

South Milwaukee Historical Society

717 Milwaukee Ave., South Milwaukee, WI. 53172

NEWS LETTER

June 16, 1986

IMPORTANT DATES:

Mark your calendars right now!!! Every Sunday 2 to 4 pm. Open House at Historical Society Museum Watch for our new sign in front of the Museum.

House Sitters are needed for the Sunday afternoons 2 to 4 pm. Contact Anne Monson 762-1091 a few days before the Sunday you can sit. A tour guide book is being designed to help those who house sit.

July 4

Celebrate Lady Liberty's Day, Independance Day and the 150th anniversary of the Wisconsin Territory. See hot air balloon and trolley in Grant Park.

On July 4th 1836 Henry Dodge took the oath of office as the first Governor and Wisconsin became an autonomous political entity

July 23

Boder's One Day Fun Trip Tour to Ozaukee County Historical Society's, Restored Pioneer Village, Cedar Creek Settlement, Lunch at Boder's famous restaurant 6 hour tour includes round trip bus fare, leaving from the South Milwauakee Historical Society House at 9 am. returning at 3 pm., entrance fees, lunch and tip. Your choice of Polynesian chicken or Chicken a la King. Cost is \$20. per person. Make checks payable to South Milwaukee Historical Society. Send reservations with payment and choice of lunch to: Laura Hook, 703 Minnesota Ave. South Milwaukee, 53172

Space is limited to 45 people only; first come basis. Friends Welcome. Must have reservations by July 14.

Sept. 6 Last registration day for Metropolitan Convention in Oak Creek

Sept. 8 Pot Luck dinner at the Senior Center. Bring your favorite guy or gal and your favorite dish to share. Meeting following. See local papers for notice of entertainment. Starting time 5:30 pm.

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Sept. 13

Metropolitan Regional Convention of Local History this year is hosted by the Oak Creek Society. It will be held at MATC. Everyone is welcome. Lunch will be catered. Cost is \$8.00 per person. Make checks payable to Oak Creek Historical Society c/o Miss Carolyn Haack, Treasurer

- 6477 S. 27th Street
- Franklin, WI. 53132
- 8:15am Registration and coffee
- 9:15 Welcome and slide presentation

10:00 Business meeting & reports from all affiliates in region

- 11:30 State representatives reports
- 12:00 Luncheon
- 1:00 Program: "The use of maps in Historical and Genealogical research" Howard Deller, Literature Analysist and Golda Meir Library, UWM

Nov. 3

7pm Meeting at the Senior Center on 15th Ave. Program????

Send your dues to Laura Hook, Family,\$6.00; Individual, \$4.00; Sr. Citizen, \$3.00

Jaycees gave their South Milwuakee T-Shirts to the Society. Shirts sell for \$5.00 each. They are made of very nice material, white with red trim and red logo of the 150th anniversary of South Milwaukee's settlement in a circle near the left shoulder.

Note Cards have new prices--5 notes (5 different pictures) in a pack with envelopes for \$2.00

10 notes (5 different pictures) in a pack

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Otto Kuppert has been in Trinity Hospital recently. Also Grace Broskowski is back home after her stay at St. Luke's Hospital. May good health return quickly to you both. **********

The Board is checking the flaking paint on the living room ceiling of the Museum, a new garage door, placing dirt around edge of building for better drainage, and repairing hanging sewer pipe in basement. *********

Thanks go to the Lorraine Fuhreck and friends who have been cleaning, dusting, washing, wiping, vac-ing and doing a super job. Cleaning occurrs on the first Saturday of each month from 8:30 to 10:00 am. No cleaning on July 5th. Next days are Aug. 2 & Sept. 6--8:30 am to 10:00 am.

Would anyone be interested in purchasing old adding machines, a Philco radio or a dictaphone? Contact Gert Endthoff, 762-8852 for details.



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South Milwaukee Historical Society 1986 Officers and Board of Directors May, 1986 to May, 1987

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Thanks for spreading top soil around base of house June 14 to mud slingers Dick Thinnes, Rick Tangen, John Tangen, Lois Schreiter, Dan Schreiter, Kathy Schreiter and little helpers Rebecca and Timothy Tangen. Almost 3 yards of soil was moved in 1 1/2 hours in the rain.

Acquistions: 1. Plaid Wedding gown of Mrs. Horace Fowle with shoes and bonnet. She was married in 1859.

- 2. Hat worn by Mrs Horace Fowle on a trip to Europe in 1902.
- Two hats and dresses from Lynn Rankin worn during her music career.
- 4. Lincoln Books now total 400 collected by Dr. Hein.
- Large trunk, shoe last and picture of the Dibley Family donated by Wm. Blix. Trunk was used by the Dibley family when they came from England.
- 6. Small library table from Rita Potter

Boder's and Pioneer Village Tour reservation form: Make checks payable to South Milwaukee Historical Society

Name/s

Number of Persons \$20.00 per person = total

Choice of food: Circle one: Polynesian Chicken or Chicken a la King

No acknowledgement will be made. Names will be checked when entering bus.



