



Pewaukee Area Historical Society

Clark House Museum
206 East Wisconsin Avenue
Pewaukee, Wisconsin 53072

2022 Museum Hours:
May 29 through October 30
Sundays 1-4 pm
June 1 through August 31
Wednesdays 7-9 pm

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Summer, 2022

Upcoming Events

Mark your Calendars!

June 12 - Show Us Your Collection
Noon - 4:00 pm
Steele Exhibit Bldg.

July 10 - Ice Cream Social
Noon - 4:00 pm
Steele Exhibit Bldg.

Sept. 11 - Harvest Fest
Noon - 4:00 pm
Clark House Museum
Steele Exhibit Bldg.

Oct. 6-8-Rummage Sale
Steele Exhibit Bldg.

Oct. 26 - Fall Mtg.
7:00 pm
Steele Exhibit Bldg.

Dec. 3 - Tree Lighting
Clark House Museum
Steele Exhibit Bldg.

The Collection Event!!!

by Cliff Muehlenberg

Ahh Spring! The kick-off event of the year is again at our door step Sunday, June 12, noon to 4:00 pm. We have a number of people already planning on showing. Some usual, some unusual (items not the people), some surprising. And it's always what you couldn't imagine that makes it an interesting afternoon.

I always say, it's a perfect way to spend a Sunday afternoon, talking or learning about things you may or may not know of. Or maybe something that takes you back to days long gone.

Many don't even realize they "have" collections because they've had it so long, they don't think of it as one. What do you have to dust off and talk about to people eager to listen?

Display tables are 6' and free for members. Non-members are asked for a \$10 donation. We have a number of tables already reserved but have space for more. If you'd like to reserve a table, call and leave a message on our answering machine and tell us what you're bringing. You'll be in good company. Setup starts at 11:00 am.

See you June 12, bring a friend.



Tom Brick with buggy collection

Spring is here! The time of year when everyone is enjoying the arrival of something new. The flowers, new-born animals, graduations, weddings and finally WARM WEATHER. But as wonderful as spring is, even better is SUMMERTIME! "Why?", you may ask? Well, because with the arrival of warm, summer weather comes our annual



ICE CREAM SOCIAL!



We'll finally have the chance to gather at the *Clark House* on *Sunday, July 10th Noon-4:00 pm* to enjoy an ice cream sundae, cone or root beer float. If you're new to Pewaukee, the Clark House is located at the corner of E. Wisconsin & Prospect Avenues.

I can picture it now . . .sitting in the shade, eating ice cream, listening to the *Easy Days Barbershop Quartet*, (performing from 1:30 - 4:00 pm), watching the kids play "old time" games. You can tour the museum and see our new display of Pewaukee's Octagon House and expanded Waukesha Beach area. Tell your friends to meet you there!

BUT to make this happen, WE ARE IN NEED OF SOME "SUPER SCOOPERS". I would appreciate hearing from you if you could scoop for an hour shift. *Contact Carole at 262-691-4074*. This is one of our major fundraisers, your support is appreciated!

Harvest Fest

by Carole Brinkman

While it's hard to think about fall when spring is hardly here, it will arrive before we know it. Plans are underway for our annual *Harvest Fest*, scheduled for Sunday, September 11th, 12:00 to 4:00 pm. Among the demonstrators who to date have graciously agreed to present their skills are Geri Coen (basket weaving), Mac McDonald/The Tree Incarnator (carving), Nancy Ryan (chair caning), Dick Minch (woodworking) and more.

We are always looking for crafters willing to demonstrate for us. If you or someone you know would be interested, please contact *Carole Brinkman* (262) 691-4074 to volunteer or share your talent.

Marilyn Hagerstrand will assist you in how to find your long lost ancestors and develop a family tree. If you would like her assistance, please bring along basic family information your (name, date of birth, place), your parents and grandparents (names, dates of birth/death, place, marriage). The more information you can provide, the better. Marilyn will be located inside the Clark House.

Produce will be provided for sale by George Strieter.

A bake sale is planned and **BAKERS ARE NEEDED!!** If you can provide bakery or preserves for the sale, they are most appreciated.

Old time games will be provided for the kids and of course, lunch will be available for purchase.

