

Juliann Gregg Irvin

by Cathy Horner

The next time you visit the Centre Furnace Mansion (hopefully for the annual Stocking Stuffer fundraiser!), please take a minute and notice the newest addition to our collection. Above Mary Irvin Thompson's sofa in the Founder's room, is a lovely oil portrait of Juliann Gregg Irvin.

This beautiful painting, along with Juliann's small personal bible, was recently gifted to the Centre County Historical Society by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth B. Pyle.

Not a lot has been written about Juliann Gregg Irvin, but what we know about her husband, James Irvin, allows us to imagine the life she led and the history she was part of here in Centre County.

Juliann was the daughter of Andrew Gregg, a U.S. Senator and Martha Potter Gregg. She was the granddaughter of Centre county pioneer, James Potter. In September of 1822, Juliann Gregg of Bellefonte married General James Irvin. Juliann and James resided in Oak Hall where her husband was a grain dealer and merchant. Shortly after their wedding, they moved into the large and handsome stone mansion in Oak Hall. The Irvins were a very prominent family and were known throughout the county for their generosity to others.

In 1832, Juliann Irvin became an ironmaster's wife, after James and his father decided to purchase the interest of John Miles in the Centre Furnace. In 1837, we can speculate that Juliann was honored when her husband named his newly built furnace after her, Juliann furnace. (The spelling of the furnace and its associated village was changed to Julian after the railway station was completed).

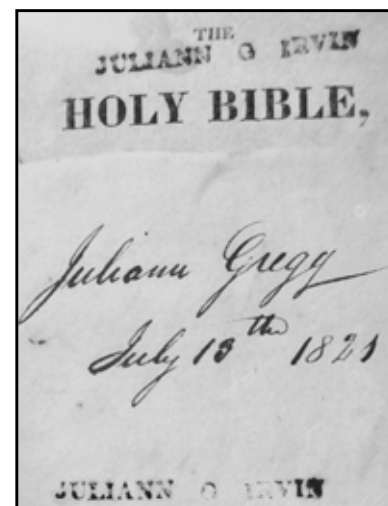
Mrs. Irvin became a politician's wife when General Irvin was elected as a member of Congress in the fall of 1840. She was by his side when he was nominated by the Whig party to run for Pennsylvania Governor in 1840. He was defeated in the election, and James returned to Oak Hall with renewed energy

to run his enormous business interests – ten charcoal blast furnaces, forges, rolling mills and farms. Moses Thompson once stated that if James Irvin had not been so benevolent, he would have been the wealthiest man in the county. The Irvins were hospitable and very faithful to family and friends.

In 1855, most assuredly, there were conversations between husband and wife when James, along with Moses Thompson, decided to give land and money to start the Farmers High School. Although James and Juliann had no children, their value of education of children was apparent in this remarkable gift.

Juliann Irvin passed away on July 4, 1856 and her obituary states that her death was sincerely lamented by all who knew her. Juliann Gregg Irvin led an amazing life and if her portrait could only talk to us, she could tell amazing stories of the early years in Bellefonte, Oak Hall, Centre Furnace and all of Centre County!

Also received from the Pyle's, now located in the Founders Room is a small bible with Juliann's signature and her name stamped "Juliann G. Irvin" inside. We have noticed in our research that Juliann's name is listed more than one way. Anne Hamilton Henszey Pyle, the donor, is a descendant of Moses and Mary Irvin Thompson. She has said that her grandmother, Anne Thompson Hamilton, use to refer to Juliann as "Julianna".



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Founded in 1904, the Centre County Historical Society, serving as the County's official historical society, is an educational organization that promotes the appreciation and research of Centre County's historic and natural resources through its properties, collections, programs, publications, and advocacy.

A community and volunteer-based organization, the Society is headquartered in the Centre Furnace Mansion, listed on the National Register of Historic Places. This site includes the restored and furnished ironmaster's home, furnace stack, and landscaped grounds and gardens. Centre Furnace was home to the earliest 18th century industry - charcoal ironmaking. In the 19th century Centre Furnace played an important role in the beginnings of Penn State University. The Society also owns and operates the nearby Boogersburg One-Room School House.

