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The Stone Lake Depot/Museum, 1913 Soo Line
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CHERYL TRELAND PRESENTATION ON THE HISTORY OF AND CURRENT MANAGEMENT OF THE CHIPPEWA FLOWAGE

In 1912, Cheryl Treland's grandparents, Oluf and Olava Treland homesteaded on the north end of the Chippewa Flowage and started a dairy farm and a logging sawmill. They had seven children. In 1924, the Chippewa Flowage flooded out some of their land but they didn't give up. Fishing camps developed all along the shores and the Treland Pines was started in 1928.

Cheryl's parents were Oscar (the sixth child) and Denum (Jonnie). After spending most of his career in the Air Force during WWII and the Korean War, he and his wife and their eight children returned to the Chippewa Flowage to operate the family resort, Trelands Cabins. They doubled the size of the resort and put in a lodge and a marina.

Oscar was the last survivor of the original founders of the National Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame, where he was on the board for over 30 years. Both he and his father were active in the Chippewa Flowage Resort Association. He loved to give narrated tours of the Flowage during which he told the passengers of "the sacrifices the Native Americans made in the creation of the Chippewa Flowage". Upon retirement, he sold the resort to two of his children.

In 1923, the “Big Chip” was created as a means to improve the downstream water flow for power generation and flood control. It is Wisconsin’s third-largest lake with a 233-mile shoreline. Excel Energy owns and maintains the dam which creates the Chippewa Flowage. The Lac Courte Oreilles Band of the Lake Superior Chippewa operates an electrical power generation plant at a dam on the Chippewa River near Winter, Wisconsin. The 200 undeveloped islands and shoreline are owned by the state (50%), tribal (30%), National Forest (12%), and privately owned (8%).

In 2000, the Wisconsin DNR, USDA Forest Service, and the LCO formally joined efforts under the guidance of the Chippewa Flowage Joint Agency Management Plan. This plan dedicates the cooperative efforts of these three partners to the long-term management of the flowage to protect the natural features and to provide uniform regulation.

On Wednesday, April 17, 2019, at 7:00 PM at the Stone Lake Town Hall, Cheryl Treland will give a very personal history of the Flowage and discuss the current management of the Flowage. She is an enjoyable presenter and welcomes questions from the audience.

ANNUAL MAY SPRING DINNER



Marlo is selling tickets for the 2018 May Spring Dinner, surrounded by some beautiful spring plants

The Sunday, May 5, 2019, Spring Dinner will again be a pulled pork dinner with a beautiful dessert bar. This is the same menu as last year and everyone seemed to love it. This is our first fund raiser of the year and we hope it will be well attended as it is also opening weekend of 2019 fishing season! It will be at the Stone Lake Fire Hall from 4:00 to 7:00 PM. We hope to see you there.

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TREASURES, TRASH, & ARTIFACTS

Stephen Lynch was born in Rockford, Illinois and spent most of his summers vacationing at the resort owned by his aunt and uncle in Barnes, Wisconsin. After graduating from high school in Chicago, he enlisted in the Marines in 1964. He was honorably discharged in 1968 after receiving the Vietnam Service and Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medals, Presidential Unit Citation, and Good Conduct Medal. He spent the rest of his career in the telecommunication industry. In May, 1972, he married Catherine West from Hayward and his parents purchased the resort from his aunt and uncle.

Stephen is a very active volunteer in the Hayward area. He serves as chairman of the Sawyer County Veterans Service Committee, is commander of VFW Post 7233, president of the Barnes Area Historical Association, and president of the Hayward Treasures, Trash, & Artifacts Metal Detecting Club. This fall he was honored as Veteran of the Year by the Hayward VFW Post 7233 and the American Legion Post 2818.

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

Stephen and members of his metal detecting group will speak about their use of metal detectors to find lost items and locate buried artifacts. This group started on 1986 by Ingwall Hansen and has members from several communities. They work with law enforcement and private individuals to recover objects. They will discuss where and how to search and some of their favorite finds.

This special program will be held on Wednesday, June 19, 2019, at the Stone Lake Town Hall at 7:00 PM. After the presentation, light refreshments will be served.



MUSEUM COLLECTION CONTINUES TO GROW!

The museum complex is closed for the winter but our members and neighbors continue to make donations of important items to our collection. Kitty Quinn Switlick donated the scrapbook of her mother, Rosemary Quinn. It is filled with funeral cards, obituaries, and other interesting Stone Lake articles. The obituaries will be added to our family history collection and the funeral cards will become part of our alphabetical funeral card books. Many of our guests spend hours going through these books. The obituaries and funeral cards are a great source of genealogy information. Please consider giving the museum your collections of funeral cards and obituaries.

Delores Lein sent us a wonderful picture for our B-52 collection. Her husband, Ernest N. Lein, Sawyer County Sheriff, was part of the first law enforcement team to arrive at the B-52 crash. The picture below shows a Colonel from the Duluth AFB presenting plaques to the local sheriffs.



First team of men to arrive at the B-52 crash site (left to right): unknown; Arnold Drost, Washburn County Sheriff; Ernest N. Lein, Sawyer County Sheriff; Colonel from US Air Base in Duluth, MN; James Wanat, Sawyer County Deputy; Zigmond Tugzula, Sawyer County Deputy; and Radisson Fire Chief receiving awards for their actions at the time of the B-52 crash

Darlene Divicino, a neighbor of Mousie Virnich, spent all of her summers as a child on Big Sissabagama. During that time, she played a much beloved accordion which she donated to the museum this winter.

Kelly Brunner's mother was Lyla Radtke. Lyla and her husband, Augie, loved to dance at the Lion's Hall. Lyla's special dancing shoes are now on exhibit at our museum.

