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NEWSLETTER OF WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Message From The President

Dear Members and Friends:

On May 26th we held our installation dinner and everybody there had a great time. The newest member of the Board is Shirley McConnell who has become one of the Directors. All of the other members on the Board were re-elected.

At this time we honored some members who have done an outstanding job in their dedication to the society. The first one was Lorraine Haben for her continuous support of the society and everything she has done. The second one went to Frank and Lonnie for all their work with Lollipop Lane. The third one went to Patti and Wedge Hancock for all the work they do for the society behind the scenes. The fourth one went to Dolly Hein for her undying support of the society and all she has done throughout the years. Dolly was not present at the dinner, so on Saturday her son Bill, Joan, Wedge, Patti, Bill and I went to see her and presented her with the award. She was very surprised and happy.

As you are aware, it was approved at the April 28th meeting, to amend Article II, Section I of the Bylaws to include June, July and August in the meeting schedule. The next meeting is June 23rd, at which time we will continue making plans for a booth at the "Taste of Wheeling on the 4th of July. We will be looking for volunteers to help sell old fashion stick candy and pickles on a stick. We will be using the old cash register from the museum and glass containers for the candy.

Also be aware that July 24th we will be holding our annual "Old Fashion Picnic". We are hoping many more of you will attend this year. Meanwhile, enjoy the summer.

Elaine Simpson, President



The new shades are up at the museum and they look great. Thanks to Mitch for all his work on getting them installed. Take a visit or sit at the museum and see them.

A copy of Syke's book has been sent to Eileen Modenhauer as her husband's father knew Syke from the police department. His grandparents were from the Hank family.

We received a thank you from Lee Brooks of Oak Park on the newspaper articles which were sent to him regarding the moving of the village hall, church and barn. He is gathering information to publish a book on moving buildings.

Diana Vickery and Joanne Siadak came in for research on the Perolat family. Joanna and Diana donated several pages of family genealogy to the museum. Diana has become a new member in the Society. Thanks for all your information.

Beverly Rossmann is doing a great job on restoring some old albums that were damaged by the flood waters and has been working hard to separate the materials. Thanks Bev. Marilyn has been keeping track of all the Wheeling residents obits and is asking for help from our members. If you see any obit in newspapers other than the Herald or Countryside, please clip them out and give them to her. We are tracking family members for future research.



ROSES
Ruth B. Field

The scent of roses take me back
Down other summer ways
To a mountain countryside
And sweet enchanted days
When youth was bursting into bloom,
And each rosebud divine
Held promise in its crimson heart
Of life's perfect design.
Pink petals curling tenderly,
The rose in rapturous bloom
I held in my enchanted hands,
And breathed its rare perfume.

The blue sky smiled, on ardent wing
The bluebird in bright flight
Brought magic in a song to sing,
And through the summer night
The dew-sweet roses filled the dark
With love's romantic dreams
And young hearts slept through fragrant night
Joy bursting at their seams.

I hold a rose to faded cheek...
Remembering summertime,
And all the young joys hover near
Still touched by the sublime.

Thinking of You

We would like to remind all of our friends
and members who are under the weather,
that we are thinking of them.

Barb McIntyre, Willie Franta, Irene Dattilo
and Bobbie Krause, our thoughts are always
with you.

TRIVIA

NOW THAT I'M "OLDER" HERE IS
SOME OF WHAT I'VE DISCOVERED.....

I started out with nothing, and I still have most
of it.

My wild oats have turned into prunes and All Bran.

I finally got my head together; now my body is
falling apart.

It is easier to get older than it is to get wiser.

Some days you're the dog; some days you're the
hyrant.

I wish the buck stopped here; I sure could use a
few...

If God wanted me to touch my toes, he would
have put them on my knees.

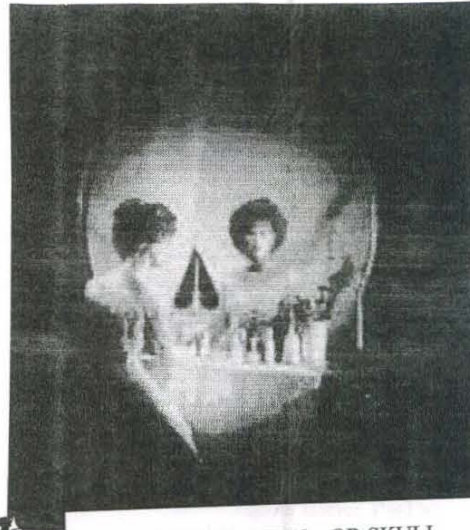
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Did You Know?

