

Danube Historical Society

Newsletter

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DHS Annual Meeting

Thursday, April 12 @ the Community Hall

9:00 – Coffee, Rolls & Juice

9:30 – Meeting Commences:

- Regular Business Agenda
- Election of Officers
- Presentation of Plaque

Time for sharing plans and ideas about:

- Mueller Park & the replica Bandstand
- Winfield Hall History Exhibit
- Acquisition & quantity of benches & picnic table(s) for Mueller Park
- What kind of sign should we have for the Park?

Members have discussion & voting privileges.
Suggestions welcome from Visitors.

DHS still meets the 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 9:30_ all DHS members welcome to participate. A good time is had at these meetings; we take care of business, we express gratitude for our donors who make it possible for us to assume our 'duties', the spirit of volunteerism is strong, (we don't have to "railroad" anyone), fond memories are shared and some bring on laughter, (maybe a tear) and it all pertains to the history of a small, active, caring town and the people who did and still are making it a very good place to live.

COME JOIN US FOR THE FELLOWSHIP AT OUR ANNUAL MEETING.

DANUBE FUN DAYS

July 11 – Ice Cream Social

July 13 & 14 – Class Reunions

July 14 – 8AM - 12:30PM DHS Waffle Feed

All Day- Willmar Classic Car Club Show

2:00 PM Fun Days Parade

4:30-7 PM Lions Club Supper

9:00 PM – 1:00 AM Street Dance & Drawings

July 15 – Church of Choice

After Lunch – Firemen's Water Fights

And there's more _ next Newsletter!!!

CALL FOR CLASS REUNIONS

Does your Graduation year end in 2 or 7?

Then this is your year! Let us know!

Feel free to make the Depot a place to meet & gather. Fun Days is usually very nice weather and with the brick walkway around the Depot there's some benches and lots of room for lawn chairs.

Reunions we know about are:

Class of '52 (Contact Rod Black, who will help?)

Class of '57 (Contact Jerry Jahnke)

Class of '62 (Contact Gary Hotovec)

DHS WELCOMES THESE NEW & RENEWED MEMBERSHIPS

Mary Ann Harriman
Malcolm Maxwell
D.K. Smith
Pat Schneider
Gene & Sharon Machacek
LuVerne Krueger
Cara Fish
Eldon Krueger
Al Schochemaier
Sherman Manthei
Myrna Kroening
Marian (Tepfer) Ludford
Mary Ann Pfeiffer
Ardus E. Cleveland
Dana & Beth Tepfer
Shirley Zaske Sweeney
Carol D. Peterson
Albert Johnson
Clarissa Logan
Margaret Dodge
Harriett Borst
Betty Kurtz
Cheryl (Kurtz) Knaresboro
Marilyn Hein
Mary Ellen (Manthei) Calderwood
Shirley (Mueller) Holbrook
Harold & Verdyne Lindell
Richard & Mary Ann Filzen
Jim & Sharon Beck
David Reck
Ardell & Kathy Tepfer
Wayne Tepfer
Lester & Yvonne Jakel
Stan & Sue Malecek

RECENT DONORS

Mary Ann Harriman
Wednesday Afternoon Birthday Club
Emil & Von Voelz
Al Schochemaier
Sherman Manthei
Myrna Kroening
Dana & Beth Tepfer
Shirley Zaske Sweeney
Dean & Arlene Sausele
Albert Johnson
Rod & Mary Lee Black
Doris Mattson
Marilyn Hein
Mary Ellen (Manthei) Calderwood
Harold & Verdyne Lindell
Richard & Mary Ann Filzen
Jim & Sharon Beck
David Reck
Duane & Cindy Mertens
Wayne Tepfer
David & Gertrude Ferguson

ACCESSIONS

Recently checked in: youth sled & wagon, original photo of Kermit & Marge in their business, toy farm buildings -handbuilt , several Hawks' Reports – Vol. 1 (1942) – Vol 8 and more. Working to get them all displayed! Want to help?

RECENT DEATHS

Eugene Seehusen '55
Alan Brouwer '64
Dale Seehusen
Karina Bruns (daughter of Kevin '78)
Mary Jo (Wendel) Bratsch
Janice (Robert) Lang
Myron Bratsch
Steve Grafenstein '71
Alice Damhof
Pastor John Rebstock
Louise Engstrom
Sen. Gary Kubly
Arlene Schack Lang '63
Sandra E. (Jerome '62) Schafer

In Memory Of:

Butch Wiehr by Fern Wiehr
Melvin Treichler by Donna Treichler

LET'S GET TOGETHER

DHS has discussed several ideas to share both work & fun times at The Depot at least once a month.

Would you come to the Depot to share stories?

Would you come to the Annual Meeting?

Would you come to fold the Newsletters & stuff the envelopes?

Would you come there to play cards ?
If the coffee pot was on?

To play horseshoes in Spring/Summer?

To wrap & pad hangers to preserve the shape of the uniforms?

Would you come to plant in the new Park?

*To prepare Exhibit materials?

*Would you come there to work on our "scrap-books"? We collect articles about current happenings, our students in the news, happenings, business, weddings, funerals, anniversaries, etc. Then they are divided up by the year and pages produced, not FANCY, just PROTECTED and available for research.

RSVP

MUELLER PARK

There are new trees, planted last fall & they lived through the Winter(!?) Some evergreens, a red maple, some flowering shrubs and we have green grass in March!, planted last Fall. Jan & Dorothy's Iris are up about 3 inches, they will bloom where they are & be replanted in August. It is really looking like a park, the rest should be fun. **Not quite ready to accept donated plants yet, as we have to design & prepare some flowerbeds, but as the season moves along remember us if you have to divide your perennials!!!** The Park has both sun and shade now. Wildflower seed welcome now; it will go in the back north

& south corners. And we're beginning to talk about a Dedication, hopefully for Fall Festival. September 29 or October 6.

THANK YOU to those who replied to our request for the names of any who would like to give a bench or table or birdbath for the Park, In Honor Of or In Memory Of a loved one.

Checked the Home Depot Website, as we do have Home Depot & Menards in Willmar, and Home Depot has a huge variety, under \$100 and will, RIGHT NOW, ship anything over \$45 Free Shipping & Handling. Right now we need to be able to move them for mowing, etc. It would be great to have some near the Depot & some in the Park. Most of the ones at Home Depot could also have writing inscribed. We do have one great wooden bench built & donated by Maurice Schroeder and one steel frame, wooden top picnic table restored by Stan Malecek.

Have looked into the commercial grade and they are \$500 and way up and very heavy so we would need to prepare a permanent place for them. That would be our wish in the future as some are guaranteed for life, such as "By The Yard".

If you are still considering this donation, contact Mary Lee, Lowell Jakel, Stan Malecek or Lee Nere, so that we know what you wish to do.

WANTED PHOTOS:

- THE COMMUNITY BAND & BANDSTAND
- WINFIELD HALL WHEN IT WAS A CHURCH and/OR SCHOOL & ANY PHOTOS TAKEN ON THE PLAYGROUND OR INSIDE THE SCHOOL.
- SENIOR TRIP PHOTOS AS THEY LEFT FROM THE DEPOT OR AS THEY ARRIVED HOME.

(Tear Out Form for Contributions and Dues)

Dues are \$10 per individual. **Please list all.**

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Apply as follows: Contribution \$ _____

Membership Dues: \$ _____

Next Newsletter in June