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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AUGUST - 2012

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Members & Friends:

Hope all of you are surviving the heat and staying where it is cool. The last two months we had to cancel due the heat and other circumstances. But for the month of August we will have a board meeting and a general meeting. Board meeting was on Wednesday August 15th 7:00 p.m. and the general meeting, Wednesday August 22 at 7:00 p.m.

Program for August 22 is Rick Pickren presenting Songs of the Singing Cowboys along with history of the original singers and the songs. Please come and bring your friends.

In September the board meeting will be held the same time as the general meeting on September 26th. Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. and general meeting at 7:00 p.m. The program will be Bill Kiddle and the Year 1940. Please come and bring your stories that you might remember or parents and Grandparents might have told you.

Happy Birthday to Patti Hancock and Bill Hein and to anyone else who I might have missed. Please let me know when your birthday is so we can recognize you and send a card from the Society.

Have a great rest of the Summer and hope to see you at the next meeting.

Historical Yours;

Joan Wiener/President



HAPPY LABOR DAY

The first Labor Day was celebrated on Tuesday September 5, 1882 in New York City with the plans of the Central Labor Union. Peter J. McGuire secretary of the brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners was credited with starting Labor Day. Now it is believed Matthew McGuire, a machinist, proposed the holiday.

Colorado, Massachusetts, New Jersey and New York created the Labor Day holiday by legislative enactment. It was celebrated with parades and picnics but now is observed on a more personal level.

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**"Harold, when I said I didn't
mind if you fed the squirrels,
I misunderstood what you meant."**

Curator's Report

It has been a quiet but slightly busy summer at the museum. We've had about 15 visitors so far. Please remind your families and friends we are open between 2 and 4 every Sunday except holidays.

Sara and Heather MacKaisic have been volunteering at the museum on Thursday mornings helping us with files and copying. We also appreciate that they tidied up the Carriage House.

We discovered a box of newspapers from the early 1980 which Bev has been perusing to find any pieces of news from.

We've been getting in some donations from Greg Hartman which we really appreciate.

Michael Anthony will be at the Indian Trails Library on August 25th at 1PM to sign copies of his book and a CD with songs about bullying.

Web Page Status For July: <http://WheelingHistoricalSociety.com> by Terry Steilen
It was another great month. We continue to increase our viewership. We will definitely break last years 10,000 page views. Last month we had 1181 pages looked at. So many, in fact, that we exceeded our transmission limit of 1 Gigabyte, and our web page was shut down for the last 2 days of the month.

GUEST BOOK Entries:

Here are some recent entries from our guest book.. Any information that you have, can be relayed back to the visitor. Email addresses are available for the individuals below. Please contact Terry Steilen (at: Curator@wheelinghistoricalsociety.com) if you need an address.

Name: Donna Overdorff City: Windber Pennsylvania Entry:39 Time: Aug 5, 2012 03:44pm
Message: My husband and I stopped by the museum/old church recently in Wheeling. Unfortunately, the sign said, open only Sunday afternoons. I am trying to search my family genealogy, Fritch was my maiden name. Sometimes it is spelled Fritsch. My father's family were from Wheeling. Would welcome helpful information.

Name: janice wirth (carlson) City: sierra vista, az Entry:38 Time: Jul 29, 2012 05:32pm
Message: Message: Great site . Lived in wheeling from1961-1970 went to Walt Whitman , jack London and wheeling h.s. Loved the town . Can't believe it has a train to go into Chicago. Need to come back for a visit.

Name: Gary Bernstein City: Schaumburg Entry:37 Time: Jul 24, 2012 06:36am
Message; Great site. I moved to Wheeling in 1956 at the age of 1. My Dad moved from the city to Wheeling as part of the mass brigade of WWII vets using their GI loans to settle in suburbia. I went to school at Mark Twain Elementary School in the Dunhurst section until the 6th grade, then moved to Florida with family. I've since then moved back to Schaumburg and have passed through Wheeling countless times.

Name: Doneral Dalton 09/22/1982 City: Salt Lake City Entry:35 Time: Jul 11, 2012 08:12am
Message: I was born on the navy base here I believe. And am yet to return. I have such a unique name but on my search to understand it. I find one other with my first name and he also resides in and was born in Chicago. If you need a job look up my site. God Bless. The journey continues. Nice site.

Name: Richard Rudolph City: Bloomington Illinois Entry:34 Time:Jul 2, 2012 10:32am
Message: Lived at 289 S. Park Ave from 1948 to 2010 . Great Grand parents settled in Wheeling in 1870's name of Gotteschalk. Had a farm and butcher shop on NORTH Milwaukee Ave where Edgewood Dr is now. Grand parents lived in a house on NW corner of Milwaukee and Center St. I went to Wheeling grade school from 1948 to 1954 when I graduated .

Name: Jim Landberg City: Washington DC Entry:31-33 Time:May 15, 2012 03:29pm
Message: Nice website. My great grandfather, Gates A. Johnson, came to Wheeling in 1856 and married Frances Parker there. Her father, James Parker, had died the year before and is buried in the old cemetery in Wheeling. His widow and Frances' sister later joined the couple in St. Paul, MN. I have collected lots of info on the Parkers and some other early inhabitants of that period in Wheeling, that I'm willing to share.

Question: Are you getting any inquiries regarding settlers in the 1840s to 1870s?

Recent Web Page Additions:

- St. Joseph The Worker - 1927 Wheeling Information Directory - How Christmas Began
- Denoyer Farm - Hoyne Savings Bank 125th. Anniversary - Wheeling Township
- The History Of The Wheeling Library - Snapshots of the Community, by Gerry Hunt



UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND TOWN



Wheeling Historical Society Presents
Rick Pickren



Songs Of The Singing Cowboys



AUGUST 22, 2012 7 PM AT THE OLD CHURCH IN CHAMBER PARK



Bill Kiddle will give a talk on the 1940's. Come and share some memories of that time.



SEPTEMBER 26, 2012 7PM AT THE OLD CHURCH IN CHAMBER PARK



A woman and her husband went out to breakfast with their grandchildren. After taking the kids' orders the waitress asked "What can I get for you Grandpa?" The youngest granddaughter surprisingly asked "How did she know your name Grandpa?"

More than 50% of people with the blues say they can't live without chocolate. New studies prove that chocolate is the most effective all-natural mood booster.

Chocolate contains a compound that raises levels of the feel-good hormone dopamine



*Cook's
Kitchen*



Beef Rice-A-Roni MEATBALLS

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| 1 6.8oz. Pkg. Beef Rice A Roni | 1T Butter |
| 1 lb. ground beef | 2 1/2 C water |
| 1 egg beaten | Fine egg noodles |

Remove spice pkt. from box of Rice-A-Roni & put aside. Mix meat & egg with rice pkg. mix. Roll into 20 or more 1 1/4" balls. Melt butter in a pan. Saute' balls till brown for 5 minutes. Add the water and spice packet. Simmer covered for 20-25 minutes. Serve over cooked noodles.

— TRY —

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Jumbo Frog Legs Dinner	1.25		

EVERY FRIDAY FISH DINNERS Dinners Include Soup, Vegetable, Salad, Coffee and Dessert

Beef Bar-B-Q Sandwich (on Toasted Bun)	25
Pork Bar-B-Q " " " "	25
Hamburger " " " "	25
Frog Legs Sandwich	25
1/4 Chicken Sandwich (Potatoes) Cold Slaw	50

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Wheeling Historical Society

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Rick Pickren

Songs Of The Singing Cowboys

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Rick is a two time winner of the Marlboro Country Round up and he has shared the stage with George Strait , The Judds and Dolly Parton to name a few major country singers.

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY
SEPTEMBER 24, 2014**

The meeting was called to Order at 6:30 p.m. by President Bill Hein at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by President Bill Hein. There were Twenty-one members and guest in attendance.

PROGRAM: Terry & Patti Steilen "The Great Wall, the Mysteries of the Terracotta Warriors"
Everyone really enjoyed reliving the Steilen's trip

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF August 27, 2014

The minutes of August 27, 2014, were submitted for approval. A motion was made by Elaine Simpson and seconded by Judy Abruscato. Motion carried by a voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Marilyn Chromy presented all the monthly report

A motion was made by Patti Steilen and seconded by Elaine Simpson that the report be approved as presented. The motion carried by a voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORTS EMAIL/DISCUSSION: Patti Steilen

The basement of the museum is being cleaned. Had a gentlemen come in and would like to bring a class in sometime.

LIAISON REPORT/Discussion Bill Hein

Bill discussed the agreement with the Park and would like to meet with them and go over a few items. He, Elaine Simpson & Marilyn Chromy will represent the Society. The Park is to supply three people so that everyone can meet and set a Budget for the Society. Hoping to meet with Park district October 1st.

WEB MASTER REPORT: Terry Steilen

Need to advertise the current display which is about Radios. Also would like to get more people on the Web.

Newsletter – President Hein asked for help with the newsletter

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. **Social Chairman** Joan Wiener/Sue Korte nothing at this time.
2. **Lollipop Lane up Date:** checking into ornaments

OLD BUSINESS: Lollipop Lane Ornaments nothing more

NEW BUSINESS: President Bill Hein discussed

Bill stated the Park District is not interested in acquiring the Tripp School. Although Bill would still like to get the school to add to the property.

50th Anniversary Events that he would like the membership to think about for 2015, one thing he was thinking about was a calendar with each month showing some Historical picture.

The museum will close October 1st, but if anyone wants to take a tour they can contact Patti Steilen.

BOARD MEETING The next Board meeting will be October 15, 2014 at the Chamber Community Center (Old Church) Regular meeting October 22, 2014.

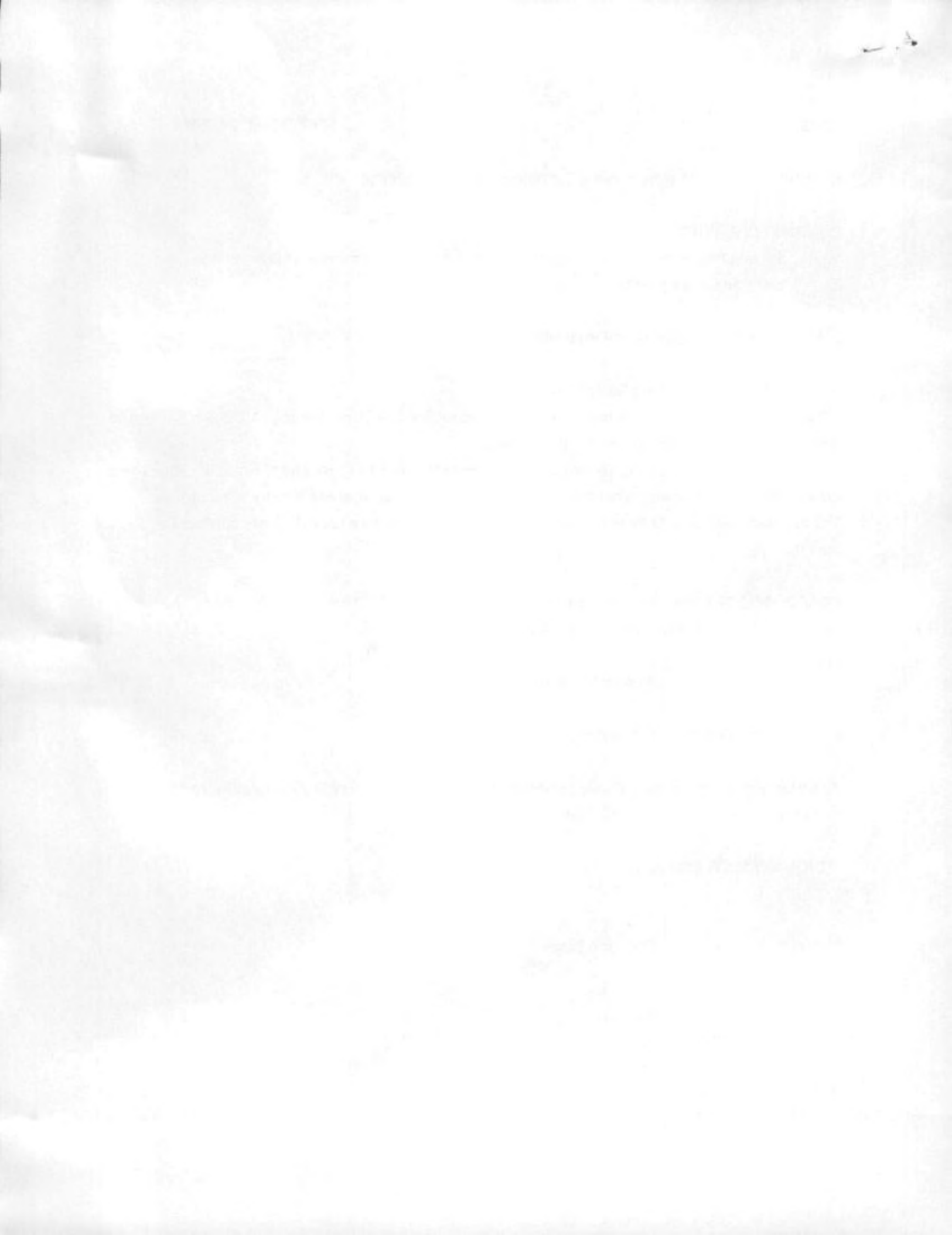
REFRESEMENTS – Furnished by Marilyn Chromy & Sue Korte

Pot-Of-Gold: Winner was Marilyn Chromy

A motion was made by Judy Elaine Simpson and seconded by Terry Steilen to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by a voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Christine Brady





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The Wheeling Historical Society and Museum celebrates the link between the past and the present. The museum is a cooperative effort of the Village of Wheeling, Wheeling Park District, Indian Trails Public Library.

The Groundhog (*Marmota Monax*) is a rodent of the *Sciuridae* Family belonging to the group ground squirrels. The first documented reference to Groundhog Day is found in a diary entry dated February 4, 1841 of Morgantown, Pennsylvania. It is of German custom from ancient German lore. "Last Tuesday February 2nd was Candlemas Day. The day on which according to Germans; the groundhog peeps out of his winter quarters and if he sees his shadow he pops back for another six weeks nap, but if the day be cloudy he remains out, as the weather is to be moderate.

2015 CALLENDAR OF EVENTS

February 25th	WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION & DINNER 6PM
March 25th	Wheeling Police History Presentation 6:30PM
April 22nd	General Meeting 7PM
May 25th	Parade & Founders Day Picnic 11AM
May 27th	Installation Dinner
June	Wedding Dress Display & Talk

GARDEN CLUB MEETS ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

7PM AT THE SENIOR CENTER

ALL ARE WELCOME

Message From The President

Wheeling HISTORICAL Society CELEBRATION: 50th anniversary



The Wheeling Historical Society is celebrating its 50th anniversary with several special events. Village of Wheeling — for 50 years, the Wheeling Historical Society has been dedicated to preserving the history of Wheeling.

Get Rid Of The Winter Blues, Come To The Wheeling Historical Society Annual Dinner & White Elephant Auction! Where: Chamber Community Center 251 N. Wolf Road, Wheeling Time: 6:00pm Meeting 6:30 pm Dinner Auction to follow.

When: Wednesday February 25, 2015 Price: \$12.00 per person Reservations Call Marilyn Chromy 847-537-5714 Limited Seating Call NOW!! Got Something to Auction Off, Call Bill Hein 847-650-8985

This year marks the 50th anniversary for the Society, and several events will celebrate the milestone.

This Year the Memorial Day Parade Featuring the Award winning Wheeling High School Marching Band will be held on Dundee Road starting at Milwaukee Ave. A Memorial Wreath will be placed at the southeast corner which has the flags of Americas Military forces. We are honoring all Military past & present. The parade will proceed west to Wolf Road and turn north to the Wheeling Park District's Chamber Park home of the Museum and Historical District. The Memorial Day Services by Post 66 Am Vets & Tony Alteri, Memorial Day Address by Village President Argiris will be held at the park followed by a **Settlers Day Picnic**. Bring your family Neighbors & Friends. Pack a picnic basket. Ice Cream Deserts will be provided by the Society. No Alcoholic beverages allowed in the park. The Parade will start Monday, May 25th at 11:00 A.M. There will also be tour and an open house for visitors to see the museum and its grounds. If you would like to participate in the parade contact Bill Hein 847-650-8985, Terry Steilen 847-537-7287, Marilyn Chromy 847-537-5714.

To read the rest of the story, [purchase a special 50th anniversary Calendar. Contact society or purchase one at the picnic.](#)

Regards

Bill Hein - President

The Curator's Corner — Patti Steilen



A huge thank you to all the volunteers who contributed time and energy to Lollipop Lane this year. It was a great success. Over 1500 people visited Santa. Once again we sold out of the ornament.. Hopefully we can order additional ornaments for next years event.

We are so grateful that Joan Wiener is making a successful recovery from her recent fall. She is home now and on the mend.

The cold winter weather has hampered our ambitions to clean the carriage house and museum, but hopefully we will get a break and be able to carry out these tasks.

We received a request for information on the Bell & Howell Company on Wolf Road. If you remember this company please contact me at 847-924-4473.



*Cook's
Kitchen*

COOKS CORNER

*Two Treats for a
cold winter day!*



Ham it up veggie frittata!

In an ovenproof skillet, cook diced potato and chopped onion in a little hot oil until tender. Lightly beat eggs with a pinch each of thyme, salt and pepper and add to skillet with thawed frozen broccoli florets (or your favorite veggies) and cubed cooked ham. Cook until just set around edges, then sprinkle with shredded cheese. Transfer skillet to preheated 400°F oven. Bake until set in center, 20-25 minutes.

Garden Veggie Pie

Blend an undiluted can of your favorite condensed cream soup (like mushroom or celery) with 3 eggs, 1/2 cup milk, some grated Parmesan and a pinch of pepper and nutmeg. Stir in 2 cups drained thawed frozen vegetables and a handful of shredded cheese. Pour into a frozen 9 deep-dish pie shell; top with more cheese. Bake in a preheated 350°F oven for about 30 minutes.

Messages Posted to our Web Site

<http://WheelingHistoricalSociety.com>

Name: Helen (Grabowicz) Taylor **Entry:** 122 **Time:** Wed Jan 28, 2015 05:46am | **City:** Gilbert, Arizona

Message:
I am just finding this wonderful website. I recognize a few names here. I was born in Chicago, but my family moved to 244 W Wayne Pl when I was 6 weeks old. Went to Walt Whitman for kindergarten, then Mark Twain, Jack London and good 'ol WHS! Proud 4 year band member! Good times. Parents have long passed. My mom passed away in our house in 2006. Still visit the neighborhood when I go back "home"

Name: Gary Bernstein **Entry:** 119 **Time:** Tue Oct 28, 2014 10:51am **City:** Schaumburg

Message:
Just the other day I passed by my old home at 475 East Merle Lane, Wheeling and simply had to stop, get out of my car and just look at it. I went back into time when life was simpler and I was with my family of 5 all passed now except for me. I can't believe how small that area is. It was gigantic when I was a kid. My old home looks great. I'm happy I was part of Dunhurst early days.

Name: David Fjeldheim **Entry:** 118 **Time:** Tue Oct 21, 2014 08:11am **City:** Des Plaines, IL.

Message:
I have so many wonderful memories of Wheeling. Our family bought a house in the Dunhurst subdivision, it was the 2nd house on the street. 583 W. Green Dr. in 1956 for \$15,000. I can tell you what was there in Wheeling and all the

- Men can read smaller print than women can; women can hear better
- Coca Cola was originally green
- The state with the highest percentage of people that walk to work is Alaska
- It is impossible to lick your elbow



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Limited Seating Call NOW!!



Auction!

Empty your basement & garage



Menu

Chicken, Italian Beef, Pasta, Roasted
Potatoes & Salad
Desserts by Society Members

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AGENDA

**The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday, September 24, 2014
at 6:30 p.m. Chamber Park, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090**

- I. Call Meeting to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Program Director: Joan Wiener Terry & Patti Steilen "The Great Wall, The Mysteries of the Teracotta Warriors.**
- IV. Approval of Minutes: Chris Brady Secretary.**
- V. Treasurer's Report- Marylyn Chromy**
- VI. Curator's Report - Patti Steilen**
- VII. Liaison Report Bill Hein Letter to Wheeling Park District**
- VIII. Web Master Report - Terry Steilen**
- IX. Newsletter - Bill Hein Items for next letter (Volunteers) call in to Patti**
- X. Committee Report**
 - 1. Membership Chairperson**
 - 2. Lollipop Lane UP Date Elaine Simpson**
- XI. Old Business**

Lollipop Lane Ornaments
- XII. New Business:**

Tripp School
50th Anniversary 2015 Calendar
- XIII. Next meeting**
- XIV. Refreshments**
- XV. Pot-of-Gold**
- XVI. Adjournment**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY
AUGUST 27, 2014**

The meeting was called to Order at 6:35 p.m. by President Bill Hein at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by President Bill Hein. There were Twenty-five members and guest in attendance.

PROGRAM: Lynn Rymarz as Julia Child: My life in France. The program was enjoyed by all.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF June 25, 2014

The minutes of June 25, 2014, were submitted for approval. A motion was made by Elaine Simpson and seconded by Terry Steilen. Motion carried by a voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Marilyn Chromy presented all the monthly report

A motion was made by Patti Steilen and seconded by Joan Weiner that the report be approved as presented. The motion carried by a voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORTS EMAIL/DISCUSSION: Patti Steilen

Nothing at this time.

LIAISON REPORT/Discussion Bill Hein

President Hein reported that he and Joan Wiener met with Wheeling Park Director Jan Buchs and Board President Keith Pecka. Reported that the Society was interested in obtaining the Old Tripp School a yearly budget for the museum and a Liaison to the Society. All the discussion was positive. The Park will get back to us after discussion with their Board.

WEB MASTER REPORT: Terry Steilen

Terry reported that the hits on the Website were down and asked the membership to go on the Blog and put in stories about Wheeling.

Newsletter – President Hein asked that everyone send information or make suggestions for the newsletter

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. **Social Chairman** Joan Wiener/Sue Korte nothing at this time.
2. **Membership-** the Society donated \$100.00 to the Wheeling High School Jazz Band for their European Trip. A motion to approve was made by Judy Abruscato and seconded by Norm Schiff. The motion carried by a voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS: Lollipop Lane Ornaments- President Hein asked for ideas and also wants to find one that was discussed by the Board members.

NEW BUSINESS: President Bill Hein discussed 50th Anniversary Events that he would like the membership to think about for 2015. Possibly a Beer & Brat Fest, Settlers Day Picnic, High Tea at Chevy Chase, The Wheelmen and Lollipop Lane Special Anniversary.

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AUGUST 27, 2014

BOARD MEETING The next Board meeting will be September 17, 2014 at the Chamber Community Center (Old Church) Regular meeting September 24, 2014.

REFRESHMENTS – Furnished by Patti Steilen and Barb Forke

Pot-Of-Gold: Winner was Joan Wiener

A motion was made by Judy Abruscato and seconded by George Hieber to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by a voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:25 p.m.

President Hein made an announcement: He needs volunteers to help clean the carriage house on Saturday September 13th around 10:30 a.m. Please contact any board members. Drew and Ashley Wiener volunteered to help

Respectfully submitted, Joan Wiener

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY CLOTHING

Black Dress Size 22 1/2 size one of the Schneider Sister Dresses	98D43.1 ✓
Army Dress Pants WWII & 2 Navy Uniforms Foester	98D20.4 ✓
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3 Navy Blue Sailor shirts Clifford Foester	
2 pair Navy Sailor Pants " "	
1 Black Navy Tie	
1 Small Santa Suit	
Mans small Black Vest (small)	98D1.9
Mans Black Dress Pants (Small)	
Wheeling 100 yrs T-shirt	
WWII Army Pants (small)	88D20-1 ✓
Blue Print Dress from 1970's	Size 24-1/2
Grey Dress from 1970's	Size 24-1/2
Pink Print dress cotton (Vintage costume) Home made not antique - <i>Sold.</i>	
Childs T-Shirt from London School Huskies 60's or 70's	
White Lyons Club Sweater - Doc Taylors	
Pair of Red Plaid Pants. (tall)	
Bowling shirt Lyons Club Doc Taylors	

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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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 - 2. Membership - High School Jazz Band Donation to defray the cost to Europe. Membership Vote.**
- XI. Old Business**

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50th Anniversary Events for consideration Beer & Brats, Settlers Day Picnic at Chamber Park,
Ladies High Tea Chevy Chase, The Wheelmen" Biking the Parks", Lollipop Lane special anniversary with Santa.
- XIII. Next meeting**
- XIV. Refreshments**
- XV. Pot-of-Gold**
- XVI. Adjournment**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY
JUNE 25, 2014**

The meeting was called to Order at 7:03 p.m. by President Bill Hein at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by President Bill Hein. There were fourteen members in attendance.

PROGRAM: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF April 23, 2014

The minutes of April 23, 2014, were submitted for approval. A motion was made by Patti Steilen and seconded by Karen Premo. Motion carried by a voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Marilyn Chromy presented all the monthly reports

A motion was made by Terry Steilen and seconded by Joan Weiner that the reports be approved as presented. The motion carried by a voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORTS EMAIL/DISCUSSION: Patti Steilen

Patti stated that Prospect Heights requested our airport display for their library. Approval was given and we will put another display in its place. Also Lexington Nursing Home asked if we could have someone from the society give a talk on the old days of Wheeling.

LIAISON REPORT/Discussion Bill Hein

Bill will be attending the Park Board meeting to ask about getting a Liaison for the society anyone that wishes can join him.

Bill also discussed things programs to have for the 50th anniversary next year.

1. A mock rattle snake hunt
2. High Bike race
3. Having a tea at Chevy Chase

Just a few ideas looking for additional ones from our members.

Bill wants to get the old Tripp School from the Sale Barn to add to the Chamber Community Center, Chamber Park

WEB MASTER REPORT: Terry Steilen

Terry mentioned that the viewer ship to the Web is down from last year. He is looking to put new information there to renew interest. He is planning on showing a phone book from 1902-1927. He is also working on adding to the Wheeling Thru the Years book and is hoping people will be willing to add information from their childhood or memories of Wheeling. Also if anyone can help him with the writing it would be appreciated.

Newsletter – Patti Steilen

Patti needs help with the letter and also asked for suggestions on the contents maybe add something new.

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Social / Program Chairman Joan Wiener/Sue Korte

Joan read off the Program & Events Calendar for the year 2014 and everyone received a copy of their own

2. Membership- Bill Hein/Terry Steilen

3. Lollipop Lane –Elaine Simpson / Patty & Wedge Hancock / Marilyn Chromy

4. 50th Anniversary Celebrations – All Board Members

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JUNE 25, 2014

5. Thursday Morning Preservation & News Letter – Patti Steilen / Barb Forke

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: July 3 Evening under the Stars

Bill filled everyone in on his plans to sell ice cream at this event. He asked permission to do this, also stated that Mark Smith donated \$750.00 for our 50th anniversary.

A motion was made by Terry Steilen and seconded by George Hieber to sell the ice cream. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Museum open on Sundays?

Bill would like to see all the buildings open once a month or every other month instead of opening only the museum on Sundays. We just don't seem to get the people every week, but might get more if we call it a special event and open everything for viewing.

BOARD MEETING The next Board meeting will be July 16, 2014 at the Chamber Community Center (Old Church)

Pot-Of-Gold: Winner was George Hieber

A motion was made by Elaine Simpson and seconded by Marilyn Chromy to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by a voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Christine Brady



Historical Society Newsletter

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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Elaine Simpson

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Marilyn Chromy

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Wheeling is celebrating its 120th anniversary this year.

Pulled from the archives are pictures of past celebrations from the 4th of July festivities.



Message From The President

Join the Historical Society

Membership is open to anyone interested. The Society solicits tax deductible donations of any historical merit including documents, pictures, antiques and memorabilia pertaining to Village of Wheeling.

<p><i>Why should I be a member?</i> Collective concern for our objective of local historical preservation is a potent force to induce government, corporate, and private involvement. Without members, our organization ceases and conservation efforts die.</p>	<p><i>Does my membership matter?</i> Because you understand there must be an organized approach to collect, conserve and convey local history. And without such an organization, pertinent information, artifacts and documentation may be lost forever.</p>
<p><i>What do I get as a member?</i> As with most things in life, you get out what you put in. Members who take the role of passive support get satisfaction from enabling our work to continue. Members who take an active role find history comes alive.</p>	<p><i>How can history come alive?</i> Local history is an ongoing process defined not by dates but by people's lives and accomplishments. You are living local history now. However, academic historians abandon local history to amateur groups like ours.</p>

These are very exciting times we live in and it is important that we record our time in the Village of Wheeling

Next Year the society will be 50 years young, help us plan our yearlong celebration. Become an ACTIVE MEMBER NOW. Join by filling out the attached application. Need more information? Call Society President Bill Hein now 847-650 8985. Want to become a Lead Sponsor of the 50 years celebration call President Hein Now.

Welcome Aboard,
 Bill Hein

The Curator's Corner



We have been busy getting the new display on radios together. Thank you to all who donated your radios. We will be changing two more displays over the summer and we hope to have more visitors once the word gets out. Our number of visitors has increased this year so spread the word.

We can use some volunteers for Sundays from 2 – 4 p.m. We can accommodate most dates so please contact me if you can sit. I can be reached at 847-924-4473.

- Our Rattle Snake is beginning to show its age. Time is not a friend after 50 plus years. We have replaced the formaldehyde but it is beginning to degrade. Our hope is to keep it in its current condition and continue to display it.
- The Installation dinner was a great success. More than 45 people attended and enjoyed a terrific meal with background music by Whitey.
- If you get over to the new Starbucks on Lake Cook Road, You will see 3 large pictures of Old Wheeling from our Archives.

Patti Steilen
 Curator

Cook's Kitchen

COOKS CORNER

*Chicken Cutlets with Honey, Lemon and
Ginger Sauce and Ginger-Honey Walnuts*



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| <p>GINGER-HONEY WALNUTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 tsp. extra-virgin olive oil 1/2 tsp. grated peeled fresh ginger 1 small clove garlic, grated 1/2 cup walnut halves 1 Tbs. honey 1/2 tsp. coarse salt | <p>LEMON CHICKEN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/2 lbs. boneless, skinless chicken breast halves* Coarse salt and freshly ground pepper 1/2 cup all-purpose flour 4 Tbs. extra-virgin olive oil 1 tsp. grated ginger 1 clove garlic, grated 1/4 cup lemon juice 1/4 cup chicken broth 2 Tbs. honey Thinly sliced green part of 1 scallion |
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- * For walnuts, in small skillet, slowly heat oil, ginger and garlic over medium-low until garlic sizzles. Add walnuts and honey. Cook on medium 2-3 minutes, adjusting temperature until honey boils and walnuts turn golden. Sprinkle with salt, adjusting to taste. Transfer to sheet of foil.
- * With sharp knife, cut chicken breasts lengthwise through thickest part to make 8 cutlets. Place on large piece of plastic wrap and sprinkle with salt and pepper; cover with second sheet of plastic wrap. Gently but firmly pound chicken with smooth side of meat mallet or small, heavy skillet to make fillets an even 1/4" thickness. Spread flour on large plate and lightly dredge cutlets; shake off excess flour.
- * Heat 3 Tbs. oil in large, wide skillet until hot

- enough to sizzle. Add cutlets a few at a time; cook 1-2 minutes per side or until lightly browned. As cutlets are cooked, transfer to platter and cover with foil to keep warm.
- * Discard oil in skillet; let skillet cool slightly. Add remaining 1 Tbs. oil, then ginger and garlic. Heat and stir over medium-low heat just until garlic sizzles. Add lemon juice, broth and honey. Heat, stirring to loosen any browned bits in skillet, 3 minutes or until mixture boils and thickens. Pour sauce over chicken and sprinkle with walnuts and scallions.
- *To skip slicing and pounding the chicken, buy already pounded chicken cutlets.

Northwest**Notebook**

Aprons provide ties to farm life

By Larry Mayer

SPECIAL TO THE TRIBUNE
NOV 1998

It's nearly as extinct as the Sunday double-header and the rotary telephone, but it was once an important part of every farm woman's wardrobe.

In rural areas such as Palatine Township, women and girls of all ages wore aprons primarily to keep their dresses clean while working on the farm. In those days, dresses were floor-length and full-skirted, and it was much simpler to wash and iron several aprons than one dress. It was also

Yesterday

easier to take off an apron than change dresses when visitors dropped by unexpectedly.

The everyday apron was a large coverall with roomy pockets. Most were made of gingham or a striped percale and were a dark color to hide dirt, Margot Stimely wrote in the Arlington Heights Historical Society's Dunton Post. They often were trimmed with bias tape or rickrack.

A long apron served many purposes: Baby ducklings had to

be carried into the house, corn-cobs and apples had to be brought in from the fields, and hogs and chickens had to be shooed back into their pens.

The Sunday apron was more of a fashion statement than a practical work tool. It was usually smaller, tied on at the waist and made of finer material. It was also worn with a more elaborate bonnet and trimmed with ruffles or embroidery.

Girls wore simple pinafore aprons that tied in the back; their sole purpose was keeping the dresses clean enough to wear more than once.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wheeling Historical Society 50th Anniversary 2015

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOW DUE

July - Board Meeting Only No general meeting

August 20th Board Meeting 6:30 P.M.

August 27th Lynn Rymarz presents "Julia Childs Life in Paris" 6:30 P.M.

September 17th Board Meeting 6:30 P.M.

September 24th—Steilen's China Trip A short picture and video account

RADIO DAYS QUIZ ACTIVITY

1. "Return with us now to those thrilling days of yesteryear _____ hint: he had a white horse)
2. "Goodnight, Mrs. Calasbash, where ever you are" _____.
3. "Now Rochester!) _____
4. "Heyyy Abbott!) _____
5. Who knows what evil lurks in the hearts of men? _____



Answers) 5. The Shadow 4. Costello & Abbott 3. Jack Benny
 2. Jimmy Durante 1. The Lone Ranger

An older gentleman was on the operating table awaiting surgery and he insisted that his son, a renowned surgeon, perform the operation.

As he was about to get the anesthesia, he asked to speak to his son. Yes Dad, what is it?

Don't be nervous son; do your best and just remember, if it doesn't go well, if something happens to me, your mother is going to come and live with you and your wife.....

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Our Thursday morning workers are busy keeping the museum a working piece of art. They meet every Thursday, organizing newspaper clippings, obituaries, cataloging artifacts, and maintaining the office space. Left to Right: Bev Rossman, Patti Hancock, Joan Wiener, and Marilyn Chromy.



Ice Cream Fun At the 4th.

A big "THANK YOU" to Terry, George, and Patti and all the other helpers, and contributors that made our Ice Cream Sale event a very big success. We hope to be able to do it again, bigger and better, next year

Message From The President

From the president's desk.....

We are celebrating our 50th anniversary next year and I want to invite you to be a part of the celebration. Let's start off by doing a short essay of you and your family's life growing up in wheeling. Here are a few hints to make it fun & easy.

Title "Remember When" or Perhaps "My Best Friend, Teacher or Going to School in Wheeling.

Send it to Wheeling Historical Society

PO Box 3,

Wheeling, IL 60090

Stop By the museum; bring a picture and essay of you growing up in The Village of Wheeling.

We are open from 2pm to 4pm every Sunday.

Become a volunteer for next year's 50th anniversary celebration.

Regards

Bill Hein

President WHS



The Curator's Corner



We were happily surprised by a visit by a former police officer from the 1960's at the museum. In addition, at the same time the daughter of the former police chief Lindsey came in. Chief Lindsey was his superior. It was a great visit and we learned a lot about Wheeling in the 60's.

Once again we are asking for email addresses for members so we can send copies of the newsletter and

other information about the museum.

Thank you goes out to all those who made the 4th of July celebration a success. A special thanks to Smith Construction for their generous donation to get the ice cream and cooler.

We are making progress organizing the basement. About 6 boxes went into storage in the upper level of the car-

riage house. We now have some more room to organize our items for future displays.

Marilyn is in the process of scanning written materials to keep in case we have an unforeseen unfortunate event. These are being stored on separate discs offsite.

*Cook's
Kitchen*

COOKS CORNER



Brownie and Berries Dessert Pizza

- 1 box (1 lb., 2.4 oz.) Betty Crocker® Original Supreme Premium brownie mix. Water, vegetable oil and egg called for on brownie mix box
- 1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
- 2 cups sliced fresh strawberries
- 1 cup fresh blueberries
- 1 cup fresh raspberries
- 1/2 cup apple jelly

Heat oven to 350°F (325°F for dark or nonstick pan). Grease bottom only of 12 pizza pan with cooking spray or shortening. Make batter as directed on brownie mix box. Spread in pan. Bake 26-30 minutes or until toothpick inserted 2 from side of pan comes out almost clean. Cool completely, about 1 hour. In small bowl, beat cream cheese, 3 sugar and vanilla with electric mixer on medium speed until smooth. Carefully spread mixture evenly over brownie base. Arrange berries over cream cheese mixture. Stir jelly until smooth; brush over berries. Refrigerate about 1 hour or until chilled. Cut into wedges. Store covered in refrigerator.



Evening Under The Stars

This years 4th. Of July celebration featured the group: "Midnight Band" They performed in front of a huge crowd of Wheeling Residents. Police estimate the crowd at over 10,000 people. Everyone enjoyed the music and the fireworks

REMINDER

Wheeling is celebrating
it's 120th
anniversary this year.

Know your Apples: Here is the scene: The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a church elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and put it on the apple tray..."Take only ONE. God is watching." Further along the line, at the other end of the table, was a large plate of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."

UPCOMING EVENTS—Revised

- Wheeling Historical Society 50th Anniversary 2015
- August 20th Board Meeting 7 P.M. At the Old Church
- August 27, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Lynn Rymarz presents Julia Childs : "My Life in Paris" At the Chamber Community Center (Old Church) Chamber Park.
- September 24, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Patti & Terry Steilen present Trip to China, Terricotta Warriors, Great Wall and Cruise. At Chamber Community Center (Old Church)
- October 22, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Rochelle Pennington, "The Christmas Tree Ship" At The Chamber Community Center (Old Church) and discussion of Lollipop Lane.
- November 26, 2014 - Business Meeting - 7:00 p.m. At Chamber Community Center (Old Church No Program - Final Details for Lollipop Lane.
- December 6- 14, 2014 - "Lollipop Lane" —At Chamber Park for the Children to see Santa & Mrs. Clause.

A True Story Worth Reading

Many years ago, Al Capone virtually owned Chicago. Capone wasn't famous for anything heroic. He was notorious for enmeshing the windy city in everything from bootlegged booze and prostitution to murder. Capone had a lawyer nicknamed "Easy Eddie." He was Capone's lawyer for a good reason. Eddie was very good! In fact, Eddie's skill at legal maneuvering kept Big Al out of jail for a long time. To show his appreciation, Capone paid him very well. Not only was the money big, but Eddie got special dividends, as well. For instance, he and his family occupied a fenced-in mansion with live-in help and all of the conveniences of the day. The estate was so large that it filled an entire Chicago City block. Eddie lived the high life of the Chicago mob and gave little consideration to the atrocity that went on around him. Eddie did have one soft spot, however. He had a son that he loved dearly. Eddie saw to it that his young son had clothes, cars, and a good education. Nothing was withheld. Price was no object. And, despite his involvement with organized crime, Eddie even tried to teach him right from wrong. Eddie wanted his son to be a better man than he was. Yet, with all his wealth and influence, there were two things he couldn't give his son; he couldn't pass on a good name or a good example. One day, Easy Eddie reached a difficult decision. Easy Eddie wanted to rectify wrongs he had done.. He decided he would go to the authorities and tell the truth about Al "Scarface" Capone, clean up his tarnished name, and offer his son some semblance of integrity. To do this, he would have to testify Against The Mob, and he knew that the cost would be great. So, he testified. Within the year, Easy Eddie's life ended in a blaze of gunfire on a lonely Chicago Street. But in his eyes, he had given his son the greatest gift he had to offer, at the greatest price he could ever pay. Police removed from his pockets a rosary, a crucifix, a religious medallion, and a poem clipped from a magazine. The poem read:

"The clock of life is wound but once, and no man has the power to tell just when the hands will stop, at late or early hour. Now is the only time you own. Live, love, toil with a will. Place no faith in time. For the clock may soon be still. "

TO BE CONTINUED NEXT MONTH.....



I grew up in Franklin Park, Illinois. My favorite years in school were 4th, 5th and 6th grades. I enjoyed creative writing, shelving books as a library page, reading Nancy Drew mysteries and biographies of famous women like Clara Barton, Florence Nightingale and Madame Curie. In high school I entertained audiences as a Lenore Sutton Dancer performing on the T.V. program "Bozo Circus."

OTHER INTERESTS

- gardening
- travel
- snow skiing, Pilates and golf

WHAT'S NEW?

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Wheeling Historical Society

Presents

Lynn Rymarz

as Julia Childs:

My Life in France

Wednesday August 27, 2014 6:30 p.m.

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I hope you can join us as we explore how Julia Child discovered her passion for cooking French food in her late thirties after she married Paul Child and moved to Paris in 1948. Hear Julia's own words as she describes her love of French food and how she became determined to learn how to cook it. Follow her journey into the French culture, including her visits to the local markets and into her cooking classes at the Cordon Bleu. She will share her struggles and her successes, including her own cookbook "Mastering the Art of French Cooking," and her television show "The French Chef." She will tell you herself she never would have had any of this without meeting the love of her life, Paul Child.

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I hope you can join us as we explore how Julia Child discovered her passion for cooking French food in her late thirties after she married Paul Child and moved to Paris in 1948. Hear Julia's own words as she describes her love of French food and how she became determined to learn how to cook it. Follow her journey into the French culture, including her visits to the local markets and into her cooking classes at the Cordon Bleu. She will share her struggles and her successes, including her own cookbook "Mastering the Art of French Cooking," and her television show "The French Chef." She will tell you herself she never would have had any of this without meeting the love of her life, Paul Child.



WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AGENDA APRIL 23, 2014

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday, April 23, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Chamber Park, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090

- I. Call Meeting to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Program: None**
- IV. Approval of Minutes: March 26, 2014**
- V. Treasurer's Report -Marilyn Chromy**
- VI. Curator's Report -Not present**
- VII. Liaison Report**
- VIII. Web Master Report -Not present**
- IX. Newsletter -Not present**
- X. Committee Report**
 - 1. Social Chairman- Sue Korte**
 - 2. Membership - Barbara Forke**
- XI. Old Business**
 - 1. Installation Dinner**
 - 2. Vote on new officers**
- XII. New Business**
- XIII. Next meeting Installation Dinner at Chevy Chase May 28, 2014**
- XIV. Refreshments**
- XV. Pot-of-Gold**
- XVI. Adjournment**

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AGENDA MARCH 26, 2013

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday, March 26, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. Chamber Park, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090

- I. Call Meeting to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Program: Rochelle Pennington her book is A walk Down Memory Lane**
- IV. Approval of Minutes: November 20, 2013**
- V. Treasurer's Report -Marilyn Chromy**
- VI. Curator's Report -Patti Steilen**
- VII. Liaison Report**
- VIII. Web Master Report -Terry Steilen**
- IX. Newsletter -Patti Steilen**
- X. Committee Report**
 - 1. Social Chairman- Sue Korte**
 - 2. Membership - Barbara Forke**
- XI. Old Business**
- XII. New Business**
 - 1. Nominating Committee for President, & two Directors**
Committee consist of Chris Brady, Patti Steilen & Marilyn Chromy
 - 2. May Installation & Awards Dinner to be held May 28th at Chevy Chase**
Need a committee to set up Dinner
- XIII. Next Board Meeting April 23, 2014 and Regular Meeting will be on April 30, 2014**
- XIV. Refreshments furnished by Elaine Simpson & Barbara Forke**
- XV. Pot-of-Gold**
- XVI. Adjournment**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

March 26, 2014

The meeting was called to Order at 6:35 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by President Joan Wiener. There were twenty-six members and guests were in attendance.

PROGRAM: Rochelle Pennington her book is A Walk Down Memory Lane
It was an excellent program. After the program we had refreshments
We adjourned for the program at 6:36 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:47 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF November 20, 2013

The minutes of November 20, 2013, were submitted for approval. A motion was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Marilyn Chromy. Motion carried by a voice vote.

There was no meeting in December, 2013, as we had Lollipop Lane. Also there was no meeting held in January, 2014.

