



South Milwaukee Historical Society

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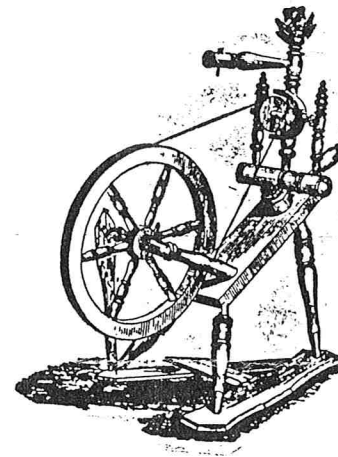
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Mary Magnuson is Sunshine Chairperson.



HAPPY 150 BIRTHDAY STATE OF WISCONSIN
HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY

CITY OF SOUTH MILWAUKEE

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Spring has sprung again!!

Our 26th Annual Dinner was enjoyable. Thank you to everyone who attended. Thanks go to Jewell Heise and Addie Becker for heading up our receptions, Delores Kowalski and State Senator Richard Grobschmidt for donating raffle items and Fred Brutvan for reservations. Senator Richard Grobschmidt and Mayor David Keick addressed the membership regarding plans for the State Sesquicentennial and South Milwaukee's Centennial. Our Curator, Gertrude Endthoff, showed slides of South Milwaukee parades dating back to the 1950's. The slides were very entertaining!

FOUNDED MARCH 1972 BY MR. AND MRS. DENNIS RANKIN

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The Officers and Board Members of the Society will again have a booth at the South Milwaukee Business and Industry Fair at the High School on April 17 (from 5 to 9 PM) and April 18 (from 9 AM to 2 PM). Hope to see you there!

In May we have the Pot Luck Supper at the First Congregational Church at 5:30 PM. Plenty of great food and fellowship awaits you. At the Pot Luck Dinner the Society members will be electing a new President as I will be devoting more of my time to City Government in my position as Alderperson. It has been a pleasure to serve with my colleagues on the Board and to serve all of you. I will continue to be an active participant in the Society.

Hope you and yours have a Blessed Easter.

Dean Marlowe, Jr., President

SOUTH MILWAUKEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY 1998 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

APR.	6	BOARD MEETING 7 PM
	17 & 18	BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY FAIR
MAY	4	POT LUCK DINNER 5:30 PM
	29	STATE OF WISCONSIN SESQUICENTENNIAL
JUN	1	BOARD MEETING 7 PM
JULY	1	BOARD MEETING 7 PM
	18 - 26	HERITAGE DAYS WEEK
	18 & 19	MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE 12 - 4 PM
	26 & 26	MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE 12 - 4 PM
	26	TROLLEY RIDES 12 - 4:30 PM
AUG	3	BOARD MEETING 7 PM
SEPT	14	POT LUCK DINNER 5:30 PM
OCT.	5	BOARD MEETING 7 PM
NOV	2	BOARD MEETING 7 PM
	29	CITY TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY
DEC	5	BAKE AND CRAFT SALE 9 AM - 12 PM
	7	BOARD MEETING 7 PM
	13	CHRISTMAS AT THE MUSEUM 2 - 4 PM



OUR SYMPATHY: to Dean Marlowe's family on the death of his grandfather, and to Don Broskowski's family on the death of his mother, GET WELL AND SPEEDY RECOVERY WISHES to Richard Becker who is recovering from surgery.

Curator's Corner by Gertrude Endthoff

MUSEUM ACQUISITION:

Cow hide coat and a plush cape from Poland,
Complete service for 12 Johnson Brothers China from England.

VISITORS:

We are happy to see many groups visiting at the museum.

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY FAIR:

We are again selling brats, hot dogs, sauer kraut, soda, coffee, jam, books, etc

CENTENNIAL EVENTS:

Our two oldest churches, First Congregational United Church of Christ and St. Mark's Episcopal Church had very nice services with a great display of historical items.



PAINESVILLE - OLD NEWS

I recently came across a newspaper *Old News* published in Marietta, PA. It was the March, 1997 edition and lead article was about the Continental Army of George Washington crossing the Delaware River. The article mentions that every soldier in General Washington's army was ordered to read a propaganda pamphlet called *The Crisis* by Thomas Paine, These are the times that try men's souls. The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of their country; but he that stands it now, deserves the love and thanks of every man and woman."

I thought of Thomas Paine the year I taught preschool on Ryan Road. Each day I passed the Painesville Church on the corner of 27th Street and Ryan Road. The church and perhaps the small community of free thinkers must have liked and admired this man to name their small settlement after Paine. Thomas Paine (1737 - 1809) was born in England and became an American patriot, writer and political thinker during the American Revolutionary Period. In 1774 he was befriended by Ben Franklin and encouraged to go to America. By 1776 he published his pamphlet *Common Sense* where he demanded independence from England and establishment of a strong federal union. He was active in France during the French Revolution, but his views against unnecessary blood shed got him thrown in prison for 10 months, until James Monroe claimed him as an American Citizen. While in prison he wrote a pamphlet on religion called *Age of Reason*, which began, "I believe in one God, and no more; and I hope for happiness beyond this life." He had followers in the Midwest and East that called themselves free thinkers. Were his strong views on religion and politics shared by the people of Painesville? L. Schreiter

JANUARY is the time for MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. New membership dues in Jan. 1998

Senior, \$6.00; Single, \$8.00; Family, \$10.00; Life, \$100.00; Business, \$15.00;

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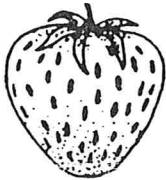
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Chocolate-Dipped Strawberries

Melt chocolate chips in the microwave. Dip whole strawberries with stems intact into the melted chocolate. Roll in chopped nuts or a chopped Heath bar. Serve as dessert with whipped cream for dipping or use as a garnish.

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