

HAPPY 200TH BIRTHDAY "ABRAHAM LINCOLN"

on the
172ND ANNIVERSARY
August 3RD, 2009
of the
'LONG NINE' BANQUET

On August 3RD, 1837
ABRAHAM LINCOLN

And 6 other members of the LONG NINE State Legislators celebrated their victory for moving the Illinois State Capitol from Vandalia to Springfield.

The LONG NINE BANQUET, was held upstairs in the Col. Matthew Rogers General Store and Post Office. The Masonic Lodge of Athens, Illinois in later years became the owners of this STATE HISTORIC SITE.

In 1972 this structure was in need of major repair and structural support to be preserved. In that year, the LONG NINE, Inc. was organized and the corporation leased the Long Nine Museum Building from the Masonic Lodge.

The FOLLOWING seventy-three "STOCKHOLDERS" were responsible for saving this PRESENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN connected HISTORIC SITE in Athens, Illinois. (As listed in the Long Nine Corporate Book)

Aschenbrenner, Donna
Bednarko, Ed & Eileen
Berghoff, Gene
Bitschenauer, Paul
Bitschenauer, Barb
Canterbury, Betty
Caulthen, Ron
Cedusky, Dan & Alice
Coaccio, Nick
Church, Bob & Malinda
Curry, Lloyd
Curry, Don
Dalton, Helen
Eden, Bob & Gladys
Eden, Mr. & Mrs. Charles
Eden, Floyd & Wanda
Eden, Gene & Marie
Eden, John & Janet
Etter, Karen
Fitschen, Bill Jr.
Fitschen, Bill Sr.
Fitschen, Denise
Gudgel, George & Agnes
Harris, Tom
Hughes, Warren & Jean

Hopwood, Don & Doris
Jordan, Art & Rebecca
Kahne, Richard
Lanham, Ron & Joyce
Mack, John & Mary
Mack, Tom & Sheila
Mason, Emma Joyne
Mavis, Al & Joan
McCorkle, Charles
Paisley, Fred
Faisley, H.R.
Parkhurst, Dave & Wilma
Petro, George & Florence
Pranske, Al & Marian
Olsen, George
O'Neal, Glenn & Doris
Ostendorf, Lloyd
Richardson, Albert & Phyllis
Richardson, John & Marilyn
Richardson, Larry & Laura
Richardson, Melvin
Saccomano, Irene
Schuh, Justin
Sieving, Art & Blanche
Snelling, Tim

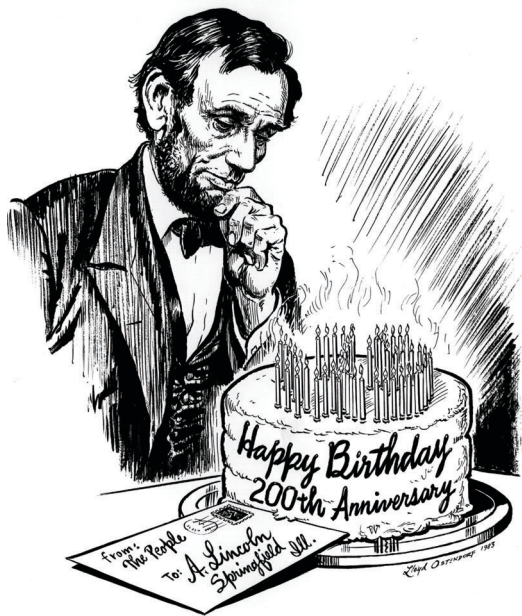
Spiegel, Art & Jean
Spiegel, Clarence & Art
Stark, Dorothy
Sutherland, Dennis & Nancy
Temple, Wayne
Thorson, John & Carol
Turley, Bill & Maxine
Urbain, Sheryl
Vandagriff, Hardy & Zelma
Wagner, Bob J.
Wagner, Dan J.
Wagner, Mary Fran
Wagner, Mike J.
Wagner, Phil J.
Wagner, Phil H.
Wagner, Teri
Wagner, Tom J.
Wasilewski, Alletta
Wasilewski, Bill & Virginia
Wasilewski, Jerry & Shirley
Williams, Ron & Karen
Whitney, George & Kathryn
Woodrum, Ray & Helen

In November of 1982 the restored building was vacated and the Historic Site was returned to the Athens Masonic Lodge free of debt.

The Masonic Lodge sold the building to John Eden who has listed the site on the NATIONAL HISTORIC REGISTER and on the "Looking For Mr. Lincoln Tours". Congratulations and good luck John, your work is a great service to the Athens and Lincoln Community.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the 73 stockholders
Phil Wagner, Last President and Long Nine Organizer.

I WISH FREEDOM FOR ALL NATIONS...



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