

Markesan Historical Society Gazette

Fall 2021

We had a ‘grand’ time again at the Heritage Day celebration in September! The sky was blue and the sun was shining on our parade of vendors and visitors! We welcomed artisans proficient in soap making (Marlene Grahm), basket weaving (Connie Alderden), blacksmithing (David Ulmstadt), hickory syrup processing (Mike Starshak), honey making (Jack Bremer), an award winning author (Karl Stewart) and an organist (Ken Paskey). Friends old and new, young and old learned much, laughed lots, shared much and passed the time in pleasant conversation.

Our museum was a host to two Markesan High School class reunions on September 25th. The class of 1970 met in the afternoon and the class of 1971 met in the evening. A thank you for the monetary donation.

Lee Krueger, bless his heart, donated 211 boxes of flocked animal banks to the museum. Thank you, Lee, we will be keeping one of each kind for our historical purposes, the others will be given to children who visit our museum. As part of a service project, members of the National Honor Society helped move all the boxes into the Kienas Building where they will be inventoried. They will also be helping with organizing several displays. It’s always a good thing to have our young people involved civically in community affairs. It establishes a bridge between the young and the ‘more experienced’.

A few notes:

The canning display in the barn has been renamed The Donald E. Leider Memorial Canning Exhibit in memory of Don Leider, a long-time member of the Markesan Historical Society.

We will *not* be involved in Homespun Holidays this year due to covid and the lack of volunteers.

We need volunteers for the accession committee willing to decide if artifacts that come in are relevant to our museum. They would be asked to meet once or twice a month.

2022 calendars – Barns are available as well as the Activity Books for the children.

There will *not* be an Appreciation Gathering this year. Hopefully, by this time next, things will be back to normal.

Have a safe and blessed holiday season!

MEETINGS – For the status of meetings please check the Regional Reporter, the website (www.markesanhistoricalociety.org), or the sign board in front of the museum. Hopefully, we can resume our regular schedule.

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