

# Pewaukee Area Historical Society

Clark House Museum 206 East Wisconsin Avenue Pewaukee, Wisconsin 53072

2023 Museum Hours:
May 28 through October 29
Sundays 1-4 pm
May 31 through October 25
Wednesdays 1-4 pm

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# <u>Upcoming</u> Events

June 11 - Show Us Your Collection Noon - 4:00 pm Steele Exhibit Bldg.

July 9 – Ice Cream Social Noon – 4:00 pm Steele Exhibit Bldg.

Aug. 13 – Art at the Museum Noon – 4:00 pm

Sept. 10 – Harvest Fest Noon – 4:00 pm Clark House Museum Steele Exhibit Bldg.

Oct. 5-7- Fall Rummage Sale Steele Exhibit Bldg.

Oct. 25 – Fall Mtg. 7:00 pm Steele Exhibit Bldg.

Dec. 2 – Tree Lighting 2:00 – 5:00 pm Clark House Museum Steele Exhibit Bldg.

# Show Us Your Collection, June 11<sup>th</sup>

by Cliff Muehlenberg

Do you have a collection? Now's the time to set them all out on a table and tell other people about them and why you collect them at PAHS 8<sup>th</sup> *Show Us Your Collection* event. If you'd rather just see what others collect, you can come to the Steele Exhibit Bldg. on June 11<sup>th</sup> to check out the displays from noon to 4:00 pm.

We already have some collectors lined up but we have space for more. Setup is at 11:00 am with visitors arriving starting at noon.

Tables are free to PAHS members but we are asking for a \$10 donation from non-members.

So that we have tables setup, please call to let us know what collection you will display.

# Ice Cream Social Time is Near . . .

by Carole Brinkman

Are you ready for the "Official" start of summer??
Are you going to the Ice Cream Social at the Clark House Museum?

Well, I'll give you the details and I'll be there! Here's the "scoop"

### Sunday (or is it Sundae), July 9<sup>th</sup> Noon – 4:00 pm Steele Exhibit Building

Come and bring your family and friends to our annual start of summer event. We'll have sundaes,

cones and old-fashioned root beer floats. Enjoy your cool treat in the shade of the yard or in our air-conditioned Steele Exhibit Building. View our ice cutting exhibit (did you know Pewaukee had ice houses?). We'll have old time games for the kids to show them what *you* used to play with. You can tour the museum and step into Pewaukee's past.

But to make this happen, we always need to have some "Super Scoopers". If you could give us an hour of your time to scoop, it

would be most appreciated. Contact Carole at 262-352-7892.

This is one of our major fundraisers, your support is greatly appreciated!

All are welcome at this family friendly event. We are looking forward to seeing you!

If you see **George Strieter**, wish him a

### HAPPY 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY May 23<sup>rd</sup>

George has been an active PAHS volunteer since PAHS was formed in 1977. Wishing you many more healthy years!



### \*\*\*NEW EVENT\*\*\*

#### Art at the Museum

by Carole Brinkman

A new event is in the works at the Clark House Museum.

Have you ever wondered about all the wonderful artwork in our museum? We have been doing some investigating as to the artists represented. Many are from the Pewaukee area. Come, see and learn about them.

We are also working with the Pewaukee Area Arts Council (PAAC) hoping to have some local artists to share their talent with us during this event.

Plan on stopping at the museum on

### Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup> Noon – 4:00 pm

Are you an artisan that would like to participate? Please contact the Clark House at (262)691-0233 and let us know. We'd love to have you share your talents with us.

# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Sam & Jess Anderson

Kate & Steve Clementi

Dave Deremer

Jill Felch

Jennifer Jackson

Parul Malik

Jean-Louise Vanlendeghem

We look forward to seeing you at this years' events.

### Harvest Fest 2023

Planning for our busy summer season events starts months in advance. That's why we need to start lining up our demonstrators and volunteers now for this years' Harvest Fest scheduled to take place on the grounds of the Clark House Museum on

### Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> Noon – 4:00 pm



Dick Minch, Wood Carver

Did you wonder how you could help? Here's a few suggestions. Craft demonstrators are needed, work on your craft and show visitors how it's done. Bakery and homemade preserves/canned goods are needed for our bakery booth, as well as help is needed to sell our items both at the bakery booth and lunch table.

Leave a message at the Clark House and we'll put you in touch with the right person, and you will be appreciated!

The fest will include old time games for the kids, many crafters, hands-on activities, tours of the museum and much more.

The easiest thing you can do to help us is to attend, purchase bakery and lunch and enjoy all of the activities. See you there!



# Fall Rummage Sale October 5-7

by Tom Brick

Yes, we're having another rummage sale. Everyone seems to like being able to donate their unwanted items for a good cause and what better cause than the Pewaukee Area Historical Society. As an all volunteer society totally dependent on memberships, donations and funds collected during our event fundraisers, our rummage sales are a great way for you to get rid of your stuff and for the next person to get a great bargain on something they find and love.

As you're cleaning closets and the garage, please set your items aside and keep them until the <u>drop off dates</u> on September 27, October 1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 pm and September 30 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.

Sale dates are Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> 11 am – 6 pm, Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 9 am – 5 pm and Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> 9 am – Noon.

We appreciate your donations and purchases!

## **Recent Acquisition**

by George Strieter

The following donation has been received and will be displayed as space permits. \*Theresa Westphal – Her late mother's spinning wheel & 3 spool wool winder.

Thank you!

