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STONE LAKE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY EVENTS FOR 2023

- **Sunday, May 7th** – Spring Dinner at Stone Lake Fire Hall 4:30pm - 7:00pm
- **Museum opens for season Friday, May 26th** – Friday thru Sunday, noon - 4:00pm
- **Thursday, June 15th** – Volunteer Appreciation Night - anyone who has volunteered at museum activities and/or would like to volunteer now is welcome! 6:00pm-8:00pm, refreshments served.
- **Thursday, July 27th** – Author Peggy Prilaman Marxen will speak about her book, “The Farm on Badger Creek”. Stone Lake Town Hall at 7:00pm. Free admission with refreshments served free of charge.
- **Children’s Day Schedules** with local Bible school.
- **Sunday, July 9th** – Pie and Ice Cream Social at Lions Park, 12:30pm-3:00pm. Music provided by the Good Medicine Band.
- **Tuesday, September 14th** – Open House at the museum, 5:00pm-7:00pm. Please bring your children!
- **Museum closes for season Saturday, October 7th**

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MUSEUM EVENTS DURING 2022

Our season began with the annual Spring Dinner at the fire department. Because of Covid, we decided to do a drive-through for the delicious pulled pork sandwiches, potato salad and baked beans! Everyone loved the assortment of desserts.



Volunteer Appreciation light dinner and wine social in June. This night provided an evening of renewing friendships and considering how you could help at the museum. Jeri Jacobi was able to fill in some Greeter Dates on the summer calendar.

Later in June we had the opportunity to hear a local author, Jeff Nania, speak about his three mystery books in which this area is featured.

Early in July we enjoyed the annual Pie & Ice Cream Social at Lions Park. Once again we music Was provided by Carol Sheehan and the Good Medicine Band. Everyone loved the delicious homemade pies and ice cream!



TRIVIA NIGHT AND BINGO NIGHT

Our schedule became busier with two more opportunities to have fun and make some money for the museum. The Whistle Punk sponsored Trivia Nights and they designated one as Stone Lake History. We all enjoyed the evening and hope to do it again.

We also played Bingo at the Red Schoolhouse Wines. They had a large crowd and it went well for us because Judy Holmes and Cathy Sommer Holz understood the system of distributing money! We hope to do this again next year! Thanks to Sharon Paine for inviting us.



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CHILDREN'S DAY



Usually our Children's Day works into the local Bible School schedule, but this year they were not able to come. In September, we received a request to visit from Northern Lights Christian Academy. Jeri Jacoby and Barb Derring graciously hosted the 14 students who visited the day before Cranfest! We hope that they come again next year!!



OPEN HOUSE

We scheduled an Open House in September on a week night hoping this would give another opportunity for people to enjoy the museum. Many local people came and brought their children!



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CRANBERRY FEST WINE BOOTH SUCCESSFUL!

The morning sales were slow but after a heavy rain, the crowds arrived! We were lucky that Bob and Judy Holmes had donated a larger tent for us so we stayed dry. Bob Gillette loaned us his generator so we could serve hot mulled wine. Thanks to these supporters of the museum!



Our large group of volunteers sold 26 cases of wine by the glass! We made almost \$3,000 for the museum! We sold from 8 – 5 and were exhausted. A great big thank you to those who helped: Jeff Dejewski, Linda Story, Will & Sandy Ferris, Barb Derring, Sharon Wiek, Jeri Jacoby, Tony Lyne, Marlo Schield, Bob Gillette, Jeff Coddington, Lou DuBois, Mike Simmons, Betty Scott, Judy Holmes, Mark & Michelle Asher, Shirley Wallace, Eileen Brosard, Bill & Sally Hartz, Paula Gaida and Lori Taguma. Our profits help to maintain the Stone Lake Area Historical Society Museum Complex!



MUSEUM CABOOSE FLOAT IN CRANFEST PARADE

Our “Little Red Caboose” has been a favorite float in the annual Cranfest parade. However, the float had to be stored before and after parade. But it had to be put together and taken apart in order to store the float. We needed to find a trailer to carry the float in the parade and we had to find volunteers willing to tackle these projects each year. It has been stored in township garages and in private garages. So this year we were able to buy a very nice trailer from Dave & Barb Derring. We took the float out of storage in the township garage and Tom Mc Donnell put it together on the new trailer. Then we finally found a storage place for the float on its trailer! Rob Paine stepped up as one of our volunteers and offered to house it in one of his garages! Rob has solved several very large problems for us and we thank him profusely!





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GIFT OF RAILROAD CROSSING SIGN

Jeff Dejewski generously donated an operating railroad crossing sign to the museum. He worked with Tom McDonnell and Bob Gillette to install the sign. They had to trench under the railroad tracks and underground to the museum. When opening the museum, the greeter will flip a switch and the railroad crossing sign will blink. This is a wonderful addition to our realistic SOO Line Depot and caboose!



THE STONE LAKE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY SAYS "THANK YOU!"

