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Dear Members:

At a recent meeting of our Board of Directors, visitors Betty and Tom Javorek shared their collection of Austrian Pine (Harnischfeger) tree materials which included a large wreath made of pine cones, newspaper clippings, photos of the Rapant farm house located adjacent to the tree. Tom reported the tree was hit by lightening in 1923 at which time the top of the tree was knocked off. He shared other family stories as well. Tom said he would donate the items to our society when permanent display space was available.

Vegetable Gardening with Bill Moore

Saturday, February 9, 2013 at 1:00 pm

St. Francis Public Library, Hoppe Room

Bill Moore, St. Francis resident, gardener and past Park Commission Nursery Man, will give a media presentation showing his garden's progress from January through December using Heritage Seeds. He will present tips on starting and cultivating a productive vegetable garden. Please bring all of your gardening questions to the program. This free program presented by the St. Francis Historical Society.

Canning with Barb & Bill Moore

Saturday, March 9, 2013 at 1:00 pm

St. Francis Public Library, Hoppe Room

What are you going to do with all those great vegetables from your garden? Learn how Barb and Bill Moore enjoy the pro-duce from their garden throughout the year by learning how to can. They will present what you need to know about canning with lots of useful tips. This free program presented by the St. Francis Historical Society.

Fourth Annual Heritage Seed Sale

The St. Francis Historical Society will have their 4th annual Heritage Seed Sale starting February 9. Heritage seeds will be on sale 10 to noon Saturday mornings through April 27 at the St. Francis Library entrance. Use the Heritage seed catalog in the library or browse the Seed Saver Exchange catalog online. Orders and money need to be given to the Historical Society to qualify for free shipping.

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*The following newsclippings were found by Terry Duffey. We will be featuring them for your enjoyment.*

**Thompson Avenue School Notes –November 1937**

The school board has furnished the school with two new radios. The classes enjoy the programs which come over the school station of WHA. Every morning at 9:30 a class is given for the elementary grades. Thursday we listened to a talk by the State treasurer, Solomon Levitan, from the State Capital. Art lectures are carried out through the station. Nature lectures are given every Monday. Pictures are also studied in this manner. Of course, current events are listened to every day. The children of the fifth and sixth grades are making puppets through the art lectures.

Armistice day was celebrated by a program in each room. We listened to many of the children tell of their fathers or uncles who had participated in the World War. Robert Freiburger brought his father's discharge papers. Josephine Prevedel brought a German book which contained German war stories, but none of the class was able to read the contents.

Mr. and Mrs. Fulljames celebrated their wedding anniversary Thursday, November 11.

Mr. Schoenberg, one of the directors of our school board, visited our school Friday, November 12. We were getting ready to make the puppets in our room, but we hope he enjoyed the activity.

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.....Found in church bulletins.....

The sermon this morning: Jesus walks on the water. The sermon tonight: Searching for Jesus.

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

Don't let worry kill you off – let the church help.

Miss Charlene Mason sang "I will not pass this way again" giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.