Press release for Immediate Release

Bishop Hill, IL

Buy me some peanuts and cracker jacks at the old ball game in Bishop Hill

Historic Bishop Hill is hosting a **Vintage Baseball Weekend May 21 and 22, 2016** to honor Bishop Hill's unique baseball past. On Saturday May 21, three vintage baseball teams will be playing games all day, using 1858 rules and equipment. Hammer & Pick will also be performing 19th century music in the park gazebo. The Steeple Building Museum will have a special vintage baseball exhibit, with program. In addition, there will be a murder mystery dinner theater with a baseball theme Saturday night at P.L. Johnson's. On Sunday May 22, the Henry County Museum will have a special baseball display and program. Except for the dinner theater, all other events are free and open to the public. For more details, call 309 927-3899, go to www.bishophillheritage.org, or email bhha@mymctc.net. This event is partly funded by the Galesburg Community Foundation and the Bishop Hill Heritage Association.

Program Schedule for May 21

- **10:30 a.m. Vintage Baseball Game; Oregon Ganymedes vs. Somonauk Blue Stockings**; Baseball Diamond
- **1:00** p.m.- Vintage Baseball Game; Oregon Ganymedes vs. Springfield Long Nine; Baseball Diamond
- **1:30 p.m. Hammer & Pick performing 19**th century music; Village Park Gazebo
- **2 p.m.-** The Scorecard: A Glimpse into Vintage Baseball presentation by Bill Owens; Steeple Building Museum
- **2:30** p.m.- Vintage Baseball Game; Somonauk Blue Stockings vs. Springfield Long Nine; Baseball Diamond
- **6 p.m.- Take Me Out at the Ball Game, A Murder Mystery Dinner Party**; call 309 927-3064 for more details or to purchase tickets; *P.L. Johnson's Dining Room*

Program Schedule for May 22

1:30 p.m.-*A Brief History of Baseball and the Players Who Played It* presentation by Bill Owens; *Henry County Museum*

The following photographs are attached:

- Springfield Long Nine
- Somonauk Blue Stockings
- Oregon Ganymedes
- ♣ Hammer & Pick performing in the park