February 26, 2014 we held a White Elephant Auction and a dinner; there are notes to this effect.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Marilyn Chromy presented all the monthly reports

A motion was made by Judy Abruscato and seconded by Elaine Simpson that the reports be approved as presented. The motion carried by a voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORT Patti Steilen asked for old radios to be put out for the new display. Also would like to be able to open the carriage house.

LIAISON REPORT at present we have none

WEB MASTER REPORT

Terry Steilen stated that the biggest hit on the website is regarding Craig Houtari, the barber. He had his business in Wheeling for a very long time. Was a member of a Barber shop Quartet, retired to Florida and has since past away. We need to update Wheeling thru the years.

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. **Membership** Barbara Forke - no report
2. **Social Chairman** Sue Korte Next month Marilyn Chromy & Sue will bring desert. This month she thanked Elaine Simpson, Barbara Forke & Patti Steilen for the treats tonight

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Nominating Committee for President & Two Directors**, Committee to consist of Chris Brady, Marilyn Chromy & Patti Steilen

So far we have Bill Hein for President, Elaine Simpson, Vice President, Joan Wiener, Board Member, Terry Steilen, Board Member. Next month we will ask if there is anyone else that wishes to be on the board.

2. **May Installation & Awards Dinner** to be held May 28th at Chevy Chase.

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AGENDA NOVEMBER 20, 2013

**The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday, November 20, 2013
a 7:00 p.m. in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road Wheeling, IL 60090**

- I. Call Meeting to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Program: None**
- IV. Approval of Minutes at the next meeting in January**
- V. Treasurer's Report-Marilyn Chromy**
- VI. Curator's Report -Patti Steilen**
- VII. Liaison Report - Cheri Klumpp**
- VIII. Web Master Report -Terry Steilen**
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 - 1. Social Chairman- Sue Korte**
 - 2. Membership- Barbara Forke**
 - 3. P/R - Bill Hein**
- XI. Old Business**
 - 1. Lollipop Lane**
- XII. New Business**
 - 1. Discussion of meetings January thru May**
- XIII. Communications**
- XIV. Pot-of-Gold**
- XV. Refreshments**
- XVI. Adjournment**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY
NOVEMBER 20, 2013**

The meeting was called to Order at 7:04 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

There were fifteen people in attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by President Joan Wiener.

PROGRAM: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES --None

TREASURER'S REPORT

Marilyn Chromy presented the monthly report.

A motion was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Elaine Simpson that the report be approved as presented. The motion carried by a voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORT None as Patti Steilen was absent

LIAISON REPORT Cheri discussed the 5K race and the 1K for kids, how the construction in the park was going & donations to the food pantry.

WEB MASTER REPORT: Terry Steilen was absent, but Bill Hein stated that he & Terry are put together a blog.

COMMITTEE REPORT

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|---------------------------|---|
| 1. Membership | Barbara Forke – new members Rich & Sheryl Rosen & Mary Papantos |
| 2. Social Chairman | Sue Korte thanked Cheri Klumpp for the Treats tonight. |
| 3. P/R | Bill Hein – advertising is ready and being put around town for Lollipop Lane. |

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Lollipop Lane:** Elaine passed around a signup sheet for volunteers to work during the week also discussed the need for cookie bakers, and who would be calling for them.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion of meetings January thru May

A motion was made by Elaine Simpson to eliminate the January meeting as the weather is bad at that time, seconded by Rich Rosen. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Joan gave the rest of the schedule.

February: Auction
March: Ms. Pennyton will talk about a walk down Memory Lane
April: Elections & Antique Appraiser
May: Installation dinner

COMMUNICATIONS

Cheri talked about a new copier for the museum; this was tabled until the Board could discuss it further. Cheri also mentioned that the Historical Society can no longer use the Park District's tax exempt number. Bill Hein made a motion to table this discussion until the Board could meet with Jan Buchs.

Bill stated that we have a float for the "Lights around Wheeling" parade being held Sunday November 24.

POT-OF-GOLD

This was won by Marcia Lehmann.

REFRESHMENTS

Provided by Cheri Klumpp

REGULAR MEETING : There will be no meeting until February. There will be a Board meeting in January.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:49 p.m.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Judy Matz and seconded by Lisa Lane. The motion carried by a Voice Vote,

Respectfully submitted, Christine Brady



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**Wheeling Park District
Liaison**
Undefined
Commissioner

Happy 95th. Birthday

Dolly Hein is a dynamo. An 83-year-old dynamo. A double amputee dynamo.

How can this be? Hein believes fervently that you can do something about "anything that you want to do, if you set your mind to it." And then she proves it.

A Wheeling resident for almost 50 years, Hein is one of the pioneers who first settled in the Dunhurst subdivision. She moved here from rural Ironwood in Michigan's Upper Peninsula with her husband and three children and immediately took to the "small-town-near-a-big-city life," as she calls it. The family moved to Wheeling in order to care for her husband's mother, who was in failing health.

Gordon Hein soon opened a Mobil service station on the site of what is now the Hoyne Savings Bank. It became a community hub, a place for service and for exchanging the latest news. He often helped members of the growing business community get their cars or bikes going in the morning. Dolly was involved, too.

After eight years, Gordon realized he could have more independence and a less physically taxing job in his own business so he started what eventually became a small chain of auto parts stores. The first two were within the village of Wheeling — the first on what became the site of the old Union Hotel and is now a fashionable condominium complex. Subsequently, the couple opened stores in Mundelein, Northbrook and Buffalo



Dolly Hein

Grove. Dolly was involved in general office work and in sales in all of the stores, but especially the ones in Wheeling.

She enjoyed the partnership with her husband both in and outside of the business. Two of the three Hein children have also been involved in the business. As they began to sell the auto parts stores to "slow the pace a little," the couple operated a

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Dolly said she likes to be in the middle of things, and she intends to keep it that way.
■

pub for several years that became a favorite village gathering place for young and old.

After Gordon's death at the relatively young age of 67, the family gradually sold the stores and Dolly began her more active period of volunteerism. Her principal work has been with senior citizens. She is chairwoman of Wheeling's Senior Citizen Commission and very involved in the activities at the Senior Center on First Street, where she is a member of the Senior Pavilion Advisory Board. For 12 years, she has enjoyed singing in the center's choral group, the

Pavilionaires. Dolly also is the president of the local chapter of AARP, which has about 80 members.

For many years, Dolly has been active in the work of the Wheeling Historical Society, holding a number of offices. She is serving as treasurer now. She has participated in both documentation and restoration activities. Dolly feels strongly that the last 50 years of the village's history is unique in this nation, and that more current citizens should learn that these events must be preserved and cherished.

Still, Dolly remains just as interested in the present. She regularly attends meetings of both the village Plan Commission and its Village Board. One of the members of the Plan Commission said Dolly knows as much and cares as much about Wheeling as anyone he has ever met in his many years as a resident. He greatly values her intellect and judgment, particularly when it comes to assessing people.

As a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee to the Wheeling Park District Board, Dolly was a strong advocate for cultural activities, including theater, dance and art. She still would like to see a cultural center become part of Wheeling's long-term plans.

When the park district sought to build the new Aquatic Center and more recently the modern Community Recreation Center, Dolly was out front on both referenda. She was active in convincing scores of people, especially seniors, how these facilities would add to the quality of life in Wheeling.

She talked with great joy about attending the 2002 Wheeling High School graduation ceremony. Her strongest impression was of how richly diverse the graduating class was and how people of all ethnic backgrounds — nearly 90 percent of the class — were going on to some form of (Continued on page 2)

Message From The President

Dear Members and Friends,
I hope Spring will be coming soon. We have weathered the worst and I can't wait for warmer weather. Thanks to those who came out for the White Elephant Auction. We had 30 guests and had a great time with Bill Hein as the auctioneer and good food from Wapagettis. All the items donated were sold which made for an easy cleanup.

Our thanks to the park district for all their help in the preparation for the event.

Once again we are hoping to interview longtime residents of Wheeling to get a better understanding of how the vil-

lage has changed since the early 1950's. We appreciate anyone who can help in this process. Call me at (847)650-0144 if you can be interviewed or can interview a lifelong resident.

Don't forget to attend the March 26th A Walk Down Memory Lane with Rochelle Pennington and bring a friend.

Historically Yours,

Joan Wiener/President

The Curator's Corner



This month we will be busy freshing up the Museum for the April 6th opening.

We are hoping to have a display of old radios. If you have one to loan to us please call me at (847) 537-7287.

This winter was especially hard on all of us and we didn't get there on many Thursdays. With all the snow and ice and freezing weather we

now have our work cut out for us.

We have decided to visit neighboring museums once a

month to see what displays are available and how other museums operate.

Please consider signing up to sit at the museum on a Sunday during the Spring and Summer. We can use your help!

We had an inquiry for information about Dr. Edward Larson from Robert Howland. I am in the process of acquiring this now. Hope to see you at our March 27th meeting.

Patti Steilen

Curator

■ Dolly *Continued from page 1*

higher education. She said she learns a great deal from young people and wants to continue to do so.

How does a person who voluntarily gave up driving a number of years ago manage all this and continue to look for more? She has three "great" friends, and her son Bill, who transports her where she needs to go. Sometimes they ask her before she has a chance to ask them.

"I believe in angels," Dolly said.

Dolly said she likes to be in the middle of

things, and she intends to keep it that way. Keeping things moving. She is as sharp intellectually as anyone half her age, and she has a great knowledge of the village and how it works.

There is nothing retiring about her. You sense a great energy and sense of purpose about her. Aside from her family's business, she has made the village of Wheeling's betterment her life's work, and there doesn't seem to be any reason why she won't continue to do so for some time to come.

*Cook's
Kitchen*

COOKS CORNER

Baileys Shooter Cupcakes

Irish cream cupcakes are even more fun topped with liqueur-filled candy shot cups!



CUPCAKES

- 1 pkg. (16.5 oz.) dark chocolate fudge cake mix
- 1 cup refrigerated Baileys Irish cream flavored liquid coffee creamer
- 4 eggs
- 1/3 cup oil

FROSTING

- 2 cups (1 lb.) unsalted butter
- 4 cups confectioners sugar
- 2/3 cup refrigerated Baileys Irish cream flavored liquid coffee creamer
- Kelly green Concentrated food coloring
- Green Jimmies or sprinkles
- 20 Shamrock-shaped Icing decorations
- 2 1/2 cups Baileys Irish Cream Liqueur, from 750-ml bottle.

• Cupcakes: Line 20 muffin cups with cupcake liners. On low speed, beat cake mix, coffee creamer, eggs and oil 30 seconds. On medium, beat 2 minutes. Evenly divide batter among liners. Bake 20-22 minutes or until pick inserted into centers comes out clean. Cool 15 minutes. Transfer from pans to racks; cool.

• Shot cups: Using small clean brush, paint about half of candy melts over inside of each mini cupcake liner, as shown. Refrigerate until set, 15 minutes. Re-melt remaining candy; paint second layer of candy in each liner. Refrigerate until set.

• Peel paper liner from shot cups, as shown.

• Frosting: On medium, beat butter until fluffy, 1-2 minutes. On low, gradually beat in sugar until combined. Add creamer; beat until fluffy, 1-2 minutes. Tint half with green coloring.

• Place pastry bag fitted with star tip in tall glass; fold edge of bag over top of glass. Fill one side of bag with white frosting; fill other side with green frosting. Pipe over cupcakes. Garnish with cups, jimmies and icing decorations. Just before serving, fill cups with liqueur.

CANDY

SHOT CUPS

- 1 cup green candy melts, 6 oz., melted 20 mini cupcake liners

A distraught senior citizen phoned her doctor's office. 'Is it true,' she wanted to know, 'that the medication you prescribed has to be taken for the rest of my life?' 'Yes, I'm afraid so,' the doctor told her. There was a moment of silence before the senior lady replied, 'I'm wondering, then, just how serious is my condition because this prescription is marked **'NO REFILLS'....!**



Q. *Why should you never iron a four-leaf clover?*

A. *Because you shouldn't press your luck!*

INTERESTING EVENTS FROM 1919

- **Dolly was born.**
- **World War 1 just ended**
- **Prohibition begins**
- **Flappers are the rage**
- **Women's Rights begin**
- **A Car costs \$200 - \$300**
- **Gas is 25¢ a gallon**
- **Babe Ruth is traded from the Red Socks to the Yankees**
- **Felix The Cat comes into cartoons**
- **President Roosevelt died in his sleep**
- **White Sox threw the World Series**



Wheeling Historical Society & Museum

Presents: *A Nostalgic Glance Backwards*

Wednesday

March 26, 2014

A WALK DOWN
Memory Lane



The Old Church at
Chamber Community
Center Park

251 N. Wolf Road

6:30 PM



Presentation By:

**Rochelle
Pennington**

Rochelle Pennington

Come and take a walk down Memory Lane to the "Good Old Days" of the 1930s, 40s, and 50s with author Rochelle Pennington. Her historical, lighthearted program will detail everyday life during the bygone years of corner phone booths, party lines, hand-me-down clothes, doctors who made house calls, wringer washing machines, marble matches, Howdy Doody shows, and outhouses. Audience attendees will be invited to remember a time when percolating coffee pots, mothers in aprons, flour sifters, home-baked bread, and suppers prepared from canning jars lining the pantry shelves were part of everyday life. The author's power-point presentation, featuring vintage photographs, will be complemented by a large collection of antiques she will display.



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LolliPop Lane 2013



Letters to Santa 2013 Style

This little girl's letter to Santa includes pictures, item number, and product description, to make Santa's shopping easier!

See our Web Site for more letters to Santa.



WORDS OF WISDOM

ABSOLUTE FREEDOM is being able to do what you please without considering anyone except your spouse and kids, the company and the boss, neighbors and friends, the police and the government, the doctor and the church.

Message From The President

Dear Members and Friends

Welcome to winter with a blast. I guess we have been spoiled the last few years. Well this year we are paying for it. Hope all of you had a good Holiday.

Lollipop Lane was again a great success. We saw over 1600 people come thru our doors. It's always a pleasure to see all those wonderful faces. I want to thank all the sponsors, all the volunteers and all the cookie makers. Without you we would not be able to do this. We also

want to thank The Wheeling Park District and all the Wheeling residents who come to Lollipop Lane.

This month we decided not to have a general meeting but don't forget next month is the White Elephant Auction. Save the date, Wednesday February 26, 2014. Also look in your garage, basement and attic for things to auction off. Hope to see you all.

Historically Yours,

Joan Wiener/President

The Curator's Corner



We had a great time at Lollipop Lane. The new trees fit right in with all our decorations. It is an amazing transformation in the Church and it is always great hearing how much our efforts are appreciated. We didn't open the museum due to the weather and a smaller volunteer count. We will try to open for 2014 Lollipop Lane.

We would like to make a display about radios. If anyone has an old transistor radio or any other style from the 1900's to 2010 (this includes boom boxes) we would appreciate it. We will be changing one

more display. Its contents have yet to be decided.

A big thank you to Ken Brady and friends who helped install the new countertop in the museum basement. It offers much more working space and under counter storage space to help cut a buildup of clutter.

District 214 is offering 3 sessions on the Golden Age of Radio. Register at 847-718-7700.

Barb Forke donated items from her family collection of wedding articles. Thank you very much.

Patti Steilen

Curator

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 19th

Board Meeting

February 26th

White Elephant Dinner & Auction

March 19th

Board Meeting

March 26th

Author Rochelle Pennington, "A Walk Down Memory Lane"

COOKS CORNER

*Cook's
Kitchen*

Sweet Bread

1/4 Cup warm water
1 package yeast
1 cup scalded milk
1 cup Crisco
2 beaten eggs (reserve 1 tbsp)
2 teaspoon vanilla
4 1/4 cups flour
1/2 cup sugar
pinch salt

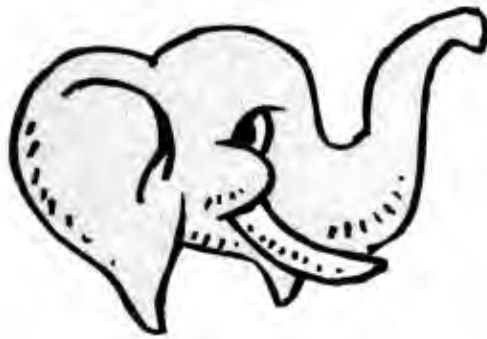
- Mix yeast in water;
- combine milk, Crisco, sugar in a bowl and let cool till luke warm
- Add eggs, vanilla, salt, yeast then mix in flour.
- Cover. Let rise 1 hour and stir down; let rise
- 3/4 hour and put in greased bread pans; let rise and brush with remaining egg.
- Bake 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes.

VILLAGES ELDEST SISTERS REMEMBER THE WAY IT WAS

"The town's too big now", Lucille Schneider said while holding a palm sized green notebook with faded yellow pages. Inside the notebook, handwritten in neat script, is the last name of the 440 people who resided in the village of Wheeling in May 1927. My dad took that census," added her sister, Adeline. "All the records were by hand then. We know everybody and we didn't even have to go around (to take the census). We knew all the kids and everything. Things have really changed. The Schneider sisters might be in a better position than anyone else in town to know how Wheeling's changed. At 93 Adeline is a month the oldest of village residents. Lucille's 87. Adeline lived in Wheeling before it was incorporated. In fact, the pair still live in the wood frame house in which they were born. In this room I suppose," she said, sitting in a rocking chair in her living room. "We didn't have no hospitals then."

But three years later, in 1897, they were part of a town. That's when Wheeling officially was placed on the map. Reinhold Schneider, the sisters' father, served as the first village clerk—a job he held until his death in 1927. Adeline, who had always pitched in at filling out the pocket-sized notebooks, more or less inherited the job. I did a lot of the work for him and when he got sick and died in 1927, the men said that I should just take over since I had been doing the work," she recalled. So Adeline continued the Schneider reign in the clerk's position for another 25 years before retiring. I did all the work in my house here but that's before the town was so big." Through the years the spinster sisters watched Wheeling grow from a sleepy hamlet to a suburb of 24,000 residents. Life was different in the early 1900's but not necessarily easier, the two sisters recalled. "The only school we attended was that little two-room school here in Wheeling, Adeline said. "It was little but sometimes I think it's better than what we have now. They had trouble with gum chewers and we weren't supposed to talk in class but we did. "The bigger boys would ring the bell and every once in a while they would pull too hard and the bell would tip and someone would have to crawl up and fix it.

After completing their elementary education, the girls didn't go on to high school, mainly because the transportation system was too primitive. "We didn't have no high school and the only one around here was in Des Plaines." Lucille said. "Even Arlington Heights didn't have a high school then and only two of my classmates got to go to high school. They had to take the Soo Line train and they got there so late they always missed the first half hour of classes." But soon afterward, other towns began to pop up near Wheeling, one of the older towns in the Northwest suburbs. But Wheeling didn't grow right away, mostly because local farmers were resistant to the idea of a commuter railroad running through the village. The Soo Line was strictly a milk run and it suited the farmers just fine. So the Chicago and North Western Ry. Simply moved their commuter line farther south, through Arlington Heights. "That was a shame," Adeline said. But eventually Wheeling began to grow. Along with all the new buildings came the treat of fire and Reinhold, a volunteer fireman in addition to his clerking duties, left the Schneider girls waiting at home many nights while he responded to the emergency call. We'd be so scared every time that fire bell rang, we'd run out and see where the smoke was." Adeline said. "I remember when the Union Hotel burned down, it was 18 below. It was right around Christmas time and we stayed home and I had hot coffee ready when he came home.



When: Wednesday February 26, 2014

Where: Chamber Community Center

251 N. Wolf Road, Wheeling

Time: 6:00pm Meeting 6:30 pm

Dinner Auction to follow.

Price: \$12.00 per person

Reservations Call Marilyn Chromy

847-537-5714

Limited Seating Call NOW!!

**Get Rid Of The
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To The Wheeling
Historical Society
Annual Dinner &
White Elephant
Auction!**

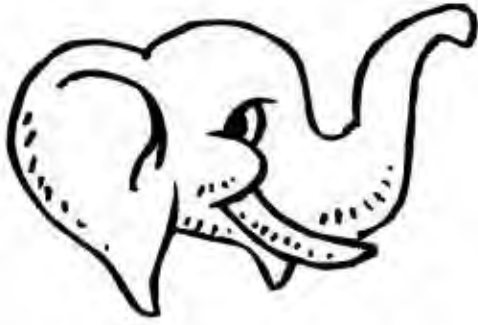


Empty your basement & garage

Menu

**Chicken, Italian Beef, Pasta, Roasted Potatoes
& Salad**

Desserts by Society Members



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In 1872 people were talking about Victoria Woodhull



**Her friends stated she was the first woman to run for President.
Her enemies said she was the first prostitute to run for the Presidency.
Others called her "Mrs. Satan."**

Wheeling Historical Society Presents

Jeanmarie Dwyer-Wrigley as Victoria Woodhull

March 27, 2013 6:30 PM

In the Old Church at Chamber Park

**251 N. Wolf Road
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 - 1. Lollipop Lane**
 - 2. E-Mail address from members so Agenda's can be sent before meetings**
- XII. New Business**
 - 1. White Elephant Auction for February**
 - 2. Programs for March & April**
 - 3. Donation of \$50.00 or \$100.00 for Christian Scanlon**
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HAPPY EASTER



From The Files Of
The Countryside
Reminder

Cook's
Kitchen

Fancy
Egg
Scramble

- 1 cup (4 oz.) diced Canadian bacon
 - 1/4 cup chopped green onion; 3 tablespoons butter
 - 1 (3 oz.) can mushroom stems and pieces, drained
 - 4 teaspoons butter, melted; 2 1/4 cups soft bread crumbs
 - 1/4 teaspoon paprika; 12 eggs, beaten
- Cheese Sauce:
- 2 tablespoons butter; 2 tablespoons flour
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt; 1/8 teaspoon pepper
 - 2 cups milk; 1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese

Cook Canadian bacon and onion in the 3 tablespoons butter until onion is tender but not brown. Add eggs and scramble just until set. Fold mushrooms and cooked eggs into Cheese Sauce. Turn into a baking dish about 11x7-inches. Combine remaining melted butter, crumbs and paprika; sprinkle on eggs. Cover; chill until 30 minutes before serving time. Bake uncovered, at 350 for 30 minutes.

Cheese Sauce: Melt butter in saucepan. Stir in flour, salt and pepper. Add milk; cook and stir until bubbly. Stir in the cheese until melted. Serves 8-10.



"Where do you grow the jelly beans?"

You deserve a little lift! It flowers can grow through wind and rain and storm, so can we!
Angel Seguin

Kids are funny!

I was visiting my niece when she put her son in time-out for being naughty. "It's 6:58 now," she said. "You must sit quietly for two minutes, until 7 p.m." At 7, she excused her son from time-out and asked him if he knew the reason he'd been put there. He frowned for a second, then asked, "So that I can learn to tell time?"
—Elaine Howland, Hanson, MA

Q: What did the big flower say to the small flower?

A: "What's up, bud?"

"I'll have my eggs hard-boiled with lots of food coloring on them."



Message From The President

Presidents Message March 2013

Dear Members and Friends;

I hope everyone is surviving the snow and cold. Just remember that spring is around the corner.

The Museum will opening on Sunday April 7, 2013 and will be open from 2-4 p.m. We again need volunteers to be at the Museum on Sunday through the end of October. We are not open on Holiday weekends. Please sign-up at the next meeting if you are able to help out.

February we had the Annual White Elephant Auction and Dinner. Despite the snow we had 49 people who attended. Bill Hein was the Auctioneer and did a great job as usual. We did very well on the auction and I thank everyone who donated desserts and items to be auctioned. Fun was had by all.

The board meeting will be held on Wednesday March 20th at 4:00 p.m. on the 3rd floor lounge area of 200 Deborah Lane.

Board members please let me know if you can attend.

The Regular meeting will be on Wednesday March 27th following the Program. The Program starts at 6:30 for about an hour. Womens Wisdom

History Theater performer Jean Dwyer-Wrigley will be performing the Historical Figure Victoria Woodhull. She was the first woman to run for President of the United States in 1871 and also the first Woman Stock Broker. She was quite a character and way ahead of her time. Should be very interesting.

We also want to know who is interested in running for office. Bill Hein and Terry Steilen are on the nominating committee and the following officers are up this year. Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and one director. Please contact either of the committee members. The election will be held at the April Meeting.

The Curator's Corner



We are making significant progress in the museum basement. Lisa and Celeste from the library are working diligently on the digitalizing of the museum files. It will help us find items and files much more quickly.

We are in the beginning stages of putting up our antique jewelry and hat display. If anyone has an item to loan or donate contact us at the museum. We're there on Thursday mornings.

We are hoping to start more interviews of Wheeling residents to share memories of grow-

ing up in Wheeling. If anyone would like to be interviewed just let us know.

We now have a newspaper archive search compliments of the library. A big thanks to them for all the help they have given us. This is available on line for all library users.

I attended the recent NEIL meeting in Morton Grove along with my friend from the Palatine Historical Society. The topic was fundraisers and it was a very informative meeting. We will be hosting the next NEIL meeting on June 8th

Patti Steilen .Curator

Coming Events:

Wednesday April 24th 7:00 p.m. Returning Appraiser and Auctioneer Jim Bohlenstegel from Galerie St James, will again be at the Wheeling Historical Society. So bring your items to be appraised he will do as many as possible. First starting with 2 per person and then if he has time will do more. Cost \$3.00 per item to be appraised. Jim has been doing this for over 30 years and is very knowledgeable. He has provided Estate Liquidation, Appraisal, and Auction services to the Chicago area and beyond. His reputation as a fine arts and collectibles consultant earns him calls from all over the nation.

Wednesday May 22nd the Annual Installation Dinner at Chevy Chase Country Club. Program will be Rick Pickern who we had last year during the summer and loved. will perform songs about the Civil War. He also has performed in wide are of Chicago and beyond and is well known. I know you will enjoy his music.

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ABOUT LIFE
I LEARNED FROM THE
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one basket

Walk softly and carry a big
carrot

Everyone needs a friend who
is all ears

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much candy

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make you a basket case

A cute little tail attracts a lot of
attention

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hare day

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someone else's basket

To show your true colors you

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Coming next month: A review of past political elections

In 1872 people were talking about Victoria Woodhull



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Her enemies said she was the first prostitute to run for the Presidency.
Others called her "Mrs. Satan."**

Wheeling Historical Society Presents

Jeanmarie Dwyer-Wrigley as Victoria Woodhull

March 27, 2013 6:30 PM

In the Old Church at Chamber Park

**251 N. Wolf Road
Wheeling, Illinois 60090**

THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS

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The first documented Thanksgiving in the United States were conducted by Spaniards in the early 1600's. in the Commonwealth of Virginia in Jamestown which was the first permanent settlement. The charter designated that the day of arrival in the U. S. be celebrated every year. Abraham Lincoln declared that the 4th Thursday of November be celebrated as Thanksgiving during the Civil War.

Only Canada and the United States celebrate Thanksgiving. Canada celebrates on the 2nd Monday of October. The current Thanksgiving can be traced to 1621 when it was celebrated for a prosperous harvest. At first it was a religious feast which later turned into a civil celebration.

The first Christmas was celebrated mid 4th century. It has evolved into what we are familiar with today.

The idea of decorating for Christmas started in the 15th century. Homes were decorated with ivy and holm, and bays. Nativity scenes started in the 13th century with St. Francis of Assisi. In 1860 Germany produced commercial decorations and that is the beginning of our traditional decorations. Paper chains were made by children and placed around homes. The Christmas Tree was chosen as a fir tree because of the triangular shape which was symbolic of the trinity with the tip pointing to Heaven. Evergreens were chosen because they do not lose their leaves and symbolizes eternal life.



Calendar of Events

November 22 Thanksgiving

December 1 - Santa arrives at Lollipop Lane

December 1-9 Lollipop Lane

December 25 Christmas

January 23 General Meeting

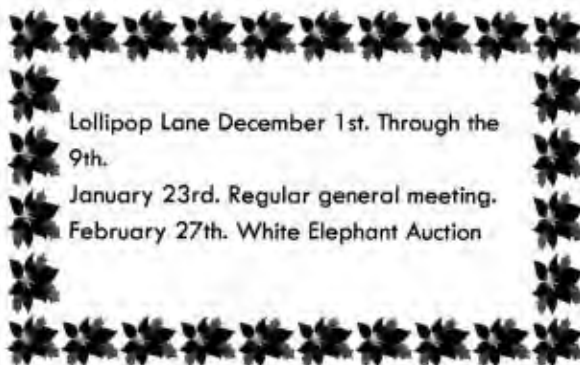
February 12 - Lincoln's Birthday

February 14 - Valentines Day

February 22 - Washington's Birthday

February 27 - White Elephant Auction

Coming Events:



Lollipop Lane December 1st. Through the 9th.

January 23rd. Regular general meeting.

February 27th. White Elephant Auction



Recipe of the Month

Candy Cane Cookies

INGREDIENTS:
 1 cup (2 sticks) butter
 1 cup granulated sugar
 1 egg
 1 1/2 teaspoons Wilton Pure Vanilla Extract
 1/2 teaspoon Wilton No-Color Almond Extract
 3 cups all-purpose flour
 Wilton No-taste Red King Color
 Wilton White Sparkling Sugar

INSTRUCTIONS:
 Preheat oven to 375°F.
 In large bowl, beat butter and sugar with mixer until light and fluffy. Beat in egg and extracts. Add flour, 1 cup at a time to butter mixture, mixing well after each addition. Dough becomes too stiff, add water, a teaspoon at a time. Do not chill dough.
 Divide dough into 7 balls. Roll one ball of dough out with rolling roller. Pinch off a 1 in. ball of each color dough. Roll the outside roll ball into 3 in. long strip. Place red and white strips end-to-side, roll them together until the two colors have wrapped around one another and are twisted together. Curve the strip at the top in the shape of a candy cane and place on ungreased cookie sheet, sprinkle with Sparkling Sugar and gently press into dough.
 Bake 8-10 minutes or until cookies are lightly browned. Cool on sheet 2 minutes, remove to cooling grid and cool completely.
 Makes about 7 dozen cookies.



Creamy Swiss Turkey Dip

Kids and grownups alike will love "gobbling" up this tangy Swiss cheese dip!

2 cont. (8 oz. each) chive cream cheese, at room temperature
1/4 cup creamy horseradish sauce
1 1/2 cups shredded Swiss cheese, 6 oz.
1 rib celery, finely chopped
1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley
1/4 cup finely minced red onion
1 tsp. paprika
1/4 cup chopped fresh chives

1 each red and green apples, corad
Lemon juice
6-8 red seedless grapes, halved
1 pkg. (6 oz.) sesame breadsticks
4 large strawberries, sliced
4 large figs, sliced
2 cloves
Celery leaves
Assorted fruit or vegetables and crackers and breadsticks

Gobble Gobble Yummy!

- Line 5"-6" diameter, 3-cup capacity bowl with plastic wrap. On medium speed, beat cream cheese and horseradish until smooth. Stir in Swiss cheese, celery, 1/4 cup chopped parsley, onion and paprika. Reserve 1/2 tsp. mixture. Spread remaining in bowl. Cover; refrigerate at least 3 hours.
- Invert bowl of dip onto serving platter; remove bowl and wrap. Mix chives and remaining parsley; press onto dip to cover. For "head," cut 1"-wide wedge from red apple. Thinly slice remaining apples; toss wedge and slices in lemon juice. Drain.
- Reserve 1 apple slice and 5 grape halves. Arrange breadsticks and remaining fruit around dip. For "eyes," insert cloves into reserved "head." For "beak," cut small square from 1 reserved grape; attach to "head" with reserved dip. For "waddle," cut small piece from reserved apple slice; attach to "head" with dip. Press "head" onto dip. For "feet," arrange remaining 4 grape halves at bottom of dip. Arrange celery leaves around "head." Serve with additional fruit, vegetables, crackers and breadsticks.

The Ever Continuing the Story Of Wheeling's Restaurant Row



A major period of growth began with the advent of the automobile around 1914. Eating places like the Hartmann House, Chicago House, Union Hotel, Behm's, Wenzlaff's, Red Mary's Wheeling Inn, Forbach's Relic House, and Blum's all contributed to the fame of Wheeling's "Restaurant Row" as a place to come to eat. (Clearly the Union Hotel was very popular even when we had horse and wagon, as seen in the picture above back in the late 1840's.)

The original Union Hotel wooden structure, was built in 1843. Wheeling's first election was held there on June 19, 1894, and it was the scene of many local social events. The hotel and the hall beside it burned in 1925 and were replaced by the brick building. Its host, Billy Moss, provides a congenial setting for food and drink that attracted visitors from miles around.

The Union Hotel site was the home of the Wheeling Independent Newspaper from 1961, and later The Savoy Restaurant and Disco occupied the site around 1976. Billy And Company occupied the site in 1984, and is now residential.

There was a livery stable on the east side of Milwaukee Ave. south of Dundee Rd. And of course there was a creamery, old Boehmer's, just to the east of Henry Reeb's mill. Mr. Boehmer used to make home-made ice cream on Saturdays. You could go there on Sundays with a gallon syrup pail or something like



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that and he would pack it full for 90 cents. Very good eating! And on the big northeast corner where the bank is now was a roadhouse built at a later date. It was set back from the road just about the same distance as the bank is, and it was known as Red Mary's. The Masonic Temple was upstairs above the old store. It was a grocery store and general merchandise. 'Way back, John Schminke operated it and in later years Ed Welflin was located there. Bollenbach's store was next door in the brick building, and later on Ed Welflin moved over into the old Bollenbach store. It was finally taken over by Don Welflin until it was sold and torn down. Fassbender's hardware store stood on the southeast corner of Milwaukee Ave. and Dundee Rd. It was built in 1845. The low building at left of the store was added much later and at different times housed Crawford's ice cream parlor, the Wheeling State Bank and the Royal Blue store. Both were torn down in 1977 to make way for River-side Plaza.

The Village which grew around these taverns, or "roadhouses" as the natives called them, became another typical Midwestern village 25 miles from the heart of Chicago. Partly because there was no railroad providing commuter service to the city, Wheeling did not grow as rapidly as other towns in the region which were located along commuter lines. But families lived here and the children had memorable years of schooling and playing like children everywhere. The Fifties brought the next major change, when farmland gave way to subdivisions for housing and the population doubled again and again. With this growth came industrial and commercial development that changed the face of the Village to produce the Wheeling we know today.



Cole Taylor Bank, in Wheeling, was chartered in 1921 as the **Wheeling State Bank**. It was founded by a group of local businessmen who saw the need to provide financial services to the flourishing Restaurant Row and to area farmers looking to finance the purchase of modern equipment. It occupied two different corners of Dundee and Milwaukee before constructing the modern bank and office building at its present location. It was

purchased in 1984 by the Cole Taylor Financial Group, Inc., becoming an important member of the five-bank holding company. Cole Taylor Bank/Main continues to support the community and serve their financial needs.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF WHEELING is a wholly owned subsidiary of Madison Financial Corporation of Chicago, a multi-bank holding company which also includes Madison Bank and Trust Company and Madison National Bank. The original company was founded in 1955. The First National Bank came to Wheeling to provide financial services for a newly growing area of the Village, first opening a storefront in Gaslight Shopping Center on Dundee Rd. in May of 1978. The bank moved into its own newly designed building at 125 N. McHenry Rd. in April, 1979. There it serves the local community residents as well as clients in the business and manufacturing area of Wheeling.

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Remembering the Old Settlers Picnic ...

Wheeling's first Old Settlers Picnic was held on July 4, 1984, at Chamber Community Center and Park in Wheeling.

To be known as an "old settler" in 1984, you must have lived in Wheeling before 1960. Old Settlers are those who have lived in Wheeling for over 25 years.

Guests were asked to bring a picnic lunch, while entertainment, beverages, and desserts were provided by the Wheeling Historical Society.

Participants were asked to share and exhibit old pictures from their family albums. They were also encouraged to tell stories about their lives in the past and how times have changed.

The Old Settlers Picnics were common in this area years ago. This picnic was one of the biggest social events of the year, complete with group pictures and speeches by guests. ★

**No Board Meeting
in July**

**GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday, July 27
7:00 p.m.**

**Program with Bill Kiddle
"The Boys in Blue"**



Gladys Keil, Elsie Hiller, E. Albert Fantl



Bob Buerger, Marshall Balling

Above: Dorothy Flentge and guests

Right: Gathering on the grounds of the Chamber Community Center Park.

Below: Kathy Lorenz, the Buegers, and Roger Powers



"The object of this Society shall be the discovery, preservation, and dissemination of knowledge about the Community of Wheeling."

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Message from the President

Dear Members and Friends,

I hope this summer is going well for all of you. For those who had damage and electrical outages after the storm last month, I hope things have been resolved and fixed. I know many of you had storm damage and were without power for one or more days.

The general meeting opened on June 22nd with only 6 members in attendance plus the speaker for the evening. We decided to cancel the meeting and reschedule the program.

The program is rescheduled for the September 28th meeting: "Baseball in the Movies" by Steven Frenzel. Those of us in attendance the night after the storm saw a preview of the program and it looks great. So come to the meeting on September 28 and tell your friends to join us.

At our July meeting, member Bill Kiddle will present "The Boys in Blue," a program about the Civil War. This timely presentation on the Civil War's 150th anniversary will include information about men from the Wheeling area who were in that war, and Wheeling in 1860 pre-war conditions. The meeting is on Wednesday, July 27, at 7:00 p.m.

No board meeting is held in July due to the fact that the June meeting was cancelled. The agenda that was to be presented in June will be presented in July.

We hope to see you attend.

Historically Yours,

Joan Wiener, President



Curator's Report

When our volunteers are at the museum (and we like to encourage you to volunteer, too), they donate their time in the interest of preserving our local history for the future.

We've been cleaning, organizing, cataloging, and answering inquiries. We're also creating a scrapbook about our own "American Idol" finalist, Haley Reinhart of Wheeling.

The museum has been busy with visitors during the open Sunday hours, and hopefully the weather will encourage more people to stop by.

If you are interested in helping, or can assist us with Sundays hours at the museum, please give us a call.

**Patti Steilen
Curator**

Things to do and Places to go

Exhibit through August 2011:

Lake County Discovery Museum (847-968-3400)

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July 23 and 24

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(847-299-6096)
Civil War Days

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Glenview History Center (847-724-2235)

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Time Marches On ...

Just a reminder about dues for this year: if you've received a reminder in your newsletter, please continue your support and mail your check to:

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Wheeling News from 1932

WHEELING

Traffic at the corner of Milwaukee and Dundee roads is being directed by stop and go lights since last Saturday. The need for lights at this intersection has been felt for some time and were ordered installed by the village early in the summer. It is hoped that motorists will help to make the system effective by giving heed to the lights. They should remember that they, the signals are not an end in themselves by only a means to an end which is public safety. The motorist who attempts to beat the lights, is only beating his own chances for safety and also his fellow motrist. Children are especially warned in crossing the streets to watch the light and also to remember that they must be mindful of cars that may be turning the corner.

The Wm. Laurance family visited Mr. Laurance's parents in Missouri last week.

The P. T. A. are sponsoring a corn beef cabbage supper to be held on Wednesday evening, Nov. 9th at Childerley Community Center. A unique feature of the affair is that the supper is in charge of the men, who will do the serving that evening.

Wheeling Camp R. N. A. honored their past Oracles and charter members by inviting them to fill stations at their regular meeting last Thursday. The following Past Oracles held stations for the evening: Neighbor Nelda Welflin; Past Oracle Neighbor Anna Armbruster; Vice Oracle Neighbor Elsie Ehlers; Chancellor Neighbor Lydia Wick and Marshal Neighbor Regina Behrens. Charter Members, Neighbors Minnie Pieper and Alice Utpadel filled the stations of outer and inner sentinels. The degree of membership was conferred upon 4 candidates. Deputy C. Krue-

ger was present and assisted in the work. After the meeting several Hallowe'en stunts provided entertainment and refreshments consisting of sandwiches, doughnuts, coffee, apples and candy were served.

About 10 young friends surprised Arthur Fassbender Jr. in honor of his 10th birthday last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Chas. Balling spent the week-end with her sisters in Chicago.

Dr. and Mrs. N. S. MacVicar, Crosswell, Mich., made a surprise call on Dr. and Mrs. Nehls, last Sunday. The doctors were classmates at college and had a pleasant visit together.

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VICE PRESIDENT.....	Bill Hein	2	Elected
TREASURER.....	Marilyn Chromy	2	Elected
SECRETARY.....	Chris Brady	2	Elected
DIRECTOR.....	Becky Vogel	1	Elected
DIRECTOR.....	Barbara Forke	1	Elected
DIRECTOR.....	Elaine Simpson	2	Elected

CURATOR..... Pat Steilen/Donna Vallas, Asst.
 HISTORIAN..... Shirley McConnell
 PARK LIAISON..... Cheri Klumpp

CHAIRPERSONS & COMMITTEES

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE (Purpose ..To bring in new members.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

 Purpose.. To make calls to members re:
 Refreshments and other related socials.

PR. COMMITTEE

 Purpose.. To provide publicity or society

NEWSLETTER

 Purpose.. To provide members with news
 from the society

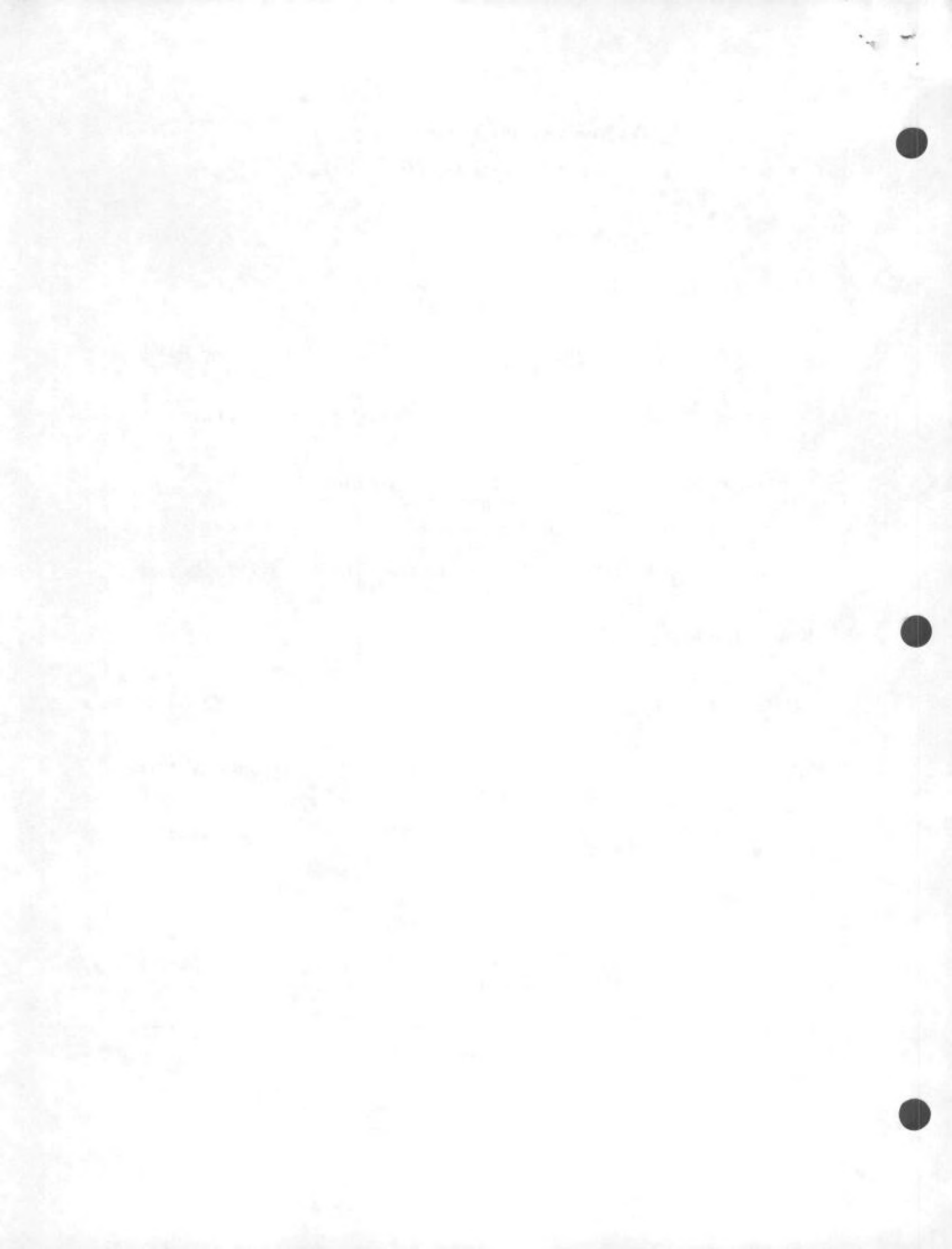
RULES & REVISIONS
 COMMITTEE

 Purpose to review Constitution and By-laws
 when needed and make necessary changes
 when voiced by members of society.

