



# Lost Lake-Randolph Historical Society

## Spring Sing-along a Success

The Spring sing-along was well-attended with approximately 80 guests. Everyone enjoyed hearing the refurbished 100 year-old pump organ played by Marge Cupery and hand pumped by Eddie Hafenstein. Marge was accompanied on the piano by her granddaughter Heather Abel. Sue Bashynski was the song leader. All of these ladies are very talented and their music was enjoyed by all. Thanks for coming!



Heather Abel is playing the piano with Marge Cupery on the pump organ. Eddie Hafenstein is providing the muscle needed to hand-pump the organ!

### 2007 Museum Schedule

We'll kick-off this year's museum schedule on June 3 with a special event. Gene Wiersma from Randolph will display his collection of Civil War memorabilia from 1- 4 pm. Refreshments will be served.

We'll continue to be open the 1st & 3rd Sundays, June through September. Members willing to take a turn at staffing would be appreciated. Please call Delwyn at 326-3573 to let him know which days you can help.

#### OPEN DATES:

(1st & 3rd Sundays 1-4 p.m.)

JUNE 3 & 17

JULY 1 & 15

AUGUST 5 & 19

SEPTEMBER 2 & 16

### Dodge Co. Societies Quarterly Meetings

The Dodge County Historical Societies most recent quarterly meeting was sponsored this spring by the Mayville White Limestone Museum. The presentations were by the State Historical Society staff and helped to guide us in the running of our local groups. Those attending were Delwyn Biel, Arnie Bashynski, Eugene Carlin and Kathy Schraufnagel. These meetings can be very informative.

Please consider attending the summer meeting on Saturday, June 16. It is sponsored by the Neosho/Rubicon Societies and will be held in Huilsburg at Lisko's Hall.

**Please RSVP to Delwyn Biel by June 4 if you want to attend!**

**Board of Directors****Delwyn Biel****President****Vernon Biel****Vice President****Arnold Bashynski****Secretary****Lois Biel****Treasurer****Bill Kirchberg****Director****Kathy Schraufnagel****Director****Gene Carlin****Director****Message from the President**

Dear Members,

Thank you to those of you who have renewed your membership for this year. We currently have 114 members.

We continue to receive donations of many items of historical interest, so come and see what is new as we begin our summer museum hours soon. For example, a display case was donated by the Randolph Fire Department and we were able to make use of it in the east sacristy. We also had the 100 year-old pump organ repaired and the piano tuned. These were good investments which made a big difference in the quality of our April sing-along.

On **building and maintenance issues** it is important to note we have a contract for painting the church exterior. If you would like to make a special donation for this much needed maintenance, it would be greatly appreciated. The rectory remains unoccupied so if anyone knows of a responsible family in need of a home, please contact us.

Kathy Schraufnagel was recently interviewed by Renee Tillema from the Inspire magazine about her one-room school house research. Watch for the article in an upcoming issue. Way to go Kathy!

Finally, please consider serving on our **long-range planning committee** along with the board of directors. We need to create a long-range plan for our museum including the space needs for our current and future exhibits. We hope to have a proposal ready for review by the membership at the annual meeting in August. Please call me if you would like to be included on this committee (326-3573).

We'll see you at the annual meeting on August 8!

Sincerely,

*Delwyn Biel*

***Want to be a member?***

If you are not currently a member but would like to join, our membership levels are:

\$10 Individual    \$20 Family    \$100 Contributing  
\$500 Business/Professional    \$1000 Sustaining

Please send your name and address along with your contribution to

Lost Lake-Randolph Historical Society  
c/o Lois Biel

324 North Columbus Street  
Randolph, WI 53956

(Please note: current members are sent renewal notices in August each year.)