We are so fortunate to have willing volunteers who help keep the museum functioning and "healthy." Tom McDonnell and Dave Fichter have donated so many hours scraping old paint, applying new paint, caulking, etc. Bob Gillette and Jeff Dejewski and Jay Lofgren are always trying to solve our problems (dampness in winter) and are there to help at any time. Bob's loan of his generator has made our wine booth at Cranfest possible. Jeff is always looking for new items which belong in the museum.

This spring, Chris Manka and his crew from Stone Lake Lumber, solved several structural problems for us. He has become a friend of our museum!! We greatly appreciate the help of all our volunteers!

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FAMILY HISTORIES

Many families have provided the museum with detailed family histories. These histories are located on a shelf in the front room of the museum. We also have family history files in the file cabinet in the military area. We invite you to add your family history to this fascinating collection. These are some of histories which we have: Carolyn Skille Crotteau, Marie Hanley Murray, Jim O'Brien (Whitefish Lake), Clovis Tripp family, Lubben/Zollver/Logan families, Lampman family history, Marvin (Mike) Skille family, Simonsen family, A.F. & Kathryn Walter family, Henry & Anna Bradley family, Gundry Family, Ted Crandell family, Lori Taguma, Eva Hageman Clark, Dr. Manley Page, Elmer Gaynor family, R. Stanley Thorp family, John Wakefield family, William A. Scott family, Slayton/Gundry family, Denomie family, Robert J. Janda family, and SOO Line Camp Trains. Next season please stop in the museum and enjoy these histories.



IN MEMORIUM

Recently, the Stone Lake Area Historical Society has lost three extraordinary volunteers:

Betty Helwig was a founding member and served on our board as president.

Jim Rhea, husband of our vice-president Rose, allowed us to use the fire department for events and was our "chief cook". He was always willing to go the extra mile for us.

Jack Sheffield and his son Brian were regular greeters at the museum. They also willingly volunteered for the dates which were hard to fill.

All three of these friends will be greatly missed.

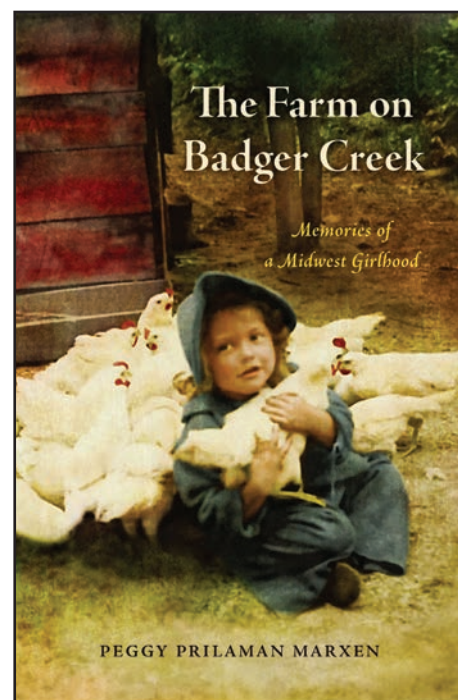
MEET THE AUTHOR

Peggy Marxen presents her book *The Farm on Badger Creek* on Thursday, July 27th at the Stone Lake Town Hall at 7:00.



She grew up on a dairy farm in the small town of Meteor in Northwestern Sawyer County. In her book, she witnesses the vanishing of a family dairy farm way of life and the changes to rural Wisconsin. She shares her stories of a close-knit extended family that sustained a farm through hard weather and even harder times through the revolutions in agricultural technology and transportation. Marxen shares stories of her family's subsistence dairy herd and the hunting, fishing, the selling of timber and maple syrup which sustained the family. She re-counts the three mile walk to her one-room school and recalls the lack of electricity, indoor plumbing and telephone. The author uses both humor and nostalgia throughout her book.

Please join us at the Stone Lake Town Hall (across from the fire hall and museum). Refreshments will be served. This is a joint presentation with the Sawyer County Historical Society.



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PLEASE CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING!

The Stone Lake Area Historical Society Museum Complex is open 20 weekends a year Friday–Sunday 12:00-4:00 pm. We try to have two people there at all times but some people like to be there alone. We need your help to staff the museum for these days! We will provide training for you. Our guests like to be welcomed and our greeters ask them what they are interested in and point them in the right direction. Jeri Jacoby has the most difficult job on the museum board because she has to make sure we have the required greeters each week. Please consider volunteering this summer!



Please complete this form and mail to:
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Jeri Jacoby will contact you.



☐ I (we) will volunteer as Greeter(s) this summer.

☐ I prefer working on a Fri. _____ Sat. _____ Sun. _____

Which month is better for you? May _____ June _____ July _____ Aug _____ Sept _____

Your name(s): _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

_____ I would like to help maintain the flower garden at the museum.

_____ I would like to help maintain the museum by painting, etc.

Thanks so much for volunteering!

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