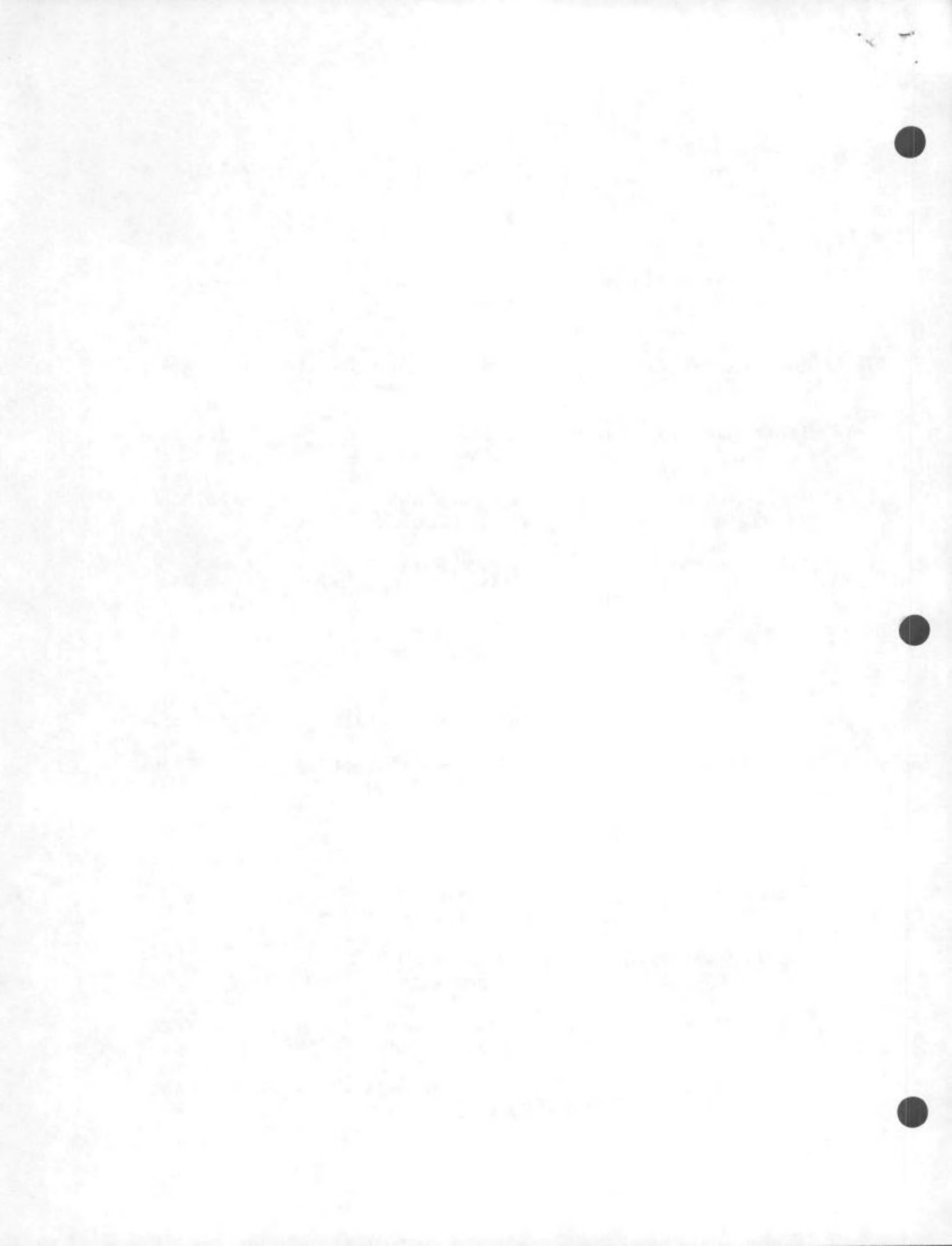
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Wheeling Historical Society Membership List 2012-2013

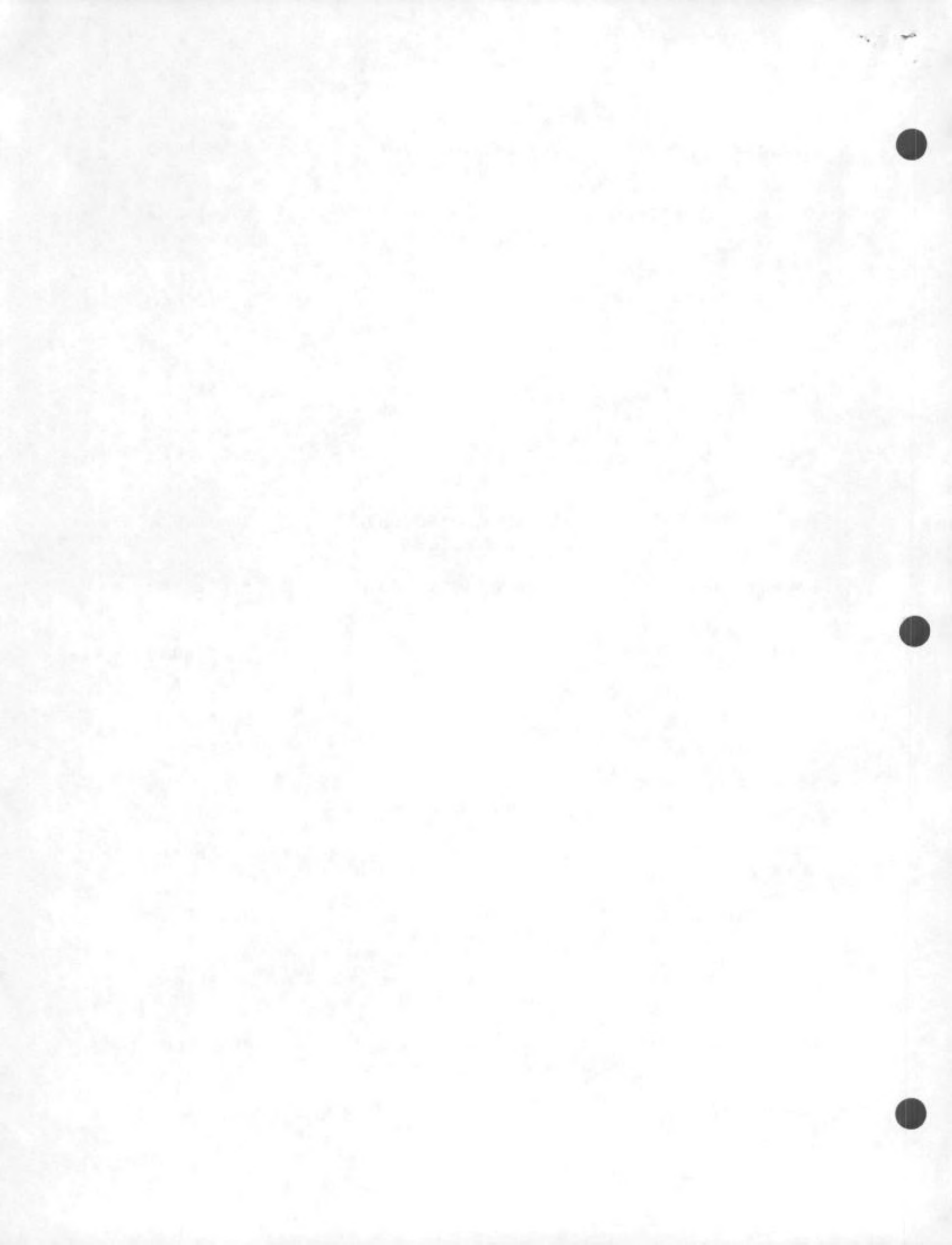
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Abruscato, Judy	125 W. Wayne Wheeling, IL 60090	847-541-8783
Adams, Lars	418 Inland Drive 3B Wheeling, IL 60090	224-627-3408
Argiris, Dean/Marian	122 Berkshire Drive Wheeling, IL 60090	847-808-8418
Bumgarner, Ellen	1575 E. Washington Blvd Apt. 808 Pasadena, CA 91104	
Bingham, J. Douglas, Capt.	1335 Cypress Trace Dr. Melbourne FL 32940	321-255-7925
Brady, Ken/Christine (L)	62 Center Ave Wheeling, IL 60090	847-537-8642
Brennan, Margaret	136 N. 19 th Street Wheeling, WV 26003	304-277-2241
Chromy, Marilyn	55 Willow Trail Wheeling, IL 60090	847-537-5714
Eagan, Fran	475-Plum Creek Dr. Wheeling, IL 60090	847-541-2044
Forke, Barbara	246 E. Center St. Wheeling, IL 60090	847-537-0398
Fris, Sandy	301 Lakeshore Dr. #302 Lake Park, FL 33403-3505	561-844-0798
Gibson, Chris	398 Fletcher Dr. Wheeling, IL 60090	847-445-4026
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Gross, Valerie'	1125 Palm Drive Wheeling, Il 60090	847-229-1995
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Hein, Ida(Dolly) (L)	200 Deborah Lane #16-B Wheeling, IL 60090	847-229-0151
Hein, William /Joan Wiener	200 Deborah Lane #16-B Wheeling, IL 60090	847-229-0151
Heiber, George/Estele	237 Cindy Drive Wheeling, IL 60090	847-527-1866
Hudson, Laraine	2045 Claque Drive West Lake, OH 44145-3545	
Katsiroubas, /Helen	915 Vera Lane Wheeling, IL 60090	847-537-8170
Kiddle, Bill	315 Cherrywood Rd Buffalo Grove, IL 60089	847-537-8122
Koeppen, Shirley (AH)	1000 Waukegan Rd. Apt. C-305 Northbrook, IL 60062	847-509-8368
Korte, Susan	373 Nancy Lane Wheeling, IL 60090	847-459-3768
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Landberg, James S.Erika (L)	2842 28 th St. N.W. Washington, D.C. 20008-4110	
Lehmann, Marcia	939 Valley Stream Dr. Wheeling, IL 60090	847-215-8227
Lueders, Robert	767 S. Dennis Road Wheeling, Il 60090	847-537-1037



Matz, Judy	612 Scanlon Dr. 1-C Wheeling, IL 60090	847-537-0605
McConnell, Shirley (H) (Bill) Son	191 E. Center St. Wheeling, IL 60090	847-537-0524
Pecka, Keith/Kim	139 Berkshire Dr. Wheeling, IL 60090	847-465-0437
Popke, June	620 McHenry Road Wheeling, IL 60090	847-537-0480
Premo, Karen	1101 Woodbury Lane Wheeling, IL 60090	847-808-9322
Reading, Linda	1113 Valley Stream Dr. Wheeling, IL 60090	847-520-0125
Rossmann, Beverly	1005 Woodland Drive Wheeling, IL 60090	847-537-2371
Shanley, Joan	1355 N. Sandberg Ter. #2804 Chicago, IL 60610	312-440-0882
Simpson, Elaine	100 Wille Ave Wheeling, IL 60090	847-541-8692
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Steiber, August (Jill Koeppen)	406 Elm Tree Lane Vernon Hills, IL 60061	847-816-9372
Steilen, Terry/Patti	473 Briarwood Ln Wheeling, IL 60090	847-537-7287
Sylvester, Jim & Sharon	353 S. Wolf Rd. Wheeling, IL 60090	847-537-0976
Vallas, Charles/Donna	733 Elmwood Ln. C-1 Wheeling, IL 60090	847-537-0138



Vogel, Dave/Becky

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Young, Erica

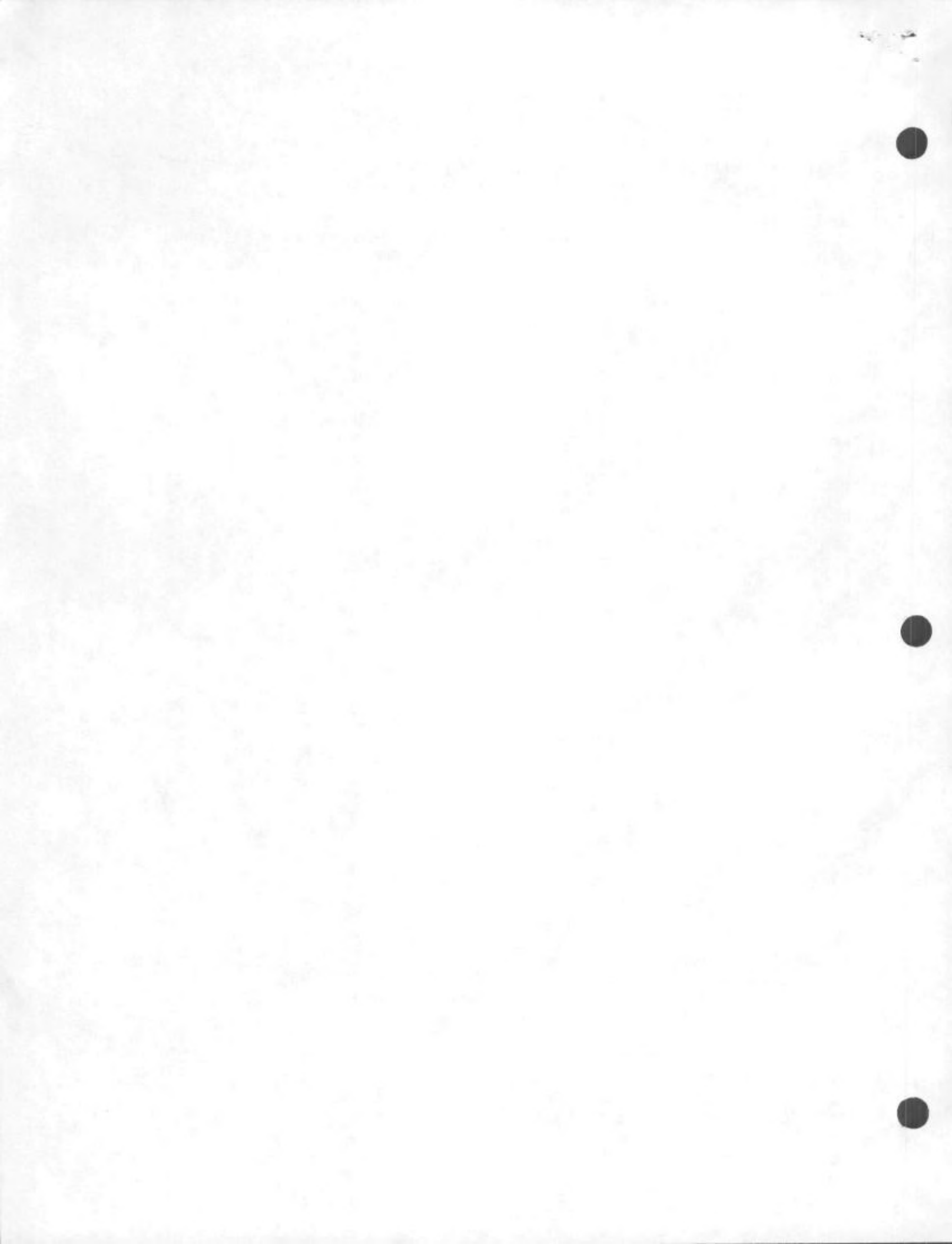
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847-215-6015

Klumpp.Cheri (WPD)

**300 N. 11th Street
Wheeling, IL 60090**

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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AGENDA SEPTEMBER 26, 2012

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday, September 26, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Chamber Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090

- I. Call Meeting to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Program Bill Kiddle on 1940 the War & the Census**
- IV. Approval of Minutes of August, 22, 2012**
- V. Treasurer's Report -Marilyn Chromy**
- VI. Curator's Report -Patti Steilen**
- VII. Liaison Report - Cheri Klumpp**
- VIII. Web Master Report -Terry Steilen**
- IX. Newsletter -Patty Steilen**
- X. Committee Report**
 - 1. Membership - Barbara Forke**
 - 2. PR - Elaine Simpson**
- XI. Old Business**
 - 1. Ornaments for Lollipop Lane**
 - 2. Review of cost of website**
 - 3. Report from Bill Hein on presentation at Senior Center**
- XII. NEW BUSINESS**
 - 1. Committee for Lollipop Lane**
 - 2. Hans Schmidt Building on Milwaukee Avenue**
 - 3.**
 - 4.**
 - 5.**
- XIII. Next Board Meeting on October 24th, 2012 and the Regular Meeting on October 24, 2012**
- XIV. Refreshments furnished by Christine Brady**
- XV. Pot-of-Gold**
- XVI. Adjournment**

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AGENDA AUGUST 22, 2012

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday, August 22, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Chamber Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090

- I. Call Meeting to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Program "SONGS OF THE SINGING COWBOYS" By: Rick Pickren**
- IV. Approval of Minutes of April, 25, 2012**
- V. Treasurer's Report - Marilyn Chromy**
- VI. Curator's Report -Patti Steilen**
- VII. Liaison Report - Cheri Klumpp**
- VIII. Web Master Report -Terry Steilen**
- IX. Newsletter -Patty Steilen**
- X. Committee Report**
 - 1. Membership - Barbara Forke**
 - 2. PR - Elaine Simpson**
- XI. Old Business**

Letter sent to Park District requesting two new filing cabinets
- XII. NEW BUSINESS**
 - 1. Approval of funds for the Historical Society website in the amount of \$156.00 or less**
 - 2. Approval to purchase Candy Cane Ornaments for Lollipop Lane**
- XIII. Next Board Meeting on September 26th, 2012 and the Regular Meeting on September 26, 2012**
- XIV. Refreshments furnished by Bill Hein & Erica Young**
- XV. Pot-of-Gold**
- XVI. Adjournment**

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AGENDA November 16, 2011

**The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday, November 16, 2011
at 7:00 p.m. in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090**

- I. Call Meeting to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Program None**
- IV. Approval of Minutes of October 26, 2011**
- V. Treasurer's Report -Marilyn Chromy**
- VI. Curator's Report -Patti Steilen**
- VII. Liaison Report - Cheri Klumpp**
- VIII. Web Master Report -Terry Steilen**
- IX. Newsletter -Donna Vallas**
- X. Committee Report**
 - 1. Social Chairman**
 - 2. Membership - Barbara Forke**
 - 3. PR - Bill Hein**
- XI. Old Business**
 - 1. Lollipop Lane.**
- XII. Next Board January 18, 2012 and Regular Meeting will be on January 25, 2012**
- XIII. Refreshments provided by Joan**
- XIII. Pot-of-Gold**
- XV. Adjournment**

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AGENDA September 28, 2011

**The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday, September 28, 2011
at 7:00 p.m. in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090**

- I. Call Meeting to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Program -Baseball in the movies by Steven Frenzel**
- IV. Approval of Minutes of August 24, 2011**
- V. Treasurer's Report -Marilyn Chromy**
- VI. Curator's Report -Patti Steilen**
- VII. Liaison Report - Cheri Klumpp**
- VIII. Web Master Report -Terry Steilen**
- IX. Newsletter -Donna Vallas**
- X. Committee Report**
 - 1. Social Chairman**
 - 2. Membership - Barbara Forke**
 - 3. PR - Elaine Simpson**
- XI. Old Business**
 - 1. Lollipop Lane**
 - a. Budget**
 - b. Singers**
 - c. Ornament**
 - d. Raffles**
 - c. Miscellaneous**
- XII. Next Board Meeting on October 19, 2011 and the Regular Meeting will be
on October 26, 2011**
- XIII. Refreshments Furnished by Chris Brady, & Marilyn**
- XIII. Pot-of-Gold**
- XV. Adjournment**

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AGENDA AUGUST 24, 2011

**The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday, July 24, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.
in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090**

- I. Call Meeting to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Approval of Minutes of July 27, 2011**
- IV. Treasurer's Report -Marilyn Chromy**
- V. Curator's Report -Patti Steilen**
- VI. Liaison Report - Cheri Klumpp**
- VII. Web Master Report -Terry Steilen**
- VIII. Newsletter -Donna Vallas**
- IX. Committee Report**
 - 1. Membership - Barbara Forke**
- X. Old Business**
 - 1. Voting on change of Inscription for Library Brick "Looking Forward & Glancing Back"**
 - 2. Approving Budget of \$100.00 for Social Chairman**
- XI. NEW BUSINESS**
 - 1. Discussion on ornament & purchase of books for Lollipop Lane**
 - 2. Discussion on entertainment for Lollipop Lane**
 - 3. Discussion on having a booth at the "I Am Me Burn Camp" 9-10-11**
- XII. Board Meeting on August 17, 2011 and the Regular Meeting on August 24, 2011**
- XIII. Program -Round table discussion on Old & New Business's**
- XIV. Refreshments Furnished by Bill Hein**
- XV. Pot-of-Gold**
- XVI. Adjournment**

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AGENDA JULY 27, 2011

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday, July 27, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.
in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Program -"THE BOY'S IN BLUE" Presented by Bill Kiddle
- IV. Approval of Minutes of April 27, 2011
- V. Treasurer's Report -Marilyn Chromy
- VI. Curator's Report -Patti Steilen
- VII. Liaison Report - Cheri Klumpp
- VIII. Web Master Report -Terry Steilen
- IX. Newsletter -Donna Vallas
- X. Committee Report
 1. Membership - Barbara Forke
 2. PR - Elaine Simpson
- XI. Old Business
 1. Review Dinner
 2. Inscription Brick for Library
- XII. NEW BUSINESS
 1. Approve Budget for programs
 2. Approve Budge of \$100.00 for Social Chairman
 3. Discussion purchasing an Ad for Park Districts 50th Anniversary
- XIII. Board Meeting on July 20, 2011 (cancelled) and the Regular Meeting on July 27, 2011
- XIV. Refreshments Furnished by Patti Steilen & Joan Wiener
- XV. Pot-of-Gold
- XVI. Adjournment

Wheeling Historical Society Agenda April 2011

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday, April 27 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Approval of Minutes of March 24, 2011
- III. Treasurer's Report – Marilyn Chromy
- IV. Curator's Report – Patti Steilen
- V. Liaison Report – Cheri Klumpp
- VI. Web Master Report – Terry Steilen
- VII. Newsletter – Donna Vallas
- VII. Communications
- IX. Committee Report
Social
PR
Nomination – Terry Steilen
- X. Old Business
 1. Installation Dinner
Awards – Hackney's & Beverly Rothman
 2. Software Update
- XI. New Business
 1. Presentation of Slate.
 2. Interview the owners of Hackney's
 3. Bill Kiddle on Civil War
 - 4.
- XII. Program
Cycling Sisters – Maine to Miami
- XIII. *General*
~~Board Meeting~~ on May 25, 2011, the Installation of Officers and Directors for 2011.
- XIV. Refreshments:
Provided by Becky Vogel, Marilyn Chromy and Joan Wiener.

XV. Pot-of-Gold:

XVI. Adjournment

Wheeling Historical Society Agenda January 20110

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday January 26, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Approval of Minutes of October 27, 2010 & November 17, 2010
- III. Treasurer's Report – Marilyn Chromy
- IV. Curator's Report – Patti Steilen
- V. Liaison Report – Cheri Klumpp
- VI. Web Master Report – Terry Steilen
- VII. Newsletter – Donna Vallas
- VII. Communications
- IX. Committee Report
Social
PR
- X. Old Business
 1. Lollipop Lane Recap
 - 3.
 - 4
- XI. New Business
 1. White Elephant Auction
 2. Historical Society Display Board
- XI. Program
None
- XII. Board Meeting on February 17, 2011, and the Regular Meeting on February 23, 2011.
- XIII. Refreshments:
- XIV. Pot-of-Gold:
- XIV. Adjournment

Wheeling Historical Society Agenda November 2010

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday November 17, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Approval of Minutes of October 27, 2010
- III. Treasurer's Report – Marilyn Chromy
- IV. Curator's Report – Patti Steilen
- V. Liaison Report – Cheri Klumpp
- VI. Web Master Report – Terry Steilen
- VII. Newsletter – Donna Vallas
- VII. Communications
- IX. Committee Report
Social
PR
- X. Old Business
 1. Lollipop Lane
 - 3.
 - 4
- XI. New Business
 - 1.
 - 2.
- XI. Program
None
- XII. Board Meeting on January 20, 2011, and the Regular Meeting on January 26, 2011.
- XIII. Refreshments:
- XIV. Pot-of-Gold:
- XIV. Adjournment

Wheeling Historical Society Agenda September 2010

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday September 22, 2010, at 7:00 PM in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Approval of Minutes of August 25, 2010
- III. Treasurer's Report – Marilyn Chromy
- IV. Curator's Report – Patti Steilen
- V. Liaison Report – Cheri Klumpp
- VI. Web Master Report – Terry Steilen
- VII. News Letter – Donna Vallas
- VII. Communications
- IX. Committee Report
Social
PR
- X. Old Business
 1. Holiday Ornament – Red ornament with silver imprint
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4
- XI. New Business
 1. Lollipop Lane
 - 2.
- XI. Program
None
- XII. Board Meeting October 21, 2010, and the Regular meeting October 27, 2010.
- XIII. Refreshments:
- XIV. Pot-of-Gold:
- XIV. Adjournment

Wheeling Historical Society Agenda August 2010

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday August 25, 2010, at 7:00 PM in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Approval of Minutes of July 27, 2010
- III. Treasurer's Report – Marilyn Chromy
- IV. Curator's Report – Patti Steilen
- V. Liaison Report – Cheri Klumpp
- VI. Web Master Report – Terry Steilen
- VII. Communications
- VIII. Committee Report
Social
PR
- IX. Old Business
 1. Purchase of lapel microphone for tape recorder
 2. Holiday Ornament
 3. Tape Recorder Purchase
 - 4
- X. New Business
 - 1.
 - 2.
- XI. Program
David Leider on the Wisconsin Central in Illinois (the Wisconsin Central Railroad).
- XII. Board Meeting September 23, 2010, and the Regular meeting September 29, 2010.
- XIII. Refreshments: Joan Wiener & Patty Hancock
- XIV. Pot-of-Gold:
- XIV. Adjournment

Wheeling Historical Society Agenda July 2010

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday July 27, 2010, at 7:30 PM in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Approval of Minutes of April 28, 2010
- III. Treasurer's Report – Marilyn Chromy
- IV. Curator's Report – Patti Steilen
- V. Liaison Report – Cheri Klumpp
- VI. Communications
- VII. Committee Report
Social
PR
- VIII. Old Business
 1. Purchase of lapel microphone for tape recorder
 2. Building Plaque Project
 3. Installation Dinner
 - 4
- IX. New Business
 1. Holiday Ornament
 2. Upcoming Programs
 3. Tape Recorder Purchase
 4. Website Membership – New Letter - privilege
- X. Program
Lori Hazelwood – A Historic Look at Native Plants and Landscaping
- XI. Board Meeting August 19, 2010, and the Regular meeting August 25, 2010.
- XII. Refreshments: Barb Forke & Becky Vogel
- XIII. Pot-of-Gold:
- XIV. Adjournment

Wheeling Historical Society Agenda April 2010

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday April 28, 2010, at 7:30 PM in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Approval of Minutes of March 24, 2010
- III. Treasurer's Report – Marilyn Chromy
- IV. Curator's Report – Patti Steilen
- V. Liaison Report – Cheri Klumpp
- VI. Communications
N.E.I.L. Meeting – June 12th, 2010, Palatine museum
- VII. Committee Report
Social
PR
- VIII. Old Business
 1. Microphone Investigation & Tape Recorder Purchase
 2. Build Plaque Project
 - 3.
 - 4
- IX. New Business
 1. Nomination of President & 2 Directors
President – Joan Wiener
Directors – Barbra Forke & Becky Vogel
 2. Installation Dinner – May 26th, 2010
Cost of Dinner - \$30.00
Approve Budget \$300.00
Annual Fees
 3. Don Roth – Proclamation & Ann Roth Day
 4. Memorial Day Parade
- X. Program
Vaudeville Dancing Program by Patti Steilen
- XI. Board Meeting May 20, 2010, and the Installation Dinner May 26, 2010.
- XII. Refreshments: Patti Steilen & Marilyn Chromy

XIII. Pot-of-Gold:

XIV. Adjournment

Wheeling Historical Society Agenda

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday, January 27 2010, at 7:30 PM in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Approval of Minutes of November 12, 2009 *tabled*
- III. Treasurer's Report – Marilyn Chromy
- IV. Curator's Report – Patti Steilen
- V. Liaison Report – Cheri Klumpp
- VI. Communications
- VII. Committee Report
Social
PR
- VIII. Old Business
 1. Lollipop Lane
 2. Curtains for Community Center
 3. March Social
 4. Interviews
 5. Village Hall and Train Station Pictures
- IX. New Business
 1. White Elephant Auction
Budget - \$200.00 – Cost - \$10.00 per person
 2. Don Roth Outing
- X. Program
None
- XI. Board Meeting February 18, 2010, and the regular meeting on February 24, 2010.
- XII. Refreshments: Patti Steilen & Charlie Vallas
- XIII. Pot-of-Gold:
- XIV. Adjournment

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AGENDA October 24, 2012

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday, October 24, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090

- I. Call Meeting to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Program None**
- IV. Approval of Minutes of September 26, 2012**
- V. Treasurer's Report -Marilyn Chromy**
- VI. Curator's Report -Patti Steilen**
- VII. Liaison Report - Cheri Klumpp**
- VIII. Web Master Report -Terry Steilen**
- IX. Newsletter -Patti Steilen**
- X. Committee Report**
 - 1. Social Chairman**
 - 2. Membership - Barbara Forke**
 - 3. PR - Bill Hein**
- XI. Old Business**
 - 1. Lollipop Lane**
- XII. New Business**
- XIII. Refreshments Furnished by ~~Jean Wiener~~ Marilyn Chromy**
- XIII. Pot-of-Gold**
- XV. Adjournment**

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AGENDA SEPTEMBER 26, 2012

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday, September 26, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Chamber Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090

- I. Call Meeting to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Program Bill Kiddle on 1940 the War & the Census**
- IV. Approval of Minutes of August, 22, 2012**
- V. Treasurer's Report -Marilyn Chromy**
- VI. Curator's Report -Patti Steilen**
- VII. Liaison Report - Cheri Klumpp**
- VIII. Web Master Report -Terry Stellen**
- IX. Newsletter -Patty Steilen**
- X. Committee Report**
 - 1. Membership - Barbara Forke**
 - 2. PR - Elaine Simpson**
- XI. Old Business**
 - 1. Ornaments for Lollipop Lane**
 - 2. Review of cost of website**
 - 3. Report from Bill Hein on presentation at Senior Center**
- XII. NEW BUSINESS**
 - 1. Committee for Lollipop Lane**
 - 2. Hans Schmidt Building on Milwaukee Avenue**
 - 3.**
 - 4.**
 - 5.**
- XIII. Next Board Meeting on October 24th, 2012 and the Regular Meeting on October 24, 2012**
- XIV. Refreshments furnished by Christine Brady**
- XV. Pot-of-Gold**
- XVI. Adjournment**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY
April 25, 2012

The meeting was called to Order at 6:50 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by President Joan Wiener. There were twenty-one members and guests were in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF March 28, 2012

The minutes of March 28, 2012, were submitted for approval. Motion was made by Patti Steilen and seconded by Barbara Forke. Motion carried by a voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Marilyn Chromy presented all the monthly reports

A motion was made by Patti Steilen and seconded by Barbara Forke that the reports be approved as presented. The motion carried by a voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORT Patti Steilen stated the museum is now featuring a display on Chicago Executive Airport along with the Girl Scout exhibit. She asked for people to man the museum on Sunday's. She passed around a signup sheet

LIAISON REPORT Cheri Klumpp was not present

WEB MASTER REPORT

Terry Steilen read some of the entries in the guest book on the website.

NEWSLETTER Terry and Patti Steilen are currently doing the newsletter

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. **Membership** Barbara Forke no report
3. **PR Bill Hein** gave a brief report

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Discussion of Installation Dinner**

President Joan Wiener give everyone what the menu would be for the dinner, we will be having salad, roast pork, chicken breast, mash potatoes & gravy, green beans, rolls, butter, followed by ice cream, coffee & tea.

There will be two awards given, one to Terry Steilen for his work as Web Master and the second to Lou Kolssak for his donations to Lollipop Lane.

New Computer President Wiener stated the computer has been purchased from Turnkey and we only spent \$400.00.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Nomination of Officers** from the floor.

We need a President and two Directors. Joan Weiner volunteered to still be President and Sue Korte and Barbara Forke stated they would take the Directors positions. President Weiner asked for other interested members, there being none, there was a voice vote to approve Joan Weiner as President and Sue Korte and Barbara Forke as Directors. The motion carried by a voice vote.

2. Approval of \$50.00 Donation to Wheeling Food Pantry

A motion was made by Terry Steilen to give a donation of \$50.00 to the Wheeling Food Pantry, seconded by Judy Abruscato. The motion carried by a voice vote.

3. Approval of new Key Box for the museum.

It was unanimously agreed to have Bob Lueder make a new box,

BOARD MEETING The next Board and Regular meeting will be June 27, 2012

The next get together will be May 23, 2012 our Installation Dinner

Pot-Of-Gold The pot of gold was won by Judy Abruscato

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Valerie Gross and seconded by Barbara Forke. The meeting adjourned at 7:15p.m. The motion carried by a Voice vote,

April 25th Program- "Appraisals by Jim Bohemstengel

Respectfully submitted, Christine Brady

**April 25, 2012
7pm Wednesday**



**Galerie St. James will
again be at Chamber Park
251 N Wolf Road
(Comunity Church) to
Appraise all your
treasures what ever they
may be.**



**8 Items per person You
must be able to carry them
in (Pictures, Jewelry,
dishes, glassware) No
Furniture or Rugs please.
\$ 3.00 per item**



Presented By Wheeling Historical Society

**Information Call Joan Wiener
847-650-0144**



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY
SEPTEMBER 26, 2012**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090

Pledge of Allegiance: President Joan Wiener led those present in the Pledge.

Program Bill Kiddle on "1940 the War & the Census"

Program started at 7:11 p.m. and reconvened at 8:15. Everyone truly enjoyed the program.

Approval of Minutes of August 26, 2012 not submitted as Secretary was sick

Treasurer's Report – Marilyn Chromy

A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Patty Hancock and seconded by Terry Steilen. The motion was carried by a voice vote.

Curator's Report –Patti Steilen

Patti stated that Celeste Kutz & Lisa Lane from Indian Trails Library came to the museum to help organize our filing system.

Also two people came from Raupp Museum to help sort out what should be saved and what could be destroyed

Liaison Report – Cheri Klumpp

Cheri stated that Heritage Park is finally underway and should be finished December, 2013.

Web Master Report –Terry Steilen

Terry gave an update and stated he only used \$45.00 of the \$150.00 allotted for the site.

Newsletter –Patti Steilen

Patti said the newsletter would be out by the beginning of October.

Committee Report

1. **Membership** - Barbara Forke Not present
2. **PR** – Elaine Simpson Not present
3. **Social Chairman** Susan Korte No report

Old Business

1. Ornaments for Lollipop Lane

Bill Hein and Patti Steilen are checking on the ornament

2. Review of Cost of Website

Covered under the Web Master

3. Report from Bill Hein on presentation at Senior Center

Patti Steilen and Bill Hein went to the Senior Center for a presentation of the Historical Society. Hoping to get some new member, stated it went well.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Committee for Lollipop Lane

Elaine Simpson will be in charge of Lollipop Lane , with Board members making up the committee.

2. Hans Schmidt Building on Milwaukee Avenue

Bill Hein gave a description of the building at 119 South Milwaukee Avenue and stated the society would like to purchase it from the Village and get a grant to put it back to its original condition.

Next Board Meeting on October 24th, 2012 at 6:30 and the Regular Meeting on October 24, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Refreshments furnished by Christine Brady

Next month Marilyn Chromy will supply refreshments

Pot-of-Gold The winner was Celeste Kuta

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Patti Steilen and seconded by Terry Steilen

Adjournment: 8:40 p.m.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY
AUGUST 22, 2012**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090

Program "SONGS OF THE SINGING COWBOYS" By: Rick Pickren
Everyone truly enjoyed the program.

Meeting reconvened at: 8:44 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: President Joan Wiener led those present in the Pledge.

Approval of Minutes of April, 25, 2012

A motion was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Terry Steilen that the minutes of April 25, 2012 be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Treasurer's Report – Marilyn Chromy

A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Patty Hancock and seconded by Patti Steilen. The motion was carried by a voice vote.

Curator's Report –Patti Steilen

Patti went to Indian Trails Library as part of a group giving input as to where the Historical Society will be in the future. Also mentioned that the MacIsaac sisters have been helping out at the museum on Thursday mornings.

Liaison Report – Cheri Klumpp

Cheri stated that construction has not yet started on Heritage Park; she was not sure when it was going to start. Chevy Chase is adding a patio to the North of the building.

Web Master Report –Terry Steilen

Terry stated the website needs more capacity

Newsletter –Patti Steilen

Joan informed the members that Patti Steilen will now be doing the newsletter.

Committee Report

I. Membership - Barbara Forke

Barbara turned over this report to Bill Hein. Bill shared his idea for getting new members. He would like to get a team together that could show what the Historical

Society does, this could be done at Homeowners Association meetings. Bill also asked for other ideas. Ken Brady suggested placing information in the Village newsletter.

2. PR – Elaine Simpson Not present

Old Business

Letter sent to Park District requesting two new filing cabinets

Joan stated that the letter was sent two months ago. Cheri Klumpp mentioned the Board has not seen the request and she will check into it.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of funds for the Historical Society website in the amount of \$156.00 or less

A motion was made to approve funds not to exceed \$156.00 for the website by Christine Brady and seconded by Barbara Fork. The motion carried by a voice vote.

2. Approval to purchase Candy Cane Ornaments for Lollipop Lane

A motion to approve the purchase of candy cane ornaments in a not to exceed price of \$350.00 was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Terry Steilen. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Added: Marilyn would like approval to have the Civil War child rocking chair re-canned with a price of \$100.0. A motion was made by Patti Steilen and seconded by Patty Hancock. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Next Board Meeting on September 26th, 2012 and the Regular Meeting on September 26, 2012

Refreshments furnished by Bill Hein & Patti Steilen

Pot-of-Gold

The winner was Ken Brady

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Christine Brady and seconded by Marilyn Chromy.

Adjournment: 9:10 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY
April 25, 2012

The meeting was called to Order at 6:50 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by President Joan Wiener. There were twenty-one members and guests were in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF March 28, 2012

The minutes of March 28, 2012, were submitted for approval. Motion was made by Patti Steilen and seconded by Barbara Forke. Motion carried by a voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Marilyn Chromy presented all the monthly reports

A motion was made by Patti Steilen and seconded by Barbara Forke that the reports be approved as presented. The motion carried by a voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORT Patti Steilen stated the museum is now featuring a display on Chicago Executive Airport along with the Girl Scout exhibit. She asked for people to man the museum on Sunday's. She passed around a signup sheet

LIAISON REPORT Cheri Klumpp was not present

WEB MASTER REPORT

Terry Steilen read some of the entries in the guest book on the website.

NEWSLETTER Terry and Patti Steilen are currently doing the newsletter

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. **Membership** Barbara Forke no report
3. **PR Bill Hein** gave a brief report

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Discussion of Installation Dinner**

President Joan Wiener give everyone what the menu would be for the dinner, we will be having salad, roast pork, chicken breast, mash potatoes & gravy, green beans, rolls, butter, followed by ice cream, coffee & tea.

There will be two awards given, one to Terry Steilen for his work as Web Master and the second to Lou Kolssak for his donations to Lollipop Lane.

New Computer President Wiener stated the computer has been purchased from Turnkey and we only spent \$400.00.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Nomination of Officers** from the floor.

We need a President and two Directors. Joan Weiner volunteered to still be President and Sue Korte and Barbara Forke stated they would take the Directors positions. President Weiner asked for other interested members, there being none, there was a voice vote to approve Joan Weiner as President and Sue Korte and Barbara Forke as Directors. The motion carried by a voice vote.

2. Approval of \$50.00 Donation to Wheeling Food Pantry

A motion was made by Terry Steilen to give a donation of \$50.00 to the Wheeling Food Pantry, seconded by Judy Abruscato. The motion carried by a voice vote.

3. Approval of new Key Box for the museum.

It was unanimously agreed to have Bob Lueder make a new box,

BOARD MEETING The next Board and Regular meeting will be June 27, 2012

The next get together will be May 23, 2012 our Installation Dinner

Pot-Of-Gold The pot of gold was won by Judy Abruscato

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Valerie Gross and seconded by Barbara Forke. The meeting adjourned at 7:15p.m. The motion carried by a Voice vote,

April 25th Program- "Appraisals by Jim Bohemstengel

Respectfully submitted, Christine Brady

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY
March 28, 2012

The meeting was called to Order at 7:00 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by President Joan Wiener. There were thirty-five members and guests were in attendance.

PROGRAM "Decade of Dresses"

We had a very enjoyable program. Everyone had a very good time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF November 16, 2011

The minutes of November 16, 2011 were submitted for approval. Motion was made by Patti and seconded by Terry Steilen. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Also please note that since we had no meeting since November 16, 2011 there will be no minutes for December, 2011, January & February, 2012.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Marilyn Chromy presented all the monthly reports starting with November 16, 2011. Reason being we have had no regular meeting since then.

There was a separate report for Lollipop Lane which was also approved.

A motion was made by Christine Brady and seconded by Barbara Forke that the reports be approved as presented. The motion carried by a voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORT Patti Steilen stated the museum is now featuring a Girl Scout exhibit.

LIAISON REPORT

Cheri Klumpp stated the park will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt at the Wheeling High School football field, on Saturday March 31, 2012.

WEB MASTER REPORT

Terry Steilen requested that we release the old news letters to the web. A motion was made by Christine Brady and seconded by Terry Steilen. The motion carried by a voice vote.

NEWSLETTER Donna Vallas was not present.

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. **Membership** Barbara Forke no report
3. **PR Bill Hein** will be releasing a press release advertising next month's meeting with the appraiser.

OLD BUSINESS NONE

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Nomination of Officers from the floor.**
We need a President and two Directors. Joan Weiner volunteered to still be President and Sue and Barbara stated they would take the Directors positions. There were no other volunteers.
2. **Releasing old news letters on the web:**

Discussed under Web Master Report voice vote and approved.
3. **Set Budget for the Installation of Officers Dinner.**

A motion to approve a \$500.00 budget was made by Christine Brady and seconded by Patti Steilen the motion was approved by a voice vote.
4. **April 25th Program- "Appraisals by Jim Bohemstengel**

Joan mentioned that the appraiser will check furniture but you need to bring a picture not the actual piece.
5. **New computer for Museum – Laptop**

After a brief discussion it was decided that the Historical Society should purchase their own computer. It was decided there would be a budget of no more than Five Hundred Dollars.
A motion to spend no more than \$500.00 on the purchase of a new computer was made by Christine Brady and seconded by Bill Hein. The motion carried by a voice vote.
6. **Linda Reading mentioned that she had loaned an old wash basin to the museum for the restroom and would like it back unless the Society would purchase it for \$200.00 that is the price she paid for it.**

A motion was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Patti Steilen to buy it for \$200.00 the motion carried by a voice vote.
7. **Bill Hein stated that Caroline Kolssak brought in some photos and mugs, etc. for the museum.**

BOARD MEETING The next Board meeting and regular meeting will be April 25, 2012

Pot-Of-Gold The pot of gold was won by Christine Brady

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Terry Steilen. The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m. The motion carried by a Voice vote,

Respectfully submitted, Christine Brady

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

October 26, 2011

The meeting was called to Order at 7:05 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by President Joan Wiener. There were seven members in attendance.

PROGRAM None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF September 28, 2011

The minutes of September 28, 2011 were submitted for approval. Motion was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Elaine Simpson. Motion carried by a voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

There was no report since Marilyn was not present.

CURATOR'S REPORT

There was no report since Patti was not present

LIAISON REPORT

Cheri Klumpp gave a report on what is happening with the park. She reminded everyone of the tree decorating date and time, Tuesday November 29 at 1:30 p.m.

WEB MASTER REPORT

There was no report since Terry was not present.

NEWSLETTER Donna Vallas

Donna was not present.

