



Markesan Historical Society Gazette

July/August/September 2018



VACATION

Everyone needs a vacation periodically. The Historical Society followed suit by going on vacation during the month of July. No general membership meeting was held, but the Board of Directors met as usual.

The August meeting found members gathered in the Barn to hear Zachary Ziesmer, Executive Director of the Markesan Resident Home, tell about recent changes and added programs at the facility. An interesting program has been introduced to the residents called Hen Therapy. This program provides a multitude of positive benefits to residents including enhanced socialization, engagement and an increase in contentment. The small flock of chickens are low maintenance, inexpensive and lay eggs on a daily basis.

Therapy and Rehab Services at the Home provide physical, occupational, speech and lymphedema therapies on an out-patient and in-patient basis.

Always There Home Care is an affordable non-medical support with the tasks of daily living offered to area residents. The goal of this program is to support clients' ability to successfully fulfill daily living activities and maintain independence and dignity while enjoying life and companionship.

Respite Care programs provide planned short-term breaks for families and care givers. They are intended to support and maintain the primary care giving relationship.

North Terrace Assisted Living provides an environment that is part of a community designed to meet changing lifestyles and needs. Security and privacy, as well as opportunities for socialization and lifestyle choices regarding health and personal needs are offered. Residents can maximize their opportunity for quality and sustainable health through the services offered.

For more information about the Markesan Resident Home, call (920) 398-2751.

Shirley Parker presented the program for September. Shirley was included in a group that journeyed to Kentucky to view the Creation Museum and the Noah's Ark Exhibition.

We are all familiar with the Biblical account of Noah and the Ark. (Genesis 6, 7, & 8). When one thinks of the immensity of the project God gave Noah to accomplish, it is mind boggling.

The Ark in Kentucky is built to Biblical specifications, being 510 feet long, 85 feet wide, and 51 feet high. It has 3.3 million board feet of timber, and is the largest timber-frame structure in the world. It is made with a variety of woods, including Englemann spruce, Douglas fir, raiata pine, and bamboo.

There are three decks in the Ark. Deck 1 shows Noah's family in prayer at the start of the Flood, animal exhibits of the creatures, and how many of each were brought on board. In the second deck, tourists learn about the pre-Flood world, showing how Naoh's family could have maintained the Ark and cared for thousands of animals. Deck 3 shows the living quarters and the impact the Flood had on our world.

The DVD shown during the evening was absolutely awesome!

October Program

Karl Stewart will present the October 10th program at the Markesan City Hall at 7 p.m., 150 S. Bridge St. Karl and his wife observed the 74th anniversary of D-Day (June 6, 1944) in Normandy, spending time on the beaches and cemetery. Please bring your friends to hear about this historical event.

A Few Heritage Day Photos 9-16-2018



Face Painters
Stacey Hein & Company



Left--The Kennedy Kids
with Jeannine



Above
The two Shirleys



David Umstadt
Blacksmith



Cindy Shesky
Bee Keeper



Above
Mike Starshak--Hickory Syrup
Left--Erick & Stephanie
Wilichowski

We Pause
in Memory of
Lorraine Laybourn
Maxine Neuman
Yvonne Leider

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MEETINGS

The Historical Society meets the second Wednesday of the month during the summer at the museum at 7 p.m. October, November, December, April & May meetings are at the City Hall.

MEMBERSHIP

\$5/yr. individual
\$100/ lifetime individual
or husband & wife

MUSEUM HOURS

The Grand River Valley Museum is open on Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m.
May through September.
The Museum is also open by appointment.