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ANNUAL MAY SPRING DINNER

Our May, 2018, Spring Dinner was a pulled pork dinner at the Stone Lake Fire Hall. We changed the menu and everyone seemed to enjoy it. We had a nice crowd for the first fund raiser of the year! We appreciate everyone who helped with the dinner and who made delicious desserts for our dessert bar. We also want to thank everyone who contributed items for the silent auction!



Betty Helwig arranging the great variety of desserts to
be served at the May Spring Dinner



PIE AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The Pie and Ice Cream Social in July, 2018, was a great success! It was well-attended and everyone enjoyed the music and visiting with friends. We wish to thank everyone who made delicious pies for this summer event.

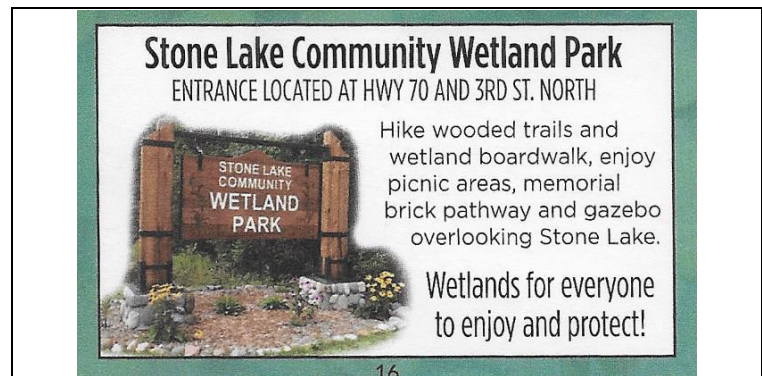
The 2019 event will be held on July 7, 2019. See you there!



Darlene, Rose, Christine, Vi, Tom, and Connie are busy cutting pies and dishing up ice cream



The children's favorite exhibit when they visit the museum is the caboose...inside and out



CHILDREN'S DAY AT THE MUSEUM

Children's Day at the Museum was held in June, 2018. The Stone Lake Summer Bible School (First Lutheran and Stone Lake Wesleyan) students came to the museum with Pastor Ed Anderson and Pastor Tim Young. The children enjoyed finding pictures of their relatives and looking at the antiques which are on display. Their visit to the caboose was a highlight! Every child was given an "old fashioned" toy called "catch the moon" which provides fun without an internet connection!

ELDER DAYS AT THE MUSEUM

Elder Days at the Museum was held in June and July, 2018. This is the second year that we have invited residents of local assisted living and nursing home facilities to visit the museum.

This year three facilities brought buses with about a dozen residents. They loved the opportunity to get out and to see pictures of many old friends and places which they remembered. The men really enjoyed the military display and the B-52 exhibit. A museum

is a great way to stimulate older minds and to stir up old memories. We plan on inviting them again in 2019.



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2018 B-52 PRESENTATION



Russ Voight is shown hanging the beautiful replica of the B-52 Bomber he has built and donated to the museum

Our big event of the summer of 2018 was another presentation by Tom Sybert on the 1966 B-52 Bomber crash near Stone Lake. In the afternoon before the event, Tom installed a beautiful B-52 Bomber Memorial in the garden (garden was provided by the Stone Lake Garden Club) in front of the museum. This memorial is an exact replica of the Memorial which he placed at the crash site last year. At the same

time, Russ Voight, a retired member of the Air Force SAC, hung a handmade model of a B-52 Bomber in the museum. Russ had worked on this model for a year and Tom Sybert made all of the decals for the plane. Russ also helped Tom write a B-52 Bomber Memorial book which he made available in July, 2018 at his presentation. He has generously given all of the proceeds from the sale of the book to the Stone Lake Area Historical Society. Nine crewmen were killed in the November, 1966, crash near Stone Lake. We were pleased to have relatives of two crash victims attend the meeting in July, 2018. Scott and Mary Anne Kamph (Scott's father was Captain E. Kamph), Cindy Aldy (daughter of 1st Class Gerald Turney), Valerie Turney (sister of G. Turney), and April Eubanks (Turney's granddaughter), and her husband Matthew.

