



## Historical Society Newsletter

June 2013

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### WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Chamber Park  
251 Wolf Road  
Wheeling Illinois

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## SUMMER EDITION

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 19 Board Meeting
- June 26 Picnic at Childerly Park  
weather permitting
- July No Meetings
- August 21 Board Meeting
- August 28 Discussion of upcoming events

*Cook's  
Kitchen*

### Friendship Tea

1 1/3 cups powdered instant orange drink  
1/2 cup sugar  
1/3 cup powdered iced tea mix  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1/2 teaspoon ground cloves

- For one serving, use 1 teaspoon of mix with 3/4 cup of hot water.

- For one quart, combine 1/3 cup of the mix with one quart of hot water.

### Breakfast Sundaes



2 cartons (8 ounces each) fat-free  
raspberry yogurt or flavored yogurt of  
your choice

1 cup reduced-fat granola cereal

2 medium firm bananas, sliced

1 can (15 ounces) mandarin oranges,  
drained

In four parfait glasses or bowls, layer 2 tablespoons each of yogurt, granola, bananas and oranges. Repeat layers. Serve immediately. **Yield:** 4 servings.

**NUTRITION FACTS:** One serving equals 266 calories, 2 g fat (trace saturated fat), 3 mg cholesterol, 130 mg sodium, 57 g carbohydrate, 6 g fiber, 9 g protein.

**DIABETIC EXCHANGES:** 2 fruit, 1 starch, 1 fat-free milk.

## HEY OPERATOR

Betty Barrie, the curator of the Wheeling Historical Society and a telephone operator for 20 years, places a call on an antique phone. (Picture from 7/23/1992) With sympathy to Betty's family on the passing of Betty earlier this year. Her help in maintaining the museum for many years was greatly appreciated.



### Message From The President

June 2013

Dear Members and Friends,

I hope all of you are having a good Summer. We had a very successful Annual Installation and Awards Dinner at Chevy Chase. Forty Seven people attended. We all enjoyed the entertainment provided by Rick Picker. An award was given to members Wedge and Patti Hancock. One Hundred dollars was donated to the Wheeling Park District in their honor. Another award was given to Jim and Barbara Bradley for the service and time they have dedicated to the people of Wheeling through the Rotary and the Wheeling Food pantry.

This month (June) we are having a picnic in Childerly Park and a tour of Childerly Chapel (weather permitting), on Wednesday, June 26th, starting at 6:00 P.M. Bring your

own food; water and pop and desert will be provided by the membership. Please come to the Shelter where the picnic tables are located. Reservations have been made for our group. Looking forward to seeing you and bring a friend.

There will be no meeting in July; and a round table discussion for August. We will have a program in September which will be announced in our August newsletter. There will be a board meeting on Wednesday, June 19th at 200 Deborah Lane, 3rd floor lounge area.

I hope to see you at the June Picnic.

Historically Yours;  
Joan Wiener

### The Curator's Corner



We will be moving some items from the Museum to the Carriage House 2nd floor and would appreciate help. Also if anyone can help weed around the gardens it would be appreciated.

Just reminding you if you haven't renewed your Society Membership please send in your check.

- \$10.00 per person
- \$15.00 Family
- \$100.00 Lifetime

We had a good turnout for the N.E.I.L. meeting last Saturday. Everyone enjoyed themselves and really enjoyed coming to see our Church.

Afterward there was a tour of the Museum. We are happy we could host this event. The topic was bequeaths to museums.

We would appreciate any help on Sundays to sit at the museum from 2P.M. to 4P.M.

Patti Steilen, Curator

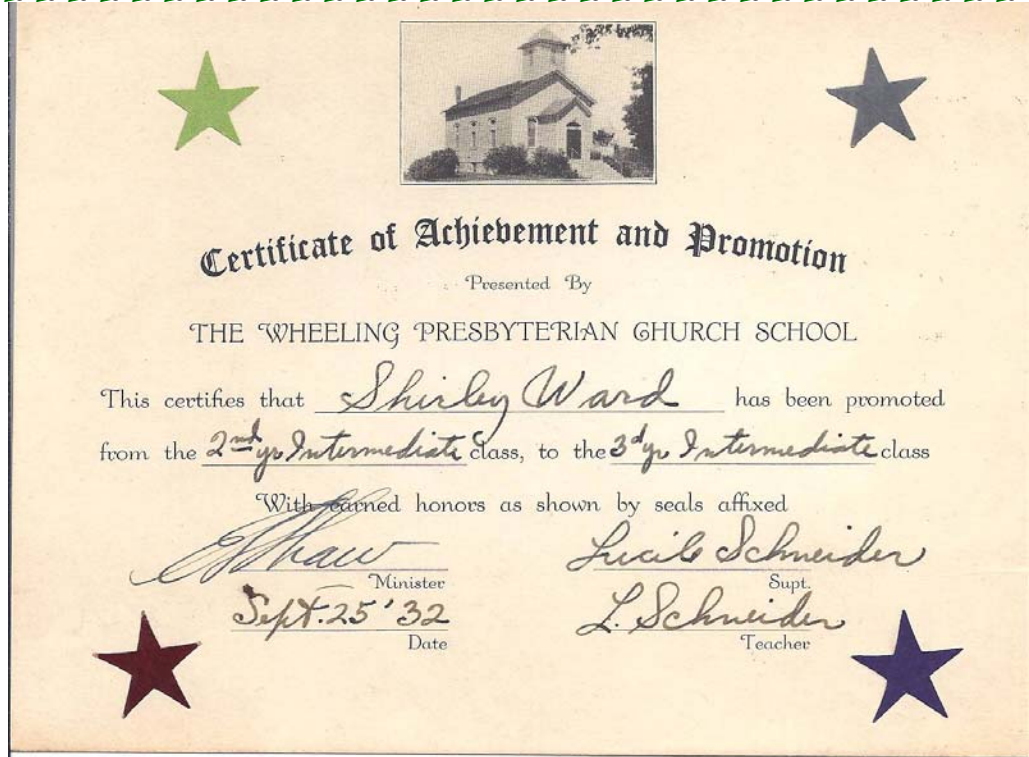
<p><b><u>WHEELING FARMERS MARKET</u></b></p> <p>June 18th until October 8th</p> <p><b>WHEELING SALES BARN</b> Milwaukee Avenue Wheeling Illinois</p>	<p><b><u>SOCIETY PICNIC</u></b></p> <p>June 26th</p> <p><b>CHILDERLY PARK</b> McHenry Road Wheeling Illinois</p>
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# Remembering Shirley McConnell

