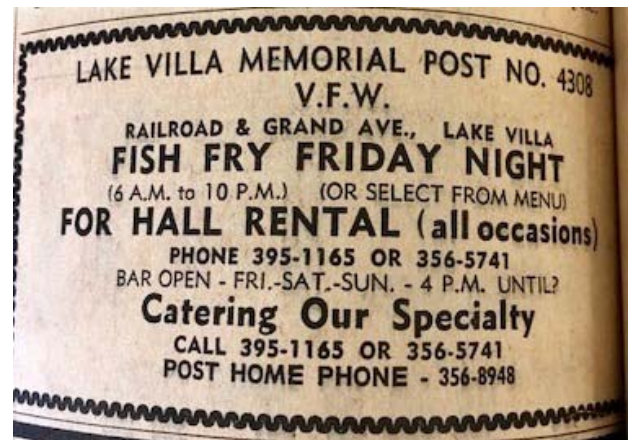
VFW circa 1962

In September 1954, veterans of three major military campaigns met at the Lake Villa Village Hall, taking the first steps to form the Lake Villa VFW. The first Commander was Anthony Sciacero.

Lake Villa VFW Post 4308 and the VFW Auxiliary officially came into existence on November 27, 1954, in the Lake Villa Grade School gymnasium. There were one hundred veterans on the original charter issued by the National Department of Veterans of Foreign Wars. Fifteen women made up the original Auxiliary. Frances Barnstable Sciacero was their first president.



Fifty years ago on December 1, the pancake flipping crew was ready to serve the public. Pictured kneeling are Dewey Royce and Steve Reed. Standing are Tom McCarthy, Charles Geist and Charles Reinhart.



From Lake Villa Record November 1968

December 1, 1956, members of the Lake Villa Post 4308 were presented the keys to their new building which had previously been a wood-working shop owned by Walter Boss.

Volunteers gave of their time and talent to pay off the mortgage and remodel the building. Bingo games were another source of income.

Commander George Simons

was elected Commander of Post 4308 following the untimely death of Commander Thomas Denman in August, 2018. (Commander Tom Denman's final project completed shortly before his death was raising funds and purchasing 10 scooters for veterans at the Great Lakes Lovell VA Hospital.)

Commander George Simons works together with the Post membership of 324 to support the VFW and all its endeavors. They support the youth by sponsoring Boy Scout Troop 323, the Timberwolves and Cheerleaders, Scholarship Essay programs for middle and high school students and visiting the schools on Veterans Day. Programs for youth are a priority of the VFW. Corned beef and cabbage is a specialty at the VFW on St. Patrick's Day following the parade in Lake Villa. The annual Memorial Day parade is sponsored by the Post and Auxiliary to honor deceased veterans of all wars with a memorial service after the parade at Lehmann Park. Poppy Day proceeds help veterans of the community.



For Christmas 1968, VFW Auxiliary members Louella Coon, Rachael Royce and Eileen Kelley prepare packages containing homemade cookies, nuts and pocket books destined for servicemen in Vietnam.

ANNE SIMONS, President, Lake Villa VFW Auxiliary added the following:

In late 2015 the VFW Ladies Auxiliary was changed to VFW Auxiliary (removing the word LADIES). To become a member of any VFW Auxiliary you must be at least 16 years old and a family member of a veteran eligible for membership in the VFW.

Anne Simons is currently serving her third year as president of the Lake Villa VFW Post 4308 Auxiliary. Many of the 65 members of the Lake Villa Auxiliary are very long time members. A Flag Etiquette program for youth was completed in August. Supporting Blue Star families by sending care packages of personal supplies is among the current Auxiliary projects supported in part by biannual Bunco parties. (Blue Star families include any immediate family member

of Active Duty Military Personnel.) A Baby Shower is currently in the planning for 2019 for families with one or more active duty members expecting a baby.

*Our sympathy to the friends, family and colleagues of Commander Tom Denman who died on August 4, 2018 at the age of 48 years. Tom served his country in the US Navy and was a proud veteran of Desert Storm. Tom was a Life Member and current Commander of the Lake Villa Memorial Post 4308. He was the current state VFW Community Activities Director and District Five Chief of Staff and Director. He served as Fifth District Commander from 2014-2017. He was also past Commander of Antioch VFW Post 4551. A gofundme account has been established: **Tom Denman Family Support Fund** at: <https://www.gofundme.com/tom-denman-family-support-fund>*



Sunday, December 22, 1968 about 200 children enjoyed a party at the VFW with a puppet show, refreshments and gifts from Santa for all. Renee Mix, Raymond Reinhart and Linda Kennedy completed decorations on the tree.

