



Wheeling Historical Society and Museum Newsletter

Summer Is Almost Here

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The Wheeling Historical Society and Museum celebrates the link between the past and the present. The museum is a cooperative effort of the Village of Wheeling, Wheeling Park District, Indian Trails Public Library.

HAPPY FATHERS DAY



Gathered round Guard Penny Scanlon for an opening day greening were (girls, background l. to r.) Marlene Schmidt, Naomi Barrie, Debbie Saunders, Lori Klaus, Gail Danielson, and Barbie Cox; (boys) Billy Olson, Michael Schwert, and Bobby Koeppe; and (young ladies in foreground) Laura and Sandra See.

Pool Opening Makes Big Splash

"The sun was shining on the sea, shining with all his might..."

And that's the way it was Saturday, June 12th, at Wheeling Community Pool when it opened for the 1965 swim season. In spite of a cool breeze, the pool was well populated during the afternoon by early purchasers of season passes and daily fee l. D. cards.

Clearing of the pool and readying of filter equipment was done by volunteers Al Martin, Frank Wojek, Vern Schuler, and Merle Willis, all members of the Board of Directors of the pool, the week prior to the opening.

Members of the Board, all of whom serve without pay, were hosts Friday evening to pool bondholders for a pool-side presentation of this year's plans and personnel and a brief look at the financial picture.

This year's pool director is Richard Schuler; concession manager is Elroy Schuler (to quote Richard: "no relation, but I like the name"). Head instructor is Kathy McCall; guards are Betty Lawrence, Penny Scanlon, John Bauer, and Robert Schuler. Mary Kay Myers and John Kunowski are this year's locker room attendants.

Treasurer Oscar Tarelman stated the pool would need a gross income of about \$20,000 this year to meet operating expenses, pay bond interest, and make hoped-for improvements such as landscaping of the area southeast of the bathhouse to provide picnic facilities.

Handling of the concessions by the pool association is expected to yield two benefits, better service and a higher return to the pool than the machines previously used offered. Sugar Bowl ice cream will be available in cones, sandwiches, and bars. Non-carbonated grape and orange drinks, coffee, hot dogs, and candy bars will complete the bill of fare.

Friday evening teen-parties are again being contemplated with games, prizes, and dancing to live combos.

Board members at Friday Night's meeting included Vice-President Audrey Christianson, Secretary Donna Nystrom, Treasurer Oscar Tarelman, Personnel Manager Frank Wojek, Pool Director Vern Schuler, and Construction and Maintenance Supervisor Merle Willis. President James Stavros and Building and Grounds Supervisor Al Martin were unable to attend because of previous commitments.

Season passes and l.D. Cards can still be purchased at the pool office. Registration for swimming lessons, the first series of which starts June 21st, may also be made there.

Come on in! The water's fine!

have a picnic! at home or away with cool keeping **STYRENE FOAM Insulated COOLERS**

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Keeps liquids hot or cold! Screw-on cover, capped spout.

Superbore™ 1/2 Gal. **Square JUGS 87¢**

With flip-open pour spout, metal rod handle, plastic grip.

Lightweight 4 Qt. **ICE BUCKET 33¢**

9 in. lip diam. 8 in. deep. Leakproof. Keeps ice for hours.



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You'll find Dad's favorite in this big selection!

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Easy To Carry 14-Qt. PICNIC CHEST 97¢
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Hose: black, charcoal, navy or brown. Men's: 10-13 1/2; 14, 12-14.

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Dad's favorite gift on open style, padded soles, comfortable heels, 8 1/2, 9, 10, 11.

Short-sleeved WASH-WEAR SPORT SHIRTS 299
Dacron® Polyester, Cotton • Stripes and Striped Checks
Fine, medium and wide woven stripes, tab-crotch checks. Assorted colors. Sizes S-M-L.

Convertible SHIRT 2.99
Dacron® Polyester, cotton press or sport shirt. Men's, short sleeves. S-M-L.

Zippo LIGHTER SET 3.95
Black, Silver. **1.50**

LEATHER BELTS
Black, Silver with buckle. **1.50**

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Wheeling DUNHURST PARK 'N SHOP Open Every Nite Til 9 - Saturday Til 6 Int. Rts. 83 & 68

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A Message From The President — Terry Steilen

From The Presidents Desk – June 2016

Thank you for your confidence in allowing me to be the president of the Historical Society for the next two years. I've got some ideas for new things, and will be sharing them with you over the next few months. First, however, and most importantly, we need new members. We need help, especially for Lollipop Lane. Please ask your friends, family, and neighbors if they would like to be members.

Next, I have a long term goal that I have always desired. Our Church's steeple was hit by lightning in the late 20's to early 30's. It was destroyed, but luckily rebuilt a few years later. Unfortunately, in 1958 the steeple was hit again. This time, it was never rebuilt. I would like to undertake this effort to get it rebuilt, as a two year project. Here again, we will need a lot of help. I do not know all of the steps that need to be taken. I hope that the membership can help with some guidance and support. Architects, designs, permits, approvals, FAA, Village, Park District, etc. needs to be dealt with, and there will probably be a cost associated with doing it. The first thing we need to do is create a TODO list So if you can help, or know someone that can help and wants to be involved with parts of this effort, please let me know as soon as possible.