Kelly also donated the 1930's cartoon and embroidery collection belonging to Hildegard Brunner, Don's mother. Hildegard was an artist and seamstress.

Bruce and Maine Dakins donated a radio with vacuum tubes from the B-52 crash. They also donated the mounting bar for the chaff dispenser on the B-52. Chaff was shredded aluminum which was used as a missile deterrent. Both of these items were found at the crash site by Bruce's grandfather, Leon Coolidge. These were very nice additions to our B-52 display.



Bruce and Maine Dakins donating the B-52 radio and mounting bar for the chaff dispenser on the B-52

Karen (Neu) Coddington and husband Rodney donated various items from the Neu Creamery including Wes Neu's cheesemaker's license from 1937.

Jeff Coddington donated a model 1931 Ford truck which was built by Dale Coddington.

David and Denise Franzen added to our railroad room with a 2018 SOO Line Calendar with a cover photo of a SOO Line train going through the Stone Lake Depot on August 26, 1994. They also gave another picture of a Wisconsin Central train going over the old wooden trestle north of Stone Lake.

Hazel Jonjak has given us many family pictures taken on the Jonjak cranberry marsh and books containing LCO history.

These are just a few of the generous donations which we have received this year. As you go through your home and family materials, please consider giving the Stone Lake Museum items which you want preserved for local history. All of your families are a special part of the Stone Lake story!



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MATCHING GIFT PROGRAMS



Hugh and Mary McNamara are pictured in their cabin just after the historical society received a \$500 matching grant from Hugh's former employer: Chevron

If you are still working or retired, check with your human resources department to see if your company has a matching gift program for gifts to 501 c (3) charitable organizations. Gifts

to these organizations are tax deductible. The Stone Lake Area Historical Society is currently getting donations from individuals through these programs.

For years, Hugh McNamara (now retired from Chevron) has been donating 20 hours as a greeter each summer which Chevron matches with a \$500 donation to the museum.

This year we are also getting matching gifts through a program called Benevity. The funds are dispersed through the America Online Giving Program, Benevity's foundation partner. We are receiving quarterly matching funds from a local donor and a large, one-time gift from Macy's through another donor under this program.

Your human resources department can help you set up such a giving program because the Stone Lake Area Historical Society is registered. These gifts are significantly important to the Stone Lake Area Historical Society. Thank You.



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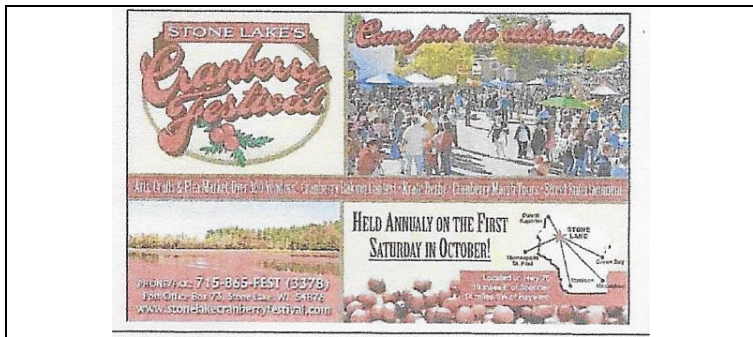
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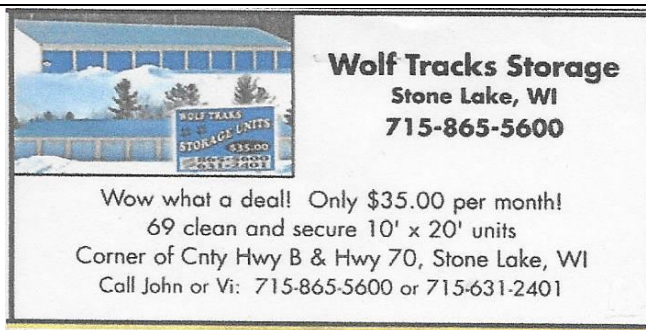
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Stone Lake Area Historical Society Membership Form

- [] \$100.00 Lifetime membership for family
- [] \$ 10.00 Annual couple membership
- [] \$ 5.00 Annual single membership

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- [] I will make a dessert for the May 5th Spring Dinner
- [] I will bake a pie for the July 7th Ice Cream Social
- [] I will be willing to be a greeter at the museum this season



HISTORICAL SOCIETY CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2019

Wednesday, April 17, 2019: Cheryl Treland presentation on the history of the Chippewa Flowage and management of the Flowage today. Refreshments will be served. 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. Pulled pork dinner with dessert bar!

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.

Children's Day: Children of the area can plan again on a fun visit to the museum and caboose during Vacation Bible School.

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

Wednesday, June 19, 2019: Stephen Lynch presents Treasures, Trash, and Artifacts-metal detecting experiences; at the Stone Lake Town Hall at 7:00 PM. Refreshments will be served.

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 will be held at the Stone Lake Museum. Details to be announced. Volunteers, please put this date on your calendar!

Wednesday, September 11, 2019: "Stone Lake Night" at the museum; 5:00 to 8:00 PM. A special night when all Stone Lake residents are 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.

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SURVEY OF SAWYER COUNTY RESORTS
BEFORE 1979

The historical society was contacted by an architect who has been hired by the Wisconsin Historical Society to compile a list and to photograph Sawyer County resorts which were in existence prior to 1979. Connie Schield agreed to meet the architect late in February with over two feet of snow on the ground and minus 20-degree temperatures. She gave him a copy of our People and Places in Early Stone Lake book (which lists all of the resorts and maps their locations and guided him to the resorts on Little Sissabagama, Big Sissabagama, and Sand Lake. He greatly appreciated the help as he struggled to get through the snowdrifts!

<p>THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR EVENTS. PROCEEDS PAY THE YEARLY OPERATING EXPENSES OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.</p>