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8 - ANNUAL MEETING 7 pm

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26 - FLEA MARKET/BRAT FRY  
(See article on this page for more details.)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10 - CHILI SUPPER

***Please mark your calendars!***



Randolph Homecoming Parade 1911

## STATE HISTORICAL SITES SUMMER PROGRAMS & EVENTS

With summertime fast approaching, you may want to make some plans for day trips around the state. There are interesting programs being offered at our State Historical sites. More detailed information can be found at their website: [www.wisconsinhistory.org](http://www.wisconsinhistory.org)

### ***Visitor Appreciation Day - June 3***

Take this chance to visit all the State Historical sites at reduced cost or free! (Sites include: Stonefield Village, Wade House, Old World Wisconsin and the H.H. Bennett Studio.)

### ***Great Circus Parade of Fashions - June 9***

A chance to see the splendor of the 1890 to 1920's era circus parade wardrobe at 10:30 am.

### ***Four Mile Inn Dinners***

On 6/10, 6/24, 7/15, 9/16 & 9/30 you can enjoy a special dinner after hours at Old World Wisconsin including a horse-drawn carriage ride and historic parlor games. Reservations are a must!

### ***Laura Ingalls Wilder Day: Farmer Boy***

At Old World Wisconsin on August 4 you can enjoy a day dedicated to Laura Ingalls' book Farmer Boy. A look-alike contest and old-fashioned spelling bee are part of the charm.

### ***Magnificent Motorcar Exhibit - Aug 11***

Enjoy this exhibit of more than 100 cars from 1890-1940 at Circus World Museum. There will be two special demonstrations showing how a Ford Model T can be disassembled and reassembled in less than an hour.

### ***Railroad Day - August 18***

At Stonefield Village in Cassville you can enjoy a day dedicated to trains and railroading history.

## EXHIBIT & PROJECT UPDATE

- **NEW** . . . Carol Graff is hoping to collect amusing stories or anecdotes from the area. Take a moment to search your memory for some of our local lore and send it on to her at 6513 Powell Place, Wauwatosa, WI 53213.

### CONTINUING

- **One-Room Schools:** Kathy Schraufnagel is continuing her work on recording the history of our area one-room schools. Please take the time to share your stories!
- **Local Military Service History:** We're collecting photos and military history of anyone's family member that served our country.
- **St. Mary's Cemetery History:** For each person buried in our cemetery we would like to have: an obituary, photos, and any personal history.
- **Family Homestead History:** Photos of the past and present, changes made over the years and noteworthy events like fires, floods or tornadoes.
- **Church History:** We're collecting photos of anyone married at St. Mary's as well as first communion and confirmation photos.
- **History Contest for 4th-Graders:** We are working with the education support staff at the State Historical Society to coordinate this future contest with their new text book for 4th graders which will be ready for 08-09 school year. If you would like to help with this, please contact Valerie Johnson 326-5554.

As a benefit to our members this newsletter will be published twice per year. Your ideas, articles and pictures are welcome. For publication contact Valerie Johnson at 326-5554 or email at [gopwins@aol.com](mailto:gopwins@aol.com)  
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# FLEA MARKET & BRAT FRY AUG. 26

Please join us on Sunday, August 26 for our flea market and brat fry from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. This is our third year of the flea market and we hope to have even more vendors than last year. As members, you can reserve a flea market 'stall' for \$5 (half-price). Please call Mary or Delwyn Biel at 326-3573 to reserve space.

Additionally, if you have historical items for sharing, we will again offer our copy service so we can add to our growing collection. We now have a computer permanently set-up and our photo archive is available for viewing. If you would like to print out a photo, we can do that for you for small fee per sheet to cover paper and ink costs.

## **Set-up and serving help is needed!**

We need general cleaning and set-up help anytime on Saturday, August 25 and final set-up help starting at 7 am on Sunday (26th) morning. Food service help is needed from 10 am to 3 pm on Sunday.

If you have time to help on Saturday or Sunday, let one of our officers know. Even an hour or two would make a big difference!

FLEA MARKET

8:30 to 3:30

Stalls \$10 or

\$5 for members

Food Served 11-3

Brats & Hot Dogs

Popcorn

Sundaes

Chips

Beverages

Document Copying

11-3

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