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Coming August 13 at 7:30. . .

President Rosecrans? Hometown Hero - What Might Have Been! By Sunbury's Terry Michael Wise



'Captain' Wise

Mike Wise will portray his second great uncle, Captain and Adjutant George M. Wise of the 43rd Ohio Veteran Volunteer Regiment who served under General Rosecrans' Department of the Ohio. Captain Wise will join us when he is returning from the reunion of his regiment which was assembled in Mt. Vernon, Ohio, some 20 years after the Civil War.

Using the original letters sent home during the war, Wise will tell what the men who fought under the General Rosecrans thought of him and the relationship with General Grant. The offer from President Lincoln for him to be his 1864 running mate and Grant's role in destroying his reputation and military career. Wise will assess our hometown hero's life: his character, flaws, and accomplishments. Learn why history is constantly being rewritten.

Mike Wise grew up in southeastern Ohio and moved to Trenton Township in 1978 after marrying his bride, Velda DeWitt. Active in the FFA during high school and college, he served as the Ohio FFA treasurer and was awarded the American FFA degree in Agribusiness.

After completing a corporate administration and then operations career, he became a licensed funeral director for DeVore-Snyder Funeral Home, where he continues part-time service.

Currently Mike serves as BWAHS Vice President of Trustees and is a docent in the Myers Inn Museum. He also belongs to Sparrow Lodge Masonic Lodge, Society of Civil War Historians, the American Society of Church History, the Heritage Foundation, and the Evangelical Theological Society.

He also owns an online Civil War Bookstore.

Donald Edwards' Auctions, Online And Live, This Month

Don Edwards, a Big Walnut High School graduate, known as Red for the color of his hair, spent his life in Sunbury helping boys and girls master track skills. The school needed his skills on staff so he became the custodian for the Galena Elementary School. This gave him access to the facilities and equipment he needed to coach.

When Big Walnut built the new school on Baughman Street, volunteers from the community raised funds to build the stadium and quiet-spoken Red made sure the track was the best. He became known to the Ohio Track associations, kept stats on coaches and teams. Eventually he wrote booklets with the accumulated stats.

Red and I have common ancestors, we both descend from the '5 Whitney boys who married 5 Edwards girls' and all but one couple came from Connecticut to settle in Delaware County.

Red inherited his love of history from his Dad, a mechanic who drove a wagon school bus and kept sales slips from local merchants.

In addition to sports, Red was a collector of anything historic. He started a Sports Museum in the house next door to his home. He collected sports records, photos, trophies, yearbooks, newspapers, agricultural and mechanical tools and anything else that caught his eye.

BWAHS is pleased to be remembered in Red's will. We are very grateful for the time and effort his family has spent organizing his items for sale.

Beginning August 1 thru August 18, items from Red's Collection will be auctioned online by Chip Carpenter. use the following link

<https://ucrealstateandauktion.hibid.com/catalog/562079/military--machinest--gauges--and-more>

To learn more about the Auctions, visit Chip's website:

www.ucrealstateandauktion.com
Chip Carpenter, 740-965-1208

A live Auction will begin at 10 on Saturday
August 24 at the Edwards' homestead
at 11848 E. S.R. 37, Sunbury

NEW MEMBER BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT. .

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Calendar of Events

- August 1-18 Red Edwards Online Auction
www.ucrealestateandauction.com
Chip Carpenter 740-965-1208 or 614-206-1135
- August 13 at 6 p.m. BWAHS Trustees Meeting
- August 13 at 7:30 BWAHS Program: "President Rosecrans? Hometown Hero with Mike Wise - See page 1
- August 17 at 11-11 Sizzles and Sounds on square
- August 24 at 10 a.m. Red Edwards Auction Live At 11848 S. R. 37, E.

Myers Inn Museum and Gift Shop
Open Saturdays 10-3
Open Sundays 12-3

To book a Special Tour on a Different day
Call 740-965-3582, leave your phone number.

Mary Daugherty

Once again we had to say goodbye to founding member. For those of you who are new to the historical society in the last 10 years, you possibly did not cross paths with Mary Daugherty. At one time she was a prominent volunteer for Community Library and then the BWAHS. At the first Myers Inn Tea, Mary gave a program on historic women's hats and shared her collection. It helped to make the teas a good fit for the Myers Inn.

Mary was a school librarian when I first met her then she was promoted to library supervisor over the individual Big Walnut school librarians. Mary traced her family to the Mayflower in Massachusetts while her husband Bob's ancestors came on another Mayflower voyage to Virginia area. She was also related to the namesake of Jane Case Memorial Hospital in Delaware and many other prominent families.

Daughertys lived in the historic Landon house at 52 Otis Street until Mary moved to Inniswood Assisted Living.

When young Joe Landon had a hot appendix, the doctor said he could take it out on the kitchen table if he had light so he could see. Someone woke up Jackie Burrer and he fired up the generator in the Burrer Mill which provided electricity at 2:30 a.m. One can imagine having all your lights go on in the middle of the night. The doctor operated and the boy lived to be 86. Burrens added on /off switches to homes.

MORE ON WARD'S POINT IN SEPTEMBER!

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