As this is one of our major fundraisers, come and share a fun and educational afternoon with your family and friends.

Questions?... call Carole Brinkman (262)-691-4074.

2021 Harvest Fest



Tractor Display



George Strieter selling produce

Rummage Sale

October 6-8

by Karen Merz

Who doesn't like a rummage sale? It's the opportunity to get rid of stuff you don't want and someone else will actually buy it, AND the profit benefits the historical society.

Now is the time to start looking around your house for things to donate. Please keep them until the drop off dates on *September 28, October 2nd & 5th from 1-4 pm and October 1st from 9-noon.*

We need a variety of general rummage sale items. We CANNOT accept: TV's, computers, food, cosmetics, perfume, clothes, large furniture, drapes, electronics, large appliances and exercise equipment. We appreciate your donations!

Sale dates are Thursday, October 6th, 11 am – 6 pm
Friday, October 7th 9 am – 5 pm
and Saturday, October 8th 9 am – 1 pm.

Call to volunteer and be the first to see what is donated . . . you just might need it!

3rd Grade Field Trip

by Tom Brick

On May 5th and May 9th, the nine 3rd grade classes from Pewaukee's Horizon Elementary School visited the Clark House Museum and the Steele Exhibit Building. This was their first visit in over two years.



They especially like the typewriters, dentist chair, kitchen tools and wall phones.

They seemed to have a good time because everyone I asked said they would rather be at the Clark House than at school.



Thank you to the classes for their generous donation of \$378 that they presented to Sharon Strieter and PAHS treasurer, Tom Brick.



“And in this corner ...”

WEDNESDAY VOLUNTEERS



George
Jim
Richard

Barb
Carole
Susan



New Waukesha Beach Display

Duane



Sharon
(#1 Baker)

What would we be without these folks?

The following article was written by Roger Brook (Life Member and long-time supporter of PAHS) before his death in 2020 and submitted by his daughters Nancy Wolck & Jan Roscetti. This was Roger's favorite story.

Goony Birds

by Roger Brook
ET1/c USSTENCH, SS417

Midway Island is a Pacific atoll consisting of a lagoon and two small sand islands no higher than 15 feet above the sea. Before the war, it had been a stopover for the trans-pacific clipper flying boats. In 1945 air strips crisscrossed the island and the flying boat facilities were a submarine rest camp. There was a good swimming beach facing the lagoon, baseball diamonds, volleyball courts, but the best entertainment of all was watching the gooney birds, officially known as the black-footed albatross.

These birds spend days at sea and even migrate as far away as the Kamchatka Peninsula off Siberia but return for nesting to Midway. While we were there at sub rest camp, the young had hatched and were learning to fly, or more importantly, take off and land. The adult bird is about 28 inches in length with an 84-inch wingspread. The juveniles were half to two-thirds adult size. Nests were depressions in the sand, about two feet in diameter and typically in the shade of a palm tree.

For take-off, the young bird spreads its wings, beats them as best he can, and runs like mad. We watched

youngsters try this and get 10 or 20 feet, then stumble on a tuft of grass or another bird and tumble into a pile of wings and feathers. They would pick themselves up, straighten out their wings and fold them, shake out the sand, and look up to say, "What do you expect! I'm still learning".

Landings were even more hilarious. They would approach with a beautiful flare-out but couldn't stall and drop to the ground. Rather, with legs out, as soon as their feet touched earth they ran like mad: then, slowed with their feet until they could fold their wings. They also had lousy directional control and could not alter their glide path should they be heading for a tree, another bird, or even a person.

One evening three of us had just finished dinner in the mess hall and were walking on a path towards the barracks. I was on the outside when suddenly I was hit on the side of my head with what I first thought to be a medicine ball. I stumbled but didn't fall thanks to my buddies. I put my hand up and here was this goony bird on my shoulder. He looked at me, flopped to the ground and squawked as if to say, "Next time, watch where you're walking".

Editor's Note:

After reading this article, my thoughts were that I was glad that some of Roger's memories of the war were funny ones. Who knows, maybe those birds taught the soldiers to never give up.

Our Future is Bright with Students from our Pewaukee Schools

by Karen Merz

PAHS was happy to again host Community Night on May 26th in the Steele Exhibit Building. After a pause of two years, it was back and those attending were treated to a wonderful presentation about the Space Race by Pewaukee High School teacher, Aaron Yuskis' Advanced US History students.

