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*A look back at Blue Ash History...*

This concludes our series on historic homes in Blue Ash. One of these properties was included in “*The Historic Inventory of Hamilton County, An Historic Survey of 42 Suburban Communities*” prepared by The Miami Purchase Association and authorized by the Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners in 1991. This property has been marked with a \*



**9507 Railroad, built in 1886.** This 1 1/2 story frame and siding home features 8 rooms, 4 bedrms, 2 baths, and consists of 1,994 square feet situated on a lot 56.35 x 180.12 feet. There is a full basement, central air, 2 open porches, wood deck, and detached garage.

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**9511 Railroad, built in 1886.** This 1 1/2 story home has 9 rooms, 4 bedrooms, 1 full and 2 half-baths, and consists of 2,080 square feet, situated on a lot measuring 60 x 198. There are 2 open porches, a wood deck, partial basement, central air and a detached garage.



**9655 West, built in 1893.** This frame and siding 1 1/2 story home has 8 rooms, 3 bedrooms, and 2 full bathrooms consisting of 1,735 square feet, situated on a lot measuring 50 x 156.5 feet. The property includes central air, a partial basement, wood deck, 3 open-frame porches, and a detached garage.

**\*10193 Zig Zag, built in 1840.** This house is significant as one of the few remaining early farmhouses in Sycamore Township, now the City of Blue Ash, and was the home of Archibald Johnson, who platted the first subdivision in Blue Ash.



This 2 1/2 story 5-bay massed plan brick house features two front entrances, A shed roof porch is supported by two simple turned posts. An early 1-story brick addition and a 2-story frame addition have been made to the rear.

This home has 7 rooms, 3 bedrooms, 3 full and one half-bath, 4 fireplaces, consists of 2,416 square feet situated on a lot measuring 130 x 230 feet.

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### *Thank you, Blue Ash Parks & Rec!*

Once again Blue Ash volunteers were treated to a thank-you dinner at the Blue Ash Rec Center on February 4. Volunteers from several Recreation Department projects enjoyed a “soup buffet”, salads, and desserts and enjoyed the opportunity to meet with each other and discuss other opportunities for involvement in various projects and activities. Interested in volunteering for an upcoming function (concerts, Memorial Day parade, Hunt House events, etc.)? Just contact Callie Fisher (cfisher@blueash.com) to see what they have to offer - she would be happy to hear from you!



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### **Hunt House Update**

On March 12, Blue Ash City Council discussed the Hunt House remediation project. They decided unanimously to green light the original budget of \$200,000 aimed at remediating the Powder Post Beetle concern as well as the damage caused by the insect. Council requested that as the project continues, staff keep them updated on any additional concerns or costs that may have been originally unknown due to the nature of the project. The Facilities Maintenance team will begin the bidding process, gaining a local contractor capable of shoring up the home so Blue Ash can continue the tradition of retaining such a Community Icon.