

MENASHA HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

October 2014



Due to temperatures hovering around the 40+ degree mark our annual September "potluck picnic in the park" was held inside the Memorial Bldg. The set-up/take down crew did a great job of preparing the tables and chairs so all had a comfortable, attractive, warm place to eat and enjoy each other's company. A hearty bunch of 29 persons (including the Mayor, an alderwoman and other guests) attended stating "the weather is not going to stop us, just dress for the occasion". Everyone enjoyed Dolores Gear's Spanish hamburgers, Dick Loehning's lemonade and the variety of delicious salads and desserts made by those in attendance. The Superintendent of Parks, Vince Maas, gave an interesting presentation of the past and present flowers beds in Smith Park. Thank you to ALL who made this event a special beginning.

OCTOBER MEETING

WHEN: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2014

WHERE: HEARTHSTONE HOUSE - 625 W. PROSPECT STREET-APPLETON

TIME: 11:00 A.M. - MEET AT THAT LOCATION

COST: \$5.00 PER PERSON-PAYABLE AT THE DOOR

CALL DOLORES GEAR - 722-3635 BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3 IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND

THE HEARTHSTONE ASKS FOR A COUNT SO THEY CAN HAVE THE PROPER NUMBER OF HOSTS TO CONDUCT THE TOUR.

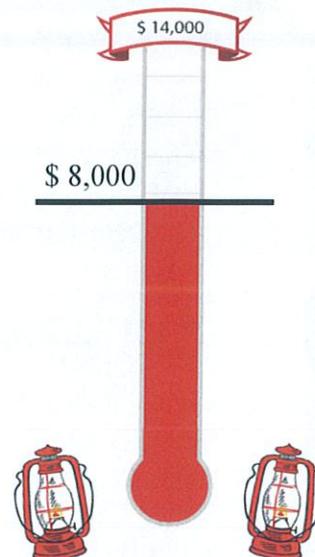
FOLLOWING THE TOUR: (OYO) - LUNCH AT GOOD COMPANY - 110 N. RICHMOND STREET

"LITTLE RED" CABOOSE UPDATE

The caboose has been restored and now it needs a few weeks to cure according to LEKSIII Construction's instructions. We will then begin to put the items back inside and resume tours upon requests. For those who have already contributed we **thank you** for your generosity. We have reached the halfway mark, again proving that things can be accomplished when people work together. If our "Little Red Caboose" letter has slipped to the bottom of your unfinished business this is a reminder that we will continue to accept any and all contributions until our final goal is reached. We are proud to be a part of the history and beauty of Smith Park.

Membership Dues (\$15/individual - \$25/couple)
are payable at this time or may be mailed to:

Menasha Historical Society
P. O. Box 255
Menasha, WI 54952



MENASHA HOTEL

Although we were not able to save the hotel we did acquire the cornerstone through the valiant efforts of the Landmarks Commission led by Tom Grade, Paul Brunette and the cooperation of Kim Vanderhyden who is one of the developers. It will be displayed and preserved at the Menasha Historical site within the Memorial Building. A special thanks also goes to Nick Jevne who diligently was at the site daily 7:00 am –closing, taking pictures of every aspect of the demolition process. He will then process them into a DVD for the historical society to preserve for the future.



THANK YOU

A special thank you to Bob Smarzinski who recently resigned his position as President and board member. He has been a great asset to the historical society for the past 2 years and his accomplishments will not go unnoticed.

SIGNS

AT A CAR DEALERSHIP:----“The best way to get back on your feet-miss a car payment.”

ON A SEPTIC TANK TRUCK:----“Yesterday’s Meals on Wheels.”

ON A PLUMBER’S TRUCK:----“Don’t sleep with a drip. Call your plumber.”

ON AN ELECTRICIAN’S TRUCK:----“Let us remove your shorts.”

ON A MATERNITY ROOM DOOR:----“Push. Push. Push.”

AT A TIRE SHOP IN MILWAUKEE:----“Invite us to your next blowout.”

IN A VETERINARIAN’S WAITING ROOM:----“Be back in 5 minutes. SIT! STAY!

FRONT YARD OF A FUNERAL HOME:----“Drive carefully. We’ll wait!!”



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