

Cedar Lake Historical Association

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LOCATED ON THE SHORES OF CEDAR LAKE

Escape to the Past

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Cedar Lake Historical Association Receives Grant to Expand Annual Family Fun Fest

Cedar Lake, IN – Cedar Lake Historical Association announced today that it has received a \$1,000 grant from Legacy Foundation, Lake County's community foundation, to sponsor its 5th Annual Family Fun Fest on Sunday, August 27, 2017 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Cedar Lake Historical Association has hosted a free Family Fun Fest on its museum lawn on the shores of Cedar Lake since 2013. Families are invited to play together with recreational opportunities that would have appealed to children when the museum was Lassen's Resort hotel in the 1920's. Churning butter and making home-made ice cream are two signature experiences of the day. Past years have featured crafts such as chair caning and wool spinning as well. Games offered include artifact bingo, croquet, jacks, and marbles. Contests for chalk art drawings and watermelon seed spitting win nominal prizes. An eyes-only scavenger hunt in the museum is fun for the children - and the adults too.

"The grant will enable our Association to feature several new activities this year," said Julie Zasada, Executive Director. "Lassen's Resort featured a duck pond and miniature golf. We'll be developing fun, hands-on ways to present those historical elements to children." Additional low-tech classic games to be added are yard dominoes, horseshoes, ring toss, 3-legged races, and tug-of-war. There will be a make-and-take craft table also.

"What better way to celebrate our Association's 40th anniversary this year than with an event that will appeal to all generations," added Jimmy Laud, Jr., CLHA Board President. "The Legacy Foundation sponsorship will enable us to offer chicken lunches at resort-era prices - only \$1.00 for chicken, vegetable, potato, and dinner roll!" Other lunch options will be hot dogs for a nickel and hamburgers for a dime. The afternoon will conclude with the annual tradition of teaching children how to make their own ice cream with plenty of tasty toppings.

Legacy Foundation invests in nonprofit services and capacity building efforts throughout Lake County, Ind. Through the generosity of a wide base of donors, Legacy Foundation has awarded \$40 million in grants and scholarships to nonprofit organizations and individuals since its founding in 1992. Learn more at www.legacyfdn.org. For more information about Cedar Lake Historical Association, call 219-390-9423 or visit www.cedarlakehistory.org.

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