

The Blooming Members' News

The New Horizon's Band

Join us this Thursday, July 16th for another back porch concert in our 50th season. Music starts promptly at 7pm. Snacks and drinks will be for sale. Free-will donation requested.

Bob Bean Celebration of Life

Join us Sunday, July 19th at promptly 2pm as we, along with his family and friends, celebrate the life of our society's first president and long-time building Manager Bob Bean. All areas of Bob's life will be acknowledged from his time as a teacher at Monona Grove High School to his support of the local environment. Root Beer floats will be served as per his request!

The Celebration of Life will also be livestreamed via zoom from 1:45 - 3:30 pm. It can be viewed at the follow link(s):

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84921100405?jst=2>

Meeting chat link

<https://us06web.zoom.us/jc/84921100405>

Meeting ID: 849 2110 0405

Bob Bean & Abraham Lincoln

Bob Bean's daughter, Marcia, couldn't say whether it because of the beard he always wore, or the encouragement of friends who saw the likeness, but Bob Bean was well-known for dressing as the 16th President of the United States. Here is a local story unearthed by HGBHS's William Wiedemann that we're sure Bob would have loved to have known from the *Richland County Newspaper*, 1926: "Sixty-six years ago, in the town of Blooming Grove, Dane County, Wisconsin at the home of Levi and Fannie Lincoln, a son was born. It was just before the election in November of Abraham Lincoln to the Presidency, and interest in the campaign ran high. The Doctor who officiated at the birth of the child came back to Madison and announced that Abraham Lincoln had come to make an indefinite stay with his relatives, Mr. and Mrs. L.J. Lincoln. This report was printed in the *Wisconsin State Journal*, and a political delegation came out to the farm to do honor to the one they thought was the Presidential candidate. The father of the child greatly enjoyed the joke and presented them to the child who was thus named Abraham Lincoln."



Upcoming HBGHS Events

July 16th – BPC: The New Horizon's Band

July 19th – **Bob Bean Celebration of Life** at 2pm

July 23rd- BPC: The Ragged Blade Band

July 30th- Ice Cream Social 5:30-7 Vets on Frets

Aug 27th-Madison Trust Frost Woods **TALK** 6-8pm
Madison Public Library-Downtown Branch
Free but must register at with the Trust

Sept 20th Madison Trust Frost Woods **TOUR**
every half hour beginning at 8:30am Register
with the Madison Trust for Historic
Preservation.