

# Danube Historical Society Newsletter

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Sharing the Past, Present and Future with You

**Was your newsletter address label highlighted in GREEN?** Then you paid early and your membership dues are paid through 2016!

**All others' membership dues (\$10 per person) should be paid in January, 2016. DHS thanks you for your renewals or new memberships.** Your support is our only means of support and we appreciate you very much! More later about what your dues support!

## **LOOKING BACK**

**Fall Festival, Sept. 26 2015:** What an awesome Autumn Day in beautiful Mueller Park! Stan keeps the grounds looking so inviting, Dorothy keeps the flower gardens groomed & blooming, Lee, Maurice & Stan moved one evergreen to a more suitable location, developed a watering system and were superbly attentive to its care, but by the end of summer it just couldn't make it. Watch though in the Spring; this should be the year our line of flowering shrubs, on the East side of the Park, should be old enough to bloom. Wildflower seeds have been spread around the edges and with luck, some will grow next Spring & Summer.

All year our Park is a welcoming, quiet spot for walking; the seating on the patio calls out for visitors to relax & enjoy nature. (But if you picnic or walk your pet there we expect it to be as nice when you leave!)

Fall Festival started as the last Saturday of September for a few years, ran into conflicts so changed it to first Saturday in October for 2