History on the Table

Looking ahead to the holidays, here are cookie recipes from the LAKE VILLA MEMORIAL AUXILIARY to POST 4308 Lake Villa, Illinois from their 1962 cookbook “Our Favorite Recipes”.

Soft Ginger Cookies: Mrs. B.J. Hooper

1 c. sugar	
½ tsp. cloves	
1 c. shortening	½ tsp. nutmeg
1 c. molasses	raisins (optional)
1 c. sour milk	3 tsp. baking soda
2 eggs	2 Tbsp. vinegar
1 tsp. ginger	4 ½ c. flour
1 tsp. cinnamon	

Cream sugar, shortening and add eggs and sour milk and molasses. Sift all spices with flour and baking soda. Add vinegar alternately with flour. Drop by teaspoon on greased cookie sheet and bake at 350 degrees for 10 minutes. Cool and frost with powdered sugar frosting.

Jolly Jellies: Dorothy Jordahl

½ c. oleo	1 c. sifted flour
¼ c. brown sugar (firmly packed)	¼ tsp. salt
1 egg yolk	1 egg white, slightly beaten
¼ tsp. vanilla	1 c. walnuts, finely chopped
½ tsp. rum extract	mint jelly
red currant jelly	

Cream oleo with brown sugar until light; beat in egg yolk and flavorings. Sift in flour and salt gradually; chill. Shape into small balls, (about ½ teaspoon dough) dip into beaten egg white. Roll in walnuts, place on ungreased cookie sheet, making hollow with tip of finger in each ball. Bake at 375 degrees for 5 minutes, remove from oven and press in center hollows again with thimble, return to oven and bake 10 minutes longer or until firm. Remove from oven and fill centers with jelly.

What's In Your Attic



Can you identify this object from our museum collection? The answer will be in the Winter 2019 edition of Vintage Views. If you can't wait to find out, drop by the museum.

Last issue featured a rug beater. Be grateful for your modern vacuum cleaner!

Meeting Moments



Ty Rohrer, Waukegan Historical Society presented “Expedition of Marquette and Jolliet, 1673”

S'more Peacock Camp: History, campfire, singing, skit, story, s'mores---Fun!



LVHS Membership 2019

Your membership renewal form will be sent out in January of 2019. Please look for it in your regular mailbox. If you would like to give a gift membership prior to that, stop by Lake Villa Historical Society on a Thursday afternoon or the Lake Villa Village Hall. You may also email us at www.lakevillahistory.org. Thanks in advance for your continued support in keeping Lake Villa history alive!

We also have books available for you to enjoy or for gift giving. These include:

- Lake Villa Then and Now \$5
- 200 Objects That Made History \$15
- Barns of Lake County \$10

Bicentennial Quiz Answers

Before Statehood: 1. T 2. F Not Navajo 3. T 4. F Cahokia 5. T 6. F French & Indian War 7. T 8. T 9. T 10. F parts of Southern Illinois

Events: 1j, 2d, 3l, 4g, 5h, 6o, 7c, 8n, 9f, 10m, 11a, 12i, 13b, 14e, 15k

State symbols: flower violet, bird northern cardinal, insect monarch butterfly, tree white oak, animal white-tailed deer, fish bluegill, dance square dance, snack popcorn, pie pumpkin

Darker Side:

Small R- COR- A

Stratton R -T -A

Kerner D -T B CON FR- C

Walker D-B-C

Ryan R-B-C

Blagojevich D-P F-I C

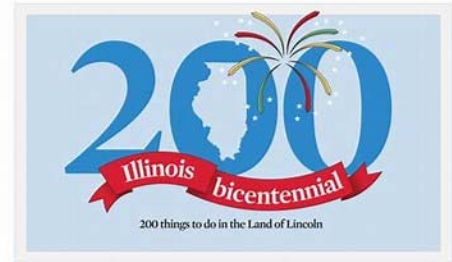
Sites: 1. Chicago Water Tower & Pumping Station, 2. Old State Capitol, 3. Cahokia Mounds (Monks Mound), 4. Ulysses S. Grant home, 5. Lincoln's Tomb

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Illinois Bicentennial

1818 – 2018

Vintage Views Supplement



December 3, 2018, Illinois will celebrate 200 years of statehood. To honor this accomplishment in our state's history, we invite you to see how much you know about the history of the Great State of Illinois. After completing the quizzes you can check your answers against the answer key in this issue of Vintage Views.

