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Wedding Tradition Trivia

- * The English believe that finding a spider in your wedding dress brings good luck.
- * Czech tradition calls guests to throw peas at the newlyweds instead of rice.
- * Ancient Romans studied pig entrails to determine the luckiest time to marry.
- * Tradition in Denmark saw brides and grooms cross-dressing to confuse evil spirits.
- * Green is a taboo color in Scottish weddings because it's the color of fairies *and* is a symbol of revenge. It's even considered unlucky to eat green vegetables during the wedding.

COMING EVENTS

Cedar County Historical
Society Annual Meeting

Saturday, December 3, 2016
At 1:00 PM

At St Mary's Hall
208 Meridian St, Tipton, IA
52772

Holly Jolly Christmas
Program

Sunday, December 4, 2016
At 2:00 PM

At the South Bethel Church.
1094 Hwy 38 N
Tipton, Iowa
(North of Tipton)

Christmas will be
here before you know
it...

... don't know what
to give the person
who has everything?

Give the gift of
History!

A membership for
2017 would make a
great Christmas
gift!

NEWSLETTER

Happy Retirement!

It is with mixed emotions that we announce Sandy Harmel will be retiring at the end of the year. She has brought much life to the Cedar County Historical Society and Museum through the years and her name has become synonymous with the name Cedar County Museum as a resource for family histories. Her wealth of knowledge on Cedar County and those who have lived here is vast and has helped many people trace their family back through time. Sandy is ready to take a more relaxed pace and spend more time with her family after having served as the Museum Coordinator for over 10 years. But this is not goodbye, because we will still see Sandy out at the museum and at CCHS functions. Thank you, Sandy, for all of your hard work and dedication in making the Cedar County Historical Society and Museum what it is today.



A Prairie Wedding



Decorations of evergreen branches symbolize long life and lasting marriage.



Sharing the Nuptials



Little boys may carry the bride's train or carry sheaves of wheat as symbols of fertility.



The Wedding Party



When the couple finally departs, the closest family and friends are on hand to throw satin slippers and rice after the couple. If a slipper lands in the carriage it is good luck, especially if it is a left slipper.

Folks Enjoying the Wedding



A pair of cedar trees is a traditional gift meant to be planted on each side of the door as a symbol of longevity.



A Ride for the Bride



A Prairie Wedding

Decorating the Cake



The Bride and Groom Cut the Cake



Serving the Cake



The Bride and Groom Dance



The Wedding Party Rests After a Busy Day



Learning and Having Fun

Dipping Candles



Peeling Apples



Standing Tall on Stilts



Sewing with Pedal Power



Rolling Paper Beads



Making Rope



Ring Toss



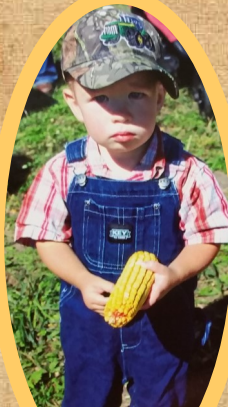
Doing the Butter Shake



Hoop Rolling



Shelling Corn



Making Paper Hearts



Learning and Having Fun



Visitors enjoyed listening about how to cook and bake on an open fire at the cooking demonstration as well as learning about cabin living and native prairie plants at the Fraseur cabin.



Gadgets of various kinds drew the attention and curiosity of visitors of all ages.



New Members

Francis Cord
Peggy Herman
David Swan
Brian and Renee Dinges
Doris Lynch

Memorials

Paul Chapman Jr.
Viola Dotson
Verlene Ruth Herman
Jean Westphal
Jerome Johnston (Jay) Worsham

Our Sincerest Apologies

We regret the delay in the delivery of the 2016 Cedar County Historical Reviews this year. We know how much you look forward to them and greatly appreciate your patience. We anticipate that this is a one time exception and will have our 2017 Cedar County Historical Reviews available at the usual time next year.

What Does the Date Mean?

If you noticed a new feature on your address of a date following your name; it is there to let you know when your membership expires. This is one step we are taking to help you keep track of your membership easier.

Extra Extra Extra

Do you have an idea or suggestion for the newsletter? Please send your contributions to:

Tanya@
cedarcounthistoricalsociety.com

Please put "CCHS Newsletter" in the subject line.

All suggestions and feedback are welcome. Because of available space all contributions may not be immediately utilized.

The Baughman/Shrope House for the Prairie Village Is Here!

The Baughman/Shrope House (Little House) has arrived at the Prairie Village! We are still seeking donations to fund the preservation and restoration of the structure. This will enable us to show how Cedar County's earliest farmers lived.

Yes! I want to give my support to Cedar County Historical Society's **Baughman / Shrope Fund** with my donation in the amount of \$ _____

Name: _____ Address: _____ City / State / Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

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2016**

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and Prairie Village
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To join the Cedar County Historical Society annual dues are \$22.00, plus \$3.00 if you want the Annual Review mailed to your address. Dues may be paid at the Historical Museum, 1094 Highway 38 N., Tipton. Or be mailed to: Attn: CCHS Membership P.O. Box 254, Tipton, IA 52772



WANTED

*Historic items from Sunbury to
feature with the grand opening
of the Sunbury Bank in the
Prairie Village.*

*Pictures of the 2016 A Day on
the Prairie. If you have pic-
tures to share please send them
to:
cchsmus@netins.net*

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