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



Our Thursday morning workers are busy keeping the museum a working piece of art. They meet every Thursday, organizing newspaper clippings, obituaries, cataloging artifacts, and maintaining the office space. Left to Right: Bev Rossman, Patti Hancock, Joan Wiener, and Marilyn Chromy.



Ice Cream Fun At the 4th.

A big "THANK YOU" to Terry, George, and Patti and all the other helpers, and contributors that made our Ice Cream Sale event a very big success. We hope to be able to do it again, bigger and better, next year

Message From The President

From the president's desk.....

We are celebrating our 50th anniversary next year and I want to invite you to be a part of the celebration. Let's start off by doing a short essay of you and your family's life growing up in wheeling. Here are a few hints to make it fun & easy.

Title "Remember When" or Perhaps "My Best Friend, Teacher or Going to School in Wheeling.

Send it to Wheeling Historical Society

PO Box 3,

Wheeling, IL 60090

Stop By the museum; bring a picture and essay of you growing up in The Village of Wheeling.

We are open from 2pm to 4pm every Sunday.

Become a volunteer for next year's 50th anniversary celebration.

Regards

Bill Hein

President WHS



The Curator's Corner



We were happily surprised by a visit by a former police officer from the 1960's at the museum. In addition, at the same time the daughter of the former police chief Lindsey came in. Chief Lindsey was his superior. It was a great visit and we learned a lot about Wheeling in the 60's.

Once again we are asking for email addresses for members so we can send copies of the newsletter and

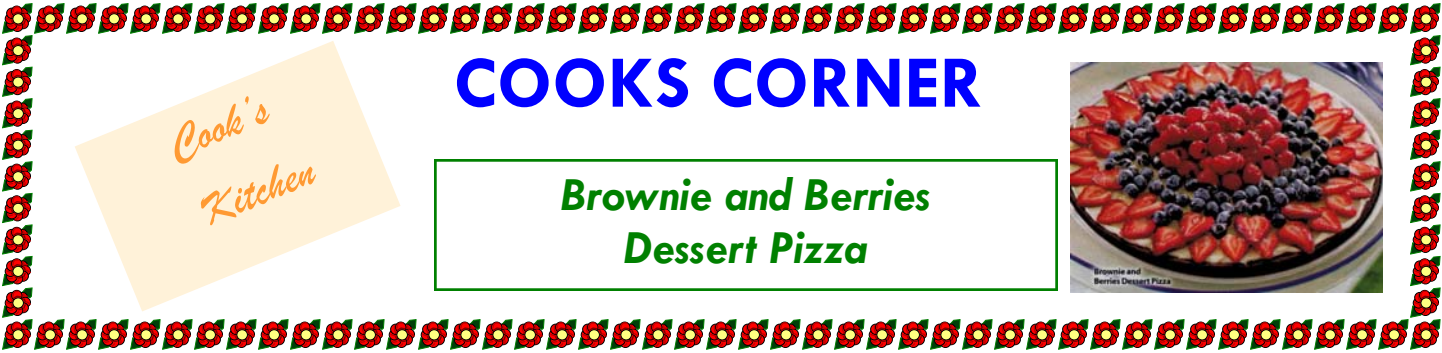
other information about the museum.

Thank you goes out to all those who made the 4th of July celebration a success. A special thanks to Smith Construction for their generous donation to get the ice cream and cooler.

We are making progress organizing the basement. About 6 boxes went into storage in the upper level of the car-

riage house. We now have some more room to organize our items for future displays.

Marilyn is in the process of scanning written materials to keep in case we have an unforeseen unfortunate event. These are being stored on separate discs offsite.



*Cook's
Kitchen*

COOKS CORNER

Brownie and Berries Dessert Pizza



1 box (1 lb., 2.4 oz.) Betty Crocker® Original Supreme Premium brownie mix. Water, vegetable oil and egg called for on brownie mix box

1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened
1/3 cup sugar
1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
2 cups sliced fresh strawberries
1 cup fresh blueberries
1 cup fresh raspberries
1/2 cup apple jelly

Heat oven to 350°F (325°F for dark or nonstick pan). Grease bottom only of 12 pizza pan with cooking spray or shortening. Make batter as directed on brownie mix box. Spread in pan. Bake 26-30 minutes or until toothpick inserted 2 from side of pan comes out almost clean. Cool completely, about 1 hour.

In small bowl, beat cream cheese, 3 sugar and vanilla with electric mixer on medium speed until smooth. Carefully spread mixture evenly over brownie base. Arrange berries over cream cheese mixture. Stir jelly until smooth; brush over berries. Refrigerate about 1 hour or until chilled. Cut into wedges. Store covered in refrigerator.



Evening Under The Stars

This years 4th. Of July celebration featured the group: "Midnight Band" They performed in front of a huge crowd of Wheeling Residents. Police estimate the crowd at over 10,000 people. Everyone enjoyed the music and the fireworks

REMINDER
Wheeling is celebrating
it's 120th
anniversary this year.

