

103 East Main P. O. Box 313 Greentown, IN 46936 765-628-3800 ABRAHAM LINCOLN A 50-Year Private Collection by Dwight Schaaf Extended through December by reservation only — 765-438-1186

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GREENTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY











Annual Dinner Meeting Review

The annual dinner was well attended and nicely decorated by Chari Deyoe. We thank our sponsors for their support and Main Occasions Catering. Dean Schaaf was guest speaker and was accompanied by his wife, Susan. He graduated from EHS in 1964, and received a BS in Electrical Engineering from Purdue in 1973. Dean worked for NASA and is a Navy veteran and curator at Veteran Memorial Museum in Merritt Island, Florida. In appreciation of their travel to Greentown from Florida, Dean and Susan received \$200 as an honorarium and a piece of Greentown pottery. (pictured at right)





The Volunteer of the Year Award for 2017 was received by Bruce Shrock. He has worked diligently in the photo archives department, assisted in setting up computer and scanning stations, and served as the technology expert. We thank Bruce for his dedication to preserving Greentown's history. (pictured at left)

Dwight and Ganiece Schaaf received the 2017 Outstanding Exhibit Award for an impressive array of interesting Lincoln memorabilia. Dwight has spent many hours setting up the exhibit and guiding visitors through his collection. (pictured at right)

Thank you, Mr. Schaaf, for a most exquisite exhibit these past few months. The loan of your "all things Lincoln" is greatly appreciated.





The 1963 Fifth Quarter Club met on Saturday mornings after Friday night basketball games with Coach Bob Shawhan and Coach Dick Price (seated).



The Greentown Lions Club (sponsor of the Howard County 4-H Fair) called on these ladies to work at the Fair in 1963. (all pictures provided by Bruce Shrock)

Photo Archives Project

These images are from the Jenkins Studio collection. We need your help to identify everyone in the pictures. Please e-mail greentownhistory@comcast.net those you know, and identify them by their position.

Rachel Jenkins began donating negatives in 2016 from the 50-year collection of Jenkins Studio in Greentown. There are over 1,300 scanned images from 1962-1965. Fred and Rachel Jenkins created professional images of individuals, families, weddings, senior school pictures, Eastern sports and musical programs, the 4-H Fair, the Lions Club, committees, and many others.

Sorting and repackaging negatives is the first step in the photo archiving process. Rachel and several volunteers have prepared many archival-quality boxes of repackaged negatives in folders. These will be preserved by the Greentown Historical Society.

Scanning the negatives is the second major step in the process. We need more volunteers who are willing to learn how we scan and save the images. There is one scanner for negatives, but two volunteers can work together to keep the scanner busy, and a written procedure is available to follow. Training is provided.

Finally, we need volunteers who can document everything known about each picture: date, time, event, names, location, etc. We call this cataloging. Training is available. Cataloging is fun, especially when you remember faces and names or work with another volunteer. Soon you will be able to search for pictures in our online database. It is not unusual to find loved ones in photos you have never seen before! If you would like to scan or catalog the Jenkins collection, please leave a message at the History Center (765-628-3800), call Bruce Shrock at 765-432-1538 or e-mail us at greentownhistory@comcast.net. Volunteers are encouraged to come by and help in Photo Archives. If interested, please contact Rachel Jenkins at rjenkins.grapevine@gmail.com or call her at 765-860-3746.

Like computers and history? We have openings for volunteers.

Needed: experienced website designer or someone who would refresh the GHS website and add features such as adding the capability for donors to make contributions online and also to be able to designate how the donation is to be applied.

Needed: volunteers to scan negatives into a program. Familiarity with Windows 10, file naming, file moving and organizing in folders would be beneficial. Must be able to commit to a regular schedule. Training will be provided.

Needed: Catalogers to enter as much information as they can provide about scanned images as to people, places and events. People with a history of living in Eastern Howard County(1962 to now) would have an advantage. If interested, contact Bruce Shrock at 765-432-1538 or <u>beshrock@yahoo.com</u>.

Welcome New Board Members

At the annual meeting of the Greentown Historical Society on November 2, 2017, the following were elected to the Board: Robin Hainlen, Francis Hannah, Diane Knight, and Angie Sparks. We welcome them with open arms.

Robin Hainlen is a 1977 graduate of Eastern High School and has lived in Greentown her entire life. She grew up on Grant Street and her mother and step-father still live there. She is married to Lyle Hainlen. They have 3 children, Travis, Trent, and Elizabeth, and 5 grandchildren. Robin attends Sycamore Friends Church. She is secretary of the National Greentown Glass Association and expresses a deep appreciation for the glass that put Greentown on the map. She says she feels honored to be on the Board to help preserve artifacts and memories of Greentown, which she calls "home."

Francis Hannah has lived in Union Township all his life except for two years while in the Army. He is a 1959 graduate of Eastern High School, farmer, and licensed auctioneer. He is a member of the VFW of Elwood and American Legion 317 of Greentown. He is widowed, a member of the Phlox Faith Community Church, and Secretary/Treasurer of the New Hope Cemetery.

Diane Knight graduated from Eastern High School in 1963 and attended Kokomo Indiana Business College and IUK. She retired from First Congregational Church after 22 years as Office Manager. She is married to Phillip Knight. They have two children, Aaron and Traci, and six grandchildren. She is currently State Northern District Director of Daughters of the American Revolution and State Second Vice President of Children of the American Revolution. She was on the Howard County Historical Society Oral History Team which was awarded the Outstanding Project Award from the Indiana Historical Society for their work on the oral history of Ryan White's crusade to attend school. She worked with GHS and the Greentown Lions Club to move the round barn to the fairgrounds and restore it. The impressive round barn that stands proudly and hosts many events in Greentown was built by her great-grandfather, Lawrence Armfield.

Angie Sparks graduated from Eastern High School. She is married to Harry Sparks and has lived in Greentown most of her life. They have 2 children, Deana and Shawn, and three grandchildren. Angie is a life member of the Girl Scouts and a member of the Howard County Historical Society and Trinity United Methodist Church.

Rachel Jenkins is returning to the Board. Current Board members elected for another term are Carole Petro, Katie Regan, Steve Sheridan, and Joyce Yager.

Newsletter Update

Please consider having this quarterly Greentown Historical Society Newsletter emailed to you instead of being sent through the post office. Not only does this method save money, but the quality and color of the newsletter is much better. If interested, please send me your email address at <u>1kim.patton@gmail.com</u>. Your consideration in this matter is appreciated.

Roof Fundraising Update

Many thanks to our generous supporters for the roof project! So far, \$5,685 has been received for this extensive and important repair. In the next newsletter will be a list of all those who have supported this effort to maintain our beautiful historic building.

Hours of Operation

The Greentown Historical Society is open Saturdays from 1-4; Sundays from 2-4; and Mondays from1-4 P.M. There are no exhibits in January and February.

Our Mission

- To promote public awareness and appreciation of the unique history of Eastern Howard County, Indiana and its citizens
- To carry out historical research, preservation, and education
- To provide the public with meaningful heritage experiences

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