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. **Membership** Barbara Forke no report
3. **PR Bill Hein** working on lollipop Lane advertising

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Lollipop Lane:**

Joan showed everyone the ornament for this year and it looks great. She did not have the ribbon yet but it should be coming soon. She also stated the need to pick up the bikes for the raffles, when we need to put the cookies together and decorate the trees.

2. **E-mail addresses for newsletter.**

Joan listed the e-mail addresses she currently has and asked if anyone had more.

BOARD MEETING

The next meeting will be a combined board and regular November 16, 2011

REFRESHMENTS

Refreshments were furnished by Barbara Forke, thank you very much

Pot-Of-Gold

Fifty Fifty won by Bill Hein

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Elaine Simpson. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. The motion carried by a Voice vote,

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Brady

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

September 28, 2011

The meeting was called to Order at 7:00 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by President Joan Wiener. There were fifteen members and one guest in attendance.

PROGRAM Baseball in the movies by Steven Frenzel

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF August 24, 2011

The minutes of August 24, 2011 were submitted for approval. Motion was made by Patti Steilen and seconded by Elaine Simpson. Motion carried by a voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer reports were given by Marilyn Chromy. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Patti Steilen and seconded by Charlie Vallas. The motion carried by a voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORT

Patti Steilen stated the museum was host to one hundred children Wednesday. They had fifty in the morning and fifty in the afternoon. Everyone had a good time.

Also Terry & Patti Steilen are donating the stickers for the back of the photos that are given to the children at Lollipop Lane.

LIAISON REPORT

Cheri Klumpp gave a report that the Fall programs at the Park are under way. October 16 at Chevy the Park will be hosting Pig Skin in the Park for the Bears and Minnesota game.

WEB MASTER REPORT

Terry Steilen stated he has Lollipop Lane on the Front page of the Web. He also stated everyone should check this out.

NEWSLETTER Donna Vallas

Donna was not present, but Charlie Vallas was and mentioned that Donna was looking for new ideas

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Membership: Barbara Forke Reported that she and Patti set up a table at the "I am me Burn Camp Pig Roast." On September 10th and hope that it might have helped get some new members,

3. PR Bill Hein will be in charge

OLD BUSINESS

1. Lollipop Lane:
 - a. Budget The Budget was set at \$3,000.00. A motion was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Terry Steilen The motion carried by a voice vote.
 - b. Singers It was agreed to get the Madrigal singers from the High School. A motion was made by Judy Abruscato and seconded by Elaine Simpson. The motion carried by a voice vote.
 - c. Ornaments The members agreed to have a Lollipop ornament. It was also discussed to purchase ribbon with the printing put on so we only have to tie it on the sticks of the ornament. A motion was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Judy Abruscato. The motion carried by a voice vote.
 - d. Raffles a discussion ensued regarding a free raffle for the girl and boy bikes. It was agreed that each child will receive on ticket, a blue for boys and a pink for girls.

BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting will be October 19, 2011 and the regular meeting October 26, 2011

REFRESHMENTS

Refreshments were furnished by Chris Brady, and Marilyn.

Pot-Of-Gold

Fifty Fifty won by Marilyn

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Judy Abruscato and seconded by Keith Pecka. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m. The motion carried by a Voice vote,

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Brady

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

August 24, 2011

The meeting was called to Order at 7:00 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by President Joan Wiener. There were fifteen members and one guest in attendance.

PROGRAM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF July 27, 2011

The minutes of July 27, 2011 were submitted for approval. Motion to approve with the following correction: under Treasurer's report "Motion carried by a voice vote" was made by Terry Steilen and seconded by Patti Steilen. Motion carried by a voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer reports were given by Marilyn Chromy. Motion to accept the Treasurer's first report was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Patti Steilen. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Marilyn asked for approval to take five hundred dollars out of the money market account and place it in the checking account, as we have some expenses coming up that would put a dent in the checking account and this would also give us a cushion.

A motion was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Charles Vallas to approve the request. The motion carried by a voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORT

Patti Steilen talked about the booth we would like to have at the "I Am Me Burn Camp" pig roast. This way we would hopefully attract new members. A number of ideas were tossed around. Pattie & Barb Forke are the committee.

Patti also said that our Deputy Police Chief John Teevens had come to the Museum last week looking for pictures of our long ago Police Chiefs. They were able to get some information and things for an exhibit they are working on.

LIAISON REPORT

Cheri Klumpp gave a report on the end of the Park's summer camp. Also stated the Park will move their maintenance building to one they purchased on Edgi Drive.

WEB MASTER REPORT

Terry Steilen stated he has the first page of the first book for the archives done. Also he is working on taking a picture of every item the museum has. This way you would be able to locate anything you are looking for.

NEWSLETTER Donna Vallas

Donna stated she was looking for input and ideas from the members for the upcoming September newsletter.

Bill Hein stated we should be sending the newsletter out to various groups, like the High School, Rotary, etc. in order to attract new members. A discussion ensued regarding e-mailing the newsletter. Joan asked everyone to think about doing this and we will bring it up at the next regular meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Membership: Barbara Forke Nothing to report

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Voting on change of inscription for Library Brick-changing it from "Our Past is your Future" to "Looking Forward & Glancing Back"**

A motion to approve the change was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Charlie Vallas. The motion carried by a Voice vote.

2. **Approving Budget of \$100.00 for Social Chairman**

Joan mentioned that she is looking for someone to become the Social Chairman. This person is responsible for getting someone to bake for the meetings, and making sure there are coffee cups, coffee, plates, etc. for this she asked for a One Hundred dollar budget.

A motion was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Terry Steilen to approve the budget. The motion carried by a voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Discussion on ornament & purchase of books for Lollipop Lane**

After some discussion it was decided that Cheri Klumpp will take care of getting the books. Charlie Vallas will order Ornaments and Elaine Simpson is in charge of Lollipop Lane.

2. **Discussion on entertainment for Lollipop Lane**

Bill Hein would like to get the Madrigal from the High School to be in costume and sign outside. He will check into it.

A motion was made by Bill Simpson and seconded by Donna Vallas to approve getting the singers, the motion carried by a Voice vote.

3. **Discussion on having a booth at the "I Am Me Burn Camp Pig Roast"**

A motion was made by Patti Steilen and seconded by Elaine Simpson to approve having a booth. The motion carried by a Voice vote.

BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting will be September 21, 2011 and the regular meeting September 28, 2011

REFRESHMENTS

Refreshments were furnished by Bill Hein and were delicious.

Pot-Of-Gold

Pot-Of-Gold won by Bill Hein (Happy Birthday)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Terry Steilen and seconded by Patti Steilen. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. The motion carried by a Voice vote,

After everyone got their refreshments a discussion ensued regarding old business in Wheeling. Marilyn and Patti were looking for names and where they were located.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Brady

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

JULY 27, 2011

The meeting was called to Order at 7:00 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by President Joan Wiener. There were twelve members and one guest in attendance.

PROGRAM –“THE BOY’S IN BLUE”

Presented by Mr. Bill Kiddle; “Civil War Wheeling Boys in Blue”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 27, 2011

The minutes of April 27, 2011 were submitted for approval. Motion to approve was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Patti Steilen. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The Treasurer reports were given by Marilyn Chromy. Motion to accept the Treasurer’s first report was made by Patti Steilen and seconded by Terry Steilen. The motion carried by a voice vote. A motion to accept the second report was made by Patti Steilen and seconded by Bill Hein.

CURATOR’S REPORT

Patti Steilen stated they are meeting every Thursday and to remind everyone that there are still dates available for Sunday at the museum.

LIAISON REPORT

Cheri Klumpp gave a report on the 4th of July events and the Park’s 50th Anniversary’s time capsule

WEB MASTER REPORT

Terry Steilen stated he is reorganizing some of the museum information. Also he has received some free updates to the program that currently in the computer.

NEWSLETTER

Donna Vallas was absent.

Charlie Vallas was present and passed on some information from her. She is currently sending out forty copies of the newsletter, plus she is looking for information for the next letter to go out.

COMMUNICATION

Cheri Klumpp reported that Patti Hancock’s sister had passed away and we should send a sympathy card

Everyone agreed.

President Joan Wiener reported that Becky Vogel had resigned from her position as Social Chairmen, but is still a member of the Society. We now have a position to fill.

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Membership: Barbara Forke Nothing to report

OLD BUSINESS

1. *Review Installation Dinner: It was agreed that the food was great and everyone had a good time. It was also decided there no longer is a need for a program to be at the dinner.*
2. Inscription for Library brick will read "Our Past is your Future"

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve Budget for Programs: A motion was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Chris Brady the budget for programs be \$1000.00 for the year. The motion was approved,
2. Approve Budget of \$100.00 for Social Chairman: Tabled
3. Discussion to approve an Ad for joining the Historical Society be placed in the Park's 50th Anniversary Brochure. A motion was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Terry Steilen to approve spending \$295.00 on the Ad. The motion carried by a voice vote.

BOARD MEETING

The next meeting will be August 24, 2011

REFRESHMENTS

Refreshments furnished by Patti Steilen & Joan Wiener

Pot-Of-Gold

Pot-Of-Gold won by Joan Wiener

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bill Hein and seconded by Chris Brady. The meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Brady

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society
April 2011**

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society was held on April 27, 2011, and called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Joan Wiener . There were 12 members and 2 guest in attendance.

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NEWSLETTER

Donna Vallas was absent.

COMMUNICATIONS

Charlie Vallas reported the Bernadine Horcher had fallen and broken her arm and had eight stitches above her eye. He thought the society should send a card or something to her.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - SOCIAL and PR

Nomination Committee -

The following slate was presented:

Vice President - Bill Hein

Secretary - Chris Brady

Treasure - Marilyn Chromy

Director - Elaine Simpson

Nominations were opened to the floor. There were no nominations from the floor.

Motion was made by Patti Steilen to accept the slate as presented and seconded by Becky Vogel. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

PROGRAM

The Cycling Sister presented their trip from Maine to Miami

OLD BUSINESS

Handwritten notes:
Joan Wiener
Marilyn Chromy
Becky Vogel
Patti Steilen
Bill Hein
Chris Brady
Elaine Simpson

1. White Elephant – It was a big success and there were a lot of items this year. There were 47 in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

1. The installation dinner will be held at Chevy Chase on May 25, 2011. Motion was made by Charlie Vallas that the budget for the Installation Dinner would be \$500.00. Motion seconded by Terry Steilen. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Joan Wiener said cost would be \$30.00 with cash bar.

2. Approval of April Program. Joan Wiener has the Cycling Sisters booked for the April program. Motion was made to appropriate \$200.00 for the program by Patti Steilen and seconded by Becky Vogel. Charlie Vallas stated he thought it was too much money for the program. Motion carried by voice vote with 1 nay vote.

3. Software for Museum – Past Perfect - Donna stated that we are really a paper based system. With the software available it would make finding information much easier. There are local societies using the software and Donna listed several. Donna estimated that the software would cost just a little under \$1000.00. Bill Hein questioned if we had enough manpower to get it going after we purchased it. Bill Hein suggested getting the Park District involved, Cheri Klumpp recommended sending a letter to the Park District Director requesting a meeting for discussion. All were in agreement the some kind of software is needed.

4. Annual Business Award – Motion was made by Charlie Vallas to present Hackney's Restaurant with the award this year. Motion seconded by Patti Steilen. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

5. Kilcoynes – Several member went to Kilcoynes for their 40th anniversary. The owners of several long time businesses were in attendance.

6. The Museum will open on April 3, 2011. Joan Wiener urged members to sign up to sit at the museum.

7. Joan Wiener stated that the Indian trails library was selling bricks with inscriptions for \$100.00 as a fundraiser for their newly planned Reading Garden. Terry Steilen made a motion to purchase a brick from the library and Bill Hein seconded. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting is the Installation Dinner May 25, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. at Chevy Chase.

POT-OF-GOLD

Pot-of-Gold was won by Patti Steilen..

REFRESHMENTS

Refreshments were made by Cheri Klumpp and Patti Steilen.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:16 p.m. a motion was made to adjourn by Terry Steilen and seconded by Bill Hein.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Vallas

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY
PRESENTS

LOLLIPOP LANE

SATURDAY **DECEMBER 5th**
THROUGH
SUNDAY, **DECEMBER 13th**
AT

Chamber Community Center
251 N. Wolf Road
Wheeling, Illinois

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 6:30 P.M. TIL 8:30 P.M.
SATURDAY, SUNDAY 2:00 P.M. TIL 5:00 P.M.

MR. AND MRS. SANTA CLAUS ARRIVING IN
WHEELING ON
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5th
AT 2:00 P.M.

COME AND JOIN US!

- VISIT WITH MR AND MRS CLAUS
- PICTURE TAKEN WITH MR AND MRS SANTA COURTESY OF BILL STASEK CHEVROLET
- BRING A CAMERA AND TAKE PICTURES OF YOUR CHILDREN WITH MR AND MRS SANTA
- SUPRISES FOR THE CHILDREN
- COOKIES TO PURCHASE (WHILE THEY LAST) DONATION TO THE SOCIETY

Minutes of the Meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society March 2011

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society was held on March 24, 2011, and called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Joan Wiener . There were 13 members in attendance.

GUEST SPEAKER

Mrs. Eileen Halleck, President of the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Foundation, gave a brief history of the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Foundation and asked the Historical Society to join as a member for \$50.00 per year. Charlie Vallas made the motion to purchase a membership for \$50.00. Joan Wiener seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of January 2010 were submitted for approval. Motion was made to approve the minutes by Bill Hein and seconded by Becky Vogel. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report for January 2010 was given by Marilyn Chromy. Motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Bill Simpson and seconded by Bill Hein. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORT

Patti Steilen said that a lot of donation of artifacts from Family Fest had been collected and hoped to get a display up in April on Family Fest. There is a documentary being made in Wheeling called "For Billy" . The producers came to the museum and filmed some of our members. Patti said they would be at the museum on Saturday morning and her and Terry were going to set up a table at the Chevy Chase Fish Fry to see if they could sign up new members.

PARK DISTRICT LIAISON REPORT

Cheri Klumpp reported that there would be a Fish Fry at Chevy Chase every Friday until Easter. Cheri said they buried a time capsule 25 years and they were going to do the same this year. Cheri brought some handouts which look like small time capsules. Easter Egg hunt will be April 16th and will be held at three parks all at different times.

WEB SITE

Terry Steilen reported he had put the moving of the carriage house DVD on the Web page. There are three movies on the Website.

NEWSLETTER

Donna Vallas reported that the newsletter distribution now include those Historical Societies the send us newsletters. She is always looking for new ideas.

COMMUNICATIONS

Bill Hein gave a short presentation on the changes to the Farmers Market this year. It will be moving to Chambers Park and will be held on Tuesday and Saturday. The first day will be May 17th. On May 28th there will be a strawberry fest. In August there will be a back to school event. Bill stated that he was working to turn the Farmers Market to the Park District or St Joseph the Worker.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - SOCIAL and PR

Nomination Committee –

Terry Steilen reported that Charlie Vallas was stepping down as Secretary and he was still working on finding a replacement.

PROGRAM

No Program

OLD BUSINESS

1. White Elephant – It was a big success and there were a lot of items this year. There were 47 in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

1. The installation dinner will be held at Chevy Chase on May 25, 2011. Motion was made by Charlie Vallas that the budget for the Installation Dinner would be \$500.00. Motion seconded by Terry Steilen. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Joan Wiener said cost would be \$30.00 with cash bar.

2. Approval of April Program. Joan Wiener has the Cycling Sisters booked for the April program. Motion was made to appropriate \$200.00 for the program by Patti Steilen and seconded by Becky Vogel. Charlie Vallas stated he thought it was too much money for the program. Motion carried by voice vote with 1 nay vote.

3. Software for Museum – Past Perfect - Donna stated that we are really a paper based system. With the software available it would make finding information much easier. There are local societies using the software and Donna listed several. Donna estimated that the software would cost just a little under \$1000.00. Bill Hein questioned if we had enough manpower to get it going after we purchased it. Bill Hein suggested getting the Park District involved, Cheri Klumpp recommended sending a letter to the Park District Director requesting a meeting for discussion. All were in agreement the some kind of software is needed.

4. Annual Business Award – Motion was made by Charlie Vallas to present Hackney's Restaurant with the award this year. Motion seconded by Patti Steilen. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

5. Kilcoynes – Several member went to Kilcoynes for their 40th anniversary. The owners of several long time businesses were in attendance.

6. The Museum will open on April 3, 2011. Joan Wiener urged members to sign up to sit at the museum.

BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting is the Installation Dinner May 25, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. at Chevy Chase.

POT-OF-GOLD

Pot-of-Gold was won by Patti Steilen..

REFRESHMENTS

Refreshments were made by Cheri Klumpp and Patti Steilen.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:16 p.m. a motion was made to adjourn by Terry Steilen and seconded by Bill Hein.


Respectfully submitted,

Charles Vallas
Secretary
Wheeling Historical Society



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Wheeling, Illinois



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**Don't forget to purchase
your cookies and the
2010 ornament
(they go fast)!**



Minutes of the Meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society November 2010

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society was held on November 17, 2010, and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Joan Wiener. There were 10 members and two guest in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Secretary absent

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report for was given by Marilyn Chromy. Motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Patty Hancock and seconded by Terry Steilen. Motion carried by voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORT

Patti Steilen reported there was an inquiry about the Dam and it was built in 1918 by staff members. She attended the N.E.I.L meeting and there were several things presented. On Thursday mornings they are still continuing to catalog things, file obituaries, and work on ongoing projects.

PARK DISTRICT LIAISON REPORT

Cheri Klumpp reported that 2011 is the 50th anniversary of the Park District. They will be having several events celebrating the occasion. Master plan being developed for land acquired just east of Northgate Parkway.

WEB SITE

Terry Steilen reported that there had been 788 hits on the web site. This consisted of 348 visitors. Receiving comments and inquiries from the website.

NEWSLETTER

Donna Vallas reported there was nothing new.

COMMUNICATIONS

Joan stated that Bill Hein had sent all the Lollipop Lane information the newspapers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - SOCIAL and PR

No Report.

PROGRAM

No Program

OLD BUSINESS

1. Lollipop Lane – Elaine Simpson gave an update on the Lollipop Lane planning. Everything is running on time. We have a volunteer for Mrs. Santa. Joan urged everyone to sign up for duty at Lollipop Lane. The cookie calls are in progress. Cookie should be delivered to Chamber Community Center between 9 am – Noon on December 4th. A lady has donated to 9ft pre-lit Christmas trees to Lollipop Lane. They will be displayed this

year. The Garden Club will be decorating a tree in honor of Lorraine Haben and will be donating cookies in her honor also.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Membership Drive – Patti Steilen will be sitting at the Indian Trails Library on Wednesday evening trying to get new members.

2. Terry Steilen thanked Donna Vallas for sharing information on the software she uses to create the News Letter. Terry investigated and used it to create business cards for the curators.

BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting is November 17, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. and the next general meeting will be November 17, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. at the Chamber Center.

POT-OF-GOLD

Pot-of-Gold was won by Marilyn Chromy.

REFRESHMENTS

The refreshments were furnished by Joan Weiner, Patty Hancock, and Patti Steilen.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:16 p.m. a motion was made to adjourn by Patty Hancock and seconded by Bill Hein.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Vallas
Secretary
Wheeling Historical Society

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at home*

Wheeling Historical Society Agenda October 2010

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society, Wednesday October 27, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. in the Chamber Center, 251 Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Approval of Minutes of September 22, 2010
- III. Treasurer's Report – Marilyn Chromy
- IV. Curator's Report – Patti Steilen
- V. Liaison Report – Cheri Klumpp
- VI. Web Master Report – Terry Steilen
- VII. Newsletter – Donna Vallas
- VII. Communications
- IX. Committee Report
Social
PR
- X. Old Business
 1. Holiday Ornament – Red ornament with silver imprint
 2. Lollipop Lane
 - 3.
 - 4.
- XI. New Business
 - 1.
 - 2.
- XI. Program
Galerie St. James Auctioneers / Appraisers
- XII. Board Meeting on November 11, 2010, and the Regular Meeting on November 17, 2010.
- XIII. Refreshments:
- XIV. Pot-of-Gold:
- XIV. Adjournment

Minutes of the Meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society October 2010

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society was held on October 27, 2010, and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Joan Wiener. There were 17 members and two guest in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of September 22, 2010, were submitted for approval. Motion was made to accept the minutes by Patty Hancock and seconded by Donna Vallas. Motion carried by voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report for was given by Marilyn Chromy. Motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Patty Hancock and seconded by Patti Steilen. Motion carried by voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORT

Patti Steilen reported that albums for the Balding pictures were being filled with pictures. On Thursday mornings they are still continuing to catalog things, file obituaries, and work on ongoing projects.

PARK DISTRICT LIAISON REPORT

Cheri Klumpp was absent.

WEB SITE

Terry Steilen reported that there had been 852 hits on the web site. This consisted of 387 visitors. All the newsletter through 1984 have been added to the website. The Newsletters and "Wheeling Through the Years" have been made "keyword" searchable. Terry read a couple comments that were left in the Guest Book online.

NEWSLETTER

Donna Vallas reported there was nothing new.

COMMUNICATIONS

Joan Wiener held a moment of silence for our longtime member Loraine Haben. A donation was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - SOCIAL and PR

No Report.

PROGRAM

Galerie St. James Auctioneers / Appraisers looked at many of the old relics that were brought. Several had surprising values and stories behind them.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Holiday Ornament – Ornament has arrived and was on display for members attending to look at.
2. Lollipop Lane – Ornament is in, books are in, and reindeer food is being made. Cheri is purchasing the door prizes. The cookie price will be raised to \$4.00. It will be held December 4 through the 12th.

NEW BUSINESS

None

BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting is November 17, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. and the next general meeting will be November 17, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. at the Chamber Center.

POT-OF-GOLD

Pot-of-Gold was won by Marilyn Chromy.

REFRESHMENTS

The refreshments were furnished by Joan Wiener, Patty Hancock, and Patti Steilen.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:16 p.m. a motion was made to adjourn by Patty Hancock and seconded by Donna Vallas.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Vallas
Secretary
Wheeling Historical Society

Minutes of the Meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society September 2010

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society was held on September 22, 2010, and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Joan Wiener. There were 11 members and one guest in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of August 25, 2010, were submitted for approval. Motion was made to accept the minutes by Bill Hein and seconded by Wedge Hancock. Motion carried by voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report for May through September 22, 2010, was given by Marilyn Chromy. Motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Patty Hancock and seconded by Becky Vogel. Motion carried by voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORT

No Report. Patti Steilen absent.

PARK DISTRICT LIAISON REPORT

Cheri Klumpp reported that the light on the outside of the building had been fixed and the clock is working, too. An update on the Heritage Park changes was in the paper "In The Know". The new playground for the preschool at the park district was dedicated.

WEB SITE

No Report. Mr. Steilen was absent.

NEWSLETTER

Donna Vallas reported that each month she was going to have a feature story and gave examples of articles that would be upcoming. Donna welcomed all ideas and urged all members to jot things down and let her know.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - SOCIAL and PR

No Report.

PROGRAM

None.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Holiday Ornament – Ornament will be red with silver imprint. The ornament has been ordered.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. Lollipop Lane – The wheels for Lollipop Lane are in motion and the plans and assignments were discussed at the Board Meeting. Elaine Simpson is heading the committee.
2. North West Municipal Auction will be on October 9, 2010, at the Wheeling Public Works building. Bill Hein has been asked to serve food at the event. Bill has extended the offer that if the Historical Society would help him with the event he would be glad to share the profits with the society. Motion was made by Charlie Vallas to accept Mr. Hein's offer and seconded by Donna Vallas. Motion passed by voice vote.
3. Society Meeting Time – The meeting time of 7:30 p.m. for the society was discussed and a motion was made to change the meeting time to 7:00 p.m. Motion was made by Charlie Vallas and seconded by Becky Vogel. Motion passed by voice vote.

BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting is October 21, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. and the next general meeting will be October 27, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. at the Chamber Center.

POT-OF-GOLD

Pot-of-Gold was won by Marilyn Chromy.

REFRESHMENTS

The refreshments were furnished by Becky Vogel.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:16 p.m. a motion was made to adjourn by Patty Hancock and seconded by Donna Vallas.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Vallas
Secretary
Wheeling Historical Society

Minutes of the Meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society August 2010

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society was held on August 25, 2010, and was called to order at 7:00PM by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Joan Wiener. There were 15 members in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of August 25, 2010 were submitted for approval. Motion was made to accept the minutes by Linda Reading and seconded by Bill Hein. Motion carried by voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer informed us she was unable to attend.

CURATOR'S REPORT

Patti Steilen said the Lands Farm tour went well and there were 6 people on the tour. The Knotwitz family requested information, and two boy scouts came over and cleaned the barn. The Thursday morning group continue to work on their projects.

PARK DISTRICT LIAISON REPORT

Cheri Klumpp report that the Park District had the Susan K. Komen 5K/10K Run/Walk coming up on October 3 at 10 AM.

The Aquatic Center Sunami Splash will remain open after Labor Day.

On September 27, 2010 at 5:30 pm there will be a Tail Gate Party in the Chevy Chase Parking Lot.

WEB SITE

No Report

COMMUNICATIONS

The 10th Classic Northbrook Car Show – September 19, 2010 Noon-4p.m.
Northbrook Village Green

COMMITTEE REPORTS - SOCIAL and PR

No Report

PROGRAM

David Leider gave a wonderful presentation and slide show on the Wisconsin Central train line through Wheeling. David was also selling his book Wisconsin Central in Illinois.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Holiday Ornament – Patti Hancock sketched a design of the "Nut Crackers" for the design. Charlie Vallas is going to proceed with the ordering of 100 for this year.

2. Two tape recorders were purchased and came in under the budget of \$500.00. Charlie Vallas will keep the tape recorders and research the operation so he can explain it to the persons using it.

NEW BUSINESS

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2.

BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting is September 15, 2010 at 7:30 pm and the next general meeting will be September 22, 2010 at 7:00 pm at the Chamber Center.

POT-OF-GOLD

Pot-of-Gold was won by Patti Steilen

REFRESHMENTS

The refreshments were furnished by Joan Wiener and Patty Hancock

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:16 PM a motion was made to adjourn by Patty Hancock and seconded by Patti Steilen

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Vallas
Secretary
Wheeling Historical Society

Minutes of the Meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society July 2010

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society was held on July 27, 2010, and was called to order at 7:00PM by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Joan Wiener. There were 13 members in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of April 28, 2010 were submitted for approval. Motion was made to accept the minutes by Patti Steilen and seconded by Becky Vogel. Motion carried by voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer informed us she was unable to attend.

CURATOR'S REPORT

Patti Steilen talked with the Wheeling Fire Chief and he is gathering items to donate to the society. One of the items is a dress uniform. There have been several family inquiries. Two Scouts have contacted us and would like to perform some duties for us to receive one of their badges.

PARK DISTRICT LIAISON REPORT

Cheri Klumpp report that the Park District had sponsored a Rattle Snake Ramble. The event drew 20 3-person teams. The event included bicycling, swimming, and running. A fun time was had by all. On August 16th, 2010 there will be a free movie at Chamber Park and on Wednesday there will be a Summer Concert at the Aquatic center.

WEB SITE

Terry Steilen reported he had added the History of the Rattle Snake Hunt and the History of the Wheeling Flag.

COMMUNICATIONS

We received a Thank You from Ann Roth which was read by the Secretary.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - SOCIAL and PR

No Report

PROGRAM

Lori Hazelwood of the Wheeling Public Works Department gave a presentation on "A Historic Look at Native Plants and Landscaping". There was discussion after the presentation on old trees in Wheeling. Lori said the elm tree by the high school on Hintz Road was over 100 years old.

OLD BUSINESS

1. It was reported that the lapel microphone that was purchased did not work and was returned.

2. Building Plaque – This will be an ongoing project and will not be discussed until the January or February meeting. The society has chosen Hackneys as the recipient of the 2011 Historical Society Building Plaque

NEW BUSINESS

1. The Holiday Ornament – Charlie Vallas is getting designs ready to present to the Board at the next meeting so a design can be chosen. Terry Steilen brought up the possibility of marketing the ornament other than just at the Lollipop Lane event.

2. The Program will be given by David Leider on the Wisconsin Central in Illinois (the Wisconsin Central Railroad) next month. He has written a book and it was agreed on to purchase a book at the meeting.

3. Tape Recorder Purchase – Charlie Vallas reported the secretaries recorder has broken and a new one would need to be purchased. Charlie also had priced a higher end tape recorder, dictation kit and lapel microphone for the interviewing process. The price as a little over \$400.00. A motion was made by Charlie Vallas to purchase the two recorders for a cost not to exceed \$500.00. Motion seconded by Terry Steilen. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Website Membership – It was discussed that the Newsletter was one of the benefits of being a member. Terry Steilen said he would password protect the Newsletter section and distribute the password to members only. He also wanted some ideas on why our website is special and people should come to it.

BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting is August 19, 2010 at 7 pm and the next general meeting will be August 25, 2010 at 7:00 pm at the Chamber Center.

POT-OF-GOLD

Pot-of-Gold was won by Donna Vallas

REFRESHMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:16 PM a motion was made to adjourn by Bill Hein and seconded by Patty Hancock.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Vallas
Secretary
Wheeling Historical Society

Minutes of the Meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society April 2010

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society was held on April 28, 2010, and was called to order at 7:05 PM by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Joan Wiener. There were 10 members in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of March 31, 2010 were submitted for approval. Motion was made to accept the minutes by Terry Steilen and seconded by Becky Vogel. Motion carried by voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was submitted by Marilyn Chromy and motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Patty Hancock and seconded by Linda Reading. Motion carried by voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORT

The museum sign up was passed around so members could sign up for the open dates.

PARK DISTRICT LIAISON REPORT

WEB SITE

No report

COMMUNICATIONS

There is a N.I.E.L. conference on June 12, 2010 in Palatine.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - SOCIAL and PR

No Report

PROGRAM

The program was members Terry & Patti Steilen presented photos and memorabilia of Terry's mother who was a vaudeville dancer. The program was narrated by Patti Steilen.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Charlie Vallas & Terry Steilen shared the info they had gathered when they visited Shure Brothers investigating tape recorders and microphones. Shure Brothers only handles the high end equipment but the field representative gave good direction. Terry is going to purchase a lapel microphone for the digital recorder.
2. Building Plaque – This will be an ongoing project.

NEW BUSINESS

1. The following slate of:

President – Joan Wiener

Directors – Barbara Forke and Becky Vogel

Was presented. There were no nominations from the floor. The vote was unanim

2. Installation Dinner detail were discussed. The fee for the dinner will be \$30.00, membership dues are payable that evening, and a \$300.00 budget was approved for the dinner. There will be raffle tickets sold and a blind Auction. The merchants of Wheeling were very generous this year.

BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting is May 20, 2010 at 7 pm and the next general meeting will be the Installation dinner May 26, 2010 at 7:00 pm at Chevy Chase.

POT-OF-GOLD

Pot-of-Gold was won by Bill Hein.

REFRESHMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:05 PM a motion was made to adjourn by Patty Hancock and seconded by Wedge Hancock.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Vallas

Secretary

Wheeling Historical Society

Minutes of the Meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society March 2010

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society was held on March 24, 2010, and was called to order at 7:05 PM by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Joan Wiener. There were 20 members in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of January 27, 2010 were submitted for approval. Motion was made to accept the minutes by Terry Steilen and seconded by Becky Vogel. Motion carried by voice vote.

The minutes of the meeting of February 24, 2010 were submitted for approval. Motion was made to accept the minutes by Bill Hein and seconded by Terry Steilen. Motion carried by voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was submitted by Marilyn Chromy and motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Patty Hancock and seconded by Linda Reading. Motion carried by voice vote.

A new Member asked if we had ever sold the Entertainment books. Due to the active members being a very few it is too much to take on at the present time. The society is more interested in increasing its membership so we will have more people to do these types of things.

CURATOR'S REPORT

Patti Steilen reported there were some inquiries about the Clayton House & the Wheeling Lock. Inquiry about information on Ester Knody born in wheeling around 1860-1868. Can not find any information on her.

It is time to sign up to sit at the museum on Sundays through the summer.

PARK DISTRICT LIAISON REPORT

State of the Park District message given earlier in the week. The concerts and movies for the summer will rotate parks. Easter egg hunt is coming soon.

WEB SITE

No report

COMMUNICATIONS

The "Radio Program" for meeting was put in the Chicago Tribune and The Daily Herald.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - SOCIAL and PR

No Report

PROGRAM

Bill Kiddle presented Radio Days. Bill gave us a history of the radio and how important it was in our history. He then passed out programs and the audience did a Radio Reading. It was very interesting to see the talent we had in the audience.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Curtain Donation to Park District – It was decided that no donation would be given to the Park District. The recommendation for the curtains was sent to the Park District.
2. Auction Recap – We had 33 guest. Turn out was low and fewer items to auction off. A total of \$74.60 was the total profit. Anyone collecting items for next years Auction can bring them to the museum for storage this summer if they are small. Two "Wheeling Through the Years" books were sold at the auction.
3. March Social – The March social was a success. There were about 40 residents who participated. Six new members were signed up. The Social cost \$126.00 when everything was accounted for.
4. Interviews – Interviews will continue. Barb Forke has volunteered to interview two seniors in their homes. The interviewing is going to try and be set up at the museum.
5. Picture for New Public Works Building. Bill Hein deliver some picture to Tony Stavros to be put up in the new building.
6. Building Plaque project. Bill Hein presented the details of commemorating some of the old building in the village with a plaque from the Historical Society. Linda Reading made a Motion to continue with the project and Terry Steilen seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Purchase of Additional Tape Recorders. Charlie Vallas said we need more tape recorders if we are going to continue with the interviewing process. He entertained the idea of buying two more recorders. Terry Steilen brought up that the noise in the back ground makes it difficult to transcribe. Terry and Charlie are going to investigate a microphone for the tape recorders and report back at the next meeting.
2. Linda Reading Closet – Linda Reading has some pillow case which belong to the Historical Society which she was storing. A motion was made to donate the pillow case to a worthy charity by Patti Steilen and seconded by Joan Wiener. Motion passed by voice vote.
3. News Letter – Patty Hancock has negotiated a deal with Donna Vallas to take over the News letter. Parry Hancock made the motion for Donna Vallas to take over the news letter in June after the installation dinner. Donna Vallas seconded the motion and motion passed by voice vote.

BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting is April 22, 2010 at 7 pm and the next general meeting will be the Installation dinner May 26, 2010 at 7:00 pm at Ghevy Chase.
April 28 at 7:30 pm.

POT-OF-GOLD

Pot-of-Gold was won by Sue Cordy.

REFRESHMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:05 PM a motion was made to adjourn by Patty Hancock and seconded by Wedge Hancock.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Vallas
Secretary
Wheeling Historical Society

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society
February 2010**

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society was held on February 24, 2010, and was called to order at 6:30 PM by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Joan Wiener. There were 30 members in attendance.

President Wiener noted that it had been a solemn with the passing of three of the members close family. She then asked for a moment of silence.

Cheri Klumpp took the floor and gave the Historical Society's condolences

President Wiener then chose Donna Vallas to Chair the Nominating Committee for the upcoming elections.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:00 PM a motion was made to adjourn by Elaine Simpson and seconded by Patti Steilen.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Vallas
Secretary
Wheeling Historical Society

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society
January 2010**

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society was held on January 27, 2010 and was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Joan Wiener at the Wheeling Community Center, 251 North Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Joan Wiener. There were 12 members in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of November 12, 2009, were erased from the tape recorder due to operator error.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was submitted by Marilyn Chromy and motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Patti Hancock and seconded by Bill Simpson. Motion carried by voice vote.

CURATOR'S REPORT

Patti Steilen reported there would be a meeting of the group of ladies who work at the museum on Saturday January 30, at 9:00 am

PARK DISTRICT LIAISON REPORT

Cheri Klumpp reported that the Chevy Chase Fish Fry would be starting soon and don't forget the St. Patrick's day feast.

WEB SITE

No report

COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS - SOCIAL and PR

No Report

PROGRAM

None

OLD BUSINESS

Lollipop Lane - Another successful Lollipop Lane week. We sold approximately 320 dozen cookies. We received donations from 15 donors and the amounts were low this year. With the donations, cookies sales and raffle sales all expenditures were covered.

Curtains – Cheri Klumpp reported that the Park District would pay for new curtains for the Chamber Center but they would like the Historical Society to select the curtains and submit the information to the park district for approval.

March Social – The date of March 14, 2010 was set for the social. Joan Wiener, Patti Steilen, Patty Hancock, Cheri Klumpp, Marilyn Chromy, Donna Vallas, Elaine Simpson and Barb LaHay are the committee planning the Social.

Village Hall and Train Station Pictures – Bill Hein is working with Tony Stavros. Pictures will be put at the Train Station, Public Works Building, and the new Police station when complete.

Interviews – Interviewing is continuing and a list of residents to interview is being made.

NEW BUSINESS

White Elephant Auction:

A motion was made by Patti Steilen to set a budget of \$200.00 and the fee of \$10.00 for reservations. Motion was seconded by Elaine Simpson. Motion carried by voice vote.

Don Roth Outing – Patti Stielen and Joan Weiner will be meeting with the owner of Don Roth to collect some relics from the restaurant.

Historical Building Plaque – Bill Hein brought up the idea of creating a plaque to put in front of on in some of the historical building in Wheeling. The idea got favorable comments. More discussion will be forth coming in the next meetings.

BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting is February 24, 2010 at 6:30 pm which is the Annual White Elephant Auction

POT-OF-GOLD

Pot-of-Gold was won by Bill Hein.

REFRESHMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:30 PM a motion was made to adjourn by Patti Hancock and seconded by Patti Steilen.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Vallas
Secretary
Wheeling Historical Society

WELFARE

NEWS LETTERS



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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AUGUST - 2012

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Members & Friends:

Hope all of you are surviving the heat and staying where it is cool. The last two months we had to cancel due the heat and other circumstances. But for the month of August we will have a board meeting and a general meeting. Board meeting was on Wednesday August 15th 7:00 p.m. and the general meeting, Wednesday August 22 at 7:00 p.m.

Program for August 22 is Rick Pickren presenting Songs of the Singing Cowboys along with history of the original singers and the songs. Please come and bring your friends.

In September the board meeting will be held the same time as the general meeting on September 26th. Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. and general meeting at 7:00 p.m. The program will be Bill Kiddle and the Year 1940. Please come and bring your stories that you might remember or parents and Grandparents might have told you.

Happy Birthday to Patti Hancock and Bill Hein and to anyone else who I might have missed. Please let me know when your birthday is so we can recognize you and send a card from the Society.

Have a great rest of the Summer and hope to see you at the next meeting.

Historical Yours;

Joan Wiener/President



HAPPY LABOR DAY

The first Labor Day was celebrated on Tuesday September 5, 1882 in New York City with the plans of the Central Labor Union. Peter J. McGuire secretary of the brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners was credited with starting Labor Day. Now it is believed Matthew McGuire, a machinist, proposed the holiday.

Colorado, Massachusetts, New Jersey and New York created the Labor Day holiday by legislative enactment. It was celebrated with parades and picnics but now is observed on a more personal level.

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Curator's Report

It has been a quiet but slightly busy summer at the museum. We've had about 15 visitors so far. Please remind your families and friends we are open between 2 and 4 every Sunday except holidays.

Sara and Heather MacKaisic have been volunteering at the museum on Thursday mornings helping us with files and copying. We also appreciate that they tidied up the Carriage House.

We discovered a box of newspapers from the early 1980 which Bev has been perusing to find any pieces of news from.

We've been getting in some donations from Greg Hartman which we really appreciate.

Michael Anthony will be at the Indian Trails Library on August 25th at 1PM to sign copies of his book and a CD with songs about bullying.



UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND TOWN



Wheeling Historical Society Presents
Rick Pickren



Songs Of The Singing Cowboys



AUGUST 22, 2012 7 PM AT THE OLD CHURCH IN CHAMBER PARK



Bill Kiddle will give a talk on the 1940's. Come and share some memories of that time.



SEPTEMBER 26, 2012 7PM AT THE OLD CHURCH IN CHAMBER PARK



A woman and her husband went out to breakfast with their grandchildren. After taking the kids' orders the waitress asked "What can I get for you Grandpa?" The youngest granddaughter surprisingly asked "How did she know your name Grandpa?"

More than 50% of people with the blues say they can't live without chocolate. New studies prove that chocolate is the most effective all-natural mood booster.

Chocolate contains a compound that raises levels of the feel-good hormone dopamine

Web Page Status For July: <http://WheelingHistoricalSociety.com> by Terry Steilen

It was another great month. We continue to increase our viewership. We will definitely break last years 10,000 page views. Last month we had 1181 pages looked at. So many, in fact, that we exceeded our transmission limit of 1 Gigabyte, and our web page was shut down for the last 2 days of the month.

GUEST BOOK Entries:

Here are some recent entries from our guest book... Any information that you have, can be relayed back to the visitor. Email addresses are available for the individuals below. Please contact Terry Steilen (at: Curator@wheelinghistoricalsociety.com) if you need an address.

Name: Donna Overdorff City: Windber Pennsylvania Entry:39 Time: Aug 5, 2012 03:44pm
 Message: My husband and I stopped by the museum/old church recently in Wheeling. Unfortunately, the sign said, open only Sunday afternoons. I am trying to search my family genealogy, Fritch was my maiden name. Sometimes it is spelled Fritsch. My father's family were from Wheeling. Would welcome helpful information.

Name: janice wirth (carlson) City: sierra vista, az Entry:38 Time: Jul 29, 2012 05:32pm
 Message: Message: Great site . Lived in wheeling from 1961-1970 went to Walt Whitman , jack London and wheeling h.s. Loved the town . Can't believe it has a train to go into Chicago. Need to come back for a visit.

Name: Gary Bernstein City: Schaumburg Entry:37 Time: Jul 24, 2012 06:36am
 Message; Great site. I moved to Wheeling in 1956 at the age of 1. My Dad moved from the city to Wheeling as part of the mass brigade of WWII vets using their GI loans to settle in suburbia. I went to school at Mark Twain Elementary School in the Dunhurst section until the 6th grade, them moved to Florida with family. I've since then moved back to Schaumburg and have passed through Wheeling countless times.

Name: Doneral Dalton 09/22/1982 City: Salt Lake City Entry:35 Time: Jul 11, 2012 08:12am
 Message: I was born on the navy base here I believe. And am yet to return. I have such a unique name but on my search to understand it. I find one other with my first name and he also resides in and was born in Chicago. If you need a job look up my site. God Bless. The journey continues. Nice site.

Name: Richard Rudolph City: Bloomington Illinois Entry:34 Time:Jul 2, 2012 10:32am
 Message: Lived at 289 S. Park Ave from 1948 to 2010 . Great Grand parents settled in Wheeling in 1870's name of Gotteschalk. Had a farm and butcher shop on NORTH Milwaukee Ave where Edgewood Dr is now. Grand parents lived in a house on NW corner of Milwaukee and Center St. I went to Wheeling grade school from 1948 to 1954 when I graduated .

Name: Jim Landberg City: Washington DC Entry:31-33 Time:May 15, 2012 03:29pm
 Message: Nice website. My great grandfather, Gates A. Johnson, came to Wheeling in 1856 and married Frances Parker there. Her father, James Parker, had died the year before and is buried in the old cemetery in Wheeling. His widow and Frances' sister later joined the couple in St. Paul, MN. I have collected lots of info on the Parkers and some other early inhabitants of that period in Wheeling, that I'm willing to share.

Question: Are you getting any inquiries regarding settlers in the 1840s to 1870s?

Recent Web Page Additions:

- St. Joseph The Worker - 1927 Wheeling Information Directory - How Christmas Began
- Denoyer Farm - Hoyne Savings Bank 125th. Anniversary - Wheeling Township
- The History Of The Wheeling Library - Snapshots of the Community, by Gerry Hunt



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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MAY - 2012

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Members and Friends:

Time is traveling by quickly and summer is around the corner. At April's meeting we had appraiser Jim, from Galerie St. James. His background of appraising and teaching has spanned over forty years. It was a very informative session. 23 members and friends attended. Many diverse and antique items were brought in to be appraised. Some were valuable, and others were recommended to be given away, for free. The most interesting item was an IBM portable computer from the 1970's. It was appraised for thousands of dollars. We hope to have Jim back again next year. It was a very enjoyable evening, and we made some money.