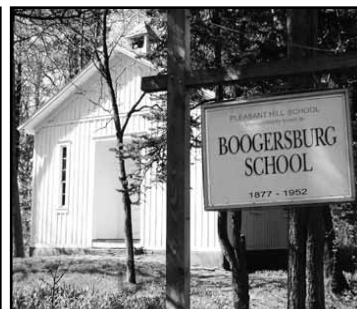
The Centre County Historical Society depends on financial contributions that help support our free public programs and educational opportunities for children, and provide necessary funds for the maintenance and operation of the Society's facilities and collections. Your membership and generosity are sincerely appreciated.

Society members and others in the community are invited to support these activities by contributing to the Centre County Historical Society Endowment Fund, managed by the Centre County Community Foundation.

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President's Corner

The yellow scaffolding rising in front of the Centre Furnace Mansion brings to mind the old children's riddle:

Q: Why did the doctor need to make a house call?

A: Because the window had panes!

In this case, it's not just the windows that are hurting. Like any grand old lady of a certain age, the Mansion always seems to need some attention to its creaky joints. But sometimes it needs the structural equivalent of a hip transplant. One of the recent such projects is restoring the cornice on the southwest corner of the Mansion. For more than a century, the cornice has been exposed to the elements...sun, wind, snow, heavy ice buildup, and rain runoff that hasn't always drained properly. The result was a level of decay that could no longer be addressed by some scraping and a fresh coat of paint and the likelihood that the deterioration would spread to the wall. The restoration and preservation will preserve the beauty of the cornice while maintaining its structural and historic integrity. By the time the scaffolding disappears, the cornice will be good for at least another century or so.

The Mansion scored another victory against the forces of nature this year when local groundhogs were permanently banished from their playground beneath the front porch. Although they could be entertaining to watch through the hearth room windows, they were also destructive. Repairs beneath the porch included shoring up the central support beam and mending the latticework to prevent the return of the rodents.

One of the upcoming projects will be tending to the mansion's 50-some windows. We're in the process of determining which are in need of critical care and which can bear the "pane" a bit longer as we budget for ongoing maintenance. The windows will be a major focus of restoration in 2016.

In addition to your membership contributions that help us to keep the mansion and Historical Society strong, we now have the added expertise of two new members of our Board of Governors—Alan Popovich and Cathy Horner.

Alan is Principal Architect of APArchitects, a firm that specializes in public sector and institutional sustainable design, historic preservation and rehabilitation, as well as park, recreational & athletic facilities design. He is well versed in historic preservation having helped to guide the preservation and restoration of the Lemont Granary. As a board member, he will chair the Properties Committee with oversight of the Mansion, its ground, and the Boogersburg Schoolhouse.

Although new to the board, Cathy Horner is no newcomer to the CCHS. She has volunteered at the mansion for the past five years as a docent, researcher, writer, and special events participant. Along with her newsletter pieces about Centre County history, she co-authored the book: *A War, Three Women and a Tradition: The History of Boalsburg in the Civil War*. In addition to her work on the board, which currently includes planning December's Stocking Stuffer, Cathy spends two mornings a week at the Mansion handling requests from researchers seeking information about the stories, sites, structures, and people of Centre County. Her deep knowledge of local history is routinely mined for CCHS exhibits, including the current display at the mansion, "Everyday Iron."

Alan and Cathy are welcome additions who make our board stronger and structurally more versatile. And, they don't even need scaffolding!



Brian Bastress, Bastress Stoneworks

~ Katie O'Toole

13th Annual Stocking Stuffer Antiques, Art & Fine Craft Sale

December 4 - 6

Friday & Saturday, December 4 & 5

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 6

Noon – 4:00 p.m.

\$5.00 admission



Now in its thirteenth year, the Stocking Stuffer has established itself as one of the area's premiere holiday events featuring the finest quality work of local artisans, craftsmen, and antique dealers. This is also a signature fund-raising event for the Centre County Historical Society.

Whether shopping for gifts for family and friends or something beautiful for yourself, the Stocking Stuffer offers a wide variety of unique items! Featuring our favorite returning vendors with garden fairies, photography, jewelry and pottery and the always changing collections of local antique dealers.

