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The Henn Mansion is open most Wednesdays from 7-9pm

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# Friends of the Henn Mansion, Inc.

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### President's Message Allen Lewis

A number of unusual events have occurred since the last newsletter: the first being that I am writing this report instead of Jean Reilly. So I will start with a brief introduction. My name is Allen Lewis. I have been with The *Friends of the Henn Mansion* from the start (1996) usually associated with



the renovation and flea market side of things. My involvement had dwindled to the flea market till about 3 years ago when some long-time board members were feeling the need for a break. I was drafted first onto the renovation committee with my wife Debbie. Next, onto the board. Recently, I inherited the president position at the annual members meeting a few months after Jean vacated.

If you did not attend the members meeting, guest speaker Frank Pietravoia, from the city, presented the future plans for Sims Park and the lakefront. As the park becomes a more attractive place to visit, large groups are and will be using it more. Because of this, the city has met with us to attempt to coordinate the Henn's schedule with others using the park. The primary issue for us is the parking spaces during our peak rental season. The city is aware of this and willing to work around our events. They view the Henn Mansion as a positive entity within the park.

On May 22<sup>nd</sup>, Key Bank employees volunteered to clean up and mulch. The job was completed in one strenuous afternoon. That same day, I was informed by our second floor tenant (ABLE) that their state funding has been cut and they would be leaving us by August. Gloria and her team of educators, known collectively as ABLE, was a perfect match as the Henn's second floor tenants.

We are happy that for so many years they have been part of the Henn's success story and sorry that this perfect situation has come to a close. In the months ahead we will be looking for a similar non-profit group to fill ABLE's vacancy.

Looking forward to A BIG turnout at the potluck on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. See you there.

## Potluck Picnic Pat Brady

Save the date. The potluck picnic will be held August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert to accompany the hot dogs and hamburgers that grill masters Roger Kelly and Frank Hoffert will prepare.

Please RSVP by calling the Henn at 216/731-5060 by Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to leave your name and the number of people attending.

#### The 2013 Flea Market Grosses \$6,000 Ginny Petrie

If success is judged by monies generated then our last sale in April would have to be awarded a success. If success is judged by team work, then our last sale must be awarded unbelievable. This year's sale generated good will and camaraderie among our guests and our volunteers.

Following is a list of folks who came together all week and the two days of the sale to make this event one that should be, will be, remembered with pride.

Carol Anderson Patty Burlingham June Daugherty East Shore Boy Scouts Helen Fuertes Lee Guffev Celeste Harris Rose Kimosh Debbie Kramarz AI Lewis Charlotte Masterson Meg McGarry Sean McSween Rob McSween Joann Mullins Ginny Petrie Bob Shipley Bea Wes Susan Wright

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# **Recycled and Updated** Dan Grisez

I just wanted to thank the Friends of the Henn Mansion for the flea market they have every year. My wife and I bought an area rug, six dining room chairs, and two decorative chairs at the most recent sale. I wanted to share the work we did to the dining room chairs. We removed the caning and upholstered the chairs. The rug and chairs look great in our dining room. A hat tip to Pat Brady for her assistance in our purchases!

Thanks again.



Here we are, ready and able to begin collecting again. It's easier to list what we don't take: office equipment (printers, computers, and any outdated electronic equipment), upholstered furniture, anything that weighs over 40# (exercise equipment – Nordic Tracks), shoes, and clothes (including specialty shoes like bowling or cross country).

So, there you have it – start cleaning the attic, closets and garage. Call Ginny Petrie if you need a pickup. Otherwise, please bring your items on any Wednesday evening between 7-9 p.m. during our weekly open house. As a courtesy, call ahead (216/731-5060) to let the open house staff know you are coming with treasures.

Lastly, we often get lovely items worthy of the Antiques Road Show. If you are donating grandma's handmade quilt from 1910-, PLEASE put a note in the box with the provenance of the item. The person who sorts the boxes (that would be me!) needs to know the value. I can't tell a diamond from a cubic zirconium!

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#### A Castle and a Mansion Alexandra Gross



"Except The Lord build the house then labor is but lost that built it" Psalm of Solomon. (Adare Manor, Adare Ireland) This quote is etched into a beautiful castle I had the opportunity to visit

a few short weeks ago in Adare, Ireland. The quote serves as a dedication to all those that helped build the castle almost three hundred years ago. The similarities between Adare Manor and the Henn Mansion are very significant: both buildings underwent a large renovation, and both have been adapted to compete in today's era. The history is deeply embedded in this great structure from the floors to the exterior grounds and every last detail was accounted for during its renovation from a manor to a hotel in 1984. Irish history claims that those that worked at the manor were so incredibly dedicated to the building they called it their home even though they could never imagine living in such a beautiful place. The earl of Adare Manor was a very noble leader and his wife went to great lengths to use the manor as a safe haven for those starving during the potato famine, in one way or another it became a home to many workers that worked to maintain the manor. Although I have only been on the Friends of the Henn Mansion board for two years it truly has become my home and like the Earl of Adare the board is working to make the Henn Mansion a home for many more years to come. The Friends of the Henn Mansion are truly grateful to be entrusted to maintain such a great piece of history, without the hard work and dedication of our volunteers all that was built would truly be lost.

#### Historic Restaurant Tour June Daugherty

The Cabin, 28810 Lakeshore Blvd. Willowick, is the site of our Thursday, October 10, restaurant dinner visit. We will leave the Henn at 6pm for dinner at 6:30. The Cabin with its long interesting history is a perennial favorite, specializing in steaks and seafood. For reservations and car pooling, please call June 216-261-1460 by October 8 or Email <u>Doc600@aol.com</u>. I hope you are free to join us.