Shirley McConnell was born and raised in Wheeling and was a major contributor about the history of Wheeling.

She was an avid craftswoman making many needlepoint pictures, particularly the one of the old Presbyterian Church which is in the museum. She wrote "A Century To Remember" about the Presbyterian Church 100th Anniversary Celebration and a colorful history of the Church in Wheeling.

She has donated many items which are displayed throughout the museum and was always willing to be interviewed about the early 20th century and progress made in Wheeling. She had an amazing memory for detail and filled in many blanks about Wheeling's early growth; ie the paving of Milwaukee Avenue, ice skating on the river and swimming too. She could recall where most farms were located and the produce grown there. She will be sincerely missed.





## WheelingHistoricalSociety.com WEB Status

Last year, we averaged just a little over 1000 pages per month. This year we peaked at 1400, and have fallen back a little. Here are some comments from our Web Guestbook.



**Entry: 58 Time: Fri Apr 26, 2013 09:23am Name: Christopher City:**

**Message:** Curious if anyone has additional information about one of the town's first doctors, Julius Purmann. He's on the 1850 census...and his wife is listed as Augusta. They were also married in 1850. The couple had at least one son prior to Julius' death in 1856.

**Entry: 57 Time: Mon Feb 4, 2013 11:45pm Name: VICKI HECTOR SKINNER City: ARLETA, CA**

**Message:** In 1956 I had a girlfriend whose mom ran a gift shop in the front of her home. Her name was Mickey Wagner. She would be in her late sixties now. I went to her Episcopal Church and the Elementary School. She had an older sister that married and had a home on Lake Michigan. She was born at Highlandpark Hospital in early November and her mom shared a room with my mother. We were like twins till my family moved to Ca.

**Entry: 56 Time: Sat Feb 2, 2013 03:24am Name: Candy (Burke) Powers City: lake villa**

**Message:** My family moved to Wheeling in 1964 to the Dunhurst subdivision and I remember a lot about this town. I remember the old church on the south side of Dundee road and when they moved it to Wolf road I believe. I remember where the old K-mart use to be and our dad playing ball in that field before k-mart was built. I have been working in Wheeling for the last 33 years and I have seen a lot of changes. Most roads in Wheeling use to be 2 lanes and most had stop signs.

**Entry: 53 Time: Tue Jan 22, 2013 12:05pm Name: Thom Rothery City:**

**Message:** My Great great Grandfather, Godfrey Roth and his wife Anna Catherine Bachmann, lived there in 1850s and 1860s. My Great grandfather Albert George Roth, his sister Emma and Mary were all born in Wheeling. In the 1860s they moved to Pennsylvania. I lived in that area briefly in the 1960s. Any information would be appreciated. Thanks

**Entry: 52 Time: Fri Jan 18, 2013 05:49pm Name: Karen Kroepil Ament City: Kansasville Wisconsin**

**Message:** A follow up to my previous post: I see that Betty Barrie is pictured on page 10 of the centennial book.

**Entry: 51 Time: Fri Jan 18, 2013 05:30pm Name: Karen Ament City: Kansasville Wisconsin**

**Message:** I grew up in Wheeling and found my way to you website looking for a contact of the Historical Society to inform them that one of their lifetime members, a long time resident of Wheeling, Betty Jean Taylor Barrie passed away on Jan. 17th, 2013. She was 94 years old. She dedicated a lot of time volunteering for the society in the 1980's and 1990's. It was a passion of hers to preserve Wheelings History. Thank you for this nice website.

**Entry: 50 Time: Wed Jan 2, 2013 12:32am Name: UK friends [HomePage] City: London**

**Message:** Very cool website. We love it!!!!

**Entry: 49 Time: Thu Dec 13, 2012 03:45pm Name: Christopher D Holcombe Sr. USN(RET) City: Wheeling**

**Message:** I am a new resident, but enjoy Genealogy, History, etc... I like your website.

Christopher Holcombe Sr.

SUVCW, SAR.



*Wheeling Historical Society*

presents

*Lollipop Lane*

December 1- December 9 2012

Monday - Friday 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday 2:00p.m.-5:00p.m.



Chamber Park Community  
Center Church  
251 North Wolf Road  
Wheeling, IL



Have your picture taken  
with Santa Courtesy of Bill  
Stasek Chevrolet



*This Years Ornament  
Limited Edition*



Baked Home Made Cookies



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