"Illinois" Before Statehood

The land that became Illinois has a history long before statehood. Test your knowledge of the early history of what would become Illinois by answering True or False.

1. T F Similar in size to the Great Pyramid of Giza, Monks Mound near Cahokia is the largest prehistoric earthwork in North America.
2. T F Native tribes in Illinois included the Iroquois, Potawatomi, Navajo and Chippewa.
3. T F Jacques Marquette and Louis Jolliet were the first Europeans recorded in Illinois.
4. T F Kaskaskia was the 1st permanent settlement in Illinois.
5. T F The land that became Illinois was first claimed by the French.
6. T F The land passed into British control in the Treaty of Paris following the War of 1812.
7. T F Present day Illinois became part of the US after the Revolutionary War as part of the Northwest Territory.
8. T F Over the course of time prior to statehood, Illinois was part of the Louisiana Territory, Virginia, Northwest Territory, Indiana Territory and Illinois Territory.
9. T F Nine years after the US Army established Fort Dearborn in present day Chicago, the fort was destroyed when the Potawatomi massacred 52 people there.
10. T F The New Madrid earthquake destroyed parts of northern Illinois including areas of



Richardson's Adventure Farm in Spring Grove is celebrating Illinois' Bicentennial with their amazing corn maze. It is billed as the largest corn maze in the world.

Events in Illinois History

Since becoming the 21st state in 1818 many important events have occurred in Illinois. This is a small sample of a few of them. Can you match the event to the President of the United States when they occurred?

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|---|--------------------------|
| 1. ___ 1818 Illinois became the 21 st state | a. Richard Nixon |
| 2. ___ 1832 Black Hawk War drives out Native Americans | b. Bill Clinton |
| 3. ___ 1837 Chicago becomes a city | c. Grover Cleveland |
| 4. ___ 1851 Illinois Central Railroad chartered | d. Andrew Jackson |
| 5. ___ 1867 University of Illinois founded in Urbana | e. Barack Obama |
| 6. ___ 1871 Great Chicago Fire | f. Franklin D. Roosevelt |
| 7. ___ 1893 World's Columbian Exposition | g. Zachary Taylor |
| 8. ___ 1917 White Sox win their second World Series | h. Andrew Johnson |
| 9. ___ 1934 Blackhawks with their first Stanley Cup | i. Ronald Reagan |
| 10. ___ 1958 Illinois Tollway opened | j. James Monroe |
| 11. ___ 1970 New Illinois constitution adopted | k. Donald Trump |
| 12. ___ 1986 "Super Bowl Shuffle" & Bears win Super Bowl XX | l. Martin Van Buren |
| 13. ___ 1998 Chicago Bulls win most recent Championship | m. Dwight D. Eisenhower |
| 14. ___ 2016 "Next year" came. Cubs win World Series | n. Woodrow Wilson |
| 15. ___ 2018 Illinois celebrates our bicentennial | o. Ulysses S. Grant |

State Symbols

From the flower to the exercise, most state symbols were proposed by individual school children or classes and also voted on by the children. At least two have been decided by an internet vote. Listed below are 10 of these symbols. Can you name them?

- Flower 1908 _____
- Bird 1929 _____
- Insect 1975 _____
- Tree 1975 _____
- Animal 1982 _____
- Fish 1986 _____
- Dance 1990 _____
- Snack 2003 _____
- Pie 2015 _____

The Darker Side Of Life in Illinois

Either while governor or after serving, 6 governors have been charged with crimes including **COR**ruption, **T**ax evasion, **B**ribery, **CON**spiracy, **P**erjury, and **F**raud. One was **I**mpeached and **C**onvicted, three **C**onvicted and two **A**cquitted. Listed in chronological order, can you circle the appropriate information? Warning, some may have more than one charge against them.

Name	Party	Years	Charges	Outcome
Lee Small	D R	1921-1929	COR T B CON P FR	I C A
William Stratton	D R	1953-1961	COR T B CON P FR	I C A
Otto Kerner	D R	1961-1968	COR T B CON P FR	I C A
Daniel Walker	D R	1973-1977	COR T B CON P FR	I C A
George Ryan	D R	1999-2003	COR T B CON P FR	I C A
Rod Blagojevich	D R	2003 -2009	COR T B CON P FR	I C A

Name These Historic Illinois Sites



1. _____



2. _____



3. _____



4. _____



5. _____