This year's Stocking Stuffer is already shaping up to be one of the best. In addition to adding a third day (Sunday) to the event, we have vintage jewelry, antiques, pomanders and Paperwhite bulbs ready for gift giving and prepared by CCHS volunteers! If you have never been to the Stocking Stuffer in previous years, why not put it on your calendar now. And if you're one of our members that have attended many times over the years, we thank you and suggest that you spread the word or bring a friend along this year!

Stocking Stuffer Antiques, Art & Fine Craft Sale - Preview Party

Thursday, December 3

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

\$40.00 admission / \$35.00 CCHS members

Get a sneak peek inside and first opportunity to purchase gifts from over 50 local artist and antique dealers. Enjoy Hors d'oeuvres, desserts, wine and live music.

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Upcoming Programs

Programs are held at the Centre Furnace Mansion



Photography by Fredric Weber

Exhibit: Everyday Iron: Iron Objects of the 18th & 19th Centuries will be **continued through March 2016**

W/F/Su 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Central PA Civil War Round Table

Tues. December 15, 2015

7:00 p.m.

Boalsburg's Rough Riders: Terry Boal and the Boal Troop

In commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the Troop's founding.

By Philip Sauerlender

Sun. February 21, 2016

2:00 p.m.

For additional program information, visit Centrehistory.org

Central PA Civil War Round Table and CCHS Joint Meeting

Tuesday, December 15

7:00 p.m.

@ the Centre Furnace Mansion

Join CCHS and the CPCWRT for speaker: Interpreter Cody Knotts. Cody is a director, producer, writer, and actor. A native of Taylorstown, Pennsylvania, he relies on decades of political experience and extensive historical knowledge to bring to life the enigmatic Judah Benjamin (1811-1884) "dark prince of the Confederacy." Reception to follow. Open to the public.



Cody Knotts as Judah Benjamin

The Boegersburg Schoolhouse – Docent Spotlight

In the past newsletters we have explored the programming and restoration of the Boegersburg Schoolhouse, these programs however would not be possible without the dedicated Boegersburg docents and volunteers. For this and upcoming newsletters, we thought you would enjoy the opportunity to meet each of our Boegersburg docents.

We would like to 'shine the spotlight' on Nancy Jacobson, retired learning enrichment teacher with the State College Area School District (SCASD). Nancy was fortunate to be working in the school district when the schoolhouse was restored and opened for field trips. We know you will enjoy her story and understand why she continues to volunteer at the school.



"I have always loved teaching--it never even crossed my mind that my career would be anything else. It is hard work, often frustrating, but the rewards are tremendous. Given that I love teaching, having the chance play a teacher from the late 1800's in that old schoolhouse is just plain fun!!

Boegersburg came to SCASD via Gwen Bunnell. We received a call from her telling us that Bob Struble was restoring the schoolhouse, and she asked if we were interested in using it as a learning enrichment activity. We immediately said, "Yes"!! We met with Bob at his home, and I fell in love with Boegersburg. We then reviewed the school curriculum and found that a field trip to the schoolhouse would fit nicely in several areas. So we immediately set up trips, and I was one of the first teachers.

Our community is so fortunate to have this living museum and the Centre County Historical Society. Through their efforts we have a wonderful learning experience for children and adults."

Nancy Jacobson

Please contact Sharon Childs to become involved as a docent or for program information. Phone: (814) 777-4993 or email: boegersburg@centrecountyhistory.org

Thank You Robert W. Behrer Landscaping!

Many, many thanks to CCHS member Kirk Behrer, **Robert W. Behrer Landscaping** from Pine Grove Mills for his corporate contribution of services and various materials to repair sections of our flagstone and brick walkways at the Centre Furnace Mansion. His staff members, **Chris and Jeff**, were super and have done a beautiful job! And to Mark Eminhizer with **Bricks and Stones** in Boalsburg for discounting the flagstone for this project.



What Visitors Are Saying

These reviews were shared on TripAdvisor.com and it is great to see what information visitors leave here with and the impression the docents make.

