



Old Falls
Village

Menomonee Falls Historical Society

Newsletter

August 2014

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings to all! Another major event weekend is behind us and I want to say thank you to all who helped in any way for our summer events and to all who attended. Nancy Greifenhagen and Jack Tindall did a great job preparing for and leading us through the Civil War weekend. And so many others helped with Old Falls Village days. It takes a lot of people to sponsor major events and we have seen major effort on the part of so many. Please reach out to new people who are inquiring about our organization as we would love to have new people come and help us move forward.

Remembering Yesterday... Planning for Tomorrow

Over the past couple of years, the Board of Directors of our Historical Society has been busy developing a Strategic plan to be implemented over the next few years. We have worked hard to develop a rental policy for the public house, a photography membership for professional photographers, taking inventory of our acquisitions, and digitizing our collection of photos. The Village has made improvements to our Depot. They have put in new windows and made necessary repairs. We worked with the village to salvage items from Sunnyside School. We are hoping to move ahead and make improvements to the Carriage House and the Steichen House. We would like to use the space in these buildings to show off additional artifacts. We have many items that we cannot show because we have no place to show them. We would like to thank the village and everyone who has given their time and talents to these and many other areas.

THANK YOU!

A hearty "THANK YOU!" to everyone that helped in any way with our "CIVIL WAR ENCAMPMENT"! A special thank you to Nancy Greifenhagen and Jack Tindall for preparing and leading the event, and to all the volunteers that assisted with the weekend. The weather was great and everything went well. AGAIN, THANK YOU TO ALL!

Quarterly Meeting

We would like to invite our members to a summer social and picnic for the August Quarterly meeting. We invite you to come and enjoy some food and company with others as we enjoy the surroundings that we are so lucky to have! Hamburgers, chips and beverages will be served. We also invite you to bring a friend. Please RSVP to the Office at 262-250-3901 by August 23rd.

Silver Tea

When you were little, did you visit your grandparents for Thanksgiving and/or Christmas? Our Silver Tea theme this year is "Over the River and Through the Falls" to represent this theme, we will make displays throughout the house of your holiday memories as a child, along with a picture (Photo copy will do) of your Grandma or Grandparents. (They did not need to be from "the Falls"). Please contact Jill Schmidt at 255-3728 or jabs@wi.rr.com to include your memories in the Silver Tea.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2014

August 27
Quarterly Meeting
Wednesday August 27
Gather at 5:30

September 19-21
Artist Ride Photo shoot

October
Quarterly Meeting TBA

October 24-25
Halloween Family Fun Night
6-9pm

December 7
Silver Tea

2015

Unofficial Dates

Annual Meeting
January 25

April Quarterly
Meeting

Old Falls Village Days
May 29-31

Civil War
July 18-19



2013 Executive Board

Warren Granke- President
Katrina Ludin- Vice President
Jeff Steliga- Treasurer
Christine Schultz- Secretary
Vikki Schmidt- Past President

Board Members

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| Bob Cowan | Ken Pruess |
| Nancy Greifenhagen | Jack Tindall |
| Marilyn Schneider | Jill Schmidt |
| Gene Schneider | Jim Durdan |
| Diane Harley | |
| Open- Member at Large | |

Caretakers

Chris and Katrina Ludin

Board Meetings

The Historical Society holds board meetings once a month on the second Monday at 6 pm. Our meetings are open to members to come and listen in. The August meeting has been moved to August 18th at the same time.

The 4th Annual Artist Ride Photo shoot September 19-21, 2014 at Old Falls Village.

The Artist Ride WI Photo shoot event will again be located at Old Falls Village Friday through Sunday September 19th to 21st. Models will be photographed from dawn to dusk posed in historical scenes by artists and photographers who later create beautiful works of art from the photos. This unique opportunity (one of only three in the Nation) will take place on the beautiful grounds of Old Falls Village. Artists and Photographers needed. Sign up today. www.ArtistRideWI.com

Halloween Family Fun Nights

Our popular Halloween trick or treat event will be held on October 24 and 25 from 6 to 9 pm. We will be accepting donations of apple juice, hard candy and monetary donations for supplies needed. Please bring these items to the Quarterly meeting in August. We are also looking for volunteers to join us. Without you, this event is not possible. Please join us Friday or Saturday night. Groups can also volunteer. Pass the word to any group who may need volunteer hours. Your time is appreciated!

