

ISCHUA VALLEY

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

HELP US SAVE THE 20TH CENTURY

Historians will tell you that many museums, historical societies and researchers have concentrated on preserving the history of the 19th Century. The period from 1900 to 1999, known as the 20th century, seemed to be neglected. We are now realizing that the 20th century ended 15 years ago and we have a lot of work to do to save its history.

You can help us! We need your memories and stories to assist us in this endeavor. Several members of IVHS have responded to our requests. Terry Martin donated his memories of the Blizzard of '77. Mickey Tanner has written a book on baseball in Franklinville during the 20th century. Tom Litzenberger sent us information on the history of his family bakery and included recipes. I wrote about Sunday drives and the Burma Shave signs. In this newsletter I have written about seeing President Kennedy.

You do not have to write a book or an extensive article. We hear from members who appreciate being reminded of a way of life that no longer seems to exist. There are so many topics to discuss such as: businesses that once thrived in our community, holiday celebrations, radio programs that provided entertainment, World War II, Vietnam, where you were when the Twin Towers were destroyed, a teacher who changed your life or the best time you ever had growing up. The list is endless. If you need help getting started let us know and we will give you all the support you need.