Within a week of attending the program, several individuals brought in more crash debris to the museum. We greatly appreciate their interest in the museum.

The beautiful B-52 Bomber Memorial book can be purchased and mailed to you at a cost of just \$8.00 each. (see coupon on page 7).

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Tom Sybert has just set the B-52 Bomber Memorial Plaque in the garden at the museum. A special thank you to both Russ Voight and Tom Sybert.

NEW HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Connie Schield asked a group of women if they would be willing to provide appetizers of cookies for various events. Previously the members of the board brought all of the “goodies” and this was an attempt to spread the load around! Barb Derring, Judy Holmes, Fran Gretz, Sharon Wiek, and Janine Zeuschel all smiled and said “yes” they would be glad to help. Thanks so much!

WE GIVE OUR SINCERE THANKS TO THE LOCAL ADVERTISERS WHO HAVE PLACED ADS IN THIS NEWSLETTER TO COVER THE COST OF PRINTING AND MAILING. THANK YOU SO MUCH!



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2018 EVERGREEN CEMETERY WALK



The new addition to the Memorial at the Evergreen Cemetery is very impressive and touching

In September, 2018, we held another Evergreen Cemetery Walk. This year we highlighted the Nels and Blenda Anderson family, the Julia (daughter of Nels and Blenda) Anderson and Ernest G. Hutson family, Elizabeth Drabek (daughter of Julia and Ernest Hutson), and Joseph Drabek, Sr. family, Hiram Thomas Thrasher and Ellen Jane Stewart family and Andrew and Sigrid Lindell family. Several children of Carl and Irma Lindell attended and shared fond remembrances of their grandfather, Andrew Lindell – he taught all of them to count to ten on their fingers in Swedish which they demonstrated for everyone! The afternoon was enhanced with music provided by Peggy Wood, Steve Trude, and Steve Kozak. Afterwards, apple cider and donuts were served and gravestone rubbing was taught. There is a booklet available with these family histories and pictures of the family gravestones. See purchase information on page 7.



These folks are the Lindell grandchildren who are shown counting their fingers in Swedish, as they were taught by Grandpa Lindell

the museum! We also need to thank all of you who bought a glass of wine!



These happy volunteers manned the "Wine by the Glass" booth during the 2018 Cranberry Fest along with many other faithful volunteers! Thanks, everyone!



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HISTORICAL SOCIETY WINE BY THE GLASS BOOTH

During the Cranfest, the Cranberry Wine by the Glass Booth did very well thanks to the many volunteers! The weather was cold and damp and most of the sales were for the hot mulled cranberry wine. Connie Schield appreciated the enthusiasm of four shifts of workers: Jeff Dejewski, Cathy Sommer Holz, Betty Scott, Fran Gretz, Sharon and Dave Wiek, David and Patty Van Landschoot, Will Ferris, Bob Gillette, Judy Holmes, Lou Dubois, Barb and Dave Derring, Jeri Jacoby, Jeff Coddington, Gina Schield, and Marlo Schield. This group brought in \$3,000 for



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NEW EVENTS FOR 2019

We are bringing back the Stone Lake Museum Volunteer Appreciation Night on Wednesday, August 14, 2019. Our museum could not be successful without the help of so many great members and volunteers. Details will be available in the spring newsletter. Volunteers; please mark this date on your calendar.

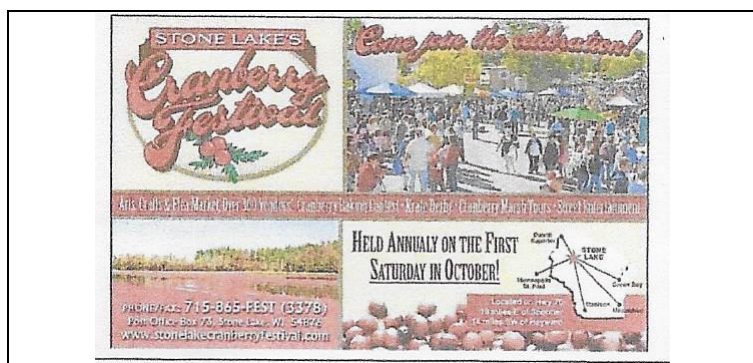
On September 11, 2019, we are going to have a "Stone Laker's Night" at the museum. We are hoping that this special invitation to local residents will bring them to the museum to find pictures and memorabilia from their families and friends. We hope that parents will bring their children so that they can learn the importance of preserving local history.