Birthday wishes go to Marilyn Chromy and everyone else celebrating a May Birthday. We also wish Bill Simpson a speedy recovery.

The Installation of Officers Dinner will be held at St. Joseph The Worker Social Hall on May 23, 2012 at 6:00 PM and we will be giving awards to Terry Steilen and the Kolssak's. We will have raffle prizes, 50/50 and split-the-deck. The cost is \$25.00 per person. Bring a friend. Call Bill Simpson for reservation by May 19th at: 847-541-8692.

Save the date May 23 ! Hope to see there.

Historically Yours;
Joan Wiener

President Wheeling Historical Society



Does anyone recognize this Ad?

ANSWER: It was from the Countryside Reminder issue in May of 1979.

Happy Mothers Day !

The origin of Mothers Day began in Grease (oops, that's Greece – so much for computer spelling checker !), honoring Rhea, the Greek "Mother of Gods"

Mothers Day began in the United States when Julia Ward Howe wanted to honor women and to promote peace after seeing the devastation from the Civil War. It was celebrated on June 2nd.

In 1907 Ana Jarvis lobbied Congress to have Mothers Day celebrated as a National Holiday. She did not anticipate the extent that the holiday grew into. While she wanted to honor mothers, she did not expect that the cards and flowers would encroach the initial celebration.

Today, Mothers Day is the busiest day for card shops, flower shops, and restaurants.

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Wheeling Park District



Curator's Report

My visit to the Tarkington School on April 30th was a real success. I took about 25 items from the Museum. The children were very interested and since they had been studying about Wheeling from a book derived from *Wheeling Through The Years*, they had some background about early Wheeling.

Our work is never ending in the basement. We have been looking at old pictures we have found in files and reminisced about old businesses and families who helped make Wheeling the great Village it is. It's easy to get totally caught up in these files and the time just flies.

We're very happy to put up new displays and hope you tell your families and friends to drop by on Sundays from 2 to 4pm. Just a reminder that we are closed on holidays. We can use some volunteers to sit while the museum is open.

Visit our website at www.WheelingHistoricalSociety.com

Web Page Statistics: <http://WheelingHistoricalSociety.com>

Last year was a great year for the WEB page. We had over 10,000 visits to the site. This year appears to be better yet. April was fantastic. We averaged over 1000 page visits during the month. Here are some recent entries from our guest book.. Any information that you have, can be relayed back to the visitor. Email addresses are available for the individuals below. Please contact Terry Steilen (at: Curator@wheelinghistoricalsociety.com) if you need an address.

Name: Susan McManus City: Mchenry	Entry: 29 Time: Fri Feb 17, 2012 12:41pm
Message: My mother, Dolores Weidner, was born in Wheeling in 1928 in a house at Milwaukee Avenue and Center Street. Her father, Carl Weidner, at one time owned the Chicago House.	
Name: Jane Pianetto City: Barrington	Entry: 28 Time: Thu Feb 2, 2012 08:20pm
Message: I am a direct descendant of George Strong. He was my great, great, great grandfather	
Name: Donna Schultz Vrba City: Vernon Hills	Entry: 27 Time: Mon Jan 23, 2012 02:08pm
Message: My Grandparents lived at 116 N Milwaukee Ave until the early 1990's. My grandfather had the first garbage truck in Wheeling. My brother & I would visit & the treat was walking to McDonald's, Jewel, along the river in the forest preserve.	
Name: Martin Mielke City: Granger, IN	Entry: 26 Time: Thu Dec 29, 2011 11:52am
Message: Lived in Wheeling - 41 S. Wheeling Ave - from 1952-1963. My father and grandfather built the house plus the one next door at 3x S. Wheeling Ave. Graduated from Wheeling Grade School in 1955 and Arlington High School in 1959. Starting to write personal bio.	
Name: Martin Mielke City: Granger, IN	Entry: 25 Time: Thu Dec 29, 2011 11:52am
Message: Lived in Wheeling - 41 S. Wheeling Ave - from 1952-1963. My father and grandfather built the house plus the one next door at 3x S. Wheeling Ave. Graduated from Wheeling Grade School in 1955 and Arlington High School in 1959. Starting to write personal bio.	
Name: Julia City: Wheeling	Entry: 24 Time: Sat Sep 24, 2011 11:42am
Message: This is a wonderful site with so much information on our town! I never knew the historical significance of Wheeling to the Chicago area, but now after reading more and more about how Wheeling came to be, I am very proud to be living here. Also, I hope those who signed the guest book previously come back and read others' signitures, because it looks like some family friends and relatives have found each other on here :)	
Name: James P. Brenna (Jim) City:	Entry: 23 Time: Sun Aug 7, 2011 03:51am
Message: Love Wheeling !	
Name: Pete Deol City: wheeling	Entry: 22 Time: Thu Jul 21, 2011 09:46am
Message: Great website! I love learning about the town I grew up in!	
Name: Phyllis Hamilton City: New Castle, VA (Chicago native)	Entry: 21 Time: Sun Jul 10, 2011 06:33am
Message: Great site! Do you have any articles, photos etc. of Willie Necker's dog training center? It was quite a landmark when I was growing up in Chicago, as I have been involved with dog training for most of my life. I recall still seeing it on trips back to the area as recently as 12-13 years ago. Thank you for your feedback!	
Name: Elaine Tavizon City: Temecula, CA	Entry: 20 Time: Thu May 12, 2011 06:02pm
Message: My ancestors lived in Wheeling, Illinois in 1860 (Dugan family name) and I throughly enjoyed the video by Ms. Carolyn Kolssak. What an exceptional educational film.	



UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND TOWN



Wood Dale Historical Society (630-595-8777) :



- Open House: June 10th. 1-4PM
- Luncheon With The Generals: June 24th 1-4PM



Palatine Historical Society (847-991-6460) :



- Cemetery Walk: May 20th 1-4PM
- Garden Walk : June 24th. Noon to 4pm



Northbrook Historical Society (847-498-3404)



- Shermer Fest : September 16 1-3 PM (The Legacy Girls will perform)



Wheeling Historical Society

Newly Elected Officers

- Joan Wiener—President
- Barbara Forke—Director
- Susan Korte—Director

Please Help Us Save Some Money

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Due to the Postal increase in stamp prices, it now costs us more than 45¢ to mail each Newsletter to you. If you are interested in having it e-mailed to you, please contact Pat Steilen at: Curator@wheelinghistoricalsociety.com

Important Reminder

Yearly dues are due each May.
\$10.00 per person
\$15.00 per family

What is a pretzel's favorite Dance?

Answer: The Twist



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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

APRIL -2012

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Members and Friends :

It looks like Spring is here and early this year. The flowers and trees are beautiful. Hope it stays nice and not too hot too early. But this is Illinois and it can change often.

I want to thank all of our members and friends who attended the Decades of Dresses. I heard only good comments on the program. Approximately Thirty or more attended. Ruth Thomas and Cloe Berg gave a good glimpse of how dresses have changed over the years.

April we have Jim Boherstengel from Galerie St. James again this year. He was here last year and we enjoyed his interpretation of the antiques that were brought in for appraisal. He will be here on Wednesday April 25th at Chamber Park, the night of the meeting. Bring your things to be appraised .

The cost will be \$3.00 per item and limit of eight items per person, no oriental rugs. If you have furniture please just bring a picture of the item. Bring your friends. The general meeting will be held after the program. The board meeting just before the program.

I want to wish everyone a Happy Easter and hope to see you at the next meeting. Again its Wednesday April 25th at 7:00 P.M.

Hope to see you there.

Historical Yours:

Joan Wiener

President Wheeling Historical Society



Does anyone recognize this picture? Clues will be given in the next newsletter. (Hint) It's taken from the North Side looking to the south. Do you know the name of the buildings?

ANSWER: The river was low during dry spells, revealing sand bars where children played. Looking south beneath the Dundee Rd. bridge, the Perolat brewery may be seen on the west bank.

Happy Easter



The Easter bunny first arrived in America in the 1700s with German immigrants who settled in Pennsylvania and transported their tradition of an egg-laying hare called "Osterhase" or "Oschter Haws." Their children made nests in which this creature could lay its colored eggs. Eventually, the

custom spread across the U.S. and the fabled rabbit's Easter morning deliveries expanded to include chocolate and other types of candy and gifts, while decorated baskets replaced nests. Additionally, children often left out carrots for the bunny in case he got hungry from all his hopping.

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Wheeling Park District



**Swedish Pancakes
Ingredients**

- 1 cup of flour
- 2 Tbsp. of sugar
- 1/4 Tsp. of salt
- 3 Eggs
- 1 1/2 Cups of milk
- 1 Tsp. of vanilla

DIRECTIONS

All ingredients in blender. Then blend for approximately 1 minute. Place on griddle. Get the griddle hot. Pour mixture to cover griddle completely. Brown on bottom side. With spatula gently lift pancake and flip it over. Garnish with your favorite fruit or syrup and whip cream (if desired). Yumm.....

Curator's Report

I've been contacted by the Tarkington School to come in and talk about the museum and bring some artifacts along. I'm trying to set up a date in late April.

The new displays are up in the museum:

1. Chicago Executive Airport
2. Girl Scouts 100th. Anniversary

Just a reminder that we open the museum on Sunday April 15th. From 2 until 4 PM.

Carolyn Kolssak brought in an old beer bottle, found on the funeral parlor property along with several pictures that are in Wheeling Through The Years book. A frontier style false front characterized the Bollenbach store of the turn of the century, and six steps led up to the first floor. In 1918 Edward Wellin took over and the roof became Greek Revival with eaves turned inward. The front was extended, and entry was only one step up from the sidewalk. From a general store it had progressed to a variety store and in its last years it was known as Wellin's Sports Store. There were several other pictures from the book.

We hope to see you in the museum during this years 2012 season.



UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND TOWN



Wilmette Historical Society:



- STROLLER WALK—"Downtown Wilmette" Saturday June 9th. 10-11:30 AM. Call 847-853-7666 or email museum@wilmette.com to reserve a spot.



- "GREEN" HOMES EVENT—"Eco Build Architectural Bike Tour" Saturday June 16th.



1-5PM. \$15 Call 847-853-7666 or email museum@wilmette.com to reserve a spot.



- WALKING TOUR—"Willmett's Lakefront" Saturday July 14th. 9:30 AM \$5.00 Call 847-853-7666 or email museum@wilmette.com to reserve a spot.



Arlington Heights Historical Society:



- ARLINGTON HEIGHTS HOUSE WALK AND TEA Sunday June 10th. 12:00—5:00 PM



Spring 1978

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\$3.99 Gal. \$1.75 Qt.
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**April 25, 2012
7pm Wednesday**



Galerie St. James will again be at Chamber Park 251 N Wolf Road (Comunity Church) to Appraise all your treasures what ever they may be.



8 Items per person You must be able to carry them in (Pictures, Jewelry, dishes, glassware) No Furniture or Rugs please. \$ 3.00 per item

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**Information Call Joan Wiener
847-650-0144**



Wheeling Historical Society 2012 Calendar

Wednesday, April 25

Election of Officers
*Antique appraisal by
Wheeling Sales Barn
Cost \$3.00 per item*

Wednesday May 23

Annual Installation Dinner
More information to follow

AN OLD WIVES TALE

When your mother told you to eat the crust of your bread, because it was good for you, she wasn't exaggerating! There are more anti-oxidants in the crust, than in the bread.

Wheeling's 1900 business district



STRYKER'S MEAT MARKET and home were side by side on the west side of Milwaukee Avenue south of Dundee Road. Ben Stryker cut ice from the river in the winter, and used it to keep meat fresh as he delivered it to farms for miles around.



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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

WINTER 2011-2012

A walking tour of Wheeling's town center in 1900

Back in 1950, Carol Bellmore wrote a newspaper article titled, "A Visit to Wheeling business district fifty years ago." This piece was published in the Wheeling Herald approximately 60 years ago. Carol introduced her readers to a time long gone. It is reprinted here for your reading pleasure.

A visit to Wheeling business district fifty years ago

"Let us travel back through the years that have wrought so many changes in Wheeling to the turn of the century, 1900. We will walk along the two-plank sidewalk, bordered on one side by a rough dirt road and on the other by a barb wire fence enclosing farm yards.

As we enter the town proper from the north, we see on our left the hardware store owned and operated by William Fassbender at the corner of Dundee rd. and Milwaukee ave. Across the street in the Masonic building is a grocery store run by John A. Schminke.

South of Schminke's is a grocery store and postoffice operated by Christ Bollenback and Emil Sigwalt. The post office has all call boxes, no locks. Emil Sigwalt had been serving as postmaster since 1886.

Next to the store and postoffice is a butcher shop owned by Ben Stryker.

Across the street we see a blacksmith shop operated by Walter Riswick with a barber shop just south owned by Joseph Bellmore. Next to the barber shop is the Herman Kaiser Meat Market.

On our right we see the old Columbia Hotel, bordered on the north by Reinhold Schneider's harness shop. The proprietor of the hotel at this time is Chris Utz, who was shot accidentally and killed in later years in the bar room.

South of the Columbia Hotel is the Union Hotel, owned by John Behm (completely destroyed by fire on December 26, 1925).



Fassbender's Hardware Store, built in 1845, stood on the southeast corner of Milwaukee and Dundee.

The Union is a stop-over place for those taking part in the 100-mile bicycle races which are so popular at this time. Full meals are served to the travelers for twenty-five cents apiece! Rooms at the hotel are rented for \$2.50 per week. The Union is also a popular stopping place for the telephone men who check their territory by horse-and-buggy and cannot travel to their headquarters each night.

Dances are held often and are attended by many in the dance hall south of the hotel. This dance hall is also owned by Behms and the dances held there are popular with all the people from the surrounding country.

Just south of the dance hall is Louis Fischer's wagon making shop. Across the street is William Metz's Blacksmith Shop and the old Chicago House on the south. The Chicago House at this time is owned by Everett Mason.

At the south end of town is the large brewing company operated by John and Henry Perolat. Across the street on our right is a beer bottling shop owned by Martin Kufar.

Then we may return through town to the corner of Dundee and Milwaukee. As we look east on Dundee rd. we see the local

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WHS Website Stats

—By Terry Stellen

November was another good month for the Wheeling Historical Society. Over 500 hits so far, and from all over the world!

We almost made 10,000 hits by the beginning of December. Maybe Lollipop Lane will help us get over the top!

	State/Region	Country		
318 Hits	63.60%	Illinois	United States	
36 Hits	7.20%	Arizona	United States	
25 Hits	5.00%	California	United States	
25 Hits	5.00%	Minnesota	United States	
24 Hits	4.80%	Florida	United States	
16 Hits	3.20%	West Virginia	United States	
16 Hits	3.20%	Wisconsin	United States	
7 Hits	1.40%		United States	
4 Hits	0.80%	Massachusetts	United States	
4 Hits	0.80%	Pennsylvania	United States	
3 Hits	0.60%	Western Australia	Australia	
3 Hits	0.60%	Delaware	United States	
2 Hits	0.40%	Ohio	United States	
2 Hits	0.40%	Nevada	United States	
2 Hits	0.40%	Maryland	United States	
2 Hits	0.40%	Ontario	Canada	
1 Hit	0.20%	Texas	United States	
1 Hit	0.20%	Sao Paulo	Brazil	
1 Hit	0.20%	Tel Aviv	Israel	
1 Hit	0.20%	New York	United States	
1 Hit	0.20%	Michigan	United States	
1 Hit	0.20%	Rheinland-pfalz	Germany	
1 Hit	0.20%	Virginia	United States	
1 Hit	0.20%	Moscow City	Russian Federation	
1 Hit	0.20%	Kentucky	United States	
1 Hit	0.20%	South Carolina	United States	
1 Hit	0.20%	New South Wales	Australia	

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Wheeling's 1900 business district

creamery owned by Henry Bomer. To the west is the white frame community school house and across the way, the Presbyterian church.

The village government is now headed by Jacob Schwingel as mayor. Trustees are Fred Schmidt, William Brandt, Frank Forke, Christ Wendling, Martin Kufar and William Fassbender. Reinhold Schneider is serving as village clerk, John Schminke as treasurer, Henry Hipp is marshal, Henry Lips is fire chief, Frank Miller first assistant and John Schminke second assistant.

And now as our tour of Wheeling ends and the evening descends, we see the gasoline lamps begin to flicker as Henry Hipp begins his nightly task, carrying his ladder and

Wheeling Historical Society 2012 Calendar

Wednesday, February 22

"White Elephant Auction"

Bring something to auction!

Dinner with Auction

Price \$12.00 per person

Wednesday, March 28

"Decades of Dresses"

Fashion show with dialogue of each dress, all from the 20th century

Wednesday, April 25

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Wednesday May 23

Annual Installation Dinner

The Wheeling Park District presents:

Winter Wonderland

Sunday, February 26

1 to 4 PM at 131 North Wolf Road

Chamber Park will be transformed into a Winter Wonderland—skating, snow-shoeing, snowman building, and more. Warm up inside the Church building with hot cocoa and snacks! ❄️





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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

SEPTEMBER 2011

Wheeling Public Library Opens House in 1958

Until 1958 Wheeling had been a community without a library. Both Buffalo Grove and Wheeling were tiny villages just beginning to expand in the post-war building boom, and suffering growing pains as people from Chicago and older suburbs began flocking to the northwest.

For a short time in the past, there had been a small lending library, which was no longer in existence.

Wheeling residents were forced to drive a minimum of 10 miles to the nearest libraries, where non-resident borrowers were required to pay a \$5 yearly fee for each library card issued.

A group of people became interested in the formation of an official public library, and with the help of volunteers from several service organizations, and headed by the Wheeling Junior Women's Club, donations for money and books were solicited.

In 1956 the Wheeling Junior Women's club began corresponding with Illinois library

LIBRARY OPENS



The new community library will open its doors to booklovers young and old Saturday morning to accept applications for library cards. The transformed building is located in the rear of the Union Hotel parking lot.

officials, to demonstrate the need for a public library. In February of 1958 the State felt that the suburban growth warranted the operation of a library. The Wheeling Public Library opened officially on Saturday, October 4, 1958, with an open house that attracted

approximately 100 guests. The hours were Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m.; Wednesday from 3 to 5 p.m., and Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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General Meeting

**Wednesday
September 28
at
7:00 p.m.**

Baseball in the Movies

Celebrate a great all-American pastime with a collection of clips from classic baseball films. Enjoy scenes from "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" - "Pride of the Yankees" - Abbott and Costello's "Who's On First" and many more! Presented by Steven Frenzel.

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Message from the President



Dear Members and Friends,

Hope all of you are ready for fall. I am looking forward to the trees changing colors, but not too fast. Summer has really gone by fast as it always does. At the last meeting we changed the inscription for the Library Brick (for the Indian Trails Library's Reading Garden) to "Looking Forward and Glancing Back." That will be displayed when the Library finishes the project.

We have an ad in the Daily Herald with the Park District 50th Anniversary. It will advertise the Museum and the publicize the September 28th meeting featuring, "Baseball in the Movies," presented by Steven Frenzel. The ad should be in the September 21 Daily Herald.

Lollipop Lane is just around the corner and we are ordering the new ornament for this year and getting out the donor letter. Mark these dates on your calendar: December 3 to December 11, 2011.

Welcome back to Bev Rossmann at the museum. She is doing well with her new hip. The next board meeting is September 21, and the regular meeting is September 28. Hope to see you then.

Historically Yours,

Joan Wiener, President

Curator's Report

We had an informative meeting in August about the various businesses that we could recall located in the village. Marilyn found information she hadn't known about before.

We are using a booth at Camp I Am Me on September 10 to help get people interested in the Wheeling Historical Society. It is at the Market Square Restaurant parking lot. We're hoping to generate some interest in joining and visiting the museum.

We are happy to have Bev and Patti back from surgery and vacation, respectively.

We had another visit from Michael Anthony to follow up on the museum since their visit in March.

**Patti Steilen
Curator**



A view of our museum's kitchen.

Things to do and Places to go

Park Ridge Historical Society, on Saturday, October 1, 2011, the Annual 'Spirits of Old Park Ridge' Event: The traditional tour of the Town of Maine Cemetery in Park Ridge. Tours depart from the cemetery gatehouse located just inside the main gate off Touhy Avenue. Starts at 10 a.m. with the last group departing around 2 p.m. Adults: \$10; High School Age and Under: \$5; Family Admission: \$20.

Visit **The Raupp Museum** for A Civil War Exhibit, "No Easy Choices", running through November 23, 2011. Museum is at 901 Dunham Lane in Buffalo Grove. Free admission. Mon-Thurs, 11-4:30; Sunday: 1-4 p.m.; Friday & Saturday: closed.

Dollinger Family Farm in Channahon, Illinois: 16th Anniversary Civil War Days Reenactment on October 15-16, 2011. Over 500 re-enactors participate in this event. Visit with President Lincoln, see live horses, booming cannons, and more. Most events are free; the battle is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children. For more info: 815-467-4698 or dollingerfarms.com.

Northbrook Historical Society celebrates Happy 110th Birthday Northbrook Open House, on Sunday, November 13, lower level, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Northbrook History Museum, 1776 Walters Avenue. In 1901, Northbrook was officially declared a village; before that, the community was known as Shermerville.

N.E.IL / North Eastern Illinois Historical Council's last meeting of the year will be on November 12, hosted by the Schaumburg Township Historical Society.

Palatine Historical Society, October 19, 2011, at 7 p.m., presents Dave Hammer with "Stories and More Stories," gleaned from his extensive research of Paddock Publication newspapers. The Palatine Public Library, 700 N. Court, in the children's reading room.



State Approves Wheeling Library



WHEELING LIBRARY WORKERS were last week assisted in their efforts at cataloging and classifying the several thousand books now in hand. Help came from Miss Alma Lundeen, institutional consultant for the Illinois state

library, who also helped set up a numbered decimal system for ready reference. Pictured here are (l to r.) Mrs. Ray Burlington, Miss Lundeen, and Mrs. Wallace Lischell.

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The library was housed in a 20 x 30 foot frame building at the back of the Union Hotel at 122 South Milwaukee Avenue.

A selection of more than 5500 books were ready for check out on October 11. All of the books were catalogued and classified by the Wheeling Junior Women's Club and volunteers, with the assistance of a consultant from the Illinois State Library in Springfield.

The library continued to function with donations and volunteer help.

The resulting demonstration of services led to a successful referendum in March of 1959 to establish the Wheeling Public Library District, covering a 10-square-mile area, including Wheeling and Buffalo Grove.

One month before the library opened, an editorial from the Independent stated, "With the start of a new library in Wheeling we will have easy access to a wide variety of good books. We have no excuses now for replacing the flicker of a television screen with some interesting pages at least one night a week."

The 1000th library card was issued in November of 1959.

In 1963, the library had outgrown its small building in back of the hotel. As the volunteers prepared to move, the Union Hotel donated back all the money the library had paid as rent, which went to buy book shelves and furniture. ★

ELE—GEN Classified Telephone Directory of Arlington Heights, Palatine, Mt. Prospect and Wheeling

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Dreyer Electric Co
4 N Dutton st. Arlington Hgts-705
(See our display ads on page facing
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15 W Duane st. Mt Prospect-1051

Elevators—Grain

See Grain Elevators

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Farm Equipment

See Agricultural Implements

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Dancing Aug Rand rd. Mt Prospect-635
Thon-Sutthier Floral Prod Co
Eight-Drexton rd. Arlington Hgts-7031-J

Flour

Arlington Heights Roller Mill
119 Wing. Arlington Hgts-11
Klempner Box Co 4T 614th. Palatine-153

Food Products

See Grocers—Retail

Frigidaire Electric Refrigerators

For list of dealers look on "R"
pages under Refrigerators—
Electric

Fruits—Retail

Paul's Fruit Store
6 W Campbell st. Arlington Hgts-602

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Lauterburg & Oehler 25 S Davis. Arlington Hgts-23
(See our display ads on Outside Back Cover
of Arlington Heights Directory)

Furniture Dealers—Retail

Stoffmann Box 1 S Vall st. Arlington Hgts-206

Garages—Public

Brahn Edw Meltony rd. Wheeling-66-J-1
Hanning's Garage 43 W Chicago st. Palatine-08
Harther A G Oregon st. Arlington Hgts-236
Johnson's Garage Milwaukee st. Wheeling-56
Kroon's Garage 109 N Drexton. Palatine-05
Kurz Auto Service 141 W Wilson. Palatine-232
Lee's Triangle Garage Milwaukee st. Wheeling-14
Piper Walter G Milwaukee st. Wheeling-5
Rand Rd Service Sta Rand rd. Arlington Hgts-473-J
Sparks Garage
206 E Northwest Hwy. Arlington Hgts-1401

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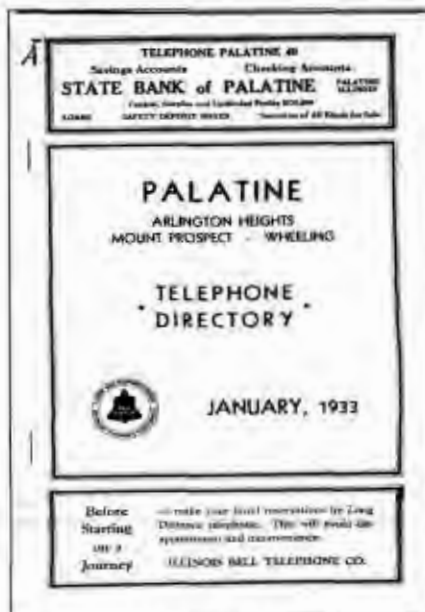
Our Business Office will gladly give further information



ILLINOIS
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Here's a single page from the January 1933 telephone directory. This phone book provides details of a farming community life. Other business headings include:

Agricultural Implements (Henry Schoppe at 57 W Chicago); **Coal—Retail** (Wheeling Coal & Lumber Co); **Grain Elevators** (Arlington Elevator & Coal Co on Northwest Hwy); **Ice Cream Parlors** (Fred Utpadel on Milwaukee ave); **Ice Dealers** (Wm Lauterburg on State rd); **Poultry** (Wheeling Farms on Dundee rd); **Stables** (John Garlisch on Higgins rd); **Vegetables** (Sunnybrook Farm on Milwaukee ave). There's also a listing under **Barbecue Stands**: Blue Bird Barbecue, Palatine twp, Palatine-251.



Cover of the 1933 telephone directory

So now you know!

Did you ever wonder why quarters, dimes, and half dollars have grooves on the edges, while pennies and nickels do not?

The dollar, half-dollar, quarter, and dime denominations were originally produced from gold and silver. The grooved edges were eventually incorporated into the design to prevent counterfeiting, for example, shaving off the edges in an attempt to recover the precious metals.

The penny and nickel are considered "minor" coins and have never contained precious metals.

Currently, none of the coins produced for circulation contain precious metals. But the continued use of grooved edges on current coins of larger denominations is useful to the visually impaired, because they are easily identifiable by touch. ★





251 North Wolf Road • Wheeling, Illinois 60090

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AUGUST 2011

Wheeling Days in the Summertime



General Meeting

**Wednesday,
August 24
at
7:00 p.m.**

Businesses Past and Present

Come reminisce with us, while we talk about the old businesses in Wheeling. Bring photos if you've got them! You know you've lived a long time in Wheeling if you can remember Bodel Cleaners, the old post office, Mama D's Pizzeria, King Midas Barber Shop ...

Wheeling Days was an annual summer celebration sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and the Volunteer Fire Department. The proceeds went to support local charities and for civic improvements.

In *Wheeling Through the Years*, Lorraine Haben explained this event as, "the biggest thing in the summertime ... Everybody worked together. The whole town would work together. We would fry millions of hamburgers, and we would make hot dogs for weeks ahead."

"We had one dear old lady whose name was Mrs. Miller. We called her Red Miller because she had red, curly hair. She would spend all the Friday before Wheeling Days cutting onions, and I never knew how that woman could do all that without crying tears.

Wheeling Days was something like the Familyfest they have now. They had Bingo and different games and races for the kids. You met a lot of people you didn't see all year and some of them had moved away and would come back. It was kind of a get-together. I think it was in July, but not on the 4th. It was a weekend. That was always something to look forward to, something like a family reunion in a way.

The Chamber of Commerce bought coal for a needy family. The first car that we bought to raffle at Wheeling Days was \$600." Referring to the old ledger book, Lorraine pointed out that, "Here in 1938 it shows we paid \$604.14 for the Chevy. The ledger shows where they gave money to the school. They bought nuts and apples at the Royal Blue store to distribute to the children at Christmas. Here is the entry, April 24, paid to Frank Forke for funeral for the Gluecks' child: \$15. March 4, Emil Geest for coal and W. Pieper's flowers.

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Message from the President

Dear Members and Friends,

We are certainly having a HOT and STORMY summer and it's going by fast. Hope all of you are surviving. I want to thank Bill Kiddle for his presentation of "The Boys in Blue" at the July 27th meeting. At the August 24th meeting the society is having a round table discussion about the businesses in Wheeling, past and present. So bring your thinking caps and any information you may have. We will bring information from the museum, and we'll add to it any information we find that night. So tell your neighbors and friends to come to this meeting.

I want to express our deepest sympathies to Patti Hancock on the loss of her sister, and to Terry Steilen on the loss of his father.

On September 14th the Wheeling Park District is putting an advertisement in the Daily Herald about the park district's 50th anniversary, and we'll have a *portion of that page for the Museum and Society.*

The Board meeting is on Wednesday, August 17, and the regular meeting is on Wednesday, August 24, at the old church in Chamber Park at 7:00 p.m. Hope you can attend.

Historically Yours,

Joan Wiener, President



Curator's Report

Mr. Weaver of Whippletree Village development wants a member to come by on September 14th and give a little talk about Wheeling. We're exploring who is interested to give this talk.

Work in the museum's basement has been slowed by surgeries, vacations, illnesses and the like. We're hoping to hold a round table discussion about the names of old businesses that were located in the village during the 1960s to the current time, at next month's meeting. Stop on in and let us know who you remember doing business with. Also come on over to the museum and see what's going on with our new exhibits.

Patti Steilen
Curator



Things to do and Places to go

Deerfield Historical Society's 36th Annual Fall Festival Sunday, September 25th; Noon to 4pm

This free event features children's activities, food, demonstrations, antique cars, book sale and fun for the entire family. Tour five buildings of historic interest including the Caspar Ott log house, built in 1837, Lake County's oldest surviving building. All profits from the Fall Festival will be used to help restore the buildings in the Historic Village. For more information, call (847) 948-0680.

Des Plaines History Center

Join the Des Plaines History Center at the Country Fair tent during Fall Fest, **September 16-18**, at Lake Park in Des Plaines. Current Exhibits at the History Center include "Growing, Going, Gone: The Evolution of an Agricultural Community," through December 31, 2011.

Des Plaines History Center
781 Pearson Street
Des Plaines, IL 60016
Phone: (847) 391-5399

Northbrook Historical Society and History Museum

33rd Annual Shermerfest

Sunday, September 18, 2011

Village Green Park, 1776 Walters Ave.
"Cookin' Up Some History: A Shermer-ville Supper and Show." Purchase a ticket for \$10 or three tickets for \$25 for the chance to win a one-of-a-kind Grand Prize of catered dinner and show for 12 at the Northfield Inn. A classic car and truck display; silent auction; beautiful fall mums for sale; many additional activities. For more information, call the Historical Society at 847-498-3404.

The Raupp Museum

September 1 – November 23, 2011

"No Easy Choices" A Civil War Exhibit. Free admission. Museum is located at 901 Dunham Lane, Buffalo Grove. For info call 847-459-2318. Mon-Thurs: 11-4:30. Closed Fri/Sat. Sunday open from 1-4 pm. ★



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Wheeling School District for gas (they must have paid for gas), \$19.34. It is interesting, how the town took care of the town, more or less."

John Forke said, "Everybody came from miles around and we had a lot of fun. Kind of like a carnival. All the folks in town would help out and the proceeds went to needy kids, or some other cause. We would raffle a car, but the law came in and we couldn't do that any more. There were about three years in a row when we could have slot machines in town, but then they got raided. At that time they were allowed for the Wheeling Days. Incidentally, the gymnasium at Walt Whitman school was paid for by the Chamber of Commerce during Wheeling Days. They raised \$8000 and that was a lot of money."

Walter Diens summed it up when he said, "I think your Wheeling Days were really a lot of fun. I remember Marge Schmidt cooking hamburgers all the time. And then they found somebody didn't pay off the right person and they confiscated the wheel and the gambling. Somebody broke the windshield of the sheriff's squad car, and somebody let the air out of the tires. Somehow we managed to get the wheel back, but we couldn't operate it. Those were good old friendly days. A lot of friendly people — you knew everybody at the Wheeling Days." ★



Wheeling FARM STAND MARKET

The Farmers Market
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Tuesdays from 9 to 3
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at Chamber Park
on Wolf Road in Wheeling

An older gentleman was on the operating table awaiting surgery and he insisted that his son, a renowned surgeon, perform the operation. As he was about to get the anesthesia, he asked to speak to his son:
"Yes, Dad, what is it?"
"Don't be nervous, son. Do your best and just remember, if it doesn't go well, if something happens to me, your mother is going to come and live with you and your wife."

baseball in the movies



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Baseball in the Movies

Presented by Steven Frenzel

Steven Frenzel is a former math teacher whose students were learning more about film than fractions, so he began doing movie presentations for a living. He works at Alexander Graham Bell Montessori School in Wheeling, teaching film appreciation.

Chamber Park Community Center
at Chamber Park on North Wolf Road
Wednesday, September 28, 2011
at 7:00 p.m.

Donations appreciated
Everyone is welcome

**Our
General
Meeting
on
Wednesday,
September
28**



Grilled Chicken Salad

Courtesy of Weber Grill Restaurant in Wheeling ~ From Wheeling's centennial cookbook, 1994, "From Restaurants to Recipes"

- 1/2 Cup mayonnaise or salad dressing
- 1/4 Cup honey
- 2 Tbsp lemon juice
- 3 whole large chicken breasts (3 lbs. total), skinned, boned, halved lengthwise, or 1-1/2 lbs. skinless, boneless chicken breasts
- 3 medium apples, cubed
- 1-1/2 Cups sliced celery
- 1/2 Cup chopped walnuts
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1/8 tsp pepper
- Lettuce leaves

For dressing: in a small mixing bowl combine mayonnaise, honey and lemon juice. Cover and refrigerate until serving time.

Rinse chicken and pat dry. Place chicken breasts on the cooking grill.

Grill 10 to 12 minutes or until tender and no pink remains, turning once halfway through grilling time.

Cool 20 minutes or until cool enough to handle.

Cut chicken into 1 inch pieces. In a large bowl, toss together chicken pieces, apples, celery, walnuts, salt and pepper. Stir in dressing.

Serve in lettuce-lined salad bowl. Makes 6 servings.

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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

JULY 2011

Remembering the Old Settlers Picnic ...

Wheeling's first Old Settlers Picnic was held on July 4, 1984, at Chamber Community Center and Park in Wheeling.

To be known as an "old settler" in 1984, you must have lived in Wheeling before 1960. Old Settlers are those who have lived in Wheeling for over 25 years.

Guests were asked to bring a picnic lunch, while entertainment, beverages, and desserts were provided by the Wheeling Historical Society.

Participants were asked to share and exhibit old pictures from their family albums. They were also encouraged to tell stories about their lives in the past and how times have changed.

The Old Settlers Picnics were common in this area years ago. This picnic was one of the biggest social events of the year, complete with group pictures and speeches by guests. ★

**No Board Meeting
in July**

**GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday, July 27
7:00 p.m.**

**Program with Bill Kiddle
"The Boys in Blue"**



Gladys Keil, Elsie Hiller, E. Albert Fantl



Bob Buerger, Marshall Baling

Above: Dorothy Flentge and guests

Right: Gathering on the grounds of the Chamber Community Center Park.

Below: Kathy Lorenz, the Buegers, and Roger Powers



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Message from the President

Dear Members and Friends,

I hope this summer is going well for all of you. For those who had damage and electrical outages after the storm last month, I hope things have been resolved and fixed. I know many of you had storm damage and were without power for one or more days.

The general meeting opened on June 22nd with only 6 members in attendance plus the speaker for the evening. We decided to cancel the meeting and reschedule the program.

The program is rescheduled for the September 28th meeting: "Baseball in the Movies" by Steven Frenzel. Those of us in attendance the night after the storm saw a preview of the program and it looks great. So come to the meeting on September 28 and tell your friends to join us.

At our July meeting, member Bill Kiddle will present "The Boys in Blue," a program about the Civil War. This timely presentation on the Civil War's 150th anniversary will include information about men from the Wheeling area who were in that war, and Wheeling in 1860 pre-war conditions. The meeting is on Wednesday, July 27, at 7:00 p.m.

No board meeting is held in July due to the fact that the June meeting was cancelled. The agenda that was to be presented in June will be presented in July.

We hope to see you attend.

Historically Yours,

Joan Wiener, President



Curator's Report

When our volunteers are at the museum (and we like to encourage you to volunteer, too), they donate their time in the interest of preserving our local history for the future.

We've been cleaning, organizing, cataloging, and answering inquiries. We're also creating a scrapbook about our own "American Idol" finalist, Haley Reinhart of Wheeling.

The museum has been busy with visitors during the open Sunday hours, and hopefully the weather will encourage more people to stop by.

If you are interested in helping, or can assist us with Sundays hours at the museum, please give us a call.

**Patti Steilen
Curator**

Things to do and Places to go

**Exhibit through August
2011:**

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Museum (847-968-3400)**

Learn about the new
technology implemented
during the Civil War:
submarines, reconnaissance
balloon, ironclads, and
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July 23 and 24
**The Grove Heritage
Association**

(847-299-6096)
Civil War Days

September 3 and 4
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(847-724-2235)

Civil War Sesquicentennial
—Encampment

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Time Marches On ...

Just a reminder about
dues for this year: if
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newsletter, please
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mail your check to:

Wheeling Historical Society
PO Box 3
Wheeling, IL 60090

Family membership \$15

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Wheeling News from 1932

WHEELING

Traffic at the corner of Milwaukee and Dundee roads is being directed by stop and go lights since last Saturday. The need for lights at this intersection has been felt for some time and were ordered installed by the village early in the summer. It is hoped that motorists will help to make the system effective by giving heed to the lights. They should remember that they, the signals are not an end in themselves by only a means to an end which is public safety. The motorist who attempts to beat the lights, is only beating his own chances for safety and also his fellow motrist. Children are especially warned in crossing the streets to watch the light and also to remember that they must be mindful of cars that may be turning the corner.

The Wm. Laurance family visited Mr. Laurance's parents in Missouri last week.

The P. T. A. are sponsoring a corn beef cabbage supper to be held on Wednesday evening, Nov. 9th at Childerley Community Center. A unique feature of the affair is that the supper is in charge of the men, who will do the serving that evening.

Wheeling Camp R. N. A. honored their past Oracles and charter members by inviting them to fill stations at their regular meeting last Thursday. The following Past Oracles held stations for the evening: Neighbor Nelda Welflin; Past Oracle Neighbor Anna Armbruster; Vice Oracle Neighbor Elsie Ehlers; Chancellor Neighbor Lydia Wick and Marshal Neighbor Regina Behrens. Charter Members, Neighbors Minnie Pieper and Alice Utpadel filled the stations of outer and inner sentinles. The degree of membership was conferred upon 4 candidates. Deputy C. Krue-

ger was present and assisted in the work. After the meeting several Hallowe'en stunts provided entertainment and refreshments consisting of sandwiches, doughnuts, coffee, apples and candy were served.

About 10 young friends surprised Arthur Fassbender Jr. in honor of his 10th birthday last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Chas. Balling spent the week-end with her sisters in Chicago.

Dr. and Mrs. N. S. MacVicar, Crosswell, Mich., made a surprise call on Dr. and Mrs. Nehls, last Sunday. The doctors were classmates at college and had a pleasant visit together.

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At My House ...

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"Fertilizer," the farmer replied.

"What're you gonna do with it?" asked the little boy.

"Put it on strawberries," answered the farmer.

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Wheeling FARM STAND MARKET



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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

JUNE 2011

Wheeling Historical Society's Installation Dinner 2011



Patti and Wedge Hancock (above),
Joan Wiener and Bev Rossmann (below)



Officers Christine Brady, Bill Hein, Elaine
Simpson, and Marilyn Chromy

Members and supporters of the Wheeling Historical Society met on a sunny evening, the first day in June, at Chevy Chase for the annual installation dinner.

Geege Masterson of Hackney's Restaurant, was honored for his involvement in our community. Hackney's closed their Milwaukee Avenue location on April 30th, after 46 memorable years. The society also recognized Bev Rossmann who has been a longtime volunteer at the museum.

President Joan Wiener spoke about the growth and activities of the historical society. Vice President Bill Hein introduced Geege Masterson, and related a bit of history about the beginning of Restaurant Row. Bill noted that Hackney's employed many local teens, who kept busy earning money for their college tuition—and for their cars.

After the installation of officers, the evening continued with good food and conversation, followed by the Silent Auction and Raffle Prize. We appreciate

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Joan Wiener and Bill Hein with Geege Masterson;
Hackney's location on Milwaukee Avenue



Photos: Charles Vallas



Board meeting
Thursday, June 16,
7:00 p.m.

General meeting
Wednesday,
June 22
7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, JUNE 22, 2011

BASEBALL IN THE MOVIES

Program at our General Meeting
in Chamber Park Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

See back page for details

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Message from the President

Dear Members and Friends,

I hope that those who attended the Annual Dinner had a nice time. I enjoyed giving an award to both Bev Rossmann for her years of service and to Geege Masterson for his many years of service through Hackney's. Thirty-seven people attended the Installation Dinner at Chevy Chase.

Congratulations to the new officers for 2011-2012: Bill Hein, Vice President; Christine Brady, Secretary; Marilyn Chromy, Treasurer; and Elaine Simpson, Director. We also want to welcome two new members, Erica Young and June Popke.

Bill Hein gave us some history on Geege Masterson of Hackney's, and thanked him for his many contributions to the Wheeling community. I gave a short history of the society and extended an invitation for new members.

Please remember these dates: the board meeting is Thursday, June 16, and the general meeting is Wednesday, June 22.

Enjoy what good weather we do have, and say thank you that winter is finally gone. Have a good summer.

**Historically Yours,
Joan Wiener, President**



**AMVETS' Memorial
Day Parade
in Wheeling**

Participants in the Memorial Day parade in Wheeling on May 30, 2011, included Brian Sellergren (left) who served in the Army infantry in Afghanistan and Iraq.



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and thank our supporters, as well as those who volunteer their time to the Wheeling Historical Society!

Thank you to the following sponsors of the Raffle and Silent Auction:

- Bill Stasek Chevrolet
- Kilcoyne's Redwood Inn
- Market Square Restaurant & Catering
- MB Financial Bank
- The Original Granny's
- Rise N Dine Pancake Café
- Shedd Aquarium
- The Experience Salon & Spa
- Wheeling Garden Club
- Wheeling Farmstand Market
- Wheeling Park District ★

Curator's Report

We've begun to catalog memorabilia from the Armbruster estate. There are many old ledgers and insurance forms that are quite interesting.

We're always working on the obituaries, and we continue to find more businesses that were once in Wheeling. Soon we'll be scouring the files to see if we have duplicate items that might be consolidated.



Stop in the museum and take a look at our new Family Fest display.

Patti Steilen
Curator

Wheeling FARM STAND MARKET



The Farmers Market
is now open

Tuesdays from 9 to 3
Saturdays from 9 to 1

at Chamber Park on Wolf Road
in Wheeling

Wheeling and the "Boys in Blue"



Thanks to the help of various local libraries, state agencies, and some work by the Wheeling Historical Society and Raupp Museum, we are pleased to note that the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War was not just a date to put on a calendar and set aside.

When President Lincoln requested the services of 70,000 men to combat the attack on Fort Sumter by the Confederates in mid-April 1861, Illinois and most of the northern states answered the call. When the war was over, a quarter of a million Illinois men donned the blue uniforms of the Union Army.

They represented a host of different locally-supported military units. In Wheeling, the 15th Illinois US Infantry, 88th Illinois US



Infantry, and 12th US Cavalry had the most volunteer soldiers in their ranks. We have found interesting cameos of the lives of the men who fought and died for the Union.