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From the State Historical Society of Wisconsin

Family Photographs

We all recognize our local historical society as an important repository of historical information, but how many of us overlook a precious historical resource right in our own home--the family photograph album? To see how we can do a better job taking care of family photographs, I walked down the hall from my office last week to talk to George Talbot, Curator of the Visual and Sound Archives at the State Historical Society of Wisconsin.

George advised first to think a moment about what family photographs are and what they do. We make photographs of family members, family occasions such as birthdays or weddings, and places important to our families such as vacation spots or the homes where we live. Most people enjoy seeing the photographs they make as soon as possible, but they also want to keep the pictures to come back to in the future. When people do come back to family photographs, information that gives meaning to the scene is often as important as the picture itself. If we wanted only to capture the beauty of the Grand Canyon, a commercial photograph would do. The family photograph helps preserve our experiences at the Grand Canyon.

To preserve both our family photographs and the information that accompanies them, why not start with the photographs we know best, the ones we make today. Unfortunately,

New SHSW Museum Opens

The State Historical Society of Wisconsin entered a new era on April 19, 1986 with the opening of its new State Historical Museum on the capital square in Madsion. The first two floors of the museum are currently open to the public. They include permanent exhibits on the history of Wisconsin Indians, a changing exhibits gallery, a meeting room, and a gift shop. The remaining two floors of Wisconsin history exhibits will open in 1989. Check the accompanying State Historical Society schedule for the museum's hours.

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modern albums with adhesive pages can be very damaging to photographs. The old fashioned method of paper pages with slits cut to hold corners of photographs works well, but be sure to use acid-free paper. Those who find it awkward to make slits to hold the corners can use recently developed mylar photocorners, another acid-free product. Write names, dates, places, and other pertinent information on the album pages. This beats trying to write on the backs of photographs, particularly today's resin coated photographic papers. The same acid-free papers and photocorners can be used to remake old family albums that have fallen into dilapidated condition. However, be sure to transfer all written information and retain the original order of the photographs.



Family Photographs - cont'd

No matter how carefully photographs are preserved, some of the information they contain slips away as the people who know about them pass on. A session around the kitchen table with family members, the photograph album, and a tape recorder can produce an invaluable record for the future. For families that have entered the video age, videotaping photographs and recollections is another option, and videotape can preserve color long after it has faded from an original color snapshot.

If you are interested in better ways to care for your family photographs, George Talbot and his staff in the State Historical Society's Visual and Sound Archives have prepared an information sheet suggesting appropriate procedures and sources for acidfree supplies. To receive a copy of this information sheet write: Family Photographs, Office of Local History, State Historical Society of Wisconsin, 816 State Street, Madison, Wisconsin, 53706.

> Tom McKay Local History Coordinator

Important Upcoming Dates

June 19th through June 21st the State Historical Society of Wisconsin holds its Annual Meeting in Madison. For information call Connie Meier (608) 262-9613.

August 9th preservationists from throughout Wisconsin meet in Stevens Point to discuss formation of a private statewide preservation organization. For information call Larry Reed (608) 262-4771.

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State Historical Society Research Facilities Society Headquarters, 816 State St., Madison

LIBRARY (Second Floor) Hours are 8am-9pm Mon-Thurs; 8am-5pm Fri-Sat when the University is in session. Hours are 8am-5pm Mon-Sat when the University is not in session.

ARCHIVES (Fourth Floor) Archives Reading Room - Hours are 8am-5pm Mon-Fri; 9am-4pm Sat. Visual & Sound Reading Room - Hours are 8am-5pm Mon-Fri.

State Historical Society Museum & Sites

STATE HISTORICAL MUSEUM, Mifflin & Carroll Streets, Madison

Open all year. Hours are 10am-5pm Tues-Sat; noon-5pm Sunday. Closed Mondays, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.

MADELINE ISLAND HISTORICAL MUSEUM, LaPointe Open June 15-Sept 15. Hours are 10am-5pm daily, except weekdays, June 15-30 and Sept 1-15, when hours are 9am-4pm.

OLD WADE HOUSE, Hwy 23, Greenbush Open May 1-Oct 31. Hours are 10am-5pm daily, except weekdays in May, June, Sept and Oct when hours are 9am-4pm.

OLD WORLD WISCONSIN, Hwy 67, Eagle Open May 1-Oct 31. Hours are 10am-5pm daily, except weekdays in May, June, Sept and Oct, when hours are 9am-4pm.

PENDARVIS, 114 Shake Rag St., Mineral Point Open May 1-Oct 31. Hours are 9am-5pm daily.

STONEFIELD VILLAGE, Cty VV, Cassville Open May 24-Sept 1. Hours are 9am-5pm daily.

VILLA LOUIS, 521 Villa Louis Road, Prairie du Chien Open May 1-Oct 31. Hours are 9am-5pm daily.