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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY
OF January 24, 1996

The meeting of the Wheeling Historical Society held on January 24, 1996 was called to order at 7:51 p.m. by President Schnaitmann at the Wheeling Community Center 251 N. Wolf Road, Wheeling, Illinois.

The pledge of allegiance was led by the President.

There were sixteen members in attendance. Bert and Laverne's grandson and wife were in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of November 15, 1995 were submitted for approval. Motion was made by Lonnie, seconded by Marge to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dolly was welcomed back and advised she was feeling ok after surgery. She took her seat as Treasurer and read in full to the membership the Treasurer's report to date. Motion was made by Laverne, seconded by Eleanor to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion Carried.

CURATOR'S REPORT

No report. In the absence of Curator Knippen, President Schnaitmann advised the museum was open during Lollipop Lane but there was a few evenings it didn't open because of the cold weather.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Lollipop Lane- Lonnie advised most items had been purchased for Lollipop Lane this year and the only money they are expecting to use next year is for more ornaments for the new sports tree, otherwise most items have already been bought. She advised Willie could not participate as Mrs. Claus at the request of her son, because of the cold weather. Grace helped out in her place but had to leave so Santa had to handle the situation himself the first evening. Lonnie advised the cookie sale went great and thanked all the volunteers that helped. It was the general feeling that everything went very well this year.

3.

Rudy requested the society send for World War II Remembered which is called "Lest We Forget" which was printed to honor the 50th anniversary of the signing of the terms of surrender by Japan on September 2, 1945 containing the list of the 22,283 Illinois residents who died in the war. So done.

POT OF GOLD

The pot of gold was won by Bill Turner.

REFRESHMENTS

The refreshments were provided by Marge and LaVerne.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the membership, motion was made by Lonnie, seconded by LaVerne to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Hancock, Secretary
Wheeling Historical Society

Approved this _____ day of
_____ 1996.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Well it's that time again to start thinking about who you would like to elect to replace those officers who's term of office will be over. I will be appointing a nominating committee who will present a slate at our meeting and nominations will also be accepted from the floor. Our election will be held at the April meeting and the installation of new officers will be performed at the Installation Banquet in May.

By the time you receive this newsletter, those who plan to attend our annual Dinner and Auction will have already confirmed that they will be attending. As in the past, I'm sure everyone will have a good time and there will be plenty of food to eat. Since this will also be our February meeting, we will be holding a short meeting between the dinner and the auction and then the fun will begin. Again Bob Buerger has agreed to be the auctioneer and I'm sure Sam will be glad to help him.

The Board has decided to change our Board Meeting night to the 3rd Wednesday of the month so that some of our board members will be able to attend the Park District meetings. In this way we can have our Society represented at their meetings and they have their representatives at our meetings. This provides for better communications.

Since our last meeting, we have received a check from the Wheeling Park District in the amount of \$200 as their donation to Lollipop Lane. A letter of thank you has been sent.

Remember, if you have any friends, neighbors or acquaintances who may be interested in joining the Wheeling Historical Society, talk to them about joining. It's never to late to join, and we can always use the help of new members.

I hope to see alot of you at the Dinner & Auction.

Historically yours,

Frank Schnaitmann

Remember, the things we preserve today, our children can enjoy tomorrow. This should be our goal.

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2. February Dinner and Auction- President Schnaitmann advised everyone to not forget the dinner and auction planned for the February meeting. The food will be catered in and the fee per person is yet to be determined. He asked that everyone save something to bring for the auction, as all monies will go into the historical society's treasury.

3. Thank You Letters - Frank advised thank you letters have been signed and will be sent to the businesses that gave support, either in a contribution of money or merchandise. It was greatly appreciated.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 4th of July Participation- President Schnaitmann advised a letter has been received asking the Society if they would like to participate in the 4th of July parade. He brought this to the attention of the membership and asked their feeling toward this matter. Following discussion, it was agreed by the membership to participate in the parade to keep the public aware of the society.

2. Visitation of Museums- President Schnaitmann advised the membership of the visitation of different museums in the past and asked their feelings about doing this again in the future? Following discussion the membership agreed this would be of great interest.

Rudy advised that the Lake County Museum with Katherine Hamilton-Smith, Curator has a Special Collections Curt Teich Postcard Archives and the group may wish to visit there.

COMMUNICATIONS-Verbal/Written

President Schnaitmann advised the mail will be given to Secretary Hancock to review and bring anything of interest to the attention of the president.