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BAND CONCERT/ICE CREAM SOCIAL

This annual event is very popular in Eagle. Tell all your friends, neighbors, and relatives, they'll have a great time.

Join us in the Eagle Village Park on Saturday, July 12, at 2:00 P.M. We will enjoy a program by the Palmyra/Eagle Community Band. Their shows are very entertaining and this year the program will revolve around the 150th birthday of Wisconsin.

During the concert our Society will be offering ice cream cones, sundaes and cake, for a donation. We will also have soda.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket, lay under the shade trees, close your eyes and enjoy the music. Or singalong, you will know some of these popular tunes.

Call Welthy Mueller, if you want to bake a cake or work at this event serving ice cream. It's a COOL job!

WISH LIST FOR MUSEUM

Computer and Printer Businesses often donate their
outdated computers to worthy
causes, as they upgrade their
systems. If you are aware of
any business do this, please
let us know and we will
contact them with our request.

High School Yearbooks, from past and current Eagle residents

Wish List cont. Three Ring Binders

Articles about the Methodist and Catholic Church

Five Shelf Metal Shelving for storage

Book Shelves

White, Cotton Sheets Answering Machine

BOARD MEMBERS

President - Irma Jolliffe
Vice President - Jerry Baker
Secretary - Diane Thuemling
Treasurer - Pat Wilton
Ed Mueller (1998)
Don Ledrowski (2000)
Welthy Mueller (2000)

Welthy Mueller (2000) Jeff Nowicki (1998) Bea Nowicki (1999) Jean Bowey (1999) Easter Stead (1998) Bea Marquardt (1999)

Board meetings are held at the Museum building every second Saturday of the month at 1:00 p.m. They are open meetings and everyone is welcome.

Our next meeting dates: Saturday, July 11 - 1:00 Saturday, August 8 - 1:00 Saturday, September 12 - 1:00 Saturday, October 10 - 1:00

Our Annual Meeting will be held at the Eagle Municipal Building on November 14, 1998 at 1:00. The year will be reviewed and new board members will be elected. A brief board meeting will follow.

CURATOR'S CORNER

by Elaine Ledrowski

I'm very excited about the accomplishments of the EHS volunteers. Since February the museum has been open every Friday, except Good Friday, and now we are open on Saturday's as well.

About one third of our collection has been inventoried and a fraction of that has been logged and marked with accession numbers. A core group of 6 to 13 volunteers have worked at the museum for many hours, cleaning, rearranging display cases, inventorying boxes and reading, clipping and pasting articles

The most visible accomplishments are the three binders full of articles about the people, businesses, homes, farms and history of Eagle. Volunteers spent many hours going through the boxes of artifacts and organizing them into the various categories.

Additional volunteers are welcome. Come for an hour or stay all morning. We need help 10 to noon on Fridays and 11 to 3 on Saturdays. It's a great way to meet some interesting people.

Irma suggested having a Children's Corner. The word got out and toy's started to appear. Right now our oldest toy is a doll that belonged to Meta Mueller circa 1907. It would be worth a visit to the

museum to see a stove on loan from Bea Nowicki. It's from the 1880's and was probably a sample from the Royal Stove Company. Any old and or unique toys would be a welcome addition to our collection.

RICHARD SCHROEDER

An interview by Irma Jolliffe

Richard was born in 1919. He spent time in service. He was a carpenter and built many homes with his father Andrew. Dick knows all about the bobby track that went through Eagle, Troy Center and to Elkhorn. That track was on the road into the Village Park.

Lulu Lake had an ice house and ice was cut to be used in the refrigerated railroad cars to Chicago.

Rick knows all about the changing of Highway 99 to NN.

He helped his father build the Eagle Medical Center.

COMMUNITY RUMMAGE SALE

The committee wishes to thank all who donated rummage and baked food for the bake sale. We worked hard during the three days. Our lunch plate special went over well. The first customers arrived before 8:10. Even before the coffee was ready! We also sold all the bakery.

The museum was open

during the rummage sale and many people stopped to look at the artifacts. We received new members, sold cards and sweatshirts and took in \$58.60.

The winner of the t-shirt was E. Martins of Eagle and Mel Bourdo of Palmyra won the sweatshirt in the drawing.

The bake sale and rummage sale was well attended. The plants sold fast. Each day we needed to bring in new plants to replace those sold. Our total profits from the rummage and food was over \$200.

Our next project will be the Band Concert and Ice Cream Social July 12. We are requesting donations of cash for the purchase of ice cream and soda.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Our current membership as of June 1, 1998 consists of 104 paid or lifetime members. We would like to acknowledge those members who gave additionally.

Sponsor \$50-\$99
John Eiring
Richard Friedman
Katherine Bovee Howard
Newel & Carol Thomas

Sustaining \$25-\$49 Chester & Patricia Poetsch Gene & Marion Fleckenstein John & Kathy Swanson

Additional cash donors: Marcella Winzenreid Dorothy Clark RECEPTION HELD FOR 4TH GRADE HISTORY WRITING PARTICIPANTS

The winners of the fourth grade History Writing Contest were treated to a reception to honor all participants. Held on June 13 in the backyard of the museum, Brandon Piasecki, Jenna Steltz and Niki Chapman read their prize winning reports.