"The Birth Place of Penn State"

***** Reviewed May 19, 2015

The Centre Furnace Mansion, where the Centre County Historical Society is housed, is a lovely, beautifully furnished mansion that was the birth place of Penn State, then called Farmer's High School. The grounds, which contain a Sycamore that, according to records, was growing on site in the 1740s, are lovingly cared for. The house itself is furnished in high Victoriana with many original pieces owned by the iron master, Moses Thompson, and his wife, Mary Irvin Thompson.

"Before there was a College"

**** Reviewed September 21, 2015

This part of Pennsylvania has not always been an education institution. A commercial center of Pennsylvania, the home of seven state governors, an early scholastic football powerhouse (Bellefonte Academy), a center of ecumenical tolerance and welcome in the 17th century, and a mining and agricultural powerhouse. The Centre Furnace Mansion is a center of all of these activities and has been restored to its condition when the creation of the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania (Penn State's predecessor) was planned and implemented.

Visited September 2015

John H. Ziegler Historic Preservation Awards of the Centre County Historical Society

It had nothing to do with Halloween, but some long-dead spirits of Centre County got their due on Sunday, October 25th at the 27th annual Centre County Historical Society's Historic Preservation Awards program.

Each year since 1988, the Centre County Historical Society (CCHS) has recognized over 180 individuals and organizations for their outstanding work in preserving and interpreting Centre County history.

Congratulations to this year's award recipients!:

Education and Advocacy - Town & Gown Magazine: Mimi Barash Coppersmith accepted the award for its 50-years of publishing columns on Centre County history. From its start in 1966, it has featured stories that highlight local people, places, and traditions.



Rob Schmidt, Mimi Barash Coppersmith, David Pencek, Lee Stout

Preservation and Restoration – The Pennsylvania State University



Gordon Turow, Anne Riley, David Gray

Anne Riley accepted this award for Penn State's successful efforts to save the Henry Varnum Poor Land-Grant Frescoes on the walls of Old Main that were created in the 1940s.

History and Heritage – Pine Grove Mills Union Cemetery Board of Directors



Carol Ziegler

Carol Ziegler accepted the award for work on the Union Cemetery which is the final resting place of Centre Countians who served in the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, and the Civil War. The multi-year, volunteer project involved cleaning the grave-stones, completing the epitaphs that were

no longer legible, and collecting information about each of the persons buried in the cemetery and the world they inhabited more than a century ago. The stories were compiled into a three-volume book series that tells a larger story of life in 19th century Pine Grove Mills.

Jacqueline J. Melander Award – Ron and Sue Smith



Katie O'Toole, Sue & Ron Smith, Mary Sorensen

The inaugural Jaqueline J. Melander Award for lifetime achievement in historic preservation was given to Lemont residents Ron and Sue Smith for their work in establishing the Lemont Village Association, leading the effort to preserve the John I. Thompson Grain Elevator and Coal Sheds, and helping to create the Village Green and the many community events held there each year.

CCHS President's Award - **Ralph Seeley**



Ralph Seeley

The President's Award honored Ralph Seeley, a long-time member of the Board of Governors who has researched and written about the Native American paths that cross Central Pennsylvania and has helped hikers to enjoy those paths through his decades of trail maintenance.

We would like to give many thanks to CNET and the Centre County Government who has sponsored filming of the awards program. Thank you to Will Yurman for portrait photography. Thank you also to Preservation Awards committee members and nominators John Ziegler, Bob Hazelton, Katie O'Toole, Jackie Melander, Richard Pencek, Ford Risley, Mary Sorensen and Darwin Braund for their work on the program and to Katie Frieden, Deb McManus, and staff members Johanna Sedgwick and Christine Tate for helping with the event details.

To read more and view the CNET program film, visit Centrehistory.org.



CCHS Membership

Consider giving a gift membership to CCHS this holiday season! Renew, join or give a gift of CCHS Membership on our website at centrehistory.org by going to the "Support" section. You can also use the form on the back page of this newsletter. CCHS's annual membership period is from January through December.

If you haven't been to the Centre Furnace Mansion in a while, we invite you to step into a bygone era this holiday season by taking a tour of the beautifully decorated Mansion and strolling through the period gardens that are beautifully maintained by CCHS members and volunteers. Even if there isn't a fire burning in the hearth, I think you will feel the warmth and sense of place that made the Mansion a magnet for travelers, visitors, and family members who were home for the holidays 150 years ago.

