

NEW BERLIN

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the four Rs...
Rescuing ... Recording ...
Restoring ... Re-creating ...
the authentic
New Berlin history

HISTORICAL
SOCIETY



November 2014

ANNUAL MEETING

of the New Berlin Historical Society
will be held

November 20th at 7:00 PM

Following the short business meeting,
board members will be elected and there will be

A Musical Presentation

“THE CIVIL WAR IN SONG”

(See flyer on the back page)

NOTE — NEW LOCATION:

**The New Berlin Community Center
14750 W. Cleveland Ave.**

Historic Day

2014 New Berlin Historic Day was a huge success. The sky was cloudless with a very comfortable 75 degree temperature. Our guess is that almost 900 people attended. Two shuttle buses ran all afternoon between the parking lots and the Park. Some great stories were told in the schoolhouse along with a story telling contest.

The History’s Timekeepers’ Blacksmith was busy showing how to make the tools needed a century ago. Seventeen artists competed in the Plein Air outdoor painting contest. Around 30 people joined in the Hymn Sing at the Freewill Baptist Church. Two vendors sold honey gathered from local bees. One of the docents said they were busy all afternoon giving tours in the buildings.

Intern

Kriste Dykhuizen is our first intern; she is getting her degree in History at UW Parkside and will graduate in May 2015. She has to put in 10 hours per week and is scanning some of our Swartz photographs. She also helped out as a docent at Applefest.

Applefest

Although the temperature was a cool 60 degrees, Fall was in the air. The leaves were changing color and the apples were ready so our biggest crowd of the season came out to enjoy the day. The children had a great time pressing cider on two old-fashioned presses and cranking the corn sheller to strip corn off the cob. There were waiting lines to get into some of the buildings and all of the bakery and coffee ran out early. We even saw Miss New Berlin and Miss West Allis strolling around the grounds. Across the street at Weston’s barn, the square dancers entertained while others picked out bags of specialty apples to take home. The little ones kept the Barrel Train busy all afternoon taking rides thru the orchard. Up at the museum, the Gift Shoppe was kept busy while others just enjoyed visiting the farm displays. It was a very successful day and profitable, too.

Carriage Barn

Several of our members have been cleaning out the carriage barn to make new displays.

Historic Preservation Conference

Our President Dave Totten, his wife, and one of our new members attended the Historic Preservation Conference at the Osthoff Resort at Elkhart Lake in October. People from around the state with the same interests learned more of what and how to do preservation projects the proper way. Dave Totten also gave a presentation on “THE VIEW FROM PROSPECT HILL—THEN AND NOW” to the Greenfield Historical Society.

Welcome New Members

Jane Genzel - JLK Outlet, LLC - Maureen Black - Tom Ulatowski

Thank You to all of you who renewed your membership for another year.

Christmas Parade

We will again have a float in the New Berlin Christmas Parade on November 20th.

Eagle Scout Project

Brenton Hebar will earn his Eagle Award for his project of making pedestals and railings to go around some of our farm display equipment to keep visitors safely away from the exhibits.

Correction

Lee Sprengel donated \$200 in memory of her family...not \$100 as stated in our last newsletter. She also donated a newspaper from the Milwaukee Journal covering VE Day. We are sorry for the mistakes and appreciate her generous donations.

THANK YOU to all of our Donors
...since our last newsletter

GENERAL DONATIONS

- Prospect Lions Club - \$100;
- Ken & Julie Derra - \$50
- Andy Hemken - \$40
- Thelma Meidenbauer - \$50

ARTIFACT DONATIONS

- Jerry Jashinsky - grinding stone, pedal powered
- David Schmidt - corn sheller
- Carol Gorichanaz - metal advertising sign for Quaker Oats
- Barbara Koeppen - 15 lovely items from her parents' Marion & Charles house
- Richard & Barbara Gorsegner - 2 wooden jacks and 12 framed 8x10 pictures of early New Berlin
- James & Diane Duszynski - one hundred year old writing desk

The Civil War

in

Song




**Presented by the Franklin Historical Society
Members and Friends**



In commemoration of the sesquicentennial of the Civil War, The Franklin Historical Society will present a musical overview of the emotions experienced by the country in the 1860's as expressed in song.

Thursday November 20th at 7:30 pm

New Berlin Community Center
Cleveland Room
14750 W Cleveland Ave

Please note the new location →

Free and open to the public Light Refreshments

Sponsored by the **New Berlin Historical Society**
(In conjunction with its 2014 Annual Meeting, which begins at 7:00 PM)

Call 262-679-3461 or visit www.newberlinhistoricalsociety.org for more information

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR LOYAL VOLUNTEERS WHO THROUGHOUT THE YEAR GET THINGS READY AT EVERY EVENT, MAN OUR BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS, PROVIDE OUR BAKERY, AND DO ALL THE OTHER THINGS THAT MAKE OUR SOCIETY SO GREAT!

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