Honorable Mention
Certificates were awarded to
the following students: Calie
Ahrens, Chelsea Biba, Adam
Copus, Carrie Imoel, Heather
Kaczmarek, Kayla Kugel, Alex
Schott, Paul Schreiber, Becca
Sunde and Emily Wilson. All
students were awarded a
certificate of participation
for entering the contest. The
reports will be on display at
the museum for the summer.

A committee of four judges had the difficult task of judging the reports.

RECENT ARTIFACT DONATIONS

Many items have been donated to the EHS since our last newsletter. Thanks to the following for your donations: Eris & Carol Thurston Katherine Bovee Howard Ella Breede Sylvia Linton Liselotte-Lisa Busche Harriet Cruver Cathie Zipprich Gordon Wambold Marcella Winzenried Jean Bowey Mabel Finney Edward & Welthy Mueller Bernice Sadenwasser Linda Hansen Jane Hansen Breblow Jeff Hansen

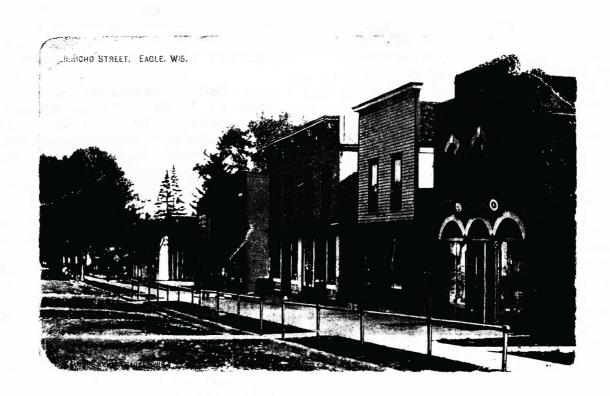
CHRISTMAS TOUR OF HOMES

Have you ever heard of "Christmas in July"? It is not too early to be thinking about our Tour of Homes. This is the 150th Birthday of Wisconsin, and in honor of this celebration we will be touring an Eagle home that is 150 years old.

"Many hands make light work." I don't recall who said this, but I know it is true when you have a fundraiser of this magnitude. We need a little help from everyone. Call Diane Thuemling (594-3382) or Pat Wilton (594-2294) and they will explain the many opportunities available for you to choose from.

Every year we ask if you know anyone who would like to share their home for this event. In the past, we have had some beautifully decorated homes and some very gracious hosts and hostesses. Call one of the board members, with your suggestions. The house does not have to be OLD. We only specify that it be decorated for the season. We try to vary; old, new, unique, and historical.

The Tour is set for December 12, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. A raffle will be held at the Municipal Building during this time (chances that you will win are much, much better than the lottery)



The Fagle Elementary Class studies the history of Eagle, every year. We encourage the children to write a report and we offer prizes. Here is the report written by Niki Chapman.

Chapman Oil By: Niki Chapman

Hi! My name is Niki Chapman. I would like to tell you about Chapman Oil.

It all started with my Great Uncle, Harold Chapman. He was born in the year 1897. He grew up on a farm in the Town of Troy. When my Uncle Harold was 21 he was dischared from the Army and soon after was married.

He then worked for the Smart Brothers gas station. In 1917 he bought and took over the gas station. He named it Chapman's.

Uncle Harold managed and worked at the gas station for about 35 years. He then retired in 1959.

My Great Grandfather, Archie Chapman also co-owned the company with my Uncle Harold. When Harold retired my Grandfather continued to run the business on his own. He likes to tell my brothers and myself about the times when my Uncle Harold and himself went to Illinois with the Smart Brothers to drive back cars to sell at the Smart Brothers carlot/gas station. They would take the train down and it would take them 7 days.

My Grandfather, Russell Chapman worked for my Great Grandfather at the gas station. My Grandfather married my Grandmother Patricia. They had 4 children: Lisa, Diane, Rob and my father Dan.

Russell Chapman brought the station from Archie and Managed it by himself. Archie continued to work at the gas station but he did not deliver fuel any longer.

My Father Dan and my Uncle Rob worked for my Grandfather for 12 years. My Father has changed professions and has become a full time fire-fighter for the City of Waukesha. My Uncle Rob now owns the business. My Grandfather Russell Chapman retired in 1997.

Uncle Rob opened another gas station in East Troy called Troy Amoco.

I hope you enjoyed learning more about Chapman Oil. I find it very interesting and think it is really neat that it has been a business in Eagle for as long as it has been.

Eagle History Report

Hi, my name is Calie Ahrens, and I would like to introduce to you Alice Baker. Alice Baker came from a pioneer family of Eagle, Wi. and lived on Waukesha road in the house that now the Terrance Walsh family lives in. Alice Baker was a writer at the Waukesh. County Historical Society and graduated at Whitewater Normal School, now known as the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. In 1934, Alice Baker went to China to visit her brother, Earl Baker. She remained there for 2 years to be a schoolteacher at Koling school in Peking. Her students were the children of American businessmen and missionaries. Alice Baker then returned to Eagle to become a schoolteacher at Eagleville school again. Then Alice Baker went into substitute work. She then retired in 1945 after teaching at Shullburg. Alice Baker was then dedicated to the need for a library. Alice Baker thought it was possible. But then on April 15, 1974, Alice Baker passed away at the age 91 without the knowing a library would be built. But a few months later after her death, there was a library built in Eagle in her honor.

I hope you enjoyed my report and the history of Alice Baker. I also like to thank Alice Baker for making a library possible in Eagle, because if it wasn't for Alice Baker, I wouldn't have got the information were I did. The library.



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