

DOLLS TO BE FEATURED AT MARCH MEETING

Joyce Kuehl of the Doll Collector's Club will discuss all kinds of dolls during the General Membership meeting to be held Monday, March 30, at 7:30 p.m. at the St. Francis Community Center. Ms. Kuehl will talk about the origins of various types of dolls and what makes them collectibles.

Members and their guests are welcome at the meeting. Those who wish to do so may bring a favorite doll and share its history with the group.

Refreshments will be served.

BARREL MAKING: THE HISTORY OF COOPERING

The Board of Directors of the Historical Society has accepted as a major project the making of a videotape of the history of barrel making. A focus of the video will be the Kitzinger Cooperage Corporation. Donations will offset the cost of the project, which is not to exceed \$7500. Watch for more information about this interesting project about an age-old industry.

A PANORAMIC VIEW

A photo of the Lakeside Power Plant site has been loaned to the Historical Society by Francis Dirksmeyer. The photo was taken June 20, 1920, and for those of you who are familiar with the area, shows Boiler Room #1 under construction at Lakeside. The Society is having a negative made of the 13" x 57 1/2" picture.

The Lakeside Power Plant is now being demolished to make way for a major condominium/hotel/marina project.

On the subject of photographs: the Society welcomes all old photos of the St. Francis and old Town of Lake vicinity. If photos must be returned, we will make negatives for our files. All photographs are treated with the utmost care.

BOOK SALE A LIBRARY BENEFIT

The Historical Society was the sponsor of a used book sale on March 8 at the Community Center. Hundreds of books were sold at very reasonable prices. About \$140 was raised and donated to the St. Francis Public Library Fund. It is expected that the library, which is under construction across from City Hall, will open late in the spring.

MORE LIBRARY TALK

Helen Hachmeister, Library Director of the St. Francis Public Library, was the guest speaker at our annual meeting in January. She explained that the library, in addition to the normal library functions, will include a public meeting room. Until the library opens in late spring, the Library Director has an office in a former classroom at Thompson School.

The annual meeting also included a pot luck supper which was enjoyed by about 30 members and their guests.

YOU'RE WELCOME TO ATTEND

Board meetings of the Historical Society are held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Thompson School.

TOUR SUGGESTIONS WELCOME

What tours would you like to see the Historical Society plan for this year and upcoming years? Diane Johnston, chairperson of the Tours Committee, would like to know. For example, would you be interested in another group tour to Old World Wisconsin? Perhaps a group tour to the new Manitowoc Maritime Museum where exhibits tell the story of shipbuilding and commerce on the Great Lakes would be of interest. If you have any tour suggestions, contact Diane at 483-5883, evenings.



DATES TO CONSIDER

Our General Membership meetings are held at the St. Francis Community Center and begin at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise posted. The meeting dates for the year are March 30, May 18, October 26. The next annual meeting will be January 25, 1988.

The Tenth Annual Arts and Crafts Fair is scheduled for Sunday, November 8, at the Community Center.

OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS FOR '87

Board members who are serving a three year term (1987 to 1990) are Adele Lenz, Kathy Schwingle and Millie Schimelfenyg.

Society officers for 1987 are Kathy Schwingle, President; Lois Neubauer, Vice President; Millie Schimelfenyg, Secretary; and, Marge Symkowski, Treasurer.

The Board members and Society officers were elected during the annual meeting in January.

COMMITTEES AND THEIR CHAIRPERSONS

A list of the Society's, various committees follows, along with the chairpersons of those committees. Please consider becoming active on one of the committees.

Arts and Crafts Fair: Margie Heidenreich, Nancy Muzia

St. Francis Days: Pat Witz, Laura Staats

Membership: Ron Tessmer

Audit: Millie Schimelfenyg, Diane Johnston, Marge Symkowski

Publicity: Adele Lenz

Nominating: Lois Neubauer, Marge Symkowski, Laura Staats

Newsletter: Margie Heidenreich

Tours: Diane Johnston

Cataloging: Laura Staats

Search for Site: Ron Tessmer

Kitzinger Video Project: Ron Tessmer



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