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Happy Centennial 2016

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The Historical Society of North College Hill Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM THE SOCIETY

Enjoy the newsletter. Mark your calendar. 2016 is the 100 year Birthday of North college Hill!!!

Pictures and other assorted memorabilia are at the historical room/museum, ready for the 100th.2016 "Open House.". **Booked for the Centennial is the 50's 60's Show Band, **The Belairs** who will be appearing between the football field and St. Paul Church at 7:00pm, on June 11, 2016. Bring your own lawn chair. Mark your calendar. And rock and roll.

ROB BRAUN who formerly lived in North College Hill will be in the Parade.

KICKOFF FOR THE 100TH - - PARADE, MAY 28.- Hilltoppers classic cars The Drum Line from Buddy Rogers and NCH Bakery Float are some of the new additions to the parade you don't want to miss.

PROCLAMATIONS to be given after PARADE AT football field for residents who have lived in NCH for 50 years and business for 25 years.

OPEN HOUSES -- July 30 (Cary Cottage will be open for tours) 10:00 to 2:00)
July 30 (Laboyteux-Cary Cemetery Tour) (12:00 to 2:00)
November 26 (time capsule will be filled)

SELF TOUR GUIDE BOOKET AND VIDEO

100 YEAR BOOKLET

ST. MARGARET MARY FESTIVAL – Sept 3 & 4

CAR SHOW – Labor Day Sept. 5 noon – 4:00 – Hilltoppers

We are also doing a housing project. We are asking residents to take photos of the houses they lived in within the city and make a poster mounting the photos in a frame and then put your name and the dates when you lived in each house by May 1.

We are looking for old pictures to put up on the wall of Clovernook School where our historical room is located for the upcoming Centennial. We are counting on you to help us make this Centennial a success. We plan to have the halls festive with old photos. We will have tours of NCH planned, a picnic, open houses, and other events to be announced. The festivities will kick off on Saturday, May 28, with the Memorial Day parade and proclamations will be given afterwards. The parade will line up in the Rose Department Store parking lot at 10 a.m., and will begin at 11 a.m. Residents are encouraged to participate in the parade, and decorate vehicles or walk the parade route with signs showing how many years they or their families have lived in North College Hill. The city will recognize families and residents who have lived in the city for more than 50 years. This includes grandparents, parents and new generations. The city will also recognize businesses that have been in the city for more than 25 years.

Come and see why history is important!!! These portraits are at the Cary House. So plan your Centennial Days.



From a Village in 1916 to a City in 1941.

Development of a Community

John Cleves Symmes, a judge and former Congressman from New Jersey, after whom Symmes Township is named. Symmes visited the area in 1787 and received tentative permission from the new Federal government to purchase a section of land between the Little Miami and Great Miami Rivers. This tract became known as the “Symmes Purchase” or “Miami Purchase” and extended south to the Ohio River.

Several of the pioneers who migrated across the midwest to claim a part of Symmes' tract are buried in North College Hill's oldest landmark, the LaBoyteaux-Cary cemetery. Established in approximately 1806, the cemetery includes the graves of Revolutionary War veterans and several members of the Cary family. The last burial in the cemetery was in 1860.

Through the nineteenth century, as College Hill to the south and Mt. Healthy to the north matured into towns, the area that was to become North College Hill remained largely farmland. Beginning in 1905, saw mill owner John Meyer used his surplus lumber to build a subdivision of small homes north of Galbraith Road and west of Hamilton Avenue and called it Meyerville. Within the next ten years, two other groups of homes – Clovernook, east of Hamilton Avenue, and Sunshine, south of Galbraith and west of Hamilton – were started. The three subdivisions, with a total of about 500 residents, were incorporated as the village of North College Hill in 1916. John E. Williamson was elected the village's first mayor and took the oath of office on June 24, 1916 along with the members of the first council.

** (info from internet)

Jennifer Keys from the Hilltop Newspaper came to our place and interviewed several Historical Society members for the 100 Celebration. She took pics and asked about all the events that we are planing.