With sincere thanks and a wish for many joys this holiday season.



Around the County
Cultural & Natural Heritage Events

Support local heritage and local artists by shopping locally this Holiday season! Please visit the organization's website for complete details.

Through November 29
Community Art Gallery at Bellefonte Art Museum for Centre County
bellefontemuseum.org

December 4 - 6
Stocking Stuffer Antiques, Art & Fine Craft Sale @ the Centre Furnace Mansion

December 4 & 5
Lemont Village German Christmas Market
lemontvillage.org

December 4 & 5
Boalsburg Hometown Christmas
boalsburgvillageconservancy.org

December 5 & 6
Central PA Guild of Craftsmen Winter Craft Market
wintercraftmarket.com

December 5
Palmer Museum Art & Ornament Sale
palmermuseum.psu.edu

December 7
Pearl Harbor remembrance Day Tribute
PA Military Museum
pamilmuseum.org

December 11 - 13
Bellefonte Victorian Christmas
bellefontevictorianchristmas.org

Many local heritage sites close for the Winter season. Please call ahead before visiting.



The PNC Bank – Col. Gerald Russell United Way Day of Caring At the Centre Furnace Mansion and the Boegersburg School

Thank You!!

On Thursday, October 1, over 100 individuals from a variety of area organizations came together on the Day of Caring to accomplish a long and wide range of indoor and outdoor wish list tasks at the Centre Furnace Mansion and Boegersburg School. There was nothing that couldn't be done!

From the gardens and grounds to the painting, cleaning and shining that was happening inside at both the Mansion and the School, you can clearly see there has been another highly successful PNC Bank–Col. Gerald Russell United Way Day of Caring!! The Centre County Historical Society extends our most sincere thanks to everyone who helped make the 2015 Day of Caring an amazing day to remember.

Some of the highlights of the day...

On the outside, a large walnut tree behind the Mansion was removed by Penn State's amazing Arborist team. The beautifully grained wood from the tree has been stored and will cure naturally to give us time to plan for its next life as treasures from Centre Furnace. Much mulching and gardening and organizing took place outside in the gardens led by the Centre Furnace Gardeners.

On the inside, Todd Schilling from David Horner and Associates, Inc. led painting efforts in the second floor Mansion Library and Mini Mansion rooms. And a grand effort was led by Betsy Taylor, Gloria Long and Nancy Wolf to clean the crystals on the chandeliers and work on several polishing and cleaning projects.

At the Boegersburg School, Sharon Childs led efforts to paint the pedestrian bridge, clean the inside of the school and do a number of landscape projects like mulching the trail and around the trees.

The Day of Caring has served qualifying non-profit organizations all around Centre County, including the Centre County Historical Society for 22 years with immeasurable enthusiasm and good will.

Thank you again and again to all participating businesses, organizations and individuals who have graciously donated materials and labor and took time from your busy schedules to join us on the Day of Caring to make this incredible gift possible.

With great appreciation,

*Mary Sorensen
Executive Director*





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by Betsy Taylor

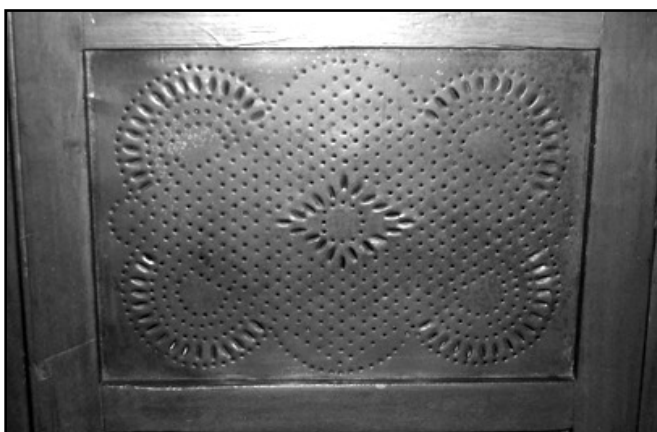
As a rule our docent led tours at Centre Furnace Mansion conclude with a stop at the Upstairs Kitchen, part of the addition Moses and Mary Irvin Thompson added to the house in 1846. With a growing family it must have been wonderful to have a kitchen next to the dining room and not located a floor below! While many of the items you see in the “new” kitchen were not present when the Thompson’s were in residence, the acquired assemblage truly represents housekeeping in the Victorian Era. The kitchen items elicit many questions from our visitors and the following questions and answers are representative of those often asked.

