



Menomonee Falls Historical Society

# Newsletter

January 2014

## Goodbye Friend

On Wednesday November 20, I went to one of the largest visitations I think I have seen. People were there for various reasons to say goodbye to their family, friend, teacher, coach, community figure, and volunteer, Jim Jeskewitz. As I looked around, I could see that Jim touched many lives through the many passions that he had. As I left the building, it took my breath away to see how many more people waited to pay their respects (and it was only 5 o' clock).

Jim was very knowledgeable of the history of Menomonee Falls. He had regular shows on the cable access channel 14 where he shared that knowledge (and history) with others. Jim was a member on the Historical Society board of Directors for about 10 years. Jim especially enjoyed volunteering at our "In Touch with History" event held for the area schoolchildren. He also enjoyed helping with the hayrides at the Halloween event and volunteering in the barn. Jim will be missed by the Menomonee Falls Historical Society and so many others.

Per the program, "In Jess's words: It was a great journey, thanks for the memories."

Thank you Jess for all that you have given to so many of us.

## Thank You

We would like to send out a special thanks to the members of the Menomonee Falls Garden Club and Diane Cowan for their help in decorating the Miller Davidson house for the Silver Tea. The house was very beautiful! We appreciate all your hardwork. Thank you!

Donita Bruder  
Marianne Hlava  
Sandra Krambs  
Kitty Larkin  
Lois Seidel  
Gertrude Zoeller

## Silver Tea

Many thanks to all who volunteered for the 1930's Silver Tea. Many hours of effort were put in getting ready for this event. Extra special thanks for all those who "dressed up". Even though the snow storm hampered attendance, we still took in approximately \$500. The number of those who baked and donated cookies, bars and holiday breads exceeded all previous years. Thank you all so very much! We look forward to next year for "Over the River and Through the Falls"

-Jill

## Newsletter

We are currently looking for someone who is willing to work with us to compile a newsletter, 6 issues a year. Please contact Katrina at 414-702-5572 to learn more about this.

## Quarterly Meeting

Due to the low attendance the past few years, we are looking at having our annual meeting and a bi-annual meeting. Please let us know if you have any comments on this or if you have a speaker that we would benefit from having at a meeting. Also, contact Katrina at 414-702-5572 if you would be interested in organizing these great events for us in 2014.

## UPCOMING EVENTS 2014

January 26  
Annual Meeting

May 30  
In Touch with History

May 31 & June 1  
Old Falls Village Days

July 19-20  
Civil War Encampment

September 19-21  
Artist Ride

October 24-25  
Halloween Family  
Fun Nights

December 7  
Silver Tea

Quarterly Meetings  
TBA

## Plat Maps available

The MFHS has plat maps available. If you are interested in purchasing one for a \$5.00 fee , please contact us at 262-250-3901.

Those available are :

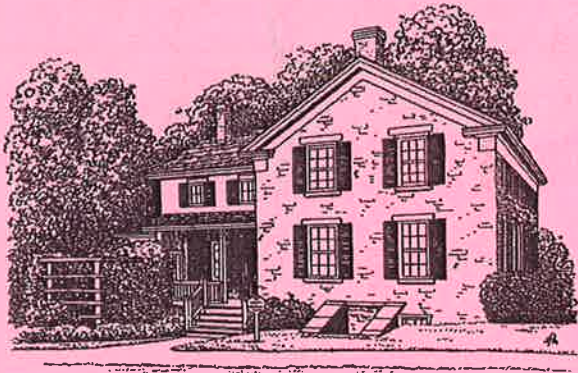
Menomonee Falls 1873	Menomonee Township 1873
Menomonee Falls 1891	Town of Menomonee 1891
Town of Menomonee 1947	Menomonee Township 1914
Fussville 1873	Fussville 1891
	Fussville 1914

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## 2013 Executive Board

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## Board Members

Bob Cowan	Ken Pruess
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Gene Schneider	
Diane Harley	
Carol Friese- Member at Large	

## Caretaker

Katy Henderson

## Our interest in Menomonee Falls

At the Menomonee Falls Historical Society we help manage and maintain the homes at Old Falls Village Museum. We also preserve history, especially when it comes to our own community. We take in any acquisitions that we feel are important to the preservation of history. We collect anything that is 50 to 60 years and older, with some exceptions. The Major exception being any item relating directly to our own Menomonee Falls history.

As a society, we have a great interest in Menomonee Falls and the history surrounding our community. Please contact us if you have any information about Menomonee Falls history, questions or would like to know more about the Menomonee Falls Historical Society.

We can be reached at:  
262-250-3901  
[mfhistory@yahoo.com](mailto:mfhistory@yahoo.com)  
[www.oldfallsvillage.com](http://www.oldfallsvillage.com)  
and like us on Facebook!

## Annual meeting and Board Nominations- January 26<sup>th</sup>

Please join us on January 26<sup>th</sup> at the Radisson Hotel, in Menomonee Falls. We will gather at 11. Lunch will be served at 12, Noon. Phil Block will join us and present "Lights of the Lakes". The presentation will feature his lighthouse photography collection of the Great Lakes region and highlight area shipwrecks.

Please return this form and check (payable to MFHS) to: Menomonee Falls Historical Society, PO Box 91, Menomonee Falls, WI 53052  
**by January 18<sup>th</sup>.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

# attending \_\_\_\_ x \$20 per person= \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed



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