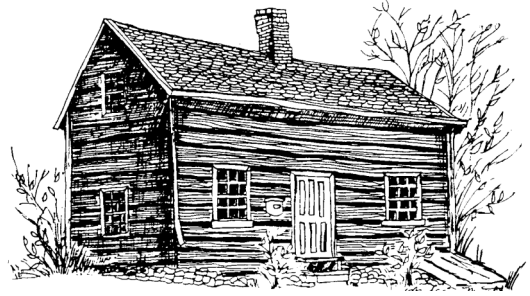


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the four Rs...  
*Rescuing ... Recording ...*  
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the authentic  
New Berlin history

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November 2015

## ANNUAL MEETING & PROGRAM

NOVEMBER 17, 2015

50 YEARS IN REVIEW

*HISTORICAL SOCIETY HISTORY 1965-2015*

New Berlin Library—Community Room  
15105 Library Lane—City Center  
6:30 pm (*see flyer on the back*)

Public Invited • 50th Anniversary cake will be served.

### *Historic Day*

Around 400 people attended on a beautifully warm, sunny day. Lots of activities were available but it was the first football game of the year and the Packers played the Bears. Attendance was down a bit but those who came found lots to see and do.

### *Waukesha County History Fair*

Eight Societies had booths in the library along with a very large exhibit by the State Historical Society. Barb Koeppen & Jackie Hermann manned our booth. Many visitors stopped by and were very complimentary on the presentation of our information. Culvers gave out free dishes of ice cream to all those who came into the library.

### *Applefest*

It was cold and windy but still the largest crowd of the season came out to enjoy the Fall day. We had lots of activities for the children, the orchard sponsored square dancing and barrel rides. The museum attracted good crowds to see the new displays.

### *Tours & School*

On 9/25 - 12 Home School children and 6 adults attended school and toured our buildings.

On 9/30 - 25 seniors from Star of Bethlehem Church toured.

### *Tours & School...cont'd*

On 10/29 - 57 2<sup>nd</sup> graders and 6 adults from Poplar Creek School toured--split into morning and afternoon groups. It was one of our coldest days but at least we had heat in some of our buildings.

### *Displays*

In the East Bay, two large photos of threshing and hay stacking were mounted on the wall and all of the signage on that side of the display has been completed. Also, the City built us an 8x10 foot room to represent a living room. We plan to hang pictures telling the genealogy of the Swartz family and farm.

### *Grounds Improvement*

The City is paving all the walkways in the Park and repairing buildings, including the Church, in preparation for painting. This should cut down on future maintenance.

### *Christmas Parade December 5th*

We will again have a Float and Fire Truck in the New Berlin Christmas Parade.

### *Volunteers' Christmas Party*

We are holding a Christmas party on December 5th at Peach Tree Restaurant for this year's volunteers. It will be family style and the cost will be \$10 each. Many thanks to our wonderful volunteers: Intern Kriste Dykuizen and the three ladies from the Jr. Women's Club who served food in the Gazebo.

### *Welcome New Member*

Audrey Juds

### *Meeting*

Our President Dave Totten attended a meeting of the Wisconsin Council for Local History in Middleton, WI, held in conjunction with the annual Local History Conference. Dave is the SE Regional Representative to the Council.

***In Memoriam***

We were sorry to hear of the passing of **Oscar Pelkola** on October 18th at the age of 85 years. Oscar was a long time society member. He did a lot of photographing for our records and helped his wife with planting, weeding, and watering many of our flower beds around the buildings. We will miss him.

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

**GENERAL DONATIONS**  
 New Berlin Lion’s Club—  
 \$275 for 11 volunteers at  
 6 hours each at the State  
 Fair Corn Roast  
 Ken & Julie Derra—\$50  
 Duane & Judith Miller—\$10

**ARTIFACT DONATIONS**  
 Audrey Juds —A white Navy  
 uniform from WWI  
 Barbara Koeppen—A box of  
 old manuals from cars  
 and motors  
 Bill & Dawn Masch (who  
 live next to the Museum)  
 —donated 5 pictures of  
 the Museum from 1969  
 and a photograph from  
 the late 1800’s of a 5-  
 story building that was  
 on our property. Two  
 stories were later  
 removed and it was used  
 as a barn. It looks like a  
 hotel; if anyone knows  
 more about this, please  
 let us know.

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**Learn how, through countless volunteers and strong community support, the Society has developed our remarkable Historical Park.**

**A slide presentation by President David Totten**

**Tuesday November 17th at 7:00 pm**

**New Berlin Public Library  
 Community Room**

**15105 Library Lane in the City Center**

**Free and open to the public**

**Enjoy 50th anniversary cake**

**Sponsored by the New Berlin Historical Society**

**(In conjunction with its 2015 Annual Meeting, which begins at 6:30 PM)**

Call 262-679-3461 or visit [www.newberlinghistoricalsociety.org](http://www.newberlinghistoricalsociety.org) for more information

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