

## WAUPACA HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD MTG. JULY 6, 2017

President Dennis called the meeting to order @ 5:15 PM. Silent roll call taken. Present: Dennis Lear, Kent Pegorsch, Nancy & Jeff Weasner, Mike Kirk, June Johnson, Marge Witt, Dave Trombla, Brian Godfrey, Betty Stewart and Tracy Behrendt. Excused: Lori Chesnut, Ron Arthur & Ashlie Buck.

Agenda: as printed. Review of June Minutes. Betty motioned to accept them, JJ seconded; all agreed.

### REPORTS:

Treasurer Dave: The first abbreviated report was submitted. The City Budget request is due 8/2/17. Kent motioned we accept the Report, Nancy seconded, all agreed.

Depot-Mike: The Old Car Club donated \$250 for using the Depot two times. The Boy Scouts made the handicap ramp. Jeremiah worked on the security system. Mike is checking into how to receive the security system's messages at his house. The potato car arrived. The Soo Line Historical and Technical Society previously donated \$500 to move the potato car. See Mike's Flickr page to see more about the potato car's moving, etc.

Director Tracy: See report on page 2.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Betty Kessler & family presented us with a few photos of benches they will purchase for us in memory of Bob. We should choose one or two.

### NEW BUSINESS:

JJ motioned that Approved Minutes be e-mailed as PDF to the all the membership; Nancy seconded, all approved.

WCAB Bach Festival painting event at Depot – Wed.Sept. 27 -WCAB will setup & cleanup afterwards. WHS will supply the Depot at no cost to WCAB.

A new book could be available in the gift shop. It is a WWI book printed from Byron Barrington's father's diary. We will purchase 5 books for now to sell.

Donated books are being added to the Little Free Library.

JJ motioned adjournment, Nancy seconded, all agreed.

Betty Stewart, Secretary

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY, AUGUST 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 5:15 P.M. At the Holly Center

**Director's Board Report**  
**Waupaca Historical Society**  
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The advertisements funded in our grant application to the Waupaca Area Convention and Visitors Bureau are all set. The first of these advertisements was in the Green Bay Press-Gazette, Fond du Lac Reporter and Appleton Post Crescent in June.

The Program and Event Committee met on June 21<sup>st</sup> to set these programs and also discuss ideas about fundraising for our increased programming. I then sent out an email asking members and Business Partners if any were interested in sponsoring upcoming WHS programs. With our increased slate of programs, I wanted to not only assist in paying for these programs but also get more members invested in our programs. Here is a list of upcoming events and sponsors:

Thursday, July 13th at 6 p.m.: "Tuning In: Waupaca's Early Radio" with Randall Davidson **(SPONSOR: WILW/CITY OF WAUPACA)**

Thursday, August 10th at 6 p.m.: "Summer Fun: The History of Tourism on the Chain O'Lakes" with Ron Arthur

Tuesday, August 15th at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m.: Movie showing, "Waupaca 1938" **(SPONSOR: ROSA THEATRE—POPCORN)**

Thursday, September 21st at 6 p.m.: "Wisconsin in World War I" with Russell Horton of the Wisconsin Veterans Museum **(SPONSOR: JACK AND GLENDA RHODES)**

Thursday, October 19th at 6 p.m.: "Early History and Indian Mounds of the Chain O'Lakes" with Ray Reser of UW-Stevens Point **(SPONSOR: GERALD AND CHRISTINE CHAPPELL)**

Thursday, December 7th at 6 p.m.: "Christmas on the Farm" with author Jerry Apps.

We had 36 people attend Eric Percy's "Remembering D-Day" program on Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. Our "Family Fun Day at the Depot" on Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup> was also well-received with 100 visitors. The Waupaca Area Public Library partnered with us for the latter event.

Thank you to all of you that have volunteered so far this summer and, most recently, in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade. We handed out many bags of candy (thank you to those of you that donated bags!) and passed out nearly 300 program flyers. The Waupaca National Guard had two vehicles in the parade behind our entry (the Waupaca trolley baggage car), which was a great addition.

We've had several new volunteers at the Hutchinson House and Depot this summer and have some other inquiries at the Holly Center. Spread the word about volunteering when you have the chance!

Several new exhibits are completed upstairs. New artifacts are on display in the "Keeping History Alive" exhibit (items that have been recently donated). Our "100 Years of the National Guard" also features a short history of the Waupaca National Guard and Ashlie's "Building Waupaca" exhibit showcases buildings and homes around Waupaca and their histories. Ashlie and I are also continuing the process of researching and putting together a Waupaca exhibit in the large empty space around and behind my desk.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Behrendt  
Director, WHS