Thank you again for your support,
Terry Steilen

The Curator's Corner — Patti Steilen



Thanks to all our members for their help and participation with the N.E.I.L. meeting. It was a great success. Especially all the kitchen help. They were fantastic.

Thank you to the Park District employee who helped me clean the carriage house.

We made a little more space by hanging the bicycles from the rafters and moving some of the farm showpieces from the center of the room. There is a little more space on the middle of the floor. It's a little easier to move around now. Many of the guests from the NEIL meeting were very impressed with our museum.

A reminder that there is no meeting in July. The Museum is open with the exception of Fathers Day and the Fourth of July. We can still use help for Sundays to sit. Contact me at (847)924-4473 if you are available for a particular Sunday.

It's back to work now that we have hosted the NEIL meeting. Hopefully we can get back to scanning pictures and files and categorizing all our pictures. Our hope is to have everything scanned to preserve all our records in case any disaster should happen like the flood of the 1990's.

We will be receiving some maps drawn by Mr. Denoyer of World War II from Larry Boller of Minnesota. His wife is a past resident of Wheeling and the maps were found at a yard sale there.

Q: Why do men's clothes have buttons on the right while women's clothes have buttons on the left?

A: When buttons were invented, they were very expensive and worn primarily by the rich. Since most people are right-handed, it is easier to push buttons on the right through holes on the left. Because wealthy women were dressed by maids, dressmakers put the buttons on the maid's right! And that's where women's buttons have remained since.

**WHEELING
HISTORICAL
SOCIETY**

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Wheeling Park
District's
Chamber Park
251 Wolf Road
Wheeling Illinois**

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COOKS CORNER

Cook's Kitchen

Smothered Cube Steaks

Submitted by: Elaine Simpson

4 to 6 cube steaks

3 cups fresh sliced mushrooms

1 small onion sliced thin

Salt and pepper

Flour

2 cups chicken stock

Vegetable oil

Prepare vegetable:

Mix 2 tbs with salt and pepper

Put oil in skillet and heat to medium heat

Cover cube steak with flour mixture and cook in pan until brown. On both sides.

Remove cube steaks to a plate

Add mushrooms and onions

Add salt and pepper to taste

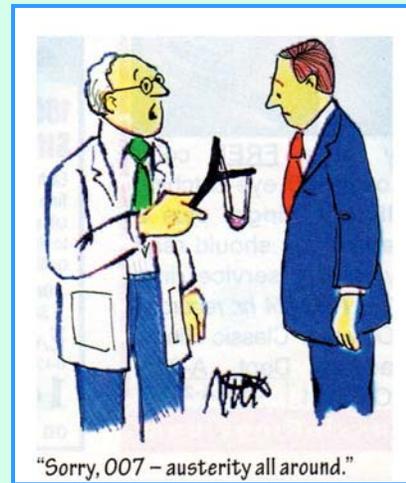
Cook until golden brown.

Add chicken broth and a little flour

Stir until thick.

Add cube steaks and simmer for 45 minutes

COMING EVENTS	
June 15 4 PM	Board Meeting
June 22 6:30 PM	Steilen's Trip to New Zealand & Australia
July	No Meeting
Aug 17 4 PM	Board Meeting
Aug 24 6:30 PM	General Meeting
Sept 21 4 PM	Board Meeting
Sept 25 1:30 PM	Farm Talk By Mike Horcher
Oct 19 4:00 PM	Board Meeting
Oct 26 6:30 PM	To Be Determined



"Sorry, 007 - austerity all around."

Reminder: Membership Dues are still being accepted.
Send to PO Box 3, Wheeling II, 60090

Ring Sealed Their Bond

In 1936, I was 14 and had learned the fundamentals of woodworking in school. Not having been a very good student in the three R's, I found great pleasure in looking forward to woodworking or shop class. One day, while talking with my father, I told him my desire to have a table saw. The following Sunday, we found a used saw in the "for sale" ads in the newspaper. Dad and I drove over to the address listed. I was sure it was what I had in mind. Dad and I talked as we went out to the car. Dad went back to talk with the saw's owner as I sat in the front seat. I saw my dad take off his onyx ring and give it to the man. Dad eventually paid off the saw and got his ring back. He gave me the ring on my 21st birthday. I never spoke of the incident with Dad, but I always showed him how much I loved and respected him.

—Jerry Droll
Sun City, Arizona

From Reminiscence Magazine



WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, June 22, 2016

6:30 pm

**“Travelogue: Our Adventures in Australia
and New Zealand”**



*WHS President Terry Steilen and Curator
Patty Steilen will describe their recent
journey abroad, from the rugged terrain
and beautiful beaches of Australia to the
breathtaking landscapes of New Zealand.*

*Stroll through the Hobbiton movie set with
Terry and Patty!*

**Chamber Park Church Building
251 North Wolf Road
Wheeling, IL 60090
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