

Fitchburg Historical Society



McCoy House



Fox Hall



Moon House

August 1996

JUNE MEETING

The few hearty souls who braved the weather on June 23rd for our pot luck picnic meeting were rewarded with a fine meal. The weather was hot and rain threatened but we had many delicious salads to accompany our hot dogs and chips. Lemon pie (delicious), apple pie (delicious), and brownies (delicious) rounded out the meal. The rain stayed away until our meal and business meeting was finished. Anna Fox had asked to be replaced as Historian. Anna has kept a scrapbook of our activities since our organizational meeting in February of 1987. We extend our heartfelt thanks to Anna for a job well done. Ellen Green has graciously agreed to take on the responsibility. Thank you, Ellen. If anyone has pictures or articles to be placed in the scrapbook they can be forwarded to Ellen at her Irish Lane home. Plans were finalized for staffing the display table at O'Fitchburg days on June 29th and 30th. LaVerne and Betty Forest were present to explain the upcoming Fitchburg Fall Farm Festival (FFFF) to be held at Eplegaarden in September. There will be hay rides, cider making, barn dancing and exhibits. The FHS discussed the possibility of setting up a "photo studio" to take Polaroid snapshots of people in costume or children as farm animals. The meeting adjourned just in time for people to get to their cars before the clouds opened up and the rains came.

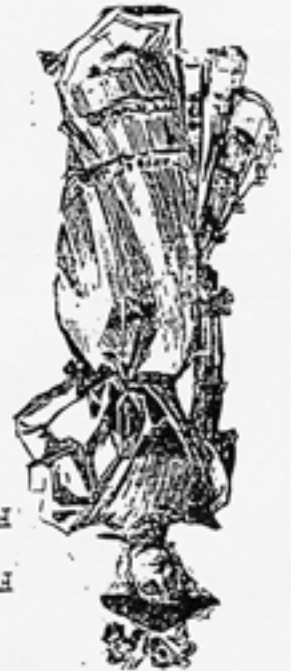
FALL MEETING

Don't forget to mark October 20th on your calendar. This is the date for the fall general meeting. It will be a Halloween party at the Community Center. You are encouraged to bring young people with you. Typical Halloween entertainment will be featured. Come in costume if you wish. Details will come in a mailing near to the date of the party.

ANNUAL MEETING

In February of 1997 the Fitchburg Historical Society will be 10 years old. We would like to have a memorable meeting to mark the occasion. The date has been set for February 2, 1997 in the large meeting room of the Community Center. Joan Severa, a Fitchburg resident and a former costume curator for the State Historical Museum will present a program regarding clothing styles through the ages. Joan is the author of the book "Dressed for the Photographer: Ordinary Americans and Fashion". Mark the date on your calendar now and be prepared for an interesting program. This will be the annual meeting and guests will be welcome.

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FITCHBURG FALL FARM FESTIVAL

The FFFF will be held September 14th and 15th at Vern and Betty Forest's Eplegaarden, 2273 Fitchburg Road. The festival is sponsored by the Fitchburg Agricultural and Rural Affairs Commission to foster a greater understanding between the rural and urban communities of Fitchburg. The FHS will be taking Polaroid pictures of children as farm animals and adults as "Fitchburg Gothic". We need volunteers to help on those days. This will be a good opportunity for members who have not been involved in other projects to take an active part in our organization. Please call me at my home phone to arrange a convenient time for you to help out. If I am not home to receive your call you can leave your name and telephone number on my answering machine (845-7594).



BOOK INDEX

We are still in need of someone to check the index for the book "Fitchburg: A History" which was published in the bi-centennial year of 1976. Index cards have been made out but a final editing will be necessary before a printed list can be made. An index will make this an excellent reference work for future years. This project can be worked on in your own home at your own pace. Please call Winnie Lacy at 845-7594 if you are willing to help with this project.