The students presented information about the astronauts, their training, the spaceships, various missions, as well as food, fashion, music and much more of that period of time in our history.



We are so lucky to have teachers such as Aaron and students pictured above to carry on our history. We hope to host Community Night again next year. Now, it's up to you to attend and also be proud of their work.

NEWSLETTER

CONTACT INFORMATION

Be part of the next PAHS newsletter by submitting an article or other event information to

Karen Merz – email:

info@pewaukeehistory.org

Questions? Call Karen at 262-695-0600

Deadline for the next newsletter is

October 15, 2022

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These businesses are partnering with us to show their support to the PAHS. Please remember them when you need their services. Let's keep our Pewaukee businesses in Pewaukee and keep growing our business community! Thanks for your business membership!



PAHS receives a 1% rebate on your store receipts from the Sentry store in Delafield. Receipts must be less than 6 months old and can be left in the dresser drawer marked "Sentry receipts" on the screen porch of the Clark House. Thanks for remembering!

**Why should I
buy my own brick?**

(So your name is
spelled right.)
Still just \$50

Note: *If you have an old family recipe or just one you want to share, please submit it. It would be interesting if you have some background for the recipe to share also.*

From the Kitchen of Sharon Strieter

Rhubarb Crumble

2 cups flour
2 cups oatmeal
1 cup brown sugar
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. cinnamon
1 cup soft butter
Mix together like pie crust.
Save 1/3 mixture for topping.
Press balance into 9 x 13 pan

Cut up about 4 cups of rhubarb and place over crust

Filling-(Bring to a boil, stir till it thickens)

1-1/2 cups sugar
1-1/2 cups cold water
3-1/2 Tbl. Cornstarch
3/4 tsp. cinnamon

Pour filling over rhubarb.
Sprinkle remaining crumbs on top.

Bake at 350° about 50 minutes.

Note: If you are a Wednesday volunteer, or have stopped at the Clark House on Wednesday afternoons, you know how good this recipe is as well as all the other home-made goodies Sharon shares. Sharon gets the best baker aware!

In Memory

Dennis Sampson
10/21/44 – 4/12/22

Dennis was a long time Life Member of PAHS, past president and very active volunteer.



Survived by his wife Kathy.
Dennis will be missed!

Recent Acquisitions

by George Strieter

The following donations have been received and will be displayed as space permits.

**Andrew Mueller* – Photos of the 2022 train wreck near Parkside Road in the City of Pewaukee taken by Andrew.

**Tom & Joanne Haasch* – Vintage Coffee Bean Grinder.

Thank you for your donations and for helping us to keep Pewaukee's history alive!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Annual Membership

Paul & Jodi Zelinger

Life Member

Big Guy's Magic

Thank you for your memberships!

Were You There?

by Jeff Phillips

The program for the April quarterly meeting of the Pewaukee Area Historical Society was a presentation of Robert Brown's own Civil War Museum that he has in Delafield. Brown rented a storefront to house his collection of memorabilia.

Interestingly, while Brown has a large collection of artifacts, maps and books, he decided to have no firearms in his displays. Over the last twelve years he has visited more than 50 Civil War battlefields. Along with a painted map of the major battles of the Civil War, the museum also has interactive tables with miniature soldiers to show how battles were fought and who attacked and retreated in battles like Bull Run, Shiloh, Antietam, Gettysburg and others. The Civil War Museum of Delafield is located at 528 Wells Street.

The Clark House Museum also houses items from the Civil War that are related to Pewaukee area residents that were in the war at the time.

PAHS Fall Meeting is on October 26th. Plan to attend.

Pewaukee Area Historical Society

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The Clark House, once a stagecoach inn, is now a museum operated by the Pewaukee Area Historical Society. It is located at the corner of Prospect Avenue and East Wisconsin Avenue in the Village of Pewaukee. There is no admission fee. Donations are accepted.

The Pewaukee Area Historical Society (PAHS) is a non-profit, charitable, educational organization founded to research, collect and preserve the history of the Pewaukee area. PAHS invites anyone who has an interest in the history of the Pewaukee area, its people and the community, to become a member.

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