



South Milwaukee Historical Society

717 Milwaukee Ave., South Milwaukee, WI 53172
NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER, 1991

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

NOVEMBER 28 HAPPY THANKSGIVING DAY

DECEMBER 7 BAKE AND CRAFT SALE
All area members will be contacted by phone for baked or sale items. SALE IS FROM 9 AM TO 2 PM YOU MAY BRING YOUR BAKERY FRIDAY NIGHT BETWEEN 6 AND 8 PM

FEBRUARY -- ANNUAL DINNER AT BUCYRUS CLUB

MAY 1 HERITAGE DAYS DINNER AT BUCYRUS CLUB

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT:

The board would like to extend all members their best wishes for a happy and joyful holiday season. As you know we have our Craft and Bake Sale coming up on Saturday, December 7th and we hope you all will be able to meet us there and do some of your holiday shopping.

The recent Regional Convention held here in South Milwaukee and sponsored by the South Milwaukee Historical Society was a great success thanks to the fine effort of all our members. We couldn't have done it without their (your) help. The response from those who attended was overwhelmingly positive. Most of those who attended also took time to tour the house and everyone, and I mean everyone, was very impressed with what you have done to make our house one of the best in Southeastern Wisconsin--THANK YOU.

We now have a new light fixture on our sign/flag out in front of the house. It makes for a nice addition and makes us more highly visible. I had the electrician change the very bright light on the flag to a much lower wattage light, and that has worked out nicely.

We also had a water main break in the basement. Luckily, I found it in time to prevent any serious damage, and also luckily, the city repaired the break at no charge.

We are still looking for help financially. Our bank balance reminds me of the U.S.S.R. economic problems. If anyone can help us with funds or methods to aid our financial plight we would be grateful.

Remember our annual dinner coming up in February. The board hopes to see as many of you there as possible. It's always a fun evening. Again we wish you a very happy holiday season.

Richard G. Thinnes
President

Our sympathy is extended to the families of AMY EVELYN HOOK who died in Palm Harbor, Florida on August 24, 1991. Amy and her husband Fred liked to travel and entertained us many times with their slides. Amy liked to do the narrating. Amy and Fred have both been long time members and have life memberships.

One month later, September 24, 1991 her sister in law and friend LAURA WEBER HOOK died. Laura had been treasurer of the South Milwaukee Historical Society for most of its 19 years of existence (even when her late husband, George held the office). She missed only a few meetings or events in those 19 years, certainly a sign of her dedication to the society. Last May she decided not to run for office again. The books and files were in neat and excellent order when she handed them over to me. She is a "tough act" to follow.

We will miss them.

DOES ANYONE KNOW WHO PLAYED ON THE SOUTH MILWAUKEE 1895 BASEBALL TEAM?

TWO LOTS in Forest Hill Cemetery have been donated to our society. Offers are being accepted for section 4, block 6, lot 2, spaces 1 & 2. This is an \$800.00 value. Talk to Gertrude Endthoff or Richard Thinnes or write to the society address.

WORK AT THE MUSEUM: ~~THIRD SATURDAY~~ of each month-- 10 AM TO 12 AM
If you know of any members that are ill, please call Mary Magnuson, 762-9428 with the information, so she can send them a card.

NOTICE BY-LAWS AMENDED: ALL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON THE 2ND MONDAYS.

SEND FAMILY HISTORY INFORMATION TO: S.M.H.S., 717 MILWAUKEE AVE.,
SOUTH MILWAUKEE, WI 53172

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Newspaper editor: Lois Schreiter, 762-5214

Donations are always graciously accepted for repairing the museum building. Send to S.M.H.S. Treasurer / Lois Schreiter

Welbes' Toys

LOOK FOR--
RALPH WELBES' TOY SOLDIER EXHIBIT
IN MUSEUM ON DECEMBER 7

NOTES FROM 1893
SOUTH MILWAUKEE JOURNAL
PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY MORNING
BY T.J. RUSSELL & L.A. MINER

FEB. 4, 1893--Since January 1st the cost of registering a letter has been reduced to 8 cents.

--More than 36,000 letters were placed in mail boxes for the U.S. last year wholly without addresses.

--Dr. Palmer reports the various cases of typhoid fever in his charge as doing well and out of danger.

FEB. 11 1893--New young busimen in town, Drugist Goetsch, Coal dealer Murphy, Village clerk and barber Frank Boyle and P.J. Kelly, lawyer

--Orders taken for Singer Sewing Machines at office of South Milwaukee Journal, offering general repairs and supplies.

--Martin Dinnauer has the contract for adding another story to Joseph Whalen's house on Boulevard Heights. He also has the contract for renovating and fixing up Horace Fowle's old residence near the lake. Supt. Stetson, of the Bucyrus Works will occupy the house when finished.

-- Mat Schleck, a carpenter from Sauk City is here for the purpose of contracting and building. He will move his family to this town in about a month and will be a permanent resident. We gladly welcome such men as Mr. Schleck to our town. He has undoubly made the right decision.

Catch the Spirit of Heritage Days 1992

On December 3, 1892, the first election was held in the new village of 517 inhabitants called South Milwaukee. Next year the South Milwaukee Historical Society will host the Heritage Days 1992--100 Years dinner on May 1st at the Bucyrus Club.

Push for Historic Marker

The S.M. Historical Society secretary, Ann Monson, has written our County Supervisor, Richard Kuzminski, requesting a historical marker which would explain the presence of the mill stones beside the dam at the mill pond. Most people no longer know what they are or why the stones are there.

Supervisor Kuzminski in turn sent the request to Steve Grabow, the Milwaukee County Landscape Engineer in the Parks Department.

The society would like to see a marker similar to the Roller Mills marker on Russell and Superior Street. State Senator John Pleva had helped to find funds for that marker with a bill he initiated in the state legislature. Ann Monson will keep us informed about this marker.

Christmas Gifts

Tie Tacs	\$10.00
Spoons	5.00/6.00
Note Cards	4.00/8.00
S.M. History Book	7.50
Jam	2.50/3.50
Bakery & Crafts	

DUES ARE DUE EACH JANUARY (unless you just paid them). If dues are not received by March the members name will be removed from the mailing list. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT WITH TIME, MONEY AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S PROGRAMS. THANK US-----
---BY BECOMING A MEMBER. YOU ARE NEEDED.

Dues:
Seniors \$4.00 Professional \$10.00
Single \$5.00 Life Membership \$100.00
Family \$6.00 HELP PRESERVE YOUR HERITAGE. YOU LIVE HERE.
Send to Lois Schreiter
104 Brookdale Dr.
South Milwaukee, WI. 53172

Name _____
Street _____ City _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ I can help with _____
Type of Dues _____ \$ _____

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*Bake - Craft
Christmas Sale
Dec. 7*

