

## HIGHLIGHTS OF EVENTS - 2003

During "A Day in the Valley", September 27, the CVHS participated in the event with an open house at the museum. Members of the public were invited to bring antiques to the museum for evaluation by Marilyn West's son-in-law, Swan Hackmeister. Swan graciously gave of his time and expertise for this event. Over one hundred dollars was received in donations. In addition, one of the visitors to the museum purchased a copy of the book, "Our Memories are Warm" which we have had re-printed and sell for fifty dollars a copy. If you are familiar with the book, it records the history of Cherry Valley from 1835 to 1976, the work of the Cherry Valley Bicentennial Commission.

During Cherry Valley's annual festival in August (22-24), members of CVHS operated one of the Pepsi Cola wagons. CVHS received a percentage of the profit from the sales of Pepsi, which added over \$700 to our treasury.

CVHS sponsored a "Holiday Walk" December 14, highlighting the season. Approximately 75 people visited the museum where CVHS members served coffee, hot cider and treats baked by CVHS members. Bev Scholz organized the event, assisted by committee members. The log cabin and the homes of former residents George & Mae Burke, Will & Mae Brown, Nels Nelson and Frank Howe were included in the Walk; CVHS members hosted the homes. Members of the Cherry Valley United Methodist Church choir participated by singing Christmas carols as they strolled throughout the village. They earned the gratitude of everyone for bringing an added measure of joy to the afternoon. Pearl Robbins' grandson, Ron Gordon, designed an excellent and colorful brochure of the homes and log cabin; the brochure was given to visitors when they registered for the Walk. Cost of the event was five dollars per person.

CVHS members hope you enjoy our first newsletter. If you would like to share anything about yourself with other members, please drop Dina or Martha a note; we will include it in a forthcoming newsletter. A gentle reminder that our yearly CVHS dues are ten dollars and may be sent to Treasurer Steve Appell. Your contribution is appreciated.

Your newsletter reporters, Dina Sorensen & Martha Trowe