Pictured at Sokolowski's Polish Restaurant April 11 are Joann Hanlon, Roger Kelly, Mary Moeller, Deb Kramarz enjoying authentic Polish



pierogis. Not pictured Susan Wright, Carol Anderson, Doc & June Daugherty.

#### Henn Rentals

JoAnn Hanlon

The 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Rentals at Henn Mansion in June hosted 20 events for \$7,132.

The highest previous total for ANY month was \$4,922 (July, 2010).

January thru June 2013 Rentals were \$16,159.

We welcome two new volunteer Hosts: Rosemarie Wright and Linda Evans.

We are a very beautiful, popular place for many types of parties and also business events --

For a second year the Cleveland Art Museum has been at the Henn for a seven hour Retreat. Another interesting occasion was the filming of a "Television Pilot" by Hobbs Style Production.

On Sunday, July 21, the National Senior Games, of the Cleveland Area, will be having a Disc Golf Tournament in Sims Park around the Henn Mansion.

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# Volunteer Appreciation Betsy

Betsy McCort

To my surprise, I am working on my eleventh year as Henn Mansion's Reservation Coordinator. I had thought it may have been six or seven years until I checked my notes. When I began, our basic rental system had been developed by June Daugherty and Joann Hanlon. There have been tweaks along the way but we have been very successful in renting our beautiful space using their system.

Open House attendance has greatly increased in the last few years. It had become very difficult for Joann and me to greet, tour and write contracts for each of our guests. Although they are always gracious and wait until we can address their needs, it was becoming overwhelming. This year we are very appreciative to have two volunteers who help Joann and me during Open House.

Carol Boyce, a 41 year Euclid resident, is a happily retired legal secretary who is immensely enjoying her retirement. She loves the Henn Mansion and held two of her class reunions here. She also volunteers to help with Christmas decorating. Carol's enthusiasm is enjoyed by both our guests and staff.

Debbie Kramarz, a retired teacher, is a member of our Board of Trustees. Long ago, before we had cleaning and maintenance staff, she stopped by one Wednesday evening to help and, as she says, "June pulled me in". She has since assisted the *Friends of the Henn* with many of our fund raisers and events. She shares her expertise in art, children's activities, bird watching, book clubs, teas, flea markets and more.

Finally, a big "THANK YOU" must go to Joann Hanlon who has been helping me almost every Wednesday evening for eleven years. I greatly appreciate her dedication to the *Friends of the Henn* and the friendship we have developed over the years. Keeping all of the rental details in proper order is quite a juggling act but, between the two of us, we have it covered. In both her help on Wednesday nights and her Host Committee duties, she goes above and beyond what anyone could expect from a volunteer.

Thanks to all of the volunteers who have helped on Wednesday evenings over the years. Your help is greatly appreciated.

### Strolling East 200th Street

Jim Fuertes

The East 200<sup>th</sup> Street Stroll is one of the events The Friends of the Henn Mansion attends. Lolly the Trolley and the Euclid Beach rocket ship start parading the length of East 200<sup>th</sup> Street at 10 a.m. and do not stop until 2 p.m. The rides are very popular with the children who wave to the crowds when they stop to pick up more parents and their children. The ice cream parlor had a long line, the hot dog stands were also doing very well and the strollers walked up and down from Our Lady of The Lake Church to the freeway. The polka and Jazz bands played on while the members of the Euclid City Council walked up and down the East 200<sup>th</sup> street. The Euclid police kept order during the event.

The hot dogs tasted better under the hot sun and a cold drink was just what the strollers needed by noon time. The band played on while the flowers swayed with the cool breeze and the people met other strollers. This year the crowds kept coming. We saw and talked to a lot more strollers this year. They were all having a great time.

The Henn Mansion's table was located in front of the old Euclid Race building. Pat Brady had a great day promoting the next event: the annual wine tasting which will be held at the Henn Mansion on September 14th. A raffle was held for two tickets to the event. Gay Marie Goden was the winner of the raffle. We thanked the strollers for their continued support and invited them to visit us on Wednesdays during our open house hours from 7-9 p.m. For four hours East 200<sup>th</sup> Street was dressed up and made us feel welcome. The strollers were happy and we had a very good day at the East 200<sup>th</sup> stroll. See you there next year.

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Thomas Cooke	In February 1978, my mother and sis-	
June Daugherty	ter had a baby shower for me at the Henn Mansion. I was expecting my first daughter,	
Albert Hanes	Amanda. The shower was held in the beau-	
Robert Hanes	tiful formal living room. Thirty-five years later, February 17, 2013, we had a baby shower for my daughter, Gretchen. She is my second born daughter, and she	
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Roger Kelly

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Albert Parker

John Vanas

was unaware that my baby shower was held at the Henn Mansion. I was so excited to be able to return to the Henn Mansion for such a wonderful occasion. About sixty ladies attended my daughter's shower, and everyone



commented on the beauty and elegance of the mansion. Thank you for sharing this lovely gem with the public.



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# **Upcoming Events**

2013 Calendar of Events: August 22 - Board Meeting and Annual Potluck Picnic (Page 1) September 10 - Board Meeting October 8 - Board Meeting October 10 - Historic Restaurant Tour (Page 3) November 12 - Board Meeting	SAVE THE DATE 6th Annual Sunset Wine Tasting Saturday, September 14, 2013 6-9 p.m. For details and to purchase your tickets, see the flyer included in this newsletter.
December 10 - Board Meeting	
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