CHEVY CHASE COUNTRY CLUB and a portion of the 125 acre golf course has been forcibly annexed by the Village of Buffalo Grove and the Wheeling Park District is planning to petition them for disconnection . If the village does not grant the petition, further steps will be taken. The Park District board asks the support of all us residents who voted to have our taxes raised twice which helped in the purchase and secondly, in the renovation of the club and golf course.

REMEMBER.....
SUPPORT OUR PARK DISTRICT!!



WOMAN IN VANITY...OR SKULL
Hint: move farther a bit from the picture and blink to see skull or woman in mirror.



TIME MARCHES ON..

Just a reminder that dues were due in May for year 2004-2005.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, _____

PHONE _____ ZIP _____

CHECK ONE:

_____ FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$15.00

_____ INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP \$10.00

Checks are made payable to
Wheeling Historical Society
P.O. Box 3
Wheeling, W. Va. 26090



Cook's Kitchen

Peachy Grilled Chicken

- 1 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 1 cup water
- 2 tablespoons peach gelatin powder
- 1 medium fresh peach, peeled and finely chopped
- 4 boneless skinless chicken breast halves

In a saucepan, combine sugar, cornstarch and water until smooth. Bring to a boil over medium heat; cook and stir for 2 minutes. Remove from heat. Stir in gelatin and peach; mix well. Set aside 1 cup for serving. Grill chicken, uncovered, over medium heat for 3 minutes on each side. Baste with some of the remaining peach sauce. Continue grilling for 6-8 minutes or until meat juices run clear, basting and turning several times. Serve with the reserved peach sauce. **Yield: 4 servings.**



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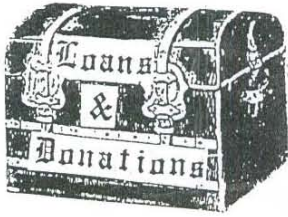
"The object of this Society shall be the discovery, preservation and dissemination of knowledge about the community of Wheeling"

-W.H.S. C...

We would like to thank Shirley McConnell for taking on the task of repairing the embroidery on one of the old tablecloths which is used on the kitchen table.

Flowers have been planted around the barn and museum. We are busy beautifying the area in keeping with old fashion traditions. Come take a look.

Linda Reading , Curator



We would like to thank the following for their generous donations.

From Mercedes Zahralodin, a sash worn by upper class Korean women from their belt line on top of their skirts.

From Joanne Siadok, the family history as it Relates to the Periolat family.

From Diana Vickery , a copy of their family history - "Jean Georges Retterer as it relates to the Periolat family

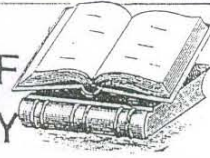
From the Wheeling Historical Society, an iron used by Amish families.

From Jony Hauck, a pair of baby socks, booties, hat, suit and jacket (believed to be a christening outfit.)

From Marge Hartmann, a milk can (either from the Hartmann House or Han's Butcher Store.



A BIT OF HISTORY



Article taken from Countryside News
By Irv Leavitt

WRECKING BALL CLAIMS BOOTLEGGERS' HOUSE

In September of 1992, a bulldozer nudged the corner of an old house along Route 83. and a short time later, another piece of local history disappeared from Wheeling.

The Wieder house had stood there since the turn of the century, once one of the finest homes in the area. It rose high above a 4.3 acre portion of what once was a huge farm, carved out of the wilderness by Jakob Weidner and his brothers, immigrants from Bombeck, Germany.

The house was built by Jakob's son Adam, and was the home of his son Carl, a legendary Prohibition bootlegger who died in 1959 holding Depression-era IOU's of friends from Wheeling to Wisconsin.

The original six Weidner brothers had settled along McHenry Road in 1835, in the days when "buffalo really roamed there," according to Marie Weidner Serbins, one of Carl's daughters. Long before Wheeling's founding, most of the west side of town, and areas to the north and south, were known as Buffalo Grove, named after the bison that daily traveled through the area from the Des Plaines River to Long Grove and back.

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SPECIAL NOTICE

Please be advised that Dolly is now at home and I'm sure a call or note from you would be helpful in hurrying her to get well and back with us.