Wheeling joined the ranks of "northern Illinois villages (like Des Plaines, Half Day, Barrington, etc.) with 25th birthdays." Wheeling as a township was a thriving political, economic, and social governmental body. The 36 square miles of our township had over 160 farms, almost 20,000 acres of planted crops, worked by at least 733 horses, and milked by 1447 cows. Land was valued at \$100 per acre. According to the 1860 US Census, Wheeling Township had two thriving communities: Wheeling and Dunton (Arlington Heights). At least 3 blacksmiths, 7 carpenters, 3 hotel keepers, 3 masons, 4 merchants, 4 physicians, 2 saloon keepers, and 2 wagon makers plied their trades or professions to meet local needs.

In the absence of viable national government in Washington, these townships, and the county, supplied the men and money to protect the borders of our state, then supplied the manpower to fill the ranks of various local fighting units to fight and win the War. Local taxes, at the township, county, and state levels paid the bills for the war (with bonds paying 6%–8% interest). In October 1863 and 1864 after the harvests, long lines of wagons, some two miles in length, carried food, clothing, medical and cleaning supplies to the troops at Camp Fry and Camp Douglas in Chicago. Widows, orphans, and disabled war vets were also served by local communities.

In the bloody conflict of the Civil War, more than 620,000 Americans lost their lives—more than all wars up to and including Vietnam. These losses came at the rate of 600 men dying a day along a battle front that stretched 1200 miles across America, from the Potomac River in the East to the Mississippi in the West. Of the 320,000+ men who died in the Union Army, over 300 came from northern Illinois. Over 60% of the men who died fell victim to disease, not an enemy's mine ball or shell.

We hope that the members of the Wheeling Historical Society will want to honor the 52 men who served our township well in that great conflict. We might want to raise the question of the status of the 13 or more African-Americans (ex-slaves) who were substitutes for the draft (conscription) in 1864. They enlisted in Chicago, supposedly for a bonus, to serve for local men who legally could buy their way out of military service. Their names are listed under official government "Township or Town listings."

Bill Kiddle
Raupp Museum

baseball in the movies



**General
meeting on
Wednesday
June 22**

Celebrate the greatest all-American pastime with a spectacular collection of clips from classic baseball films peppered with hilarious anecdotes featuring your favorite stars! Enjoy scenes from "Take Me Out to the Ballgame," "Pride of the Yankees," Abbott and Costello's "Who's On First" routine, and many, many more ...



Baseball in the Movies

*presented by
Steven Frenzel*

Steven Frenzel is a former math teacher whose students were learning more about film than fractions, so he began doing movie presentations for a living. He works at Alexander Graham Bell Montessori School in Wheeling, teaching film appreciation.

Join us at the Chamber Park Community Center on
June 22 at 7:00 p.m.



Summer Salsa

2 Cups diced plum tomatoes
1 Cup diced onion
Juice of 1 lime
1/4 C chopped cilantro, if desired
Season with salt

Optional—to add heat:

Mild: 1/2 jalapeno (no seeds)

Hot: 1 jalapeno

Makes about 3 cups. Serve chilled with scoop tortilla chips.

Things to do and Places to go

Sunday, June 26, 2011

Palatine Historical Society's Garden Walk, Noon to 4 p.m. Tickets available at the Clayson House or the registration desk of the Palatine Park District.

May 7 through August 28, 2011

At the Arlington Heights Historical Society's Heritage Gallery, view the traveling exhibition developed at the Michigan State University Museum, "Storytelling Through the Mail: Tall Tale Postcards." Over 80 examples of "tall tale" postcards from the US: for example, the "Jackalope", fur-bearing trout, and enormous vegetables. ★



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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MAY 2011

Celebrating the Month of May

You may remember making “*May Baskets*” years ago: school-children made paper baskets, filled them with flowers, left them at someone’s door, rang the bell, and ran to hide. Some kids celebrated the day by dancing around a *Maypole* with streamers. These are leftovers of old European traditions.

The idea of a *Mother’s Day* was created by Anna Jarvis of West Virginia in 1908, to honor mothers. The day became a national holiday in 1914. This postcard below, from the museum’s collection, was sent to Mrs. Balling in 1906.



Girl Scout Troop No. 1 of Wheeling was started by Lucille Schneider in the 1920s. The Girl Scout troop used to carry flags in the Memorial Day parade down Milwaukee Avenue every year.

And most importantly, *Memorial Day* is set aside in May to honor those who have defended the United States and paid the ultimate price for our freedom. ☺



A school book illustration of children dancing around the Maypole.



Girl Scouts Troop 1 of Wheeling Illinois in the 1920s



Board meeting
Thursday, May 19, 7:00 p.m.

Calendar of Events

Annual Installation Dinner
Wednesday, May 25, 6:00 p.m.
at Chevy Chase Country Club
Raffle and Silent Auction
Dinner at 6:30 p.m. \$33 per person
RSVP Bill Simpson 847-541-8692

Special Program

Wheeling “Boys in Blue”
Civil War
Saturday, May 28, 2011
10:30 a.m.
Community Center in Chamber Park

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Message from the President

Dear Members and Friends,

Just a brief note this month. Weather is finally warming up. Spring is finally here—just in time for summer.

We have enjoyed having Evie and her sister to tell us about the trip they took on the east coast. They are amazing women.

This month is the installation of officers dinner, and I would like as many as possible to attend. The date is Wednesday, May 25, at 6:00 p.m., at Chevy Chase Country Club. Please sign up and bring a friend.

I was in Winona, Minnesota, for a couple of days attending a family graduation. I saw some beautiful old buildings that had been recently renovated without destroying the old look on the outside. What a fantastic job was done.

Remember these events that are coming up and put them on your calendar of events:

The Farmers Stand Market opens on May 17th, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Chamber Park, and will be held every Tuesday and Saturday until October 11th.

The Garden Club Plant Sale is held at Village Hall on Saturday, May 21, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Strawberry Fest at the Farmers Market on Saturday, May 28th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Civil War recognition of 150 years: Saturday, May 28th at the Old Church in Chamber Park, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The museum is open on Sundays from 2–4 p.m., and also on Saturday, May 28th from 10:30 to 12:30. Volunteers are needed. Please contact us if you can spare the time.

Hope to see you at the Installation Dinner.

**Historically Yours,
Joan Wiener, President**



Time Marches On!

Just a reminder that dues for 2011–2012 are due in May

You can pay at the Installation Dinner or mail your dues with this renewal application



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____

Address _____

City, State _____

Phone _____ **Zip** _____

Check One:

_____ **Family Membership \$15.00**

_____ **Individual membership \$10.00**

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P.O. Box 3, Wheeling, IL 60090

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Prayer for Peace, Memorial Day, 1983

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Each year, for more than 100 years, we have gathered on Memorial Day to pay tribute to those men and women who have fallen in battle, sacrificing their lives to preserve our freedom and world peace. In doing this, we are reminded that neither peace nor liberty is guaranteed, and that our national ideals remain threatened by global conflict, economic crises, violence, and aggression.

Throughout our history, America has been a symbol of hope for all people. We must always accept the many responsibilities that this requires. Thus, we are prepared to assist other nations in their struggle for economic progress; to help those in other lands who suffer from political repression and injustice; to deter aggression by strengthening democracy around the globe; and to work tirelessly toward a world without war.

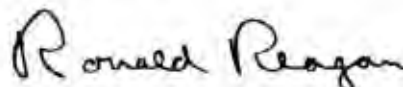
Those who have sacrificed their lives for our country serve as a reminder that our work is unfinished. With vision and purpose and a prayer in our hearts, let us dedicate ourselves to their memory.

In recognition of those Americans to whom we pay tribute today, the Congress, by joint resolution of May 11, 1950 (84 Stat. 158), has requested the President to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe each Memorial Day as a day of prayer for permanent peace and designating a period on that day when the people of the United States might unite in prayer.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate Memorial Day, Monday, May 30, 1983, as a day of prayer for permanent peace, and I designate the hour beginning in each locality at 11 o'clock in the morning of that day as a time to unite in prayer. I urge the press, radio, television, and all other information media to cooperate in this observance.

I also request the Governors of the United States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the appropriate officials of all local units of government to direct that the flag be flown at half-staff during this Memorial Day on all buildings, grounds, and naval vessels throughout the United States and in all areas under its jurisdiction and control, and I request the people of the United States to display the flag at half-staff from their homes for the customary forenoon period.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 4th day of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and seventh.



CIVIL WAR ANNIVERSARY- 150 YEARS

The Illinois Preservation Agency has launched a new website that lists events from 2011 to 2015 in the state of Illinois, to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Civil War: www.illinoiscivilwar150.org. This site includes resource materials and a month/year timeline. ★

Lake County Discovery Museum

The **Civil War High Tech** exhibit runs through August 2011. Learn about the new technology implemented during the Civil War: submarines, reconnaissance balloons, ironclads, and railroads. ★

Curator's Report

The museum volunteers are working on the files in the basement and getting ready for the Civil War presentation on May 28, 2011. The museum and carriage house will be open that Saturday, and we will be closed on Sunday due to the Memorial Day holiday.

We thank all the helpers we have on Thursday mornings, and all those people who volunteer their time when we need their assistance.

Next time you're in the museum, be sure to take a look at our Civil War display.

Patti Steilen
Curator

Things to do and Places to go

May 26-30

Field of Honor
Northbrook Historical Society
847-498-3404

June 1

125th Anniversary Kick-Off Event
Glessner House Museum
312-326-1480

June 12

House Walk and Tea
Arlington Heights Hist. Society
847-255-1225

June 12

A Walk Through Time:
Annual Prairie Avenue Tour
Glessner House Museum
312-326-1480

June 12

Cemetery Walk
Northbrook Hist. Society
847-498-3404

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The 1940 US Census

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71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
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In less than a year, the 1940 census will be available for public use. The census day was April 1, 1940. This census will be released digitally on April 2, 2012.

The 1940 and later censuses aren't available for public use because of a statutory 72-year restriction of access for privacy reasons.

The digital images will be accessible at NARA (The U.S. National Archives and Records Administration) facilities nationwide through their public access computers and on personal computers via the internet. ★

Cook's Kitchen



Chicken Blackhawk

2 whole chickens, quartered

MARINADE:

3 T. oregano, dried

3 T. thyme, dried

1 T. crushed red chilies

2 t. ground black pepper

2 T. salt

1-1/2 oz. fresh chopped garlic

1 C. olive oil

GARNISH:

1 each: red, green, yellow peppers, julienne cut

12 pepperoncinis (imported mild green peppers)

This recipe is found in "From Restaurants to Recipes," Wheeling's 1994 Centennial Celebration recipe book, and was donated by Don Roth's restaurant when it was located 61 N. Milwaukee in Wheeling.

Combine 7 marinade ingredients in a large bowl. Add chicken to marinade and toss to coat evenly. Refrigerate a minimum of 2 hours or overnight. Brown chicken on both sides until golden; do not overcrowd chicken. When browned, transfer to baking pan (repeat until all chicken is browned). Place pan in preheated 350° oven for 20 minutes. During the last 5 minutes of cooking, spread the julienne peppers and pepperoncinis on top of the chicken to heat through. ☺



Congratulations to

Haley Reinhart,

American Idol Finalist

Wheeling proudly welcomes Haley Reinhart home on Saturday, May 14, 2011, for a visit and celebration.



The celebration begins at 4:30 p.m. with a motorcade to Wheeling Village Hall, where President Abruscato will proclaim May 14, 2011, to be "Haley Reinhart Day."

Haley's visit will conclude with a performance at Arlington Park Racetrack. *American Idol* is a reality television singing competition. The program aims to discover the best singer in the country where the winner is determined by the viewers. ★



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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

APRIL 2011

Kilcoyne's Redwood Inn Celebrates 40 Years

Kilcoyne's Redwood Inn, located at 342 N. Milwaukee, recently celebrated their 40th anniversary. On Saturday, March 19, 2011, a group from the Wheeling Historical Society met at the restaurant to visit with and interview the owners.

Those who met with Joe Kilcoyne, Sr., and Joey Kilcoyne, Jr., to share stories of years ago, included Elaine and Geege Masterson of Hackney's; as well as the owners of Joe's Pizzeria; Pam Grutek, whose father, Wayne Ashe, sold the business to Kilcoyne; and other patrons who told stories they remembered about "way back when."

Others attending were Jackie and Mike Moran, along with WHS members Joan Wiener, Bill Hein, Patti and Terry Steilen, Elaine Simpson, and Marilyn Chromy. And while we celebrate

establishments such as Joe's Pizzeria and Kilcoyne's, who've been a presence here for so many years, we

must note that another restaurant is closing. Hackney's, located at 214 South Milwaukee in Wheeling for over 35 years, closes this location (only) on April 30, 2011. The owners and managers, Geege and Elaine Masterson are retiring. ~



Joe Kilcoyne, Bill Hein, Terry Steilen



Elaine and Geege Masterson



Mike Moran, Joey Kilcoyne, Bill Hein



April and May programs~

Wednesday, April 27: The Cycling Sisters return to talk about their bicycle tour through New England; a speaker from the Indian Trails Public Library will talk about the Reading Garden's engraved bricks; nominations and election of officers will be voted upon.

Wednesday, May 25: Our annual Installation Dinner ~ details to be announced ~

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Message from the President

Dear Friends and Members,

April is here, but where is spring? Hope it's coming soon. Winter has been long.

The March meeting was held on Wednesday, March 23rd. We had a guest speaker, Eileen Halleck, from the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Foundation. She told us how the foundation works and that all the money that is donated to the foundation goes into things and projects at the Senior Center. So far they have purchased a new TV, Wii system and multiple pieces of furniture for the lobby area of the Senior Center. The Society voted and approved a donation of \$50.00 to the foundation.

A budget was approved for the upcoming Installation dinner. Discussion was held about getting new software called PastPerfect, for the museum. This software is designed for collections management in museums. We will be discussing this with the Park District Director in the very near future.

Terry Steilen, the head of the nominating committee, announced that he is working on nominees for the upcoming election at the April meeting. The amount of \$200.00 was approved for the program that is to be presented by the Cycling Sisters at the April meeting. Also approved was an award to Geege and Elaine Masterson from Hackney's, for their many years of service to the Village of Wheeling. That will be presented at the Installation Dinner in May.

The society would like to say Get Well Soon to Patti Hancock who has been in the hospital with respiratory problems. Happy Birthday late to Patti Steilen, Cheri Klumpp, and Elaine Simpson.

Hope to see you at the April meeting.

Historically Yours,

Joan Wiener, President



Happy Easter

Things to do and Places to go

North Eastern Illinois Historical Council (N.E.I.L.) Events

April 16 & 17 Victorian Tea at the Palatine Historical Society

April 17 Music in the Museum: Concert by Sebastian Huydts & Elizabeth Newkirk, at the Glessner House Museum

April 20 Plant Medicine Past and Present, at the Elk Grove Historical Society

April 30 Mother-Daughter Tea at the Glessner House Museum

May 5 Spring Celebration & Plant Sale, Elk Grove Historical Society

May 14 Civil War 150th Anniversary, Elk Grove Historical Society

May 15 Cemetery Walk, Palatine Historical Society ☪

**Meeting
Dates**

April 2011

Board meeting
**Thursday
April 21**
7:00 p.m.

General meeting
**Wednesday
April 27**
7:00 p.m.

★ Visit our website at www.WheelingHistoricalSociety.com ★

Curator's Report

We had a very interesting day on Monday, March 24th. A young man named Michael Anthony was in town filming a documentary called "For Billy" and came for a tour of the museum. He interviewed myself and Bill Hein, with some added help from Linda Reading. It was fun to see just how a taping was done and we were excited to be part of this movie. I'll let you know when the movie is out and if it put on a DVD. The project took about 3 hours with a tour of all three buildings and ten minute interviews for Bill and I.

Joan and I opened the museum on April 3rd. We're hoping for many guests this season. Come in and see our new exhibit on Family Fest. We received many items from Kathy Pico, Judy Koller, and Becky Vogel. Our thanks to them for their generosity.

Joan and I went to the library to pick up items on the Civil War for a display. Chris Gibson was generous to loan the items from the library's display. We hope to have this display up in the next few weeks.

We received old ledgers, postcards, and letters about Al Fassbender, from the attic of a Wheeling resident. We'll be going through these items in the next month.

Patti Steilen
Curator



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1926 Taxes for Wheeling Township

will be received on the dates and at the places noted below.

Peoples State Bank
March 12, 14, 15, 18, 19, 21, 22, 25, 26.

Every Wed. and Sat. Eve.
6:30 p. m. to 8:00 p. m.

Wheeling State Bank
March 9, 16, 23, from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.

Mount Prospect, March 11.

Firnback Store
March 17, from 9 a. m. to 12.

WM. WEBER, Collector.

See "Information to Tax Payers" on Other Side

Tax Rates for 1926

School District	
Dist. No. 20	.....\$ .54
Dist. No. 21	..... 4.00
Dist. No. 22	..... 2.75
Dist. No. 23	..... 1.25
Dist. No. 24	..... 1.35
Dist. No. 25	..... 4.00
Dist. No. 26	..... 1.63
Dist. No. 57	..... .75
State	..... .65
County	..... .91
Town	..... .17
Forest Preserve	..... .15
Village Mt. Prospect	..... 2.42
Village Wheeling	..... 2.04
Village of Arlington Heights	..... 1.87
Road and Bridge	..... .77
Arlington Heights Twp.—	
Heights School	..... 2.75
Non-High School	..... .40
Arlington Heights Water Works	..... .66
Arlington Heights Park Dist.25

1926 Taxes
for Wheeling
Township—85 years ago!

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Meeting will be announced soon.

Did you know ...

The story behind the Wheeling Historical Society's mission statement?

The Village sold the original Wheeling Village Hall to the Park District in 1978, and the building was moved from 84 South Milwaukee Avenue to Chamber Park.



The subject came up—what to call the building? And what was the purpose of the Society?

At the time, Shirley Koeppen and Dana Benjamin were members of both the Wheeling Women's Club and the Wheeling Historical Society.

After some discussion it was determined that the building should be called the Wheeling Historical Museum, and giving thought to its purpose, Dana came up with the statement that we still use today:

"The object of this Society shall be the discovery, preservation, and dissemination of knowledge about the community of Wheeling."

— Submitted by
Patti Hancock



Cook's Kitchen

Braided Easter Egg Bread

2-1/2 cups all-purpose flour, divided
1/4 cup white sugar
1 teaspoon salt
1 (.25 ounce) package active dry yeast
2/3 cup milk
2 tablespoons butter
2 eggs
5 whole eggs, dyed if desired
2 tablespoons butter, melted



In a large bowl, combine 1 cup flour, sugar, salt and yeast; stir well. Combine milk and butter in a small saucepan; heat until milk is warm and butter is softened but not melted.

Gradually add the milk and butter to the flour mixture, stirring constantly. Add two eggs and 1/2 cup flour; beat well. Add the remaining flour, 1/2 cup at a time, stirring well after each addition. When the dough has pulled together, turn it out onto a lightly floured surface and knead until smooth and elastic, about 8 minutes.

Lightly oil a large bowl, place the dough in the bowl, and turn to coat with oil. Cover with a damp cloth and let rise in a warm place until doubled in volume, about 1 hour.

Deflate the dough and turn it out onto a lightly floured surface. Divide the dough into two equal size rounds; cover and let rest for 10 minutes. Roll each round into a long roll about 36 inches long and 1-1/2 inches thick. Using the two long pieces of dough, form a loosely braided ring, leaving spaces for the five colored eggs. Seal the ends of the ring together and use your fingers to slide the eggs between the braids of dough.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Place loaf on a buttered baking sheet and cover loosely with a damp towel. Place loaf in a warm place and let rise until doubled in bulk, about 45 minutes. Brush risen loaf with melted butter. Bake in preheated oven for 50 to 55 minutes, or until golden. ☺

*We're sending Get Well Wishes to all
our friends who are under the weather ~*

Patti Hancock,

Shirley McConnell,

and Elaine Simpson



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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MARCH 2011

Wheeling's First and Only Hospital

Wheeling's first and only hospital was established by Dr. Edward Larson in 1927. It had 9 hospital beds and was in operation until 1945.

The hospital stood at 203 South Milwaukee Avenue; the Larsons lived next door at 189 South Milwaukee.

Dr. Larson had 3-4 nurses; Mary Flynn was the R.N.

The hospital began in the doctor's house, which was enlarged until he finally built a new home so the entire building could be used for treating his patients.

The closest hospital otherwise was at Highland Park. Some Wheeling people used Chicago hospitals when the situation was not one of emergency.

While the hospital was built to serve the community, it also provided emergency facilities where Dr. Larson could patch up automobilists who survived the many accidents that occurred—especially on summer weekends along heavily-traveled Milwaukee Avenue.

Frances Moeller explained in *Wheeling Through the Years*, "During the influenza epidemic of 1918, Dr. Larson was so busy visiting his patients that he had people drive him on his calls and he slept in the car between stops. During the epidemic some people at the Chicago House had the flu. There were no nurses around so the girls who worked at the hotel took care of them. Dr. Larson was against the use of alcohol, but he told us to take a small shot of whiskey before going into the room, and another after coming out. We never caught the flu, and Dr. Larson didn't lose a patient during the epidemic." ❧



Meeting Dates March 2011

Board meeting
Wednesday,
March 16
7:00 p.m.

General meeting
Wednesday,
March 23
7:00 p.m.

March 2011 Calendar



March 13 – Daylight Saving Time begins

March 17 – St. Patrick's Day

March 16 – Wheeling Historical Society Board meeting at 7 p.m.

March 20 – 1st day of Spring

March 23 – Wheeling Historical Society General meeting at 7 p.m.

April 1 – April Fools' Day

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MEMORANDUM

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Message from the President

Dear Friends and Members,

Again, time is going fast and spring is around the corner. Happy St. Patrick's Day to those who are Irish and those who are Irish only on that day. The White Elephant Auction was a great success and I want to thank all those who donated so many things for us to auction. We had a lot of non-members who donated items, and 49 people attended the auction. Thank you to our members who put it all together: Bill Hein, the auctioneer; Becky Vogel, co-chair of the auction; and all the other members who helped out with the food and assisted in the kitchen with preparation and clean-up.

The board meeting is Wednesday, March 16th, at 7:00 p.m., and the regular meeting is on Wednesday, March 23rd, at 7:00 p.m.

We are having two speakers: one from the Pavilion Senior Center to talk about the Foundation, and one from Indian Trails Library to speak about donating a brick for the Reading Garden wall.

There will also be a round table discussion on the past and present businesses in Wheeling. I would like input from everyone, so bring your memory and thinking caps.

Sunday, April 3rd, is the opening of the museum and we need volunteers. The hours on Sunday are from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

In April we'll have Evie Weber and her sister Norma again. This time they have gone on a bike trip through New England. Hope to see you all at the meeting.

Historically Yours,

Joan Wiener, President



March and April Programs

At the Wheeling Historical Society Meeting on March 23, we'll introduce two speakers, one from the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Foundation and one from Indian Trails Library: Eileen Halleck, a Wheeling resident for 17 years, volunteers at the Pavilion and is a member of the Pavilion Senior Advisory Council and the Senior Net Learning Center Board. She'll speak about the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Foundation.

Our speaker from Indian Trails Public Library will talk about the engraved bricks from the Foundation for the Indian Trails Public Library District. The Foundation Reading Garden is meant to honor all those who have an interest in literacy, or the community, or who have touched your life in a special way.

Following this, we'll have a round table discussion to collect our memories of businesses in Wheeling, from past to present.

In April we're inviting the Cycling Sisters, Evie Weber and her sister Norma Witherbee, to talk about their tour by bicycle through New England.

★ Visit our website at www.WheelingHistoricalSociety.com ★

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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Way Back When

March 17, 1950

C-Day causes nosey business to boom, first time in 10 years

April 1 is more than April Fool's day in 1950: it's C-day. On that day, a census-taking will begin in Cook and DuPage counties and in every county and state of the nation.

Sometime in April someone's coming to your house—and coming, moreover, with about 60 questions for every family and householder to answer as the questioner counts noses.

One hundred forty thousand enumerators, fact-finders for the nation, will canvass 45 million American dwelling units and six million farms to get the name, address, age, sex, and dozens of other statistics about every resident of the United States. Basic purpose of the census, as decided upon by the country's founding fathers and written into the United States Constitution, is to decide how many Congressmen shall represent each state in Washington. The 1950 poll is the Seventeenth Decennial Census of the United States.

Thousands of people have moved to the Far West, so California and some other western states will elect more Congressmen when they vote in 1952. Never before in any ten-year period have so many people been married and so many babies been born as in the years since the last census in 1940. The mushrooming of these vital statistics have upset every calculation which school, health, and housing experts have made; and not until the census is completed will it be possible to make new calculations and plans based on an actual count of those millions of small—and large—noses.

Actually, 200 questions make up the census questionnaire, but not every one will be asked of every citizen. Some of the queries that will be asked from the Mississippi Delta country to the Arctic circle, from the Maine lobster pots to the smudge pots of California, orchards concern place of birth, education, type of employment, salary, number of times married, number of children. There will be questions about housing: number of rooms, number of people living in house, kind of sanitary facilities, value, state of repair, year in which built. You may even be asked if



Forget about my age, Bub; just COUNT me!

you own a television set.

Ever since great great great grandmother was first called away from the breakfast dishes in 1790, to tell the "gub'ment man" how many males and females lived in the household and whether they were slave or free, women have answered most of the questions for the Bureau of Census of the United States Department of Commerce. However, it makes no difference to the census-takers who is home when they call, provided the person can answer the questions.

No one need stay home waiting to be caught in the count. Even if you'd happen to be abroad, the enumerators would find you. If you don't know the answers for other people in your household, a government representative will check back to find out. All the answerer must do, in other words, is spare the necessary fifteen minutes—and answer truthfully.

The Census Bureau has this word to reticent or suspicious citizens: its employees are as close-mouthed as the Sphinx; tell them how old you are or how much you earn, and they won't tell another soul.

The Museum opens Sunday, April 3, 2011
2 to 4 p.m.

We're calling for volunteers —
will you be one?

Remembering Doris Elizabeth Ashe, owner of Doris' Tree Top Inn of Wheeling

Doris Elizabeth Ashe (nee Vipond) passed away on February 16, 2011. She was born February 18, 1924, growing up on the family farm in Kalkaska, Michigan, and enlisted in the Navy as a Wave in 1944. She married Wayne Ashe, whom she met while stationed at Pearl Harbor. Together they owned and operated the Redwood Inn in Mount Prospect and Doris' Tree Top Inn in Wheeling for over 30 years. When her husband died in 1972, she became an instant bar owner, taking over all the duties her husband had once handled. Doris lived to be the mother of 5 children, 17 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren. ☞

—newspaper ad from June 1970

Grand Opening

JUNE 19, 20

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SPECIALIZING IN LUNCHEONS

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Wheeling

Doris and Wayne Ashe
Formerly of Wayne's Redwood Inn
in Mt. Prospect

Phone 537-9599

50 years ago,
in 1961:

Jack London school opened and the Wheeling Park District was created.

75 years ago, in
1936:

Royal Blue store opened, and the Country Club name changed to Bon Air.

Things to do and Places to go

☞ **Wilmette Historical Society** presents the lecture, "Illinois Fights the Civil War" with guest speaker, Robert I. Girardi. **Sunday, April 17 at 2:00 p.m.** Free for members; \$5 for non-museum members.

Kick off the 150th anniversary of the Civil War with acclaimed historian Robert Girard, who has authored or edited eight books on the subject. The Wilmette Historical Museum is located at 609 Ridge Road in Wilmette.

☞ **Arlington Heights Historical Society's** exhibit, "On the Move in Arlington Heights," is open **through April 24**, at the Heritage Gallery, 112 West Fremont Street.

☞ **Park Ridge Historical Society** presents, "Preservation Snapshot: The Legacy of Richard Nickel, and the Complete Architecture of Adler and Sullivan," with guest speaker, Ward Miller, on Sunday, **April 10 at 2:00 p.m.** Park Ridge Nonprofit Center, 720 Garden Street.

Richard Nickel, an early proponent of historic preservation, attended the Chicago Institute of Design while living in Park Ridge. He was working on a photography project begun in 1952, when he died in a tragic accident 20 years later at the Chicago Stock Exchange building. As the conservator of Nickel's photographic archive, Mr. Miller has worked for years to complete that project begun many years ago. Signed copies of his book will be available for purchase after the lecture. ☞

Cook's Kitchen

German Potato Salad



7 medium sized potatoes
1/4 lb. bacon, cut in small pieces
1 small onion, chopped
3 T. vinegar
1 T. water
2 T. sugar

Boil potatoes, then peel them as for potato salad. Fry bacon and onion until crisp. Pour off all except approximately 1 tablespoon grease. Add vinegar, sugar, and water.

Simmer for about 10 minutes with bacon and onion. Cut up potatoes. Add to above mixture and mix. Then simmer for about 10 to 15 minutes more. Add salt and pepper to taste. If too dry, add more bacon drippings.

-Contributed by Sharon Schomer to Wheeling's 1994 centennial celebration cookbook, "From Restaurants to Recipes."

Jog your memory ...

These businesses were here 30 years ago—how many are still here?

GOODYEAR Checkpoint Tire Centers, Inc.

J. EDWARDS MENS WEAR
VILLAGE DECORATING SERVICE
The Palwaukee Bank
PARK MANOR CLEANERS
Sauer's Bake Shop
FOUR STAR RESTAURANT
VILLAGE BEAUTY SALON

JOE'S PIZZERIA
Chandler's, Inc.
COUNTRY DAIRY
Rock 'n Records
Kolsak of Wheeling
COST PLUS 10
Baskin-Robbins



Know Your Apples

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a church elementary school for lunch.

At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note and put it on the apple tray:

"Take only ONE. God is watching."

Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table, was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies.

A child had written a note: "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."



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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

FEBRUARY 2011

1940s Winter in Wheeling

This snowy scene was taken some time in the 1940s, perhaps 70 years ago. The photographer is looking south down Milwaukee Avenue. On the right, where you see the tall flagpole, is the village hall, and behind it, the water tower. The village hall was built in 1897 and served the citizens until 1955. The hall was moved in 1978 to Chamber Park and became the museum of the Wheeling Historical Society.



Annual Dinner and White Elephant Auction

Have you been saving your white elephants this past year? It's time to bring them to the Wheeling Historical Society's

Annual Dinner and White Elephant Auction

Wednesday, February 23, 2011

At the Chamber Community Center (Church), 251 N. Wolf Road, Wheeling

Dinner served at 6:00 p.m. The auction follows at 7 p.m.

\$10.00 per person—Seating is limited.

Call Bill Simpson to reserve your seat: 847-541-8692. We look forward to seeing you!

We need items for the auction. Empty out your garage, attic, or barn.

This auction is a fundraiser for your historical society.

For more information, please call

Joan Wiener, President, at 847-650-0144



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Message from the President

Dear Friends and Members,

I hope all of you are surviving this very cold and snowy winter. It sure seems long. But at least spring is not too far away. Bill and I were gone for a couple of weeks in January to some nice warm weather. We got back in time for the big storm.

The Historical Society wants to wish our oldest living member, Dolly Hein, a Happy 92nd Birthday! Her birthday was on February 10.

I wasn't at the last meeting. It was conducted by our secretary, Charles Vallas. They discussed Lollipop Lane and set up for the White Elephant Auction on Wednesday, February 23, 2011—6:00 p.m. for dinner, and auction to start at 7:00 p.m.

We need items to auction off. Please bring them to the Old Church that night or contact me if you can't make it that night: Joan at 847-229-0151.

Please come and bring a friend. Call Bill Simpson for your reservation, as the number of seats is limited: Bill at 847-541-8692.

Bill Hein will be the auctioneer again this year. We hope to see you there.

The board meeting is at 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 17, 2011.

Historically Yours,

Joan Wiener, President



Curator's Report

We had a request from Amber Chen about her relatives. They were the Kotwitz family who had a farm on Dundee Road in the early 1900s. She is also related to the Karths and Wolfs who are descendents of her family. I found a phone number of the Presbytery of Chicago so she can research their religious background.

We are looking into getting a Civil War photo repaired because the ink is flaking off.

The basement of the museum is a little less cluttered since we are reorganizing a few file cabinets, making copies of some news items, and cutting down on papers.

Marilyn, Bev, Patti, Joan, and I are working on the same projects. It's amazing how much time one project can take!

Chris Gibson came in looking for Civil War information we have to display in the Indian Trails Library exhibit. We had records of soldiers who served, and a replica of money used at the time from Louisiana.



**Patti Steilen
Curator**

Meeting Dates

February 2011
Board meeting:
Thursday, **February 17**
7:00 p.m.

General meeting:
**White Elephant
Auction
Wednesday,
February 23**
Dinner served at 6 p.m.
Make your reservations
now!



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Wheeling Park District

Congratulations for 50 years of serving this community! In 1960 the Wheeling citizens voted for a park district, and the first park board meeting was held on January 11, 1961.



The community is invited to an evening dedicated to presenting the goals and accomplishments of the Park District.

The **State of the Park District Address** is an excellent opportunity to learn and understand how the Park District continues to live its mission to provide memorable experiences in parks and recreation that enrich our communities.

Chevy Chase Country Club
1000 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Wheeling
Tuesday, February 22, 2011

Refreshments are served at 6:30 p.m.; the Address begins at 7 p.m. ↵



February 22
Presidents Day



Website Status Report for 2010

By Terry Stellen

WheelingHistoricalSociety.com

Total Pages Viewed: 6,666
Total Visitors: 3,269
First Time Visitors: 3,126
Average Visitors Per Day: 13

Password for the Month:
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February 2011 Highlights:

- I'm looking for ideas for articles to add to the Web site
- I've included email addresses below, just in case you know them, and desire to contact them

Visitors Comments:

<http://wheelinghistoricalsociety.com/guestbook.htm>

Entry: 18
Time: Mon Feb 7, 2011 12:48am
Name: Amber Chen
Email: -
City: Provo
Message:
This is a great website! My grandma and I enjoyed looking at pictures of it. He father, William Kotwitz, was born in Wheeling in 1906.
Thanks for putting this site together!

Entry: 17
Time: Wed Feb 2, 2011 05:06pm
Name: Robert Wilson
Email: okwarixbear@yahoo.com
City: Wheeling
Message:
This site is awesome in all the information held within these pages. I truly believe that it is the duty of everyone no matter whom they are to study the history of their city. After all those who don't learn from history are doomed to repeat it.

Entry: 16
Time: Mon Jan 17, 2011 02:45pm
Name: Bob Gosch
Email: vbwjtd@juno.com
City:
Message:

Went to grade school back in the 30's (St. John Luth. school(one room). Some of the families were the Koeppen's, Lemke's, Grandt's, Schuler's.

Entry: 15
Time: Mon Dec 27, 2010 02:05pm
Name: marianela perales
Email: nelayluis@yahoo.com
City: Wheeling
Message:

Very nice website. I love finding out information about the history of our town. thank you much.

Entry: 14
Time: Sat Nov 13, 2010 01:00pm
Name: KathyCarlson
Email: kcarlson1960@gmail.com
City: Wheeling
Message:
Nice web site and informative.

Entry: 13
Time: Sat Nov 13, 2010 01:00pm
Name: peter a guttilla
Email: peteandlindsay@comcast.net
City: Chicago
Message:

Wow this is the first to get some info on my grandfather Peter P Guttilla if anyone can help thanks he was chief of police 60s i think.

Things to do and Places to go

✳ **The Arlington Heights Historical Society and Museum** presents "On the Move in Arlington Heights" **January 15 – April 24, 2011.**

Throughout the village's history, residents have traveled over Indian paths, muddy roads, railway, and now many miles of paved streets to get from one place to another. Whether by foot, horse, bicycle, or automobile, the changing modes of transportation helped define a changing way of life. Using photographs and artifacts from the Arlington Heights Historical Society's collection, this exhibit explores the many ways of getting around in the village throughout the years. On the Move in Arlington Heights can be viewed in the Heritage Gallery January 15 thru April 24, 2011.

The Heritage Gallery and Shop is located on the Arlington Heights Historical Museum Campus at 112 West Fremont Street. There is no admission fee; suggested donation of \$2.00 is recommended.

✳ **Elk Grove Historical Museum** presents, "The Doctor Is In: A history of Medicine in Elk Grove" from **March - August 2011.**

Learn about the history of medicine in Elk Grove. The exhibit begins in the 1830s with Dr. Frederick Miner, one of the area's first settlers, and concludes with the construction of Alexian Brothers Hospital in the 1960s. Learn about local physicians, common illnesses, quack medicine, and home remedies. Public drop-in hours: March - May: Wed and Fri 2:30 - 6:30 pm, Sat 11:00 am - 2:00 pm, & by appt. \$1 suggested donation to view facilities. The museum is located at 399 Biesterfield Road, Elk Grove Village, Illinois. ✳



Recipe for a Happy Marriage

1 cup Consideration
1 cup Courtesy
2 cups Flattery, carefully concealed
1 gal Faith and Trust in each other
2 cups Praise
1 sm pinch In-Laws
3 tsp Pure Extract of "I'm Sorry"
1 cup Contentment
1 cup Confidence and Encouragement
1 lg or several sm Hobbies
1 cup Blindness to the other's Faults

Flavor with frequent portions of Recreation and Happy Memories. Stir well and remove any flecks of Jealousy, Temper, or Criticism. Sweeten well with Love. Keep warm with a steady flame of Devotion. Never serve with a Cold Shoulder. ✳

Cook's Kitchen



Best Ever Pistachio Dessert

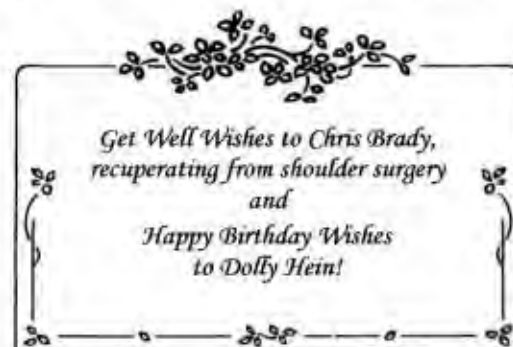
1 large Cool Whip
1-1/2 C flour
3/4 C butter
1/2 C nuts, preferably pecans,
chopped
12 oz. Philly Cream Cheese
1-1/2 C powdered sugar
4 pkgs pistachio pudding
5 C milk

Mix flour, butter, and nuts. Press into a 9 x 13 x 2 pan. Bake for 15 minutes at 350° or until golden brown. Cool.

In a mixer, blend cream cheese and powdered sugar. Fold in 1-1/2 cups of Cool Whip. Spread on crust.

Make pistachio pudding with the 5 cups of milk. Cover the cream cheese mixture.

Cover the pudding layer with the remaining Cool Whip. Refrigerate until ready to serve. ✳





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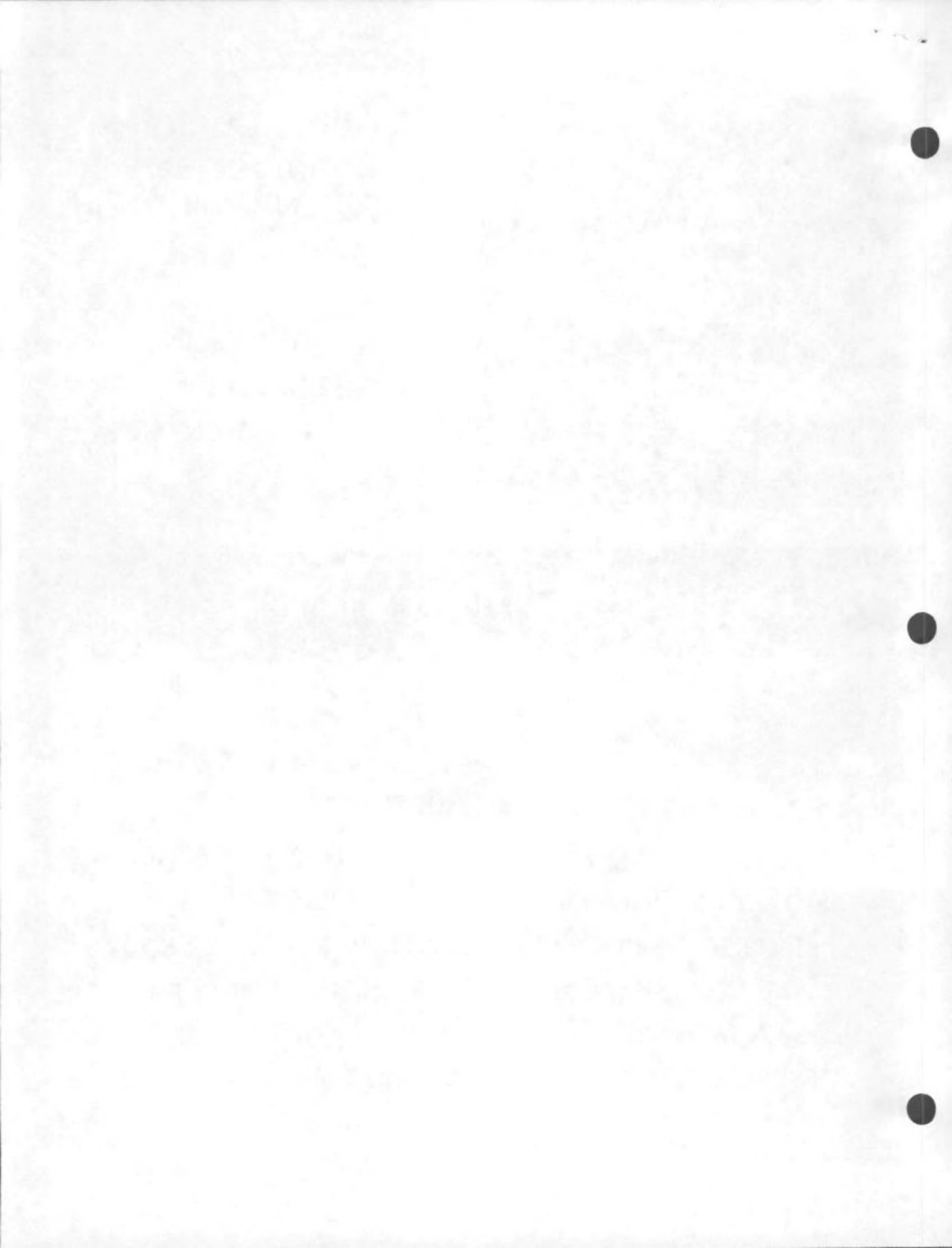
2011 White Elephant Auction

February 23

DINNER WILL BE
SERVED AT 6PM
\$10.00 PER PERSON
LIMITED SEATING
CALL BILL SIMPSON
847-541-8692 TO
RESERVE YOUR SEAT

WE NEED ITEMS FOR THE
AUCTION,
EMPTY OUT YOUR GARAGE,
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IS A FUND RAISER FOR YOUR
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WIENER PRESIDENT.

847-650-0144





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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

JANUARY 2011

Christmas at Lollipop Lane 2010

One look at the excited faces of the children who visited Lollipop Lane this year would tell you that this event was quite a success. As soon as the doors opened, and our visitors caught their first glimpse of the twinkling lights, the colorful ornaments, and then—Santa sitting with Mrs. Claus, you knew it would be another memorable Christmas for everyone.



We thank our volunteers: our Santas and Mrs. Clauses; Bill Stasek Chevrolet and their employees for donating their time and taking the photos; the Wheeling Park District for their assistance in decorating; our cookie bakers; and all members who gave up their free time. We appreciate the donations from our friends and neighbors in the community. It takes many people to make this happen every year. Thank you!



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From the Wheeling Independent newspaper, 1957 ...



CORNFLAKE CRISPS

1/4 cup butter
 1/4 cup sugar
 1/3 cup light molasses
 Combine and bring to a full boil, stirring constantly. Remove from heat.
 Add and mix well:
 1 cup semi sweet chocolate morsels
 4 cups cornflakes, uncrushed
 Drop by half teaspoonful on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 350 degrees oven 6 to 8 minutes. Let cool 2 to 3 minutes. Remove from cookie sheet with spatula. Makes 5 dozen.

Junior Women News

Last year the Wheeling Junior Woman's Club presented the Wheeling School with a bioscope. The bioscope is a scientific instrument that projects microscopic slides on a screen enabling an entire group to enjoy the benefits of a microscope. Responsible for most of the arrangements made in procuring this instrument was Mrs. Robert Meyer, last year's Philanthropy chairman, and her committee.

The money used to purchase the bioscope was raised by the club's various functions; the style show, the bake sale, and others. This year the annual style show is first on the club agenda. "Modes and Memories" will be held on November 12 at 8:30 p.m. at the Amvets Hall. Weil's Department Store and Young Modes will furnish the wearing apparel to be modeled by club members and their children. Tickets are on sale now at \$1.50 a piece.