February 10, there was an excellent article about the city's centennial in The Hilltop Press. The article tells about different activities including parade festivities, "open houses" during the year, the car show and various projects, including the "house project" that several people have already completed and are now located in our meeting room for viewing. All you have to do is take pictures of your house or houses you lived in and put them in a frame with caption information about your house. There is still time to do this. The celebration runs throughout the year.

She also asked about growing up in the community and what it was like back in the day when we were young and carefree. Growing up back then you had a sense of community and you felt you belonged.

Of course back then everyone felt safe. Children would get up and be out all day. Only come home for dinner and when the streetlights came on. You always knew someone was watching for your safety.

January – The Historical Society had two birthdays to celebrate in January. The Society surprised Sharyn and Roger with a wonderful birthday cake from North College Bakery and everyone enjoyed the scrumptious cake and fun. Yum!!

Thank you!!!

Happy Birthday to Sharyn and Roger.



Jacki Bach, the Archivist. and Sharyn Speckman did an interview on Waycross Community Media. The interview was about the Centennial Celebration and North College Hill. I have the time and stations listed below. I hope you will be able to view this show at one of these times:

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| <u>All of May</u> | | |
| Saturdays @Noon | 979 | 850 |
| Thursdays @8PM | 979 | 850 |
| Saturday May 14th 10PM | 24 | 852 |

On March 16, NCH Historical shared our meeting room with Colerain Historical. We gave them a tour and talked about how our meetings work and all the wonderful history we have. They, in turn, had their regular meeting and talked about upcoming events. The group was very gracious and we all shared information on what works. What a great group!



This is our new room!!!

We had an amazing turnout for Open House last year. 50 plus people came in from 1-3 and looked at, talked about, reconnected with old friends and had tasty refreshments's. (**Yum and Fun**) Several out-of-towners came in for the Thanksgiving Day Weekend and included us on their list of things to do.

Open House will be two times this year in coordination with the 100th year celebration. Our first Open House will be on July 30. The second will be November 26, for everyone who comes home for the holidays and enjoys reconnecting and taking a yearly trip down memory lane.

This Open House will be a treat. The stuffing of the **Time Capsule** will take place. Exciting materials and items of our time will be placed in the Time Capsule. "Not to be opened for 50 years" is the plan. A treasure for the future to be sure. Come and see it so you can tell future generations. A Must See!!!

Did You Know Story

The **Red Devil** was a high-speed interurban streetcar built by the Cincinnati Car Company for the Cincinnati and Lake Erie Railroad (C&LE) in 1929–1930. They saw service throughout Ohio in the 1930s. After the failure of the C&LE in 1939 they saw service with the Cedar Rapids and Iowa City Railway (CRANDIC) and the Lehigh Valley Transit Company. Several have been preserved. The Red Devils were among the first lightweight interurban trolleys with side plates of aluminum. They had a toilet, luggage compartment, and up to 44 seats. The construction had some weaknesses. The riveting of aluminum plates to a steel frame produced an [electrolytic](#) reaction that gave rise to corrosion in the side panels and the front and rear dashers. The C&LE replaced some of the aluminum plates with steel. The cars featured [Art deco](#) styling and a distinctive bright red paint scheme. Half of the cars were outfitted as [parlor cars](#) with [first class](#) seating.

Lake Erie Railroad. (College Hill Railroad, Ohio Electric Railway, Etc.) Cincinnati & Lake Erie Railroad Red Devil Car. (info from Google.com)

Did You Know

- *** The Memorial Day Parade is May 28. It starts at Rose's parking lot.
- *** The Historical Society has updated the booklet from the city's 50th anniversary for \$5.00
- *** A Tour Guide and DVD with a narrated tour of the city will be available for \$5.00
- *** Rob Braun from channel 12 will be in the parade.
- *** Galbraith Road was widened in 1927.
- *** Chris Mack, coach for X grew up in North College Hill.
- *** The Laboyteaux-Cary Cemetery is the oldest landmark in North College Hill. 1805
- *** NCH Schools date back to 1821
- *** 1955 Price of bread in \$.18
gas .23
Average income: \$4,137.00

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