Why is the trim in the kitchen painted red?

Red trim was the prevalent paint color in central Pennsylvania kitchens and probably was reflective of the iron minerals found in the ground locally. Red was also a cheap color to make.

What is a “pie safe”?

Early kitchens often attracted both bugs and rodents as the doors were left open in hot weather to both cool the kitchen helpers, but also to remove the cooking odors. How, then, to keep a freshly baked pie, cake, or bread “safe”? Thus a piece of furniture, usually painted red like the kitchen trim, was made with pierced tin front cupboard doors. The piercing was so designed as to let air in, but not the “critters”. If, however, you look close enough you will often find a “mouse” hole somewhere inside the pie safe. Yes, we have one in our pie safe! Ask your docent to show you! Our pie safe dates to 1850 and was a gift from Ernestine Noll.



Punched tin detail on the Pie Safe doors

Why do you call a dry sink dry?

Before houses had running water, kitchen clean up was provided by pitchers of water, or buckets, and a bowl placed in a “dry” sink. In Elizabeth Donaghy Garrett’s book “At Home” (subtitled *The American Family 1750-1870*), the author states that when not in use for food preparation, the dry sink often held a ewer of water, a bowl, and a towel, that was changed twice a week, and used by the children for washing up after playing outside.



Is a “dough tray” a place to hide money?

While it would be wonderful to have that much money on hand, a dough tray is a piece of furniture that was used for baking preparation. Bread dough could be prepared on the top cover (tray), and then placed inside the pine box, recovered with the tray and left to rise in a warm, enclosed, space. Our dough tray, a gift of Robert H. Thompson, a descendant of Moses and Mary Thompson, may well have been original to the house.

Knowing that the Thompsons had servants, did they ever use the kitchen themselves?

Yes, records indicate the Thompsons had servants, but we also know that Mary was a “hands on” overseer of the daily planning and executing of meals, chores, and general housekeeping. After all, you can’t feed 150 people, as our records indicate, at a single meal with out planning, supervising, and having a competent staff!

While we don’t have a record of family use of our kitchen, readings of Victorian life tell of families moving many activities into the kitchen in the cold winter months for warmth. Furniture was moved near the fire and in all probability the kitchen table became a place for gathering. Such a table might well have been like the one in our kitchen, a walnut sawbuck worktable made by Leonidas Mothersbaugh at Hillside Farm near Boalsburg, dated 1870-1875, and a gift from Charles and Etha Mothersbaugh, the grandson of the maker.

The next time you visit Centre Furnace Mansion try asking a few questions yourself! Stumping the docents can add a new dimension to your visit! And we all enjoy continuing to learn more about our past!

Thank you!

Our sincere appreciation and thanks to those of you who have contributed funding, materials time and talent in the past quarter. The important contributions from these organizations and individuals are critical to CCHS's ability to carry out its mission. For generously sharing your services, time and talents, we thank you.



Seven members of the Penn State Football Team came out to the Centre Furnace Mansion to help with landscape work as an extension of the United Way Day of Caring as part of the team's commitment to community service!



Rick Schutz, Ed DeBrasky and Paul Scanlon preparing the pedestrian bridge at Boogersburg School for painting on the Day of Caring.



Penn State Humphrey Fellows help out at the Boogersburg School with landscape projects this fall.

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Gardens – for a great and productive growing season and a sell out on their first heirloom bulb sale!

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Penn State Football Team – landscape
United Way Day of Caring (see pages 8 & 9)

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Katie Frieden, Edna Dombrowsky, Fran Mihalek, Carol Phillips, Ralph Seeley, Judy Speedy

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Cathy Horner, Betsy Taylor



Ed DeBrasky standing next to the tiered cupcake stand that he made for CCHS events.



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