Household Hints

The next time you are ironing puffed sleeves of little girl's dresses, try using a hot light bulb. Iron all of the dress except the sleeves, then slip the hot light bulb into the sleeves, working it around.

YOU SAID IT

The Wall Street Journal tells of a dumb office gal who for 8 mo's thought the waste-paper chute down to the furnace was a filing cabinet. That is where she stuffed every letter that was given her to file!

"The shattering part of it," says an exec. of the company, "isn't that we lost an est'd 3000 letters that way. What really gets us is that so far we haven't needed one of them!"



We thank the following people for their donations to the Wheeling Historical Society

- Pat Hancock: (1) Shorthand book 1940, "Hall Shorthand Simplified"; (1) "The Dangerous Book For Boys" by G. & H. Iggulden
- Chris Gibson, Indian Trails Library District: (1) videocassette Wheeling Founders Day Centennial Celebration; (1) gray spat
- Dan Van Loon: (1) original drawing of the Village flag (1973)
- Dolly Hein: (18) Wheeling historical plates

You won't believe it, but...



Can a bar of soap under the sheets prevent leg cramps at night? There have been many preventions suggested, including:

- Stretching your calf muscles before going to bed
- Swearing off caffeine in the evening
- Increasing your intake of potassium, magnesium, calcium, or Vitamin E
- Sleeping on your back with your toes pointed toward the ceiling
- Drinking tonic water, which contains small amounts of quinine
- Increasing your intake of water during the day

*

Some of these suggestions may help you, but there's one suggestion for which there is no explanation: putting a bar of soap, (preferably Ivory) under the sheets. Ann Landers mentioned the soap cure in her column; Dr. Gott has also mentioned it in his column. There are many who swear by this remedy. And although it's not clear which brand of soap should be used, or where exactly it should be placed, we suppose it is worth a try. It couldn't hurt, aside from your spouse thinking you're a bit loony. Let us know if it works for you!

Cook's Kitchen



Quick Three-Bean Soup

- 1 onion, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, pressed
- 1 T olive oil
- 1 can white beans, drained
- 1 can black beans, drained
- 1 can kidney beans, drained
- 1 can chicken broth
- 1 t basil
- 1 can diced tomatoes
- 6 T Romano cheese
- Salt and pepper to taste

In a saucepan, over medium-high heat, cook the onion and garlic in olive oil until translucent.

Add the rest of the ingredients except the Romano cheese and stir well.

Salt and pepper to taste, and heat till nice and hot. Top each bowlful with a tablespoon of Romano cheese and serve (great with side salad). Serves 6.



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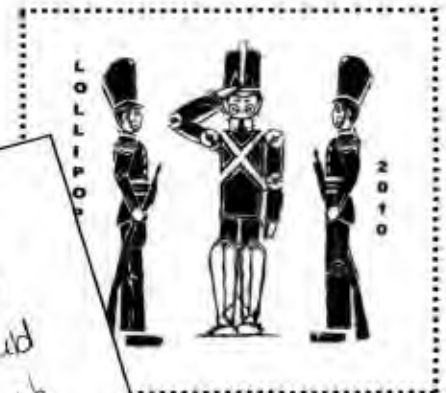
WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2010

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas...

Snowflakes and twinkling lights, Christmas trees and ornaments, holiday music and **Lollipop Lane**—it's that magical time of the year! The children are anticipating the chance to meet Santa and Mrs. Claus. It is for the children, and we'll capture those memorable moments again with photos, thanks to **Bill Stasek Chevrolet**. You can visit the website www.LollipopLane.org to see photos that were taken from Lollipop Lane 2009.

So, it's time to make the calls to our cookie bakers, and decorate the Christmas trees, in preparation for the arrival of Santa at Lollipop Lane. *



Design by Patti Hancock

Dear Santa,
I've tried to be a good girl
this year this is what I would
like for christmas: boom box with
cd player
Traggle table
Keychains Mr
American doll
Playstation
your friend



Village of Wheeling

The annual **Holiday Lighting** event will be held on Sunday, November 21, 6:30 p.m. at Village Hall. Mr. and Mrs. Claus will make an appearance, while the Wheeling High School Band provides the music.

~Meeting Dates and Times~

Due to our commitment to Lollipop Lane, December 4-12, there will be no meeting or newsletter in December.

November Dates

Board meeting is Thursday, November 11 at 7:00 p.m.
General meeting (you're invited) is Wednesday, November 17 at 7:00 p.m.

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Cook's Corner



Cookie bakers alert: it's time for Lollipop Lane cookies!

Walnut Crescents

Melt-in-your-mouth cookies—the dainty kind you like to serve company—

1/2 cup butter or margarine
1/2 cup shortening
1/3 cup sugar

2 teaspoons water
2 teaspoons vanilla
2 cups enriched flour

1/2 cup chopped black walnuts
Confectioners' sugar

Cream butter to soften; then thoroughly cream butter, shortening, and sugar. Mix in water and vanilla, then flour and nuts; chill for 3 or 4 hours. Form dough in long rolls, 1/2 inch across; cut in 3-inch lengths and shape in crescents. Bake on ungreased cookie sheet in slow oven (325°) 15 minutes. (Do not brown cookies.) Remove from sheet, cool slightly, and dip in confectioners' sugar. Makes about 4 dozen.

Cookies:

1 cup honey
4 egg yolks
1 tablespoon cinnamon, or to taste
2 tablespoons pumpkin pie spice, or to taste
3/4 cup rye flour
3 cups all-purpose flour
3 teaspoons baking soda
1 tablespoon water

Icing:

1-2/3 cups sifted powdered sugar
1 egg white
Juice and grated rind of 1 small lemon
Water if needed

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Heat honey until lukewarm. Add to egg yolks and mix well, using a wooden spoon. Add cinnamon, pumpkin pie spice, rye flour, and all-purpose flour. Add baking soda dissolved in water. Mix well. With your hands, make balls about 1 inch in diameter. Place on a cookie sheet that has been lightly greased and dusted with flour. Bake at 375 degrees for 8 minutes or until lightly browned. Do not overbake. Cool 5 minutes on racks.

Meanwhile, make icing. Combine powdered sugar, egg white, and lemon juice and grated rind. Beat 5 minutes or until light and creamy. If mixture is too stiff, add a little water.

Put warm cookies into a large mixing bowl and dribble icing over them. Mix cookies by hand until coated. Place on racks to dry. Yield: 85 cookies.

My Memory Chest

The Christmas Cards that I receive
From relatives and friends so dear,
The letters that accompany them,
So full of news and love and cheer,
Are a living part of Christmas
That is cherished more each year.

With choice bits of wrappings,
Some fancy bows and gilded strings,
Little notes that say "With Love",
Special joys each Christmas brings,
They somehow seem to find their way
Into my memory chest of Christmas things.





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OCTOBER 2010

Remembering... Autumn

October... Crisp, clean air. Warm sun and cool breezes. The chatter of leaves falling onto sidewalks. Children anticipating Halloween; adults celebrating Oktoberfest.

The visual delights of roasted colors: orange pumpkins, golden cornstalks, leaves in shades of sunset.

Remember the wood-smoky, smoldering scent of raked, burning leaves? The sweet and spicy scents of autumn candles and potpourri. The sight of children running door-to-door in the twilight, wearing homemade costumes,

and carrying bags of candy...pumpkin festivals, combining corn, roadside stands, harvest time, and hay rides. ♪



The ice house on the Des Plaines River ca. 1982



Des Plaines River at Dam No. 1 October 2010



Halloween at the Wheeling Park District ca.1971

October 27 Program~

Appraise your Treasures

On Wednesday, October 27, at 7 p.m., appraisers will be available to answer questions about your treasures. See inside for details.

Meetings to begin at 7:00 p.m.

Our general meetings, held on the 4th Wednesday of the month, now begin at 7:00 p.m. Our membership voted to begin our general meetings one half hour earlier. ♪



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We thank the following people for their donations to the Wheeling Historical Society.

Marilyn Chromy: one book, *From Flappers to Flivvers.*

Patti Hancock: four books: *World War I; World War II; Disasters: from the pages of the New York Times newspaper; The Civil War Extra, from the pages of the Charleston Mercury and the New York Times.*

Clare Rudolph: one Brownie handkerchief and Brownie pin; one land cultivator; one homemade scythe; one Jay's Potato Chips tin; one child's Bissell carpet sweeper; one shadow box; seven Diamond Jubilee plates

Dean Argiris: keys to Village of Wheeling building 3, 255 West Dundee Road

David Leider: one *Soo Line* Historical and Technical Society magazine

Barbara LaHay: 22 Diamond Jubilee coins; 2 photos of the carriage house; one antique compact

Elaine Simpson: Wheeling Trust and Savings Bank book, Village of Wheeling; Water and Sewer; seven pictures of Village of Wheeling building #3



Wedge Hancock trims the tree in 2009.

Lollipop Lane:

The preparations are underway

We're getting ready for Lollipop Lane!

We've made the list and we're checking it twice. The holiday decorations will adorn the inside of the Chamber Community Center in early December.

So please circle these dates on your calendar: Saturday, December 4, through Sunday, December 12.

More details will be posted in the next newsletter.



HALLOWEEN

FEW, if any, of our holidays are older than Halloween. It is older than Christianity itself. The festival began with the Druids, an ancient class of learned and priestly men who inhabited Gaul and the British Isles.

Every year on or about the first of November the Druids lighted huge bonfires in honor of the Sun-god in thanksgiving for the harvest. In those days there was a firm belief in witches and spirits, and it was but natural that these should become an important part of the Halloween celebration.

Many were the strange superstitions and beliefs concerning Halloween. It was the night of nights in the spirit world—ghosts and witches walked about—and the Lord of Death summoned together the souls of wicked mortals who had died during the past year, and which had been condemned to inhabit the bodies of animals.

Down through the ages the festival has always been observed. Many of the superstitions have been forgotten, some of the customs have changed, new ones have been added, but Halloween will ever remain with us and will always inspire a feeling of magic and mystery.

Speaking of October, some months have 31 days. How many have 28?



All of them.

Request for photos

The Wheeling Historical Society is always interested in receiving photo donations from our members. We are looking for any memorable photos that you are willing to share, particularly those related to times in the Wheeling community. Copies are certainly welcome; you don't have to part with your originals. Photos of family life in the 1950s and 1960s are especially desirable, and would help to fill in the gaps in our collections.

Our address is P.O. Box 3, Wheeling, IL 60090.





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SEPTEMBER 2010

Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center Celebrates 25 Years

The Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center celebrates its 25th anniversary this year.

The Center, located at 199 North First Street in Wheeling, opened 1-1/2 years after its groundbreaking. Partly funded by a federal grant, the seven-room structure was built as part of a complex near Milwaukee and Strong that included elderly housing, an emergency clinic (Holy Family Hospital), and condominiums.

Here are some facts and trivia gathered from the archives of the Pavilion, with the help of Shari Matthews Huizar, LCSW, Director of Human Services at the Center.

Nearly 50 years ago, our citizens would have joined the "Over 50 Club." These clubs were formed to begin projects and find recreation, sometimes conducting bazaars to sell home-

made objects and earn money for field trips. From dues, the members chartered buses. Just as today, they always felt they could do more if public transportation was available.

As late as 1968, the Over 50 Club of Wheeling met at Heritage Park Field House for business meetings. They met for social meetings twice a month at Potawatomi Forest Preserve in good weather or at the field house in bad weather.

In 1971 the Wheeling Over 50 Club began to use the Wheeling Park District facilities rent-free based on its contribution to the community and the many years its members paid taxes to the district. The board asked the club to move from Heritage Park because of the district's expanding recreational program, such as volleyball in the gymnasium. The club agreed to hold meetings in the church



Gazebo Beginnings

building in Chamber Park on Wolf Road.

The Over 50 Club eventually became the Senior Citizens Club of Wheeling. On the first Thursday they met to play cards, then hold a business meeting. The other Thursdays were social meetings. Frequent trips were planned to

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The Construction Begins



The Pavilion and Gazebo

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Message from the President

Dear Members and Friends,

September is here and a cool down should not be far away. Hope this letter finds all of you in good health or recovering.

The general meeting was held on August 25th. David Leider was the guest speaker for the evening. He has written a book called Wisconsin Central in Illinois. He gave us an interesting history of the railroad and how it has affected Wheeling and the surrounding area. David told us it took him twelve years to write the book. He also included more information on Wheeling in his presentation than what was included in the book. The Society also purchased one of the books.

During the business portion of the meeting the new holiday ornament design was announced and discussed. The design was given to us by Patti Hancock. The new recorders have arrived and we are starting interviews this month. We still need volunteers for this project. All the reports were given and approved.

The September board meeting will be held this time on Wednesday, September 15th, at 7:30 p.m. and the general meeting on Wednesday, September 22nd at 7:00 p.m. Lollipop Lane will be the topic of discussion. Hope to see you at the meeting.

I ask that you put Lorraine Haben, Leo Chromy, and their families in your prayers.

**Historically Yours,
Joan Wiener, President**



Curator's Report

Our Thursday morning team continues to meet and keep busy, going through mail, logging obits and news articles, cleaning, filing, and researching.

We received one request from the granddaughter of the owner of the Union Hotel, asking for any information or photos we might have.

We also got a call from Jan Bowman who is looking for a photo of the area where the Westin Hotel is now located. We found a photo of the Wedgwood Riding Center stables, formerly located at Milwaukee and Lake-Cook Road, that we scanned and emailed to her. She is planning a visit to the museum soon.

**Patti Steilen
Curator**



**Board meeting:
Wednesday
September 15
at 7:30 p.m.**

**General meeting:
Wednesday
September 22
at 7:00 p.m.**



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Things to do and Places to go ...



"All You Can Eat Pancakes" at the Wheeling Senior Center on Sunday, September 19, from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Adults: \$6; Children under 5 are free. This fundraiser, by the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, purchases specialized equipment and items not budgeted for the Wheeling Police Department.

New Wheeling Fire Station Headquarters—the Grand Opening and Open House will take place on October 2, 2010, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This new station is located at 499 S. Milwaukee Avenue.

The Wheeling Farm Stand Market—Visit the Farmers Market at Wheeling Park District every Tuesday from Noon to 6:00 p.m. at the southeast corner of Northgate Parkway and Dundee Road. This market is open until the end of October.

Deerfield Historical Society's 35th Annual Fall Festival— Sunday, September 26, Noon to 4:00 p.m., includes Antique and Classic Car Show, Food, entertainment, antiques and demonstrations. 517 Deerfield Rd.

Northbrook Historical Society's 32nd annual ShermerFest and 10th Classic & Antique Car Display, at 1776 Walters Avenue, on Sunday, September 19, 2010; Noon-4 p.m. ☞

The Wisconsin Central in Illinois

David Leider spoke at our August meeting about his recently published book, "The Wisconsin Central in Illinois." The Wisconsin Central was a federal land-grant railroad, which meant if they built the track, they would get the land. The WC built track in Wisconsin and planned to connect with Chicago, making stops from Ashland, Wisconsin, and down through towns such as Burlington and Waukesha to Wheeling. They built tracks west of the towns because it was less expensive.

There were never any stocks or bonds sold; it was very secretive. They were using Milwaukee Road to get to Chicago and they didn't want that to be known. The WC was incorporated in the 1870s. The farmers needed better transportation to Chicago so they were willing to sell their land to the railroad for as little as \$1. The workers were paid with a scrip so they'd show up for work. Existing railroads were against a new railroad so they'd file lawsuits against the WC, but the railroad ignored them.

The track laying companies back then could lay up to 1-1/4 mile of track per day. They ran short of ties by the time they got to Wheeling so they asked the farmers to cut them, which they did. The first timetable that showed a stop at Wheeling was in August, 1886.

There was a purse of \$500 for a depot due west of Wheeling. Peter Knittel and Catherina Mors donated the land. Mors started a subdivision, Huntersville, but it never happened; Knittel bought the property to add to his farm.

The government required a list of assets from the railroads, so from those records we know that near the Wheeling station was a stockyard owned by the railroad and a pickle factory. In 1895 the railroad surveyed towns along its line to determine the revenue and listed the following: milk, cheese, lumber (the number one revenue), general stores, Wheeling brewery company, and "considerable manure." People requested that the railroad fill the depot properly because it became so muddy when it rained.

In 1896, when bicycle riding and racing became popular, the WC provided passenger cars to get to Clybourn Park for the beginning of the 25-mile bicycle race from Wheeling to Garfield Park in Chicago, along the line of the Wisconsin Central. The railroad eventually went broke. ❖



Leo Chromy

The Wheeling Historical Society sends their regrets to Marilyn Chromy and her family on the passing of beloved husband and father, Leo Chromy, a longtime member of the Wheeling Historical Society. Leo passed away on September 8, 2010, at the age of 81. Leo was also an active member of the Knights of Columbus, the Why Nots S.A.C., and the Wheeling Garden Club. We remember Leo for his smile and contagious sense of humor. ☞



Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center

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spots such as these (how many still exist?): Sara Lee factory, Gale Street Inn—Diamond Lake, bus tours to the Jays Potato Chip plant, to Chicago's Old Town, the Sears Tower, the Union Illinois Railway Museum, to Amlings Flowerland in Melrose Park, to Merchandise Mart to see the Quaker Oats test kitchens, Hapsburg Inn, Maywood park to view the Horse Capades, and to see the Ice Follies. They also volunteered for service acts such as filling Red Cross ditty bags to send to the men in Vietnam for Christmas.

The Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center's ribbon cutting was August 21, 1985. The grand opening was on September 29, 1985, and it began with a flag-raising ceremony by the Naval ROTC from Wheeling High School, and was attended by Village President, Sheila Schultz, and the center's first Senior Citizens Coordinator, Barbara Hansen, among others. In 1985 about 10 percent of Wheeling's 23,000 residents were seniors.

A local newspaper stated that the members could read a book, crochet, visit with friends, play pinochle or hand-and-foot (like canasta), watch the Cubs on TV, hook rugs, tell stories, and fish. The Center held fishing contests at the man-made pond which was stocked with baby bluegill, bass, and carp. Most participants practiced catch-and-release.

Now there are classes, field trips, breakfast programs, support groups, and various services. ♪

—Donna Vallas



A Senior Party at Heritage Park



New Construction of the Pavilion and Gazebo

If all the people who fall asleep in church were laid end to end, they'd probably all rest much better. ☺



Sign in a restaurant serving seafood—
We take special pride in the crabs we serve,
so bring your wife and come for dinner. ☺

Cook's Kitchen

Stuffed Green Peppers

- 6-8 large green peppers
- 1 lb. ground beef
- 1/2 onion, diced
- 1 bag shredded mozzarella
- 2 med. cans tomato sauce
- 2 cups rice
- Salt and pepper



Wash the green peppers, cut off the tops, and scoop out the insides carefully without poking through the pepper. Set aside. Cook rice as usual and set aside.

Brown the ground beef and onion in a skillet, drain off grease, add one can tomato sauce. Add the cooked rice to the meat mixture and stir together well. Season.

Place some mozzarella in the bottom of green peppers and then spoon in the meat mixture, packing down carefully until filled. Use the second can of sauce to cover the green peppers and bottom of the baking dish. Sprinkle some mozzarella on top.

Bake at 375°F in a covered roasting pan or a baking dish with foil over the top until the green pepper is slightly soft, about one hour. ♪



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AUGUST 2010

A Bit of History... Childerley Chapel



Calvert Foundation around 1941. Just 50 years ago, on August 13, 1961, the Calvert Foundation celebrated with an open house to mark its 20th anniversary. But its operating funds were already running low.

In 1977 the property was purchased by the Wheeling Park District. The chapel was then renovated by members and friends of the Wheeling Historical Society. In 1981 it was dedicated as Lorraine E. Lark Chapel of the Orchard. Lorraine Lark, a prominent community leader of Wheeling, and President of the Board of Park Commissioners, was instrumental in the preservation of the meadows and orchards of Childerley Park from destruction and development. Childerley is located at 506 McHenry Road in Wheeling. ~



Moving the Chapel Across the Creek – 1910



Childerley's First Chapel

Dr. Frank Lillie and his wife, Frances Crane Lillie, owned the Buffalo Creek Farm. This was a working farm and dairy, with more than 600 acres, that supplied Wheeling and the north suburbs with milk. That's where Dr. Lillie experimented with cattle raising while his wife employed the most advanced methods in child nurturing. And that's where Mrs. Lillie founded Childerley, financed by her father's plumbing company, Crane Plumbing in Chicago.

Mrs. Lillie opened the farm to help families who lost their breadwinners during the Depression. Her friend, school teacher Elisabeth Port, managed the school. The property was later known as Childerley Home for Widows and Orphans. Childerley means "Children's Meadow".

The Chapel you see now, standing since 1928, was one of several buildings. The Chapel and the adjacent Lillie and Port houses served Catholic students of the University of Chicago as a retreat center when the property was turned over to the

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of the month.

Board meeting:
Thursday
August 19
at 7:30 p.m.

General meeting:
Wednesday
August 25
at 7:00 p.m.

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Message from the President

Dear Members and Friends,

August is upon us and we are experiencing the hottest summer on record. At least now we can escape into air-conditioned homes. I can remember when we didn't have that option and had to depend on fans.

The general meeting was held on July 28th and Lori Hazelwood, Streets/Forestry Superintendent for the Village of Wheeling, gave us good lessons about the native plants in Illinois. She told us that many plants and trees have been lost forever to progress and also provided some good tips for the gardeners. She is a very good contact when you need information on trees or plants in your neighborhood. We want to thank her for her time and good information.

During the meeting Charles Vallas volunteered to order the ornaments for Lollipop Lane this year. We are purchasing two new tape recorders, one for the secretary and one to conduct interviews. We need volunteers to help interview people. I would like to start this program in September. We also discussed the Building Plaque project. Hackney's Restaurant will be the first one on the list.

The upcoming meeting on August 25th will be at 7:00 p.m. at the old church and our program will be a presentation by David Leider, author of the book *Wisconsin Central in Illinois*. Let your train buff friends know and hope to see you in attendance.

We need volunteers for the Museum on August 22nd and also in September and October.

Historically Yours,
Joan Wiener, President



Upcoming Programs

August 28, 2010

The Wisconsin Central in Illinois

We are pleased to present our guest speaker, David Leider, on Wednesday, August 28 at 7:00 p.m. David, a train enthusiast from Prospect Heights, is the author of *Wisconsin Central in Illinois*. In 1886 the Wisconsin Central Railroad came through Wheeling and our station was built. We'll learn the history of how the railroad came to Wheeling. ☺

To All of Our
Friends and Members
who have been ill or in the hospital:
We wish you all
Health and Happiness
and hope you are
Well on the Road to Recovery



Monday, September 6, 2010, is
LABOR DAY

- Held on the first Monday of September
- Originally organized to celebrate the contributions of labor (a "workingmen's holiday") to the US economy, and pay tribute to the American worker
- Largely a day of rest, marked as the end of the summer season and the last chance to go on trips. In the past, custom dictated that white clothes were no longer worn after Labor Day. An opportunity to close government offices, schools, and businesses
- Often starts the football season
- Declared a federal holiday by Congress in 1894 ☺

Curator's Report



On July 29th and August 5th, Andrew and Alex Jensen of Wheeling and Scout Troup 36 of Prospect Heights came to the Museum to perform six hours of volunteer work towards a community merit badge. They are under the supervision of Scoutmaster Steve Maas.



They helped reorganize and clean the storage area above the Carriage House on July 29th, and returned on August 5th to clean the Carriage House of spider webs and debris. We appreciate all the work they did. They worked very hard in the hot weather.



We received a two-drawer desk from the Wheeling Park District which is greatly appreciated. We have put it to good use already.



Joan, Patti, Bev, and I are going through some old pictures and doing some reframing. We're still in the process of reorganizing the downstairs and familiarizing ourselves with the many artifacts we have in our collection.

Patti Steilen
Curator

The Story Behind the Village of Wheeling Flag



This is Dan Van Loon's original design for the of Village of Wheeling flag. / Photo: Daniel Van Loon

Recently, former resident Dan Van Loon contacted village hall. In his possession was the original, winning design of the Village of Wheeling flag, and the local newspaper articles collected by his parents.

In 1972 the Wheeling Jaycees sponsored a contest to design a flag for the village. Daniel Van Loon won the contest and tells the story about his experience in his own words.

"Among the requirements for submitting an entry in the competition was the design had to incorporate the village seal, or part of it. I thought the village seal was used on the village vehicle stickers. That design was appropriately a big silhouette of a wagon wheel. So, my original submission did not have the Illinois map and banner image which was (and is) in the old village seal. It had a nice big and simple black silhouette of a wagon wheel, like the one in subsequent village logos.

A representative of the Jaycees came to my house after they had decided to award 1st prize to my design, but they requested that I replace the wagon wheel image with the village seal. I really did NOT want to do that, as I considered the simplicity, visual strength, and meaning of the wagon wheel FAR better.

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TRAIN STATION

Wheeling's beginnings came as an overnight stop for travelers from Chicago who were headed to the Wisconsin Territory via the overland trail now known as Milwaukee Avenue (Illinois Route 21). The string of inns, taverns and eateries established in the 1830's was the start of what is now Wheeling's renowned Restaurant Row.

Welcome :

The Wheeling (Illinois) Historical Society and Museum celebrates the link between the past and the present. The museum is a cooperative effort of the Village of Wheeling, Wheeling Park District, Indian Trails Public Library and Wheeling Historical Museum.

Mission:

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The past is never lost – as long as it is remembered. Towards that goal, the Wheeling Historical Society collects and preserves significant materials related to our past and shares them through educational and recreational activities that promote community heritage and pride.

Dear Members,

Your access to our collection of newsletters is a membership benefit. Some sections of our new website are now password-protected. Here is your password with easy instructions to access the newsletters on our website:

- Go to <http://www.WheelingHistoricalSociety.com/>
- Click on "News and Events" at the top
- Select one of the months and click on it.
- Enter this password: DOBBIN
- Click on the Verify button.

The password will change at a future date. Watch your newsletter for information about password changes. *Dobbin is the name of our horse in the Carriage House.* ☞

A Historical Look at Native Plants and Landscaping

Lori Hazelwood, a certified arborist and Supervisor of Streets/Forestry for the Village of Wheeling, spoke to our group at the July meeting. Lori gave an overview of our local natural landscape before the land was changed by development.

Who remembers the dirt roads and fields before this region was transformed? Only a fraction of our native landscapes remain. Illinois ranks 49th among states in percent of land remaining in original vegetation. Many plants are endangered and many are already extinct. When the European settlers arrived in northern Illinois they found prairies, wetlands, and forests. Our native plants lived here long before the settlers; an example of one is the silver maple with its “whirly-bird” or “helicopter” seeds.

Why is it preferable to use native plants? Because they’re part of the local food chain, they don’t require fertilizer, they use fewer pesticides, they hold water in soil better. Lori mentioned that another resource is the University of Illinois Extension, which provides information about native plants. Their website, <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/state/index.html>, is an excellent source of educational publications that includes farming, fruit and vegetable crops, gardening, and agricultural practices.

Is there an ordinance in Wheeling about mulch around trees? (Yes) Can I remove a parkway tree? (No) What do you do if you see a diseased tree? You can call the forestry division and they’ll check it out. At the Village of Wheeling’s website, you can find answers to questions online by clicking on Service > Public Works > Forestry Division.

Lori is doing a tree inventory and has already surveyed many subdivisions in Wheeling. There’s a very small oak population here; they are being gradually introduced so we have more diversity. Common trees in Wheeling are silver maples and ash trees; there are few elms left. Look for the elm tree off Hintz Road near Elmhurst / Route 83—it’s over 100 years old. If you know of a very old tree, bring it to the attention of the forestry division. These are “Heritage Trees” and the oldest trees are noted by arborists and watched over. ☺



This is the heritage elm tree behind Wheeling High School, near Hintz and Elmhurst Roads / Photograph by Charles Vallas



Our Village Flag

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I wished I had been around when the village seal had been created. (In fact, I believe that was also a Jaycees-sponsored design competition back in the 1960s.) But, I acquiesced and gave ‘the client’ what they wanted.

It turns out that was a valuable lesson in client relations, as today I am the founding partner of Design Corps (designcorps.us), a design firm in Batavia, IL and Colorado Springs. Winning that competition fueled my passion for design and had a positive impact on my life.”

For more photos and details about this story visit our website at <http://www.WheelingHistoricalSociety.com/>.

Thank you, Dan, for sharing your story with us! ☺

Auto Safety Tips from 1927



The ever familiar road hog. No street is wide enough for him. He wants to monopolize all of it.



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JULY 2010

Remembering... The Wheeling Farm Store

The Wheeling Farm Store on the south side of Dundee Road just east of the river was built by Charles F. Balling. He sold vegetables, cider, eggs, and dressed poultry to people from the Wheeling area and the North Shore suburbs.

Marshall Balling told how his father, "had a dream of building a cold storage warehouse on the banks of the river and he made a study of this and found you could get ice from the river in the winter time and store it in your building. Then you could use it for cold refrigeration all summer long, so you could buy produce when it was plentiful, and meat and vegetables."

He goes on to explain that he built quite a building, and he had a dam put in south of the brewery. In winter they'd hire a crew to cut ice and fill his ice house and those of all the taverns. "That was the only way they could cool their beer and pop and stuff. So he began his operation by buying produce and when people discovered it, they wanted to buy it fresh.

So they bought it before he could really put it into cold storage. People from all along the north shore used to come over here to buy fresh eggs and chickens, ducks, geese, and turkeys at Thanksgiving. And he never did any cold storage business!"

The property eventually was taken over by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois. ↪



Wheeling Farm Store - 1935



Dundee Road - Looking West



Balling Family Business - Dundee Road - Looking East

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Message from the President

Dear Members and Friends,

Here we are in July and time is passing by quickly.

In the month of June we had a record turnout at the Museum. The Wheeling Park District had Fiesta Del Sole on June 27th. Bill, Dolly, and I came to open the Museum and Carriage House for Becky Vogel and to help her if she needed us. As it turned out Donna and Charles Vallas also showed up.

We all stayed because people kept coming in and we counted at least 65 people who went through the Museum and the Carriage House. Thank you to all for your help. Everyone found it interesting and they were glad they stopped in to see it.

We cancelled the meeting on June 23 just a couple of hours before it was to start. The weather warnings from the fire department and on the news made it sound like a good idea. I felt that it wasn't worth risking people getting caught in a bad storm.

For July we have a program. Lori Hazelwood, a Streets/Forestry Superintendent for the Village of Wheeling, is giving a talk on the history of the plants and trees in the Wheeling area. We hope all will attend if you can. The next Board meeting is Thursday, July 22, at 7:30 p.m. and the General meeting with the program is Wednesday, July 28, at 7:00 p.m.

In August we are having a program presented by David Leider who wrote a book on the Wisconsin Central in Illinois. So let all your friends who are train buffs know about this program. The date is Wednesday, August 25, at 7:00 p.m.

Hope all of you are having a good summer. See you at the next meeting. Bring a friend.

Historically Yours,

Joan Wiener, President



Wednesday, July 28 Meeting and Program:

A Historical Look at Native Plants and Landscaping

Please join us at our meeting on Wednesday, July 28, at 7:00 p.m. We welcome Lori Hazelwood who will be our guest speaker. Lori is a certified arborist and currently holds the position of Streets/Forestry Superintendent for the Village of Wheeling. She has been with the village for nearly 7 years.

Prior to her employment at the Village she owned her own full service tree care business for 16 years in the North Shore. Lori will speak about our native plants and landscaping. ☞

Help us preserve our memories of Wheeling. If you'd like to share a story of your life in this community, even if it's just a few paragraphs, we'd love to talk with you.

You can send us a letter to:
Wheeling Historical Society, PO Box 3,
Wheeling IL 60090; or you may email us:
curator@wheelinghistoricalsociety.com. ☞



Visit our website at www.WheelingHistoricalSociety.com

Curator's Report

Patti, Joan, and Bev are continuing their work at the museum, cataloging and organizing. Joan and Donna attended a N.E.I.L. meeting in June at the Palatine Historical Society's Clayson House Museum.

The speaker was Bruce Moffat, the author of *Forty Feet Below: The Story of Chicago's Freight Tunnels*. These tunnels were in the early 1900s. If you remember the floods in downtown Chicago about 1992, you'll recall that a piling was driven through a freight tunnel, which caused flooding in basements of those downtown buildings. Bruce Moffat told the story of how those freight tunnels came to be.

Regarding inquiries and research: we've had an inquiry about the history of the Old Court Inn on Milwaukee Avenue. And on Sunday, July 18, we were happy to visit with Carol and Guy Marsh, who were looking for some information. Carol is the daughter of Edward Bellmore of Wheeling.

We welcome a new member, Bill Kiddle, to the Wheeling Historical Society.

Sunday, June 27, was an exceptionally busy day—we counted approximately 67 visitors. Most were Wheeling residents, but some came from Skokie, Des Plaines, Vernon Hills, Plainfield, and Montgomery, Illinois.

Donna Vallas
Assistant Curator

Pardon our "oops"

Sharon was misidentified in this photo, printed in the June 2010 issue. Here is the corrected caption.



Sharon Schomer and Barb Weder



Things to do and Places to go...

Stadtmitte ~ Stadtmitte is German for "downtown." Join the Mount Prospect Historical Society on Friday, July 30, between 5:30 and 9:30 p.m. for a "History Crawl" that will tour historic downtown restaurants, watering holes, shops and buildings. Tickets are \$15, available at the event. There will be food, drink, and giveaways all night. Call 847-392-9006 or go to www.mtphist.org.

The **Chicago Executive Airport**, formerly known to us as Palwaukee Airport, is holding an Open House on Saturday, July 24, 2010. The hours are from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and admission is free. Food, exhibits, Warbirds, WWII Bombers will be on display. ☺

Wheeling FARM STAND MARKET



~ Every Tuesday ~
June 29 to October 26,
Noon to 6 p.m.

Wheeling Park District
333 West Dundee Road

LOCALLY GROWN FRUITS and VEGETABLES

Certified Organic including
Cheeses, Breads, Pickles, Jams,
Honey, Flowers, Apple Cider,
Pies, Fudge, and More!

Vendors include The Cheese People, Cheri's Organics, Dawgs on the Run, Here's the Scoop, Horcher Farms, Kuston Kreation, Olives '4' You, Tasty Vending Company/Rotary Wheeling, Wa-Pa-Ghetti's Pizza, Necessity Baking Company, and More!

**South East Corner of Northgate Parkway
& Dundee Road (Route 68)**

www.wheelingfarmstand.com



Cook's Kitchen



Candy Stripe Parfait

Prepare (1) 3 oz. package of Jell-O, any fruit flavor, as directed on the package. Chill until very thick.

Meanwhile, prepare (1) envelope of Dream Whip Whipped Topping Mix as directed on package.

Then layer gelatin and prepared whipped topping in a slender glass, ending with the topping. Chill until serving time—at least 2 hours. Makes about 4 cups, or 6-8 servings. ☞

Preservation Tip of the Month

• Caring for Photographs •

Photographs capture not only happy memories but our family histories as well. Often they are the first thing that we think of saving during a disaster such as fire or flood. But it does not necessarily take an act of nature to damage photographs.

Many times our own negligence causes the damage. Incorrect storage and display of the items can lead to fading and deterioration over time. The greatest threat is exposure to direct sunlight. To reduce the threat of overexposure, always frame your photographs with glass or Plexiglas that has a layer of UV protection. Select walls or tabletops that are not in direct sunlight to display your photos.

Photos in albums that date from the late 1960s through the 1980s may suffer damage because the paper and adhesives used were highly acidic. Albums that were used a century ago are more archivally sound. They usually contained cotton rag paper and used photo corners for attachment. There are numerous companies that provide archival albums, storage boxes, paper, and framing materials.

By Becky Shipper, *Genealogy Gems: News from the Fort Wayne Library*; No. 76, June 30, 2010

We Hope You're Back in Bloom...



Leo Chromy
Lorraine Haben
Kim Pecka
Bill Simpson



...Take Care and Get Well Soon

Household Tips



- Feeling tired in the afternoon? Put down the caffeinated soda and pick up a cucumber. Cucumbers are a good source of B-vitamins and carbohydrates that can provide a quick pick-me-up lasting for hours.
- Tired of your bathroom mirror fogging up after a shower? Try rubbing a cucumber slice along the mirror. It will eliminate the fog and provide a soothing, spa-like fragrance.
- Looking to fight off that afternoon or evening snacking binge? Cucumbers have been used for centuries by European trappers, traders, and explorers, for quick meals to thwart starvation.
- Out of WD-40 and need to fix a squeaky hinge? Take a cucumber slice and rub it along the problem hinge: the squeak is gone!
- Looking for a "green" way to clean your faucets, sinks, or stainless steel? Take a slice of cucumber and rub it on the surface you want to clean. Not only will it remove years of tarnish and bring back the shine, but it won't leave streaks and won't harm your fingers while you clean. ☞



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WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

JUNE 2010



Barb Forke and Lorraine Haben



Bill Hein and Joan Wiener

Wheeling Historical Society's Annual Installation Dinner

The Annual Installation of Officers Dinner was held on May 26th at the beautiful Chevy Chase Country Club's Devonshire Room. Before the ceremonies we enjoyed dinner and drinks while being entertained by singer Sam Magdal. Among the raffle prizes were restaurant gift certificates, bottles of wine, passes to the Wheeling Park District, a spa gift basket, and tickets to the Garden Club's garden walk.

One of our longtime members, Marilyn Chromy, was presented an award for her many years of service to the Society. The Society also recognized Don Roth's Blackhawk restaurant, which closed its doors months ago, with an award for their contributions to support Lollipop Lane and the Society. Our thanks go to Linda Reading for photographing the event. We also extend our thanks to these generous donors: Bill Stasek Chevrolet, Cooper's Hawk

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Carol Kolssak, Kim Pecka, Shirley McConnell, Patti and Wedge Hancock, Marilyn Chromy and Joan Wiener

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Fly the Flag!
July 4 - Independence Day

Message from the President

Dear Members and Friends,

June is here and the weather is warm. We have had a number of visitors to the Museum and we want to remind everyone that we still need people to sit at the Museum on Sundays. Please contact either Pat Steilen or Donna Vallas if you are interested. The Museum is open on Sundays from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. until October.



The Annual Installation of Officers Dinner was held on May 26th and we had a great attendance. 38 people attended. Marilyn Chromy was given an award for her long time service to the Society. Don Roth's Blackhawk restaurant was given an award for their contributions to the Society and to Lollipop Lane.

The following people are the newly-installed officers for 2010-2011:

President ... Joan Wiener
Director ... Barbara Forke
Director ... Becky Vogel

I want to thank the Wheeling Park District and Chevy Chase for a wonderful dinner and Sam Magdal for the great entertainment. Thank you also for all those who donated prizes and to the Horchers for the beautiful flowers.

The next Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 17th, 7:30 p.m. and the regular meeting is on Wednesday, June 23rd, at 7:30 p.m. Hope to see there.

Historically Yours,

Joan Wiener, President

Months ago I had a conversation with Patti Hancock and that's when I learned that she had been writing the Society's newsletter for years. Not just a few years, but 15 plus years. I mentioned that I would be willing to take over those duties whenever she was ready for a change, so the time has come.

While it's remarkable enough that Patti has volunteered to do this for so many years, it's also noteworthy that this is not the only task Patti has voluntarily performed. Her contributions to the historical society and museum are many—just think about all the work that goes into preparing Lollipop Lane!

So the next time you see Patti, think about the hours of her time she has donated. We really appreciate the difference she's made. Thank you, Patti!

Donna Vallas
Newsletter Editor



Clare Rudolph,

longtime member of the Society, and formerly of Wheeling for 51 years,



passed away on May 12, 2010, at age 94.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, June 19, at 11:00 a.m., to take place at Trinity United Church of Christ, 760 North Avenue, in Deerfield, Illinois.

Anyone wishing to send a card to her daughter may send it to this address:

Mrs. Candice Mandele
30 Piepers Glen Court
O'Fallon, MO 63366

Arlington Heights Historical Museum presents Irish Fest for 2 days, July 16 (6 p.m.) and 17 (4 p.m.) on the museum grounds at Euclid and Vail in Arlington Heights with a band, dancers, food, and entertainment.



Curator's Report

Beverly has been cataloging the Countryside Reminder books we took in and is continuing to do work on obituaries.

Patti set up two new displays: the women's undergarment exhibit and the bridal gown exhibit. If you haven't been to the museum for a while, stop by to see these.

We have been working in the basement reorganizing and generally doing some "spring cleaning."

We've had inquiries from four individuals but their interest was in the Wheeling, West Virginia society.

Donna and I went antiquing and found a lollipop-decorated, painted box, just right for Lollipop Lane. Donna has also begun working on her first issue of the newsletter.

Patti Steilen, Curator

Things to do and Places to go...

The **Palatine Historical Society** is planning a new exhibit of ball gowns which should be ready sometime in June.

On June 26 and 27, the **Franklin Grove Historical Society** is co-hosting a Chaplin Creek Civil War Reenactment and living History Weekend (go to www.battleofchaplincreek.com) and announces a Chaplin Creek Wild West Show during the Summer Harvest Festival on July 31 and August 1. (www.chaplincreek.com for more info).



The **Glenview History Center** is hosting an Ice Cream Social and Yard Sale on July 11. They're located at 1121 Waukegan Road, Glenview.

The **Norwood Park Historical Society's** annual Yard Sale is June 19, 8-4 at the Noble-Seymour-Crippen House at 5624 Newark Ave, in Chicago. The Yard Sale includes a silent auction, an expanded selection of books, and a variety of unwanted and unused items that have been donated. \$2 admission.

Skokie Historical Society: *Skokie: Images of America*, a pictorial history of Skokie, will be released on June 14. The book will be available at the museum, located at 8031 Floral Avenue, Skokie, on June 17. ~

Cook's Kitchen

Summer Fruit Sangria

In a large bowl or pitcher, combine:

6 Cups of assorted fruit (such as mango, pineapple, cantaloupe, and apricot), sliced or cut into chunks,

1/4 Cup thinly sliced peeled fresh ginger

1 to 1-1/2 Cups fresh basil or mint leaves

1/2 Cup orange liqueur such as Cointreau.

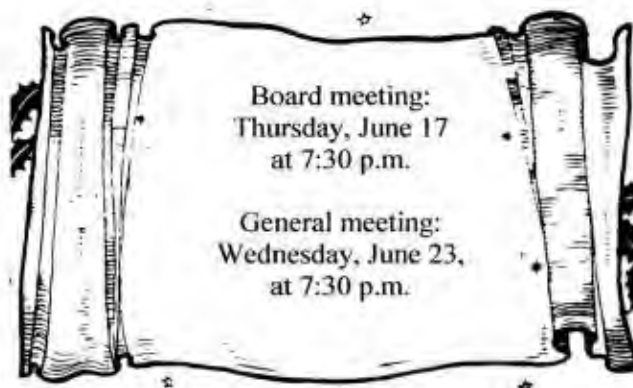
Mash gently with the back of a wooden spoon until basil is bruised and fruit releases juices.

Add 1 bottle crisp white wine, (Pinot Grigio), and 3 Tablespoons fresh lemon juice, and stir to combine.

Refrigerate 1 hour or up to 1 day. To serve, fill eight glasses with ice and top with sangria!



Happy Father's Day
Sunday, June 20



Board meeting:
Thursday, June 17
at 7:30 p.m.

General meeting:
Wednesday, June 23,
at 7:30 p.m.

... at the
installation
dinner...

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Winery & Restaurant, the Westin Chicago North Shore, the Wheeling Park District, Market Square Restaurant, the Original Granny's, Rise N Dine Pancake Café, Hackney's, Sue Korte, and the Experience Salon and Spa. ☺



Shirley McConnell speaks to Barb Forke, Becky Vogel, Joan Wiener



Mike and Bernadine Horcher, Donna and Charlie Vallas



Dolly Hein



Sharon Sylvester and Barb Weder



Message From The President

Dear Members and Friends:

May is here already. Time passes much too fast, but I am glad it's warmer, the trees and grass are green and the flowers are blooming. The museum is open every Sunday except holidays from April to October from 2 to 4 pm., and we have several new displays. We are also open on Thursday mornings from 9-12 noon if you have anything you would like to donate to the museum.