Know your Apples: Here is the scene: The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a church elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and put it on the apple tray..."Take only ONE. God is watching." Further along the line, at the other end of the table, was a large plate of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."

UPCOMING EVENTS—Revised

- Wheeling Historical Society 50th Anniversary 2015
- August 20th Board Meeting 7 P.M. At the Old Church
- August 27, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Lynn Rymarz presents Julia Childs : "My Life in Paris" At the Chamber Community Center (Old Church) Chamber Park.
- September 24, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Patti & Terry Steilen present Trip to China, Terricotta Warriors, Great Wall and Cruise. At Chamber Community Center (Old Church)
- October 22, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Rochelle Pennington, "The Christmas Tree Ship" At The Chamber Community Center (Old Church) and discussion of Lollipop Lane.
- November 26, 2014 - Business Meeting - 7:00 p.m. At Chamber Community Center (Old Church No Program - Final Details for Lollipop Lane.
- December 6- 14, 2014 - "Lollipop Lane" —At Chamber Park for the Children to see Santa & Mrs. Clause.

A True Story Worth Reading

Many years ago, Al Capone virtually owned Chicago. Capone wasn't famous for anything heroic. He was notorious for enmeshing the windy city in everything from bootlegged booze and prostitution to murder. Capone had a lawyer nicknamed "Easy Eddie." He was Capone's lawyer for a good reason. Eddie was very good! In fact, Eddie's skill at legal maneuvering kept Big Al out of jail for a long time. To show his appreciation, Capone paid him very well. Not only was the money big, but Eddie got special dividends, as well. For instance, he and his family occupied a fenced-in mansion with live-in help and all of the conveniences of the day. The estate was so large that it filled an entire Chicago City block. Eddie lived the high life of the Chicago mob and gave little consideration to the atrocity that went on around him. Eddie did have one soft spot, however. He had a son that he loved dearly. Eddie saw to it that his young son had clothes, cars, and a good education. Nothing was withheld. Price was no object. And, despite his involvement with organized crime, Eddie even tried to teach him right from wrong. Eddie wanted his son to be a better man than he was. Yet, with all his wealth and influence, there were two things he couldn't give his son; he couldn't pass on a good name or a good example. One day, Easy Eddie reached a difficult decision. Easy Eddie wanted to rectify wrongs he had done.. He decided he would go to the authorities and tell the truth about Al "Scarface" Capone, clean up his tarnished name, and offer his son some semblance of integrity. To do this, he would have to testify Against The Mob, and he knew that the cost would be great. So, he testified. Within the year, Easy Eddie's life ended in a blaze of gunfire on a lonely Chicago Street. But in his eyes, he had given his son the greatest gift he had to offer, at the greatest price he could ever pay. Police removed from his pockets a rosary, a crucifix, a religious medallion, and a poem clipped from a magazine. The poem read:

"The clock of life is wound but once, and no man has the power to tell just when the hands will stop, at late or early hour. Now is the only time you own. Live, love, toil with a will. Place no faith in time. For the clock may soon be still. "

TO BE CONTINUED NEXT MONTH.....



I grew up in Franklin Park, Illinois. My favorite years in school were 4th, 5th and 6th grades. I enjoyed creative writing, shelving books as a library page, reading Nancy Drew mysteries and biographies of famous women like Clara Barton, Florence Nightingale and Madame Curie. In high school I entertained audiences as a Lenore Sutton Dancer performing on the T.V. program "Bozo Circus."

OTHER INTERESTS

- gardening
- travel
- snow skiing, Pilates and golf

WHAT'S NEW?

Completed a children's middle grade biography--"Nellie Bly: Her Story In Headlines"

Wheeling Historical Society

Presents

Lynn Rymarz

as Julia Childs:

My Life in France

Wednesday August 27, 2014 6:30 p.m.

At the Old Community Church - In Chamber Park
251 N. Wolf Road
Wheeling, IL

I hope you can join us as we explore how Julia Child discovered her passion for cooking French food in her late thirties after she married Paul Child and moved to Paris in 1948. Hear Julia's own words as she describes her love of French food and how she became determined to learn how to cook it. Follow her journey into the French culture, including her visits to the local markets and into her cooking classes at the Cordon Bleu. She will share her struggles and her successes, including her own cookbook "Mastering the Art of French Cooking," and her television show "The French Chef." She will tell you herself she never would have had any of this without meeting the love of her life, Paul Child.

**Please
 Tear
 Off
 This
 Application
 And
 Give
 It
 To
 A
 Friend
 (this one too!)**

If you are at all interested in Wheeling's past, we would like very much for you to join us in the preservation of our history and artifacts. If you would like to become an active member of the Wheeling Historical Society, please fill out the application below and return to the Wheeling Historical Society.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

 NAME

 ADDRESS

 CITY, STATE, ZIP

 PHONE

 E-MAIL ADDRESS

TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP

Life Membership \$ 100.00

Family Membership 15.00

Individual Membership 10.00

Checks are made payable to:

Wheeling Historical Society

P.O. Box 3

Wheeling, Illinois 60090

Annual membership fees are due in the month of
 May.