# "And in this corner ..."

by Jeff Phillips

We are always continuously grateful to the Steele family for many of the display pieces we have at the museum. One of our treasures is a John Deere plow, which has been painted and displayed in the museum yard.





They were actually called Walking Plows or Walking Gang Plows, as you could hitch two or three to a team of horses. Later, when tractors came around, even more could be used.

At first, plows were made of wood. Once farmers started to settle in the Midwest, metal plows were more desirable as they didn't break or need to be cleaned as often. John Deere made his first plow in 1837 (in Illinois). At first, plow blades were made from broken steel lumber saw blades, but eventually became cast steel. The original steel plow had only one shank, but over time, John Deere continuously added shanks to improve machinery. The change to steel also introduced the angle of the blade. It was more of a parallelogram.

That curved contour ended up being perfect for turning soil, meaning that less soil was getting stuck. The plow in our collection was first made in 1857 and continued into the late 1800's. We are not sure of the exact date of this plow. Eventually, even better plows were made, although these types of plows could be used well into the 20th century.

The museum has a few other pieces of the farm implements, but not as well restored as the plow displayed along the Prospect Avenue side of the yard.



## Aging Gracefully?....

Three brothers age 92, 94, and 96 live in a house together.

One night the 96 year old draws a bath, puts his foot in and pauses. He yells down the stairs, "Was I getting in or out of the bath?" The 94 year old yells back, "I don't know, I'll come up and see". He starts up the stairs and pauses, then yells, "Was I going up the stairs or coming down?" The 92 year old was sitting at the kitchen table having coffee listening to his brothers. He shakes his head and says, "I sure hope I never get that forgetful." He knocks on wood for good luck. He then yells, "I'll come up and help both of you as soon as I see who's at the door".

### Pewaukee 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders Visit the Clark House

by Tom Brick

On May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, the nine third classes from Pewaukee's Horizon Elementary School made their annual field trip to the Clark House Museum and Steele Exhibit Building. They all seemed to have a good time, and maybe they learned a little about Pewaukee's history. As they left, I thought wouldn't it be great if we could bottle some of their energy? It's so good to have young people at the museum.

## **Updated Alumni Display**

by Jeff Phillips

A few weeks ago, two
Pewaukee High School
juniors, Jacob Gariepy and
Josh Myers stopped at the
Clark House and talked to our
volunteers about wanting to
do a school project by upgrading and refurbishing our
Pewaukee Alumni display. It's
now back and again hanging
on the wall in the Clark House
and looking great. Stop in
and check it out.

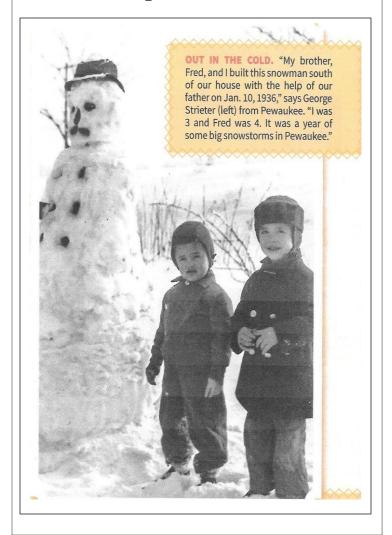


Thanks Jacob and Josh for helping us to keep our history looking good!

"When all else fails, take a vacation"

Betty Williams

This picture was featured in the Winter 2022 edition of the Our Wisconsin magazine. George Strieter was already famous at the age of 4 in 1936.



# 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, 2023

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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!



**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 Karen Merz

## **Apple Cinnamon Bread**

- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1 Tbsp plus 1/2 tsp apple pie spice, divided
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 1/2 cup butter, melted
- 1/2 tsp vanilla extract
- 1-3/4 cup flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 1/2 tsp baking soda
- Pinch of sea salt
- 2 cups apples, peeled, cored & chopped

Preheat oven to 350° F Lightly grease a 9" x 5" baking pan

In a small bowl, mix brown sugar and 1 The apple pie spice. In a separate bowl, whisk eggs and granulated sugar. Pour in butter and vanilla; stir until combined. Add flour, baking powder, baking soda, remaining apple pie spice and salt. Fold in apples.

Add half the batter to loaf pan, then sprinkle on a thin layer of the brown sugar mixture. Alternate the remaining batter and sugar mixture with sugar mixture on top.

Bake 50 to 55 minutes, until a toothpick comes out clean. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

Enjoy!

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### **Community Night Highlights**

by Karen Merz

The history students of Pewaukee High School teacher Aaron Yuskis provided us with another great night of information on May 23<sup>rd</sup> when they presented their annual Community Night in the Steele Exhibit Building. This years' program theme was "Sports Through the Years". Groups of students researched and presented information about a sport of their choice and displayed items related to their sport afterwards so that we could talk to them further about their subject.

We appreciate all of the work that the students did on their project. Community Night is a favorite of PAHS. Thank you Aaron Yuskis for continuing this tradition.





I wonder what subject will be the theme for next years' Community Night? I do know that it's important that we show our support to the young people in our community, they are our future! If you've never attended Community Night, you're missing a great evening - see you there next year.

### **Shopping Spree #2**

For the second year in a row, Marilyn Hagerstrand donated a debit card with a value of \$250. Marilyn and Tom Brick went to Sam's Club and filled up a couple of carts with supplies for the Clark House. Office, supplies, paper towels, cleaning supplies, garbage bags, bottled water. Marilyn had her calculator along and used almost every penny (well, .26 was left - can't by much with that!

THANK YOU MARILYN!

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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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