The election of officers was held at the meeting of April 28th and the following people were elected. President, Joan Wiener; Director, Becky Vogal and Director, Barbara Forke. The board for the 2010-2011 fiscal year is as follows:

President.....Joan Wiener
Vice President...Bill Hein
Treasurer..Marilyn Chromy
Secretary..Charlie Vallas
Director...Patti Hancock
Director... Barbara Forke
Director...Becky Vogal

Curators: Pat Steilan, Donna Vallas
Historian..Shirley McConnell
Newsletter Editor: Donna Vallas

As most of you know May is our Annual Banquet and Installation Dinner. This again will be held at Chevy Chase in the Devonshire Room and there will be entertainment by singer Sam Magdal who gives tribute to Frank Sinatra. Hope to see you there.

At the April meeting Terry and Pat Steilan gave a presentation of pictures of Terry's mother who was a vaudeville dancer in the 1930's with her best friend and they called themselves the Trevor Sisters. What great pictures and it was very interesting.

We also covered in the meeting the purchasing of a couple of small lapel microphones for the recorders when we do the interviews. A budget of \$300.00 was approved for the Annual Dinner and It was presented and agreed upon the cost would be \$30.00/person as last year.

The next Board meeting will be held on May 20th at 7:30 p.m. and no regular meeting will be scheduled for the night of the dinner. Invitations and announcements will be sent out soon. Hope to see you all at the dinner.

Historically yours,
Joan Wiener, President.



MUSEUM UPDATE

On Sunday April 18th, we had a busy day at the museum. There were 7 guests. Among them was Pete Peterson who generously donated a peanut butter jar from Lurch's Food Products formerly of Wheeling. His donation was appreciated.

We are hoping to continue our interview process hopefully starting with Bill Hein. He has a wealth of information about Wheeling particularly during the 1960's through the 1990's. Anyone wanting to be interviewed can call the museum at 847 537-3119 and leave a message, otherwise we are at the museum on Thursday mornings from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Another exhibit has been changed which displays night ware and apparel which was worn by women in the 1800's. Patti is still in the process of working on the display.

Beverly is working on obituaries and Marilyn is doing some research and deleting some of the obsolete material in the files to make more room for the future.

Linda Reading passed on information regarding Arliene Wright who passed away. She was in the military in WWII. There is a picture of her and her husband who also served in the service during WWII.. which appeared in the military exhibit and is still on display.

50 AND OVER Ain't It The Truth!

- Q: Is it common for 50+ year olds to have problems with short term memory storage?**
A: Storing memory is not the problem Retrieving it is a problem.
- Q: As people age, do they sleep more Soundly?**
A: Yes, but usually in the afternoon.
- Q: Where do 50+ year olds look for fashionable glasses?**
A: Their foreheads.
- Q: What is the most common remark made by 50+ year olds when they enter antique stores?**
A: I remember these!
- Q: What is the most frequent thought when going from one room to another?**
A: "What did I come here for?"

WHY SOME MEN HAVE DOGS AND NOT WIVES:



**The later you are,
The more excited
your dogs are to
see you.**

**Dogs like it if
You leave a lot
Of things on the
Floor.**



**A dog's parents
Never visit.**



**Dogs agree that
You have to raise
Your voice to get
Your point across.
across**



**You never have to
Wait for a dog:
They're ready to
go 24 hours a
Day.**



A Bit of History



WHEELING

Back in the 1800's a group of Inns marked the halfway point on the road from Milwaukee to Chicago. They were noted for their fine food and lodging. Their patrons were weary travelers in need of rest and refreshment after the day-long journey from Chicago.

In 1895, the residents of this "halfway" point incorporated to become the Village of Wheeling. The handful of residents thriving primarily on the stop-over trade plus several farmers built themselves a quite adequate little community.

The fine eating establishments located 30 miles from Chicago changed, but little, between 1895 and 1951. When there were some 600 residents in the town. Of course there were gas stations instead of stables; and the restaurants no longer provided lodgings; but the atmosphere remained the same.

The growth pattern of Wheeling was slower than that of other suburbs within a 30-mile radius of Chicago, primarily because of the lack of transportation. The nearest commuter train was 7 miles away.

In 1955 an enterprising builder purchased a huge tract of land on the western border of Wheeling. He built moderately priced homes which sold well, for the 1956 census showed 3426 people residing in the village. The development called Dunhurst Heights, was separated from the existing town by the distance of a mile.

The village was completely unprepared for such an influx of homeowners. Their school was sufficient for the children in "Old Wheeling" but there was no accommodation for the hundreds of small children now living within the school district. The first residents of Dunhurst Heights still comment on the coldness of the reception given the newcomers by "Old Wheeling". The frigid reception was attributed to the fact that "Old Wheeling" resented the change wrought by Dunhurst - the change in taxes - the change in atmosphere.

Before Wheeling could even absorb or adjust to Dunhurst Heights, another builder descended upon the village with the subdivision of Meadowbrook located midway between "Old Wheeling" and Dunhurst. There too the houses were moderately priced and evidently sold well, for the 1957 census showed 5417 residents of Wheeling. With both subdivisions continuing their building programs and other small builders coming in with a few homes, the population sprang up to 6162 in 1958, with an official 1960 estimate of over 7000 people.

To maintain pace with the expansion, the School District imposed maximum taxation.

Dunhurst, Meadowbrook and Old Wheeling formed a triangle of the power base type with residents of each working for improvements in their own area. Homeowners' organizations sprang up, backing candidates for political parties and school boards, "to insure their area was not neglected or cheated."
THERE WAS NO COMMUNITY OF WHEELING.

Up until 1955 the residents felt no special need for park areas or planned recreation. The few people to use such facilities would get together to set up a tennis court or smooth out a baseball diamond. Back in 1943, a few residents got together to try their hand at a library. People gave their cast off books which were stacked in a room of the school and promptly forgotten. So, **THERE WAS NO PARK IN WHEELING. THERE WAS NO LIBRARY.**

When the first builder entered town, Wheeling was a babe, innocent in the ways of subdivisions, and knew little about planning for future development. So the town grew and grew, and with it grew the problems—water, sewerage disposal, streets, etc. There was little time to think about the facilities the influx of young and prolific homeowners would require.

There were organizations, though. There were organizations for the people of "Old Wheeling", and, as the population grew, there were church organizations, there were the homeowners' organizations, and there were organizations set up on a community-wide basis, made up mostly of "newcomers." The Wheeling Junior Woman's Club was one of these latter type organizations.

Promptly within the group, all definitions of boundaries were forgotten and the women worked together for Wheeling. But all was not so rosy elsewhere competition and antagonism presided.

Thus was Wheeling at the conclusion of 1957; a Town divided physically and philosophically.

REMEMBER THIS!

Don't sweat the petty things, and don't pet the sweaty things.

One Tequila, two Tequila, Three Tequila, floor.

One nice thing about egotists: They don't talk about other people.

To be intoxicated is to feel sophisticated but not be able to say it.

Never underestimated the power of stupid people in large groups.

Age is a very high price to pay for maturity.

Procrastination is the art of keeping up with yesterday.

Women like silent men, they think they're listening.

Men are from earth, women are from earth, Deal with it.

Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach him how to fish, and he will sit in a boat and drink beer all day.



TODAYS CHUCKLE

A certain businessman, who understands this principle well, recently had occasion to employ it with his daughter at college. The girl had not replied to her mother's letters in several weeks and the mother was worried. She expressed her concern to the father. He was sympathetic, but gently chided her for not applying the proper psychology.

He then proceeded to tell his wife that he would get an answer by return mail, without even asking the daughter to write. He wrote the letter, filled with idle chatter, news from home, etc.; then casually added that he was enclosing a check. He neglected, however, to actually enclose the check.

Back came a letter from the girl in short order, thanking him for the money, but pointing out that he must have forgotten to enclose it.

RULES FOR THIS DIET

If you eat something and no-one sees you eat it, it has no calories.

If you drink a diet soda with a candy bar, the calories in the candy bar are cancelled out by the diet soda.

When you eat with someone else, calories don't count if you don't eat more than they do.

Food used for medicinal purposes NEVER count, such as hot chocolate, brandy toast and Sara Lee Cheese-cake.

If you fatten up everyone else around you, you look thinner.

Movie related foods do not have additional calories. Because they are part of the entire entertainment package and not part of one's personal fuel, such as Milk Duds, Buttered Popcorn, Junior Mints, Red Hots, and Tootsie Rolls.



The Daffodils

I wandered lonely as a cloud
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,
When all at once I saw a crowd,
A host of golden daffodils;
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine
And twinkle on the Milky Way,
They stretched in never-ending line
Along the margin of a bay:
Ten thousand saw I at a glance
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced, but they
Out-did the sparkling waves in glee:
A poet could not but be gay,
In such a jocund company;
I gazed—and gazed --- but little thought
What wealth the show to me had brought.

For oft, when on my couch I lie
In vacant or in pensive mood,
They flash upon that inward eye
Which is the bliss of solitude;
And then my heart with pleasure fills,
And dances with the daffodils.

-William Wordsworth



Dear Members and Friends:

Just to let you know the newsletter is now being handed over to a very competent person that being Donna Vallas. I have served you since 1995 and it's time to turn this over to a very bright and young person with lots of energy My energy is slowly pooping out. Its been fun and I know you will enjoy the new editor of the Historical Society Newsletter. Thanks for being kind in your remarks in the past and you can look to the future of being well informed by Donna.

It's been a pleasure.

Patti Hancock



"The object of this Society shall be the Discovery, preservation And dissemination of Knowledge about the Community of Wheeling"



Wheeling Historical Society

invites you to join us for our

Annual Dinner *for the* *Installation of Officers* *and Awards*

Wednesday, May 26, 2010

Chevy Chase Country Club ~ Devonshire Room ~ 1000 North Milwaukee Avenue, Wheeling, Illinois

Cocktails 6:00 p.m. * Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Followed by the installation of officers and awards

Menu

Cream of Tomato Basil Soup
Tossed Salad with Dressing
Fresh Sliced Bread and Butter
Chicken Marsala
Garlic Whipped Potatoes
Chef's Seasonal Vegetables
Peaches Melba
Coffee or Tea

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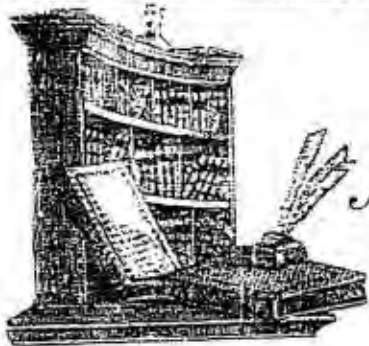
Entertainment with singer Sam Magdal ~ a tribute to Frank Sinatra

RSVP by Saturday, May 22, 2010

For Reservations, please call Joan Wiener at 847-229-0151

Please note: once reservations are made, they must be paid for.

\$30.00 per person includes Dinner and Show. Cash bar.



Message From The President

Dear Members and Friends:

Spring is trying to appear and some flowers are coming out. Warm weather is around the corner. Keep hoping and it will arrive soon.

The March meeting went very well. We had several new member join us and we had a terrific program. Thanks to Bill Kiddle from the Raupp Museum in Buffalo Grove. He told us the history of the Radio and Radio Shows. We had audience participation where as the audience took the parts of the characters in "The Shadow". Fun was had by all.

During the meeting portion, we discussed the proposal for the cost of the curtains for the church and gave our proposal to the Park District for consideration. They will get two other proposals and make their decision. They will then make us aware of their decision.

We recapped the Auction and the Social which took place in February and March. We also discussed performing interviews with some of the citizens who have remained in the Village since the 50's at the museum on Sundays and discussed a Building plaque project. Purchase of addition recorders was discussed and passed by the membership in order to proceed with the interviews.

The nomination committee presented the slate of officers for the 2010- 2011 fiscal year.

They are as follows:

Joan Wiener -President
Barbara Forke- Director
Becky Vogel- Director.

Nominations will also be taken from the floor and the election of officers will be voted upon at the April Meeting.

In the past few months, six "Wheeling Through The Years" book have been sold. Keep up the good work everyone. We would also like to welcome The five new members to the Society, Mr. & Mrs. George Hieber, Sharon Sylvester, Sue Korte, an Pinky Wennerstrom.

We hope to see you all the April 28th regular meeting held at 7:30 p.m.

Joan Wiener, President

Museum Update



Two new exhibits have been added 1) Restaurant Exhibit Don Roths Blackhawk Restuarnt and Chevy Chase, and The Telephone exhibit.

On Saturday, April 10th, there was a meeting of the Curators and staff at the museum. We spent the morning organizing some the lower level.

Donna and Patty are following up on some research.

A thanks to Bill Hein, who has come and tried to get our printer to the computer to do its job printing.

Bev is working on the obituaries and Marilyn is going through some of the cabinets and rearranging them.

A Bit of History



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WHEELING'S HERITAGE- a glimpse at the past

Taken from **Spokesman**,
Dec 5, 1980

By **Michael Anderson**

Continued

Residents needed to supply salaries for city officials as well as funds for fire protection and other public services. Unlike today's extravagant city budgets, Wheeling collected only \$600 from its residents in 1896. Bills for that year were much higher than the village collected from taxpayers: streets and bridges required \$350, street lighting \$60, \$700 was needed to support the fire department, salaries for village officials included: marshal, \$360; attorney, 150; all other officers, \$200.

Bars and restaurants were full of celebrating Wheelingites on New Year's Eve 1899. At the turn of the century, things were looking good for an expanding Wheeling. In September of 1900, the first telephones were installed in the Village Hall and firehouse. Use of these phones was free, and the telephone soon became as popular as the fire engine was. That same year, the village enacted an ordinance stating that telephone poles could not be erected in roadways on sidewalks or in alleys.

Recreation was different from today. Perhaps the biggest event of the year in Wheeling in the 1900's was the fire department's 4th of July picnic. Everyone in town turned out for food, baseball and a good time. Prices were lower in 1903 as illustrated by this bill for the 4th of July picnic that year: 25 loaves of bread-\$1, one baseball bat-10 cents, one box of peaches-\$1.25, one box plums-\$1.50, four dozen oranges,-96 cents, nine bunches of bananas-\$3, eight pounds of ham-\$1.44, nine case of quarts of soda-\$6.75 25 gallons of icecream-\$18.75, two cases of Cracker Jack-\$6, 30 pounds of peanuts-\$2.25, 24 packages of chocolate-75 cents, and one box of gum-55 cents.

Wheeling's history is a story of the settling of the West and the successes and failures that go along with taming a frontier. As the future pushes us along, the past becomes lost in the blur of progress. Yesterday's events have made today possible. For this reason, the past must be preserved. Spending time in 20th century, Wheeling is a glimpse at our heritage and it is interesting, amusing and valuable to reflect every once in a while on the past.

By Michael Anderson

REMEMBER WHEN.....



Having a weapon in school meant being caught with a slingshot

Saturday morning Cartoons weren't 30 minute commercials for action figures.



Baseball cards in The spokes transformed any bike into a motorcycle.

Taking drugs meant orange-flavored chewable aspirin.



Water balloons were The ultimate Weapon.

● LIFE IN THE 1500'S

Houses had thatched roofs-thick Straw-piled high, with no wood Underneath. It was the only place for animals to get warm, so all the cats and other small animals (mice, bugs) lived in the roof. When it rained it became slippery and sometimes the animals would slip and fall off the roof.

Hence the saying;
"It's raining cats and dogs."

There was nothing to stop things from falling into the house. This posed a real problem in the bedroom where bugs and other droppings could mess up your nice clean bed.

Hence:

A bed with big posts and a sheet hung over the top afforded some protection. That's how canopy beds came into existence.

The floor was dirt. Only the wealthy had something other than dirt.

Hence the saying:
Dirt Poor



ON THE FUNNY SIDE.....

Yes I can !

Only great minds can read this
This is weird, but interesting!

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TRIVIA

Went to the doctor for my yearly physical. The nurse starts with certain basic "How much do you weigh?" She asks. "135, I say.

The nurse puts me on the scale. It turns out my weight is 180.

The nurse asks, "your height?" 5' 4", I say. The nurse checks and sees that I am only measure 5' 2"

She then takes my blood pressure and tells me it is very high.

"Of course it's high!" I scream. When I came in here I was tall and slender! Now I'm short and fat! She put me on Prozac. What a bi#\$#!.....



Kids of all ages will love the layers of creamy yogurt, crunchy granola, banana slices and mandarin oranges in this dish. It sweetens the morning meal, but is good as a healthful dessert or after-school snack, too. Spooning servings into clear parfait glasses makes a pretty presentation.



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To Lorraine and all Our friends who are Under the weather We hope you are Back with us soon



TIME MARCHES ON.

JUST A REMINDER THAT DUES FOR 2010-2011 ARE DUE IN MAY

You can pay at the Installation Dinner or mail your dues in with the enclosed renewal application.

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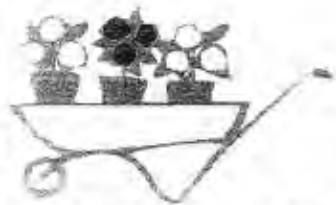
CHECK ONE:

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P.O. Box 3
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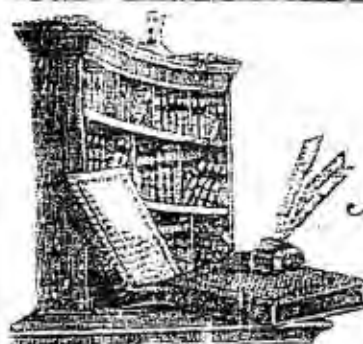
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NEWSLETTER

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MARCH 2010



Message From The President

Dear Members and Friends,

Glad to see winter is almost over and spring is around the corner. We all have something to look forward to.

At the February meeting, the White Elephant Auction was held. Fun and good food was had by all. Hope to see more of you next year and save up stuff to auction off. March 14th we had the Sunday Social. Bill Hein gave a very good presentation on the "History of Wheeling" and we had a very good attendance. It is always good to see new people and old friends. The food was furnished by our members and no one went home hungry. Many interviews took place for our oral history continuation. Thanks to all the members that helped.

In the last few meetings we have discussed getting pictures up at the train station and talking to the Police and Fire Departments in the Village of Wheeling about putting pictures there as well.

Donna Vallas was appointed Chairman of the Nominating Committee and the names submitted for the office of President and two Directors will be presented by the Nominating Committee at the March 24th meeting.

The March 24th meeting will have a program called "RADIO DAYS" presented by Bill Kiddle of the Buffalo Grove Raupp Museum. He will also ask for audience participation. I hope to see many of you in attendance.

Remember, March 24th at 7:00 p.m. Until then.

Joan Wiener
President



MUSEUM UPDATE

Things at the museum have been moving along. There is always the weekly projects to work on but besides, we are getting ready to open in April. Two exhibits have been changed and a little dusting and cleaning helps.

In the office Marilyn is working obits and helps where needed. Beverly is helping with sorting and putting in order many things that wait our attention, while I am doing inventory along with sorting and trying to get ready for spring.

Pat Steilan and Donna Vallas are doing research as requests keep coming in.

Thanks to the maintenance staff of the park district For answering our calls when alarms go off in the furnace room or carbon alarms go off in the office. They are always there when we need them.



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A Bit of History



WHEELING'S HERITAGE- a glimpse at the past

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Continued...

Jewel food store on Dundee Road now occupies the spot where Wheeling's first church stood. Construction was completed on Nov. 2, 1864. The Church was the only one in the area until 1868 when the first Lutheran church was completed for a cost of \$1,500. By the year 1868, Wheeling was home to two general stores, three hotels, two blacksmith shops, one wagon shop, two shoe stores, one brewery and one physician, all serving the town's inhabitants.

In 1871, Wheeling's progress was slowed by a depressed economy as a result of the Great Chicago Fire that crippled Chicago and the area's economy. It was noted that on that fateful October night, a newspaper could be read in Wheeling at midnight the blaze was so brilliant.

As Chicago recovered from there devastating fire that killed 250 and caused millions of dollars worth of damage, Wheeling's growth continued. In 1890, the population of the town has risen to 811, and hotels and restaurants continued to line Milwaukee Avenue. Wheeling's main industry in its early years was the accommodation of travelers north along Milwaukee Avenue and west to settle beyond the Mississippi.

Located in Heritage Park on South Wolf Road in Wheeling is the original Village Hall. Rapid expansion of Wheeling and the need for a governing body prompted the building of the hall in 1897. The building has been moved from its original spot, but the land it was built on was purchased by the village for \$150.

Building costs for single-story wooden building was \$43.13. After the building was completed, certain necessities were provided by the village for its new hall, including bunk beds at a cost of \$1.50, \$9 for four blankets to cover the bunks, installation of cell doors for \$1 and 50 cents paid to a local seamstress for sewing the mattresses for the bunks.

Along with Wheeling's growth came the need for fire protection, and on Sept. 11, 1896, the town received its first horse-drawn fire engine. Arriving via the Wisconsin Railroad, now the Soo Line, the bright and shining engine was the pride of the town. Earlier that year, in June, the Wheeling Fire Department was formed. These added services Meant taxes.

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LIFE IN THE 1500S

THE NEXT TIME YOU ARE WASHING YOUR HANDS AND COMPLAIN BECAUSE THE WATER TEMPERATURE ISN'T JUST HOW YOU LIKE IT, THINK ABOUT HOW THINGS USED TO BE IN THE 1500s:

MOST PEOPLE GOT MARRIED IN JUNE BECAUSE THEY TOOK THEIR YEARLY BATH IN MAY, AND THEY STILL SMELLED PRETTY GOOD BY JUNE...HOWEVER, SINCE THEY WERE STARTING TO SMELL... BRIDES CARRIED A BOUQUET OF FLOWERS TO HIDE THE BODY ODDOR. HENCE THE CUSTOM TODAY OF CARRYING A BOUQUET WHEN GETTING MARRIED.

BATHS CONSISTED OF A BIG TUB FILLED WITH HOT WATER. THE MAN OF THE HOUSE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF THE NICE CLEAN WATER, THEN ALL THE OTHER SONS AND MEN, THEN

THE WOMEN AND FINALLY THE CHILDREN. LAST OF ALL THE THE BABIES. BY THEN THE WATER WAS SO DIRTY YOU COULD ACTUALLY LOSE SOME-ONE IN IT. HENCE THE SAYING, "DON'T THROW THE BABY OUT WITH THE BATH WATER!"

REMEMBER WHEN.....



A historic photo shows the airport in its early days as the Milwaukee Municipal Airport.

Absolutely Brilliant Household Tip

Always keep several get well cards on the mantle...So if unexpected guests arrive, they will think you've been sick and unable to clean.

JUST A REMINDER

40A U.S. Individual Income Tax Return 84762
ONE LINE ONLY

201 (See page 14.) Use the IRS label. Otherwise, please print in ALL CAPITAL LETTERS.

First Name KARA	Last Name GRAFF
Address 111 W. CAMPBELL PLACE NEW YORK	City NY
Residential Election Campaign Fund (See page 14.) Do you want \$3 to go to this fund? If joint return, does your spouse want \$3 to go to this fund?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Can you Believe???



A Georgia Congressman was seated next to a little girl on the airplane leaving from Atlanta when he turned to her and said, "Let's talk. I've heard that flights go quicker if you strike up a conversation with you fellow passenger."

The little girl, who had just opened her book, closed it slowly and said to the total stranger, "What would you like to talk bout?"

"Oh, I don't know," said the southern congressman. "How about global warming or universal health care", and he smiles smugly.

OK," she said." Those could be interesting topics. But let me ask you a question first. A horse, a cow, and a deer all eat the same stuff-grass. Yet a deer excretes little pellets, while a cow turns out a flat patty, and a horse produces clumps of dried grass. Why do you suppose that is?"

The southern legislator, visibly surprised by the little girl's intelligence, thinks about it and says, "Hmmm, I have no idea."

To which the little girls replies, "Do you really feel qualified to discuss global warming or universal health care when you don't know shit?"

ON THE FUNNY SIDE.....

Yes I can !

**Only great minds can read this
This is weird, but interesting!**

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sgtrane mind too Olny 55 plepoe out
of 100 can.**

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Poet's Corner

Your Name

You got it from your father,
'Twas the best he had to give.
And right gladly he bestowed it,
It's yours, the while you live.

You may lose the watch he gave you
And another you may claim,
But remember, when you're tempted,
To be careful of his name.

It was fair the day you got it
And a worthy name to bear.
When he took it from his father,
There was no dishonor there.

Through the years he proudly wore it,
To his father he was true,
And that name was clean and spotless
When he passed it on to you.

Oh, there's much that he has given
That he values not at all.
He has watched you break your playthings
In the days when you were small.

You have lost the knife he gave you,
And you've scattered many a game,
But you'll never hurt your father
If you're careful with his name.

It is yours to wear forever,
Yours to wear the while you live.
Yours, perhaps some distant morn,
Another boy to give.

And you'll smile as did your father,
With a smile that all can share,
If a clean name and a good name
You are giving him to wear.

-Edgar A. Guest



wait to watch it from
the... ..



Shamrock Pie

- 1 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup cornstarch
- 1-1/2 cups water
- 3 egg yolks, lightly beaten
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
- 1-1/2 teaspoons grated lemon peel
- 5 to 6 drops green food coloring
- 1 pastry shell (9 inches), baked

MERINGUE:

- 3 egg whites
- 1/3 cup sugar

Combine the sugar, cornstarch and water in a saucepan; stir until smooth. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Boil for 2 minutes or until thickened. Stir a small amount into egg yolks; return all to the pan. Cook and stir for 1 minute. Remove from heat; stir in lemon juice, butter, lemon peel and food coloring until smooth. Pour into crust. For meringue, beat egg whites until foamy. Gradually add sugar and beat until stiff peaks form. Spread over hot filling, sealing to the edges. Bake at 350° for 10-15 minutes or until lightly brown. Cool. Yield: 6-8 servings.



To all our friends and members who have been under the weather or in the hospital; we want you to know, we are always thinking of you.



I LOVE A MYSTERY

CAPTIAN MIDNIGHT

Wheeling Historical Society Presents



**Introduced by Bill Kiddle of the Raupp Museum
Buffalo Grove, Illinois**

**Bill will talk and have audience participation about
the old radio shows from the 1930's 40's and 50's**

**Chamber Community Center
251 North Wolf Road
Wheeling, Illinois**

7:00 p.m.

Wednesday March 24, 2010

PHILCO RADIO TIME

FIBBER MAGEE AND MOLLY

THE SHADOW KNOWS...





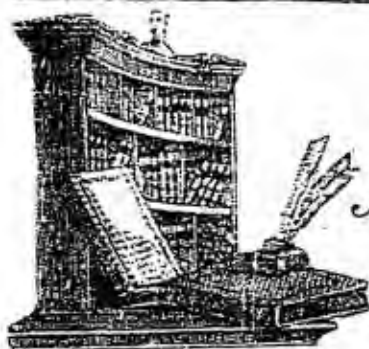
RADIO DAYS

By Bill Kiddle, Raupp Museum, Buffalo Grove

- I. Introduction: "Radio as a Force of Unity in America"
- II. The Radio Program [group interaction]
 - A. Participation in a radio play – The Shadow- cuttings from the script "Crawling Death"-broadcast over Mutual (WGN) in Chicago on Sunday afternoons for Blue Coal, during the heating season.
 1. Volunteers from the audience will play dramatic roles in "first time read around."
 2. Other members of the audience will provide verbal and manual sound effects (knocking, footsteps, door & gun sounds, gongs etc.)
 - B. Group feedback on "radio remembrances"
- III. Hear It Now – Types of radio programs- selected sound clips from Old Time Radio shows from the 1930's-1950's

Background:

- Like most senior citizens, Bill learned about radio first hand laying on his parents living room floor listening to after school quarter-hour programs designed for a children's listening audience & catching Lights Out broadcasts at night.
- * Later in 1950-1954, Bill's experience with radio expanded a bit with his participation in the radio club & class at Lake Forest College and Friday night broadcasts over WKRS in Waukegan
- During the past two decades, Bill has become a collector of old time radio tapes, and he has written reviews of programs for several hobbyist magazines.



Message From The President

Dear Friends and Members:

Here it is February and our big plans for this month is our annual White Elephant Auction and Dinner which will be held February 24th following a short meeting. (Information attached). Be sure to make reservations by February 20th Remember seating is limited to 50. Tell your friends, and be sure to bring your White Elephants for auction..

Discussion by the board and Commissioner Klump has taken place regarding new curtains for the church building. This will be brought before the membership in the near future.

Hope to see you all on February 24.

Joan Wiener
President

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ABE AND GEORGE



CURATOR'S REPORT

A meeting was held with the curators and the museum staff. We have quite a work schedule set up...

A new exhibit displaying a wedding dress from the fifties has been set up.

There has been some changes made in the work area adjacent to the office in the lower level.

Donna and I are doing research while Beverly Marilyn and Patti are continuing with their regular chores.

Pat Steilan, Curator
Donna Vallas, Asst. Curator



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Mr. Joseph Filkins joined Mr. Sweet in 1834 as he was the second settler to build his home in Wheeling. His house was modern for the time and, therefore, was Wheeling's first house rather than a log cabin. Two years after Filkins moved in, he established Wheeling's new post office with himself as post-master in 1837, the first in a long line of roadhouses and restaurants that sprang up in Wheeling to accomodate travelers of the first post route from Chicago to Green Bay which is now Milwaukee Avenue.

Mr. Ascher G. Skinner, opened one of two blacksmith shops in 1838. first store.

After the Potawatomi Treaty was signed, people started staking claims in the area of Wheeling in large numbers. By 1850, the townspeople of Wheeling consisting mainly of immigrants from Germany and France, as well as from the New England states, felt a need to organize Wheeling Township. The area was organized in 1850 into a township, but Wheeling was not incorporated into the township until 1898.

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IDLE THOUGHTS OF A RETIREE'S WANDERING MIND

The cost of living hasn't affected its popularity.

How can there be self-help groups?

**If swimming is so good for your figure,
how do you explain whales?**

Show me a man with both feet firmly on the ground, and I'll show you a man who can't get his pants off

Is it just me, or do buffalo wings taste like chicken?

**DO YOU REMEMBER A TIME
WHEN.....**

**Decisions were mad by going 'eeny-
Meeny-miney-moe'**

**Mistakes were corrected by simply
exclaiming 'Do Over!'**

There was mimeograph paper.

**'Race issue' meant arguing about who
ran the fastest**



**It wasn't odd to have two or three
Best friends**



**The worst thing you could catch from
The opposite sex was 'COOTIES'.**



**Catching fireflies
could happily occupy
an entire evening**



SO YOU THINK YOU KNOW EVERYTHING!

The cruise liner, QE2, moves only six inches for each gallon of diesel that it burns.

The microwave was invented after a researcher walked by a radar tube and a chocolate bar melted in his pocket.

The winter of 1932 was so cold that Niagara Falls froze completely solid.

There are more chickens that people in the world.

Winston Churchill was born in a ladies' room during a dance.

Women blink nearly twice as much as men.

.....NOW YOU KNOW EVERYTHING!

AGE IS A FUNNY THING

The greatest day of your life happens when
You become 21!! Even the words sound like
A ceremony... you BECOME 21.

But then you TURN 30, oooohhh what happened?
Makes you sound like bad milk. He TURNED
We had to throw him out. There's no fun now
What's wrong??
What's changed??

You BECOME 21 you TURN 30, then you're
PUSHING 40...you REACH 50...and then
You MAKE IT to 60 and by then you've built
up so much speed, you HIT 70!! After that, it's
a DAY BY DAY thing. You hit Wednesday,
you get INTO YOUR 80'S, you HIT lunch.
I mean my grandmother won't even buy green
bananas, "Well it's an investment, you know
and maybe a bad one."

And it doesn't end there. INTO THE 90S, you
start going backwards; I was JUST 92.

Then a strange thing happens, if you make it
OVER 100, you become a kid again.....
AGE IS A FUNNY THING!

Thinking of You



PLEASE
GET
WELL!

To all our friends and members
who have been under the
weather or in the hospital;
we want you to know, we
are always thinking of you.



HOUSEHOLD HINTS

DON'T TOSS THAT SNOW

When mounds of the fluffy white stuff begin piling around your door, resist the impulse to grab the nearest shovel and start plowing energetically toward the street. Snow shoveling is heavy work and requires the proper technique if you want to avoid straining your heart and back.

The American Heart Association offers the following shoveling tips:

Cover as much exposed skin as possible, especially when the wind chill is below 20 degrees. Use multiple layers of lightweight clothing for easy movement. Remove top layer as you work to prevent overheating.

Use a sturdy, lightweight shovel to push snow out of the way. If you must lift it, take small scoops, and use your legs and entire body to help lift the load, not just your arms and back.

The best time to shovel is before eating, or at least one to two hours after eating.

If at any point you feel a pain or heaviness in your chest or are dizzy, faint, or sweating profusely, stop shoveling immediately and get medical help. You may be having a heart attack.

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Poel's Corner

You Tell on Yourself

You tell on yourself by the friends you seek,
By the very manner in which you speak,
By the way you employ your leisure time,
By the use you make of dollar and dime.

You tell on yourself by the things you wear,
By the spirit in which your burdens you bear,
By the type of things at which you laugh,
By the records you play on your phonograph.

You tell what you are by the way you walk,
By the things of which you delight to talk,
By the manner in which you can bear defeat,
By so simple a thing as how you eat.

By the books you choose from the library shelf,
By these things and more, you tell on yourself.

—Author Unknown

Pizza on The Grill



CRUST:

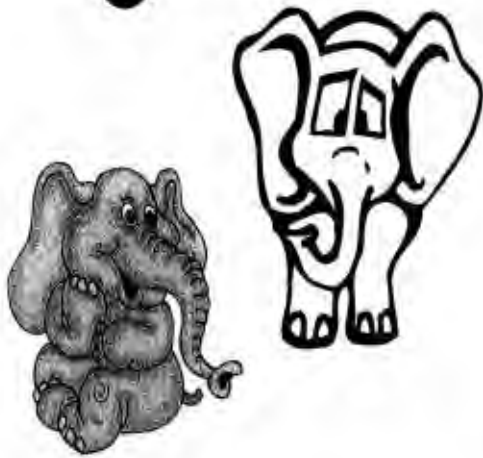
- 1 package (1/4 ounce) active dry yeast
- 1 cup warm water (110° to 115°)
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt

2-3/4 to 3 cups all-purpose flour

TOPPINGS:

- 2 cups cubed cooked chicken
- 1/2 to 3/4 cup barbecue sauce
- 1/2 cup julienned green pepper
- 2 cups (8 ounces) shredded Monterey Jack cheese

In a mixing bowl, dissolve yeast in water. Add the oil, sugar, baking soda, salt and 2 cups flour. Stir in enough remaining flour to form a soft dough. Turn onto a floured surface; knead until smooth and elastic, about 6-8 minutes. Cover and let rest for 10 minutes. On a floured surface, roll dough into a 13-in. circle. Transfer to a greased 12-in. pizza pan. Build up edges slightly. Grill, covered, over medium heat for 5 minutes. Remove from grill. Cook over chicken and barbecue sauce; spread over the crust. Sprinkle with green pepper and cheese. Grill, covered, 5-10 minutes longer until crust is golden and cheese is melted. **Yield:** 4 servings.



Get Rid Of The Winter Blues Come To The Wheeling Historical Societys Annual Dinner & White Elephant Auction

Empty out your basement & garage



When: Wednesday February 24,
2010

Where: Chamber Community
Center 251 N Wolf Road Wheeling,
WV

Time: 6:00PM Short Meeting 6:30
pm Dinner Auction to follow

Price \$10.00

Reservations: Call Bill Simpson 847-541-8692

By February 20th

Pay at door Seating Limited to 50

Reservations once made, must be paid for

\$10.00

Menu

**Chicken, Italian Beef, Pasta,
Salad, Roasted Potatoes**

**Special Desserts provided by
Society Members**

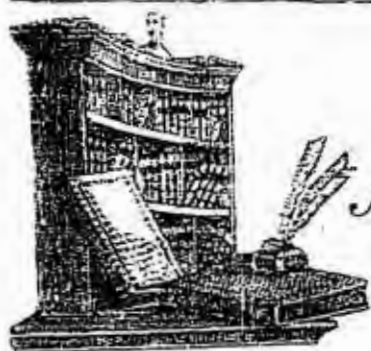




NEWSLETTER

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

JANUARY 2010



Message From The President

Dear Friends and Members:

Well here it is the beginning of a new year 2010. The holidays are over and again Lollipop Lane was another big success. Thanks to everyone who helped. The enclosed letter from Patti says it all. Over 1,300 people came through and our cookie makers kept us in cookies until one day before we closed.

At the January meeting which will be held on January 27th, we will be discussing the events which will take place in February (our dinner and auction) and March a (Social Gathering). If possible, please attend. Hope to see you all.

Meanwhile, stay warm and we of the Society wish you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Joan Weiner
President

UPCOMING MEETINGS

JANUARY 21, BD. MTG.

JANUARY 27, REG. MTG.

CURATOR'S REPORT

As you know, December was a busy month for all of us with Lollipop Lane. In the very near future we will be getting back to normal.

There isn't much to report since all of our energies have gone into our December event. The museum staff will be getting back to their normal jobs such as inventory, obituaries, identifying photos and research.

Hope to have more information for you in the future.

Pat Steilan, Curator
Donna Vallas, Assistant Curator

AGE IS A FUNNY THING

Do you realize that the only time in our lives
When we like to get old is when we are kids?

If you're less than 10 years old, you're so excited
about aging that you think in fractions
How old are you? ... "I'm 4 and a half"

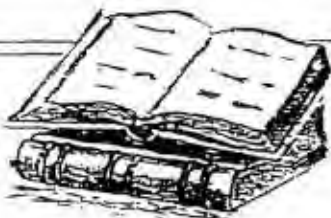
You're never 36 and a half, but you're 4 and a
half going on 5! That's the key.

You get into your teens, now they can't hold
you back. You jump to the next number
How old are you? ... "I'm going to be 16" You
could be 12, but you're going to be 16.

And the greatest day of your life happens: you
become 21! Even the words sound like a
ceremony--you BECOME 21.

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By Michael Anderson

As the line of new restaurants and Businesses continues to replace the rows of corn that bordered Wheeling it becomes increasingly evident that the past is being replaced by the future faster than ever before.

Wheeling's past is being forgotten too. Now just one of a never-ending string of suburbs, at times Wheeling seems like a carbon copy of every other neighboring town. However, Wheeling's past is interesting and colorful with Indians, pioneers, and events that distinguish it from other cities' heritages.

Rolling prairie grass taller than a man on horseback still covered the Midwest when the first white man visited the area known as Wheeling Township. Home to Indians and wildlife, the area was inhabited by Potawatomi tribes until 1833, when the first white man settled in Wheeling. Signed on Sept. 26, 1833, the Potawatomi Treaty was meant as an agreement with the Indians that their land be sold to the U.S. government to be settled by white men. The \$16,000 a year and other services promised

to the Indians were ceased when the government broke the treaty and forced the Potawatomi west of the Mississippi River.

Mr. Sweet was the first white man in the area in 1833. By building his log cabin within present Wheeling boundaries, he became Wheeling's first resident. In 1835 Wheelings one citizen could have voted in the first ballot box in Wheeling Township.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS

THE USE OF COFFEE FILTERS

Cover bowls or dishes when cooking in the microwave.

Clean windows, mirrors, and chrome...they are lint free so leave windows sparkling.

Protect China by separating your good dishes with a filter between each dish.

Filter broken cork from wine, if you break the cork when opening a wine bottle

Protect a cast-iron skillet. Place a filter in the skillet to absorb moisture and prevent rust.

Apply shoe polish. Ball up a lint-free coffee filter.

TRIVIA... AROUND THE WORLD

IN HIS EARLY 50s, Tom retired and started a second career. But he just couldn't seem to get to work on time. Every day, he was five, 10, even 15 minutes late. Tom was a good worker, though, so his boss was in a quandary about how to deal with it. Finally, he called him into the office for a talk.

"Tom, you do a bang-up job. It's odd, though, your coming in late. I know you retired from the Air Force. What did they say if you came in late?"

"They said, 'Good morning, general.'"

REMEMBER WHEN.....



Telephone numbers with a word prefix..(Raymond 4-601). Party lines.



Peashooters.
Howdy Dowdy.



Hi-Fi's & 45 RPM
Records



Green Stamps

78 RPM
Records



"The object of this Society shall be the Discovery, preservation And dissemination of Knowledge about the Community of Wheeling"



Poet's Corner

It's winter in Illinois
And the gentle breezes blow
Seventy Miles an hour
At twenty-five below.

Oh, how I love Illinois
When the snow's up to your butt
You take a breath of winter
And your nose gets frozen shut.

Yes, the weather here is wonderful
So I guess I'll hang around
I could never leave Illinois
I'm frozen to the freak'n ground!

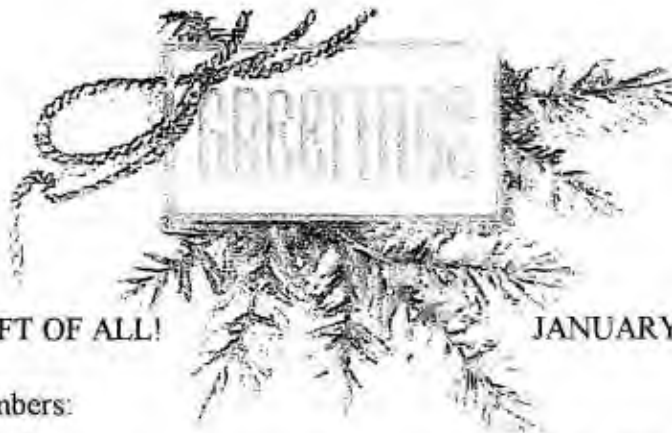
GREAT QUOTES BY GREAT LADIES

THINGS ARE GOING TO GET A LOT WORSE BEFORE THEY GET WORSE.
-LILLY TOMLIN-

A MALE GYNECOLOGIST IS LIKE AN AUTO MECHANIC WHO NEVER OWNED A CAR.
-CARRIE SNOW-

LAUGH AND THE WORLD LAUGHS WITH YOU. CRY AND YOU CRY WITH YOUR GIRLFRIENDS.
-LAURIE KUSLANSKY-

MY SECOND FAVORITE HOUSEHOLD CHORE IS IRONING. MY FIRST BEING HITTING MY HEAD ON THE TOP BUNIBED UNTIL I FAINT.
- ERMA BOMBECK -



THE GREATEST GIFT OF ALL!

JANUARY, 2010

Dear Friends and Members:

Again this year we as a Society have received the greatest gift of all... GIVING OF ONES' SELF! Again, the society found we were short of members in setting up Lollipop Lane which is our annual event and the Park District and friends have come to our aid for which we are grateful. Without their help, this event would not have taken place. We must tell you this has been our most successful year and it happened because of our community spirit and help that has made it so. To our count we had passed through 1,300 people.

Not only has our donors continued their generous monetary donations and support, but again the park district maintenance staff put up the trees and decorations thanks to Adolfo Eloisa, and Miguel Gonzalez and some of the administrative staff came over and helped decorate the trees. Thank you goes to Matt Wehby, Kim Harris, Kari Redmond, Tim Walsh, Barb Weder, Jill Nobbe, Larry Raffel and Jim Waterson. A big thanks to our Liaison Cheri Klumpp for all her help and support not only for Lollipop Lane but throughout the year. Debbie Stecker and Stephanie Garcia decorated the preschool tree and this year, a tree was decorated by Trica McLaughen from Indian Trails Public Library. The trees turned out beautiful. Thank you.

We would also like to thank our society members, Elaine Simpson, Marilyn Chromy Joan Wiener and Wedge Hancock and of course Cheri Klumpp as each took on a specific duty besides generally helping. Other members who helped were Bev Rossmann, and Barb Lahay, Charlie and Donna Vallas. Lorraine Haben and Barb Forke did a great job on publicity and thanks again goes to Shirley Koeppen for making calls to our cookie bakers. (you know who you are). A special thanks to all those who baked cookies and to Joan Wiener, Bill Hein, Carol and Barry Tess, John and Sharon Shomer, Ken and Chris Brady, Keith and Kim Pecka, Ronnie and Linda Merrit, Dave and Becky Vogel and Larry Whitmer and his wife who portrayed Santa and Mrs. Claus this season. You all did a splendid job. A special thanks to Bill and Bob Stasek and their team who took and gave pictures to each child and family,

We hope we haven't missed anyone and truly feel this has been a great and wonderful joint venture and again without this help, we could not have done it.

We the Society, feel we have received the greatest gift of all which is everyone who has given their time and energy to make this year so successful, OUR THANKS TO ALL OF YOU!

Patti