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2019 HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTATIONS

CHIPPEWA FLOWAGE YESTERDAY AND TODAY:

Cheryl Treland will present an interesting illustrated history of the Chippewa Flowage and a discussion of its management today. This will be at the Stone Lake Hall at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, April 17, 2019. Light refreshments will follow.

TREASURES, TRASH, AND ARTIFACTS:

Members of the Treasures, Trash, and Artifacts will speak about their use of metal detectors to find lost items or locate buried artifacts. This group started in 1986 by Ingwall Hansen and includes members from several communities. They work with law enforcement or private individuals to recover objects. They will discuss where to search, how to search, and some of their favorite finds. This will be at the Stone Lake Town Hall at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, June 19, 2019. Light refreshments will be served.

LARGE MYSTERY ROCK GEOCACHING

In August, Connie Schield closed the museum and found a large orange rock next to the Jordan School Bell. On the back of the rock there were instructions from the Twin Cities Metro Area Rocks group asking that the rock be posted on Facebook and then place it somewhere else. It was posted on Facebook and Connie got a nice response. Since then she has been following the group which plants rocks all over the world. This is geocaching with pretty hand painted rocks hidden in plain sight. Keep looking!

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2019

Wednesday, April 17, 2019: Cheryl Treland will speak about the interesting history of the Chippewa Flowage at the Stone Lake Town Hall at 7:00 PM.

Sunday, May 5, 2019: Spring Dinner to be held at the Stone Lake Fire Hall from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Details to follow in the spring newsletter.

Friday, May 24, 2019: Stone Lake Museum Complex opens at 12:00 PM for the season. Hours are 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM each Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, through Saturday, October 5, 2019, when the museum complex closes for the season.

Bible School: The dates are not yet determined, but children of the area can plan again on a fun visit to the museum and caboose!

Thursday, June 13, 2019 AND Wednesday, July 17, 2019: Elder Days at the museum. Residents of several area nursing homes will visit the museum. Several tour guides will be available to help them find information on their friends and relatives.

Wednesday, June 19, 2019: Members of the Treasures, Trash, and Artifacts will speak on their metal detector experiences at the Stone Lake Town Hall at 7:00 PM.

Sunday, July 7, 2019: Pie and Ice Cream Social at the Stone Lake Lions Park from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Live music and a good time for all ages!

Wednesday, August 14, 2019: Volunteer Appreciation Night. Planning is underway and details will follow in the spring newsletter. A very special evening for very special people.

Wednesday, September 11, 2019: "Stone Laker" Night at the Museum: A special night when all Stone Lake residents will be invited to visit the museum and several tour guides will be available to help them research their own history and the history of their relatives in Stone Lake.

Saturday, October 5, 2019: Be sure to visit the historical society's "Wine by the Glass" booth during the 41st exciting Stone Lake Cranberry Festival. The booth is located at the top of the hill on Main Street, near the Lions Hall.

The Stone Lake Area Historical Society is a 501 c (3) charitable organization; gifts are tax deductible.

MUSEUM GREETERS NEEDED FOR 2019 **SEASON**

We want to take this opportunity to thank Christine Maestri for the several years she has devoted to securing three groups of volunteer greeters (six people) every weekend for the entire season the museum is open. Luckily another volunteer, Jeri Jacoby, has stepped forward to take over the job. These gals sometimes make several calls before they get a "yes, I will serve". They try to ask different folks each week and they try to only ask folks once or twice a season. When they absolutely can't get anyone, they often take the job themselves.

We would like to thank everyone on our Greeter List for serving in the past and we hope that you will continue to say "yes" to this very important job at the museum. Without greeters, the museum cannot be open to the public. PS: We can't forget the many, many years Betty Helwig held the job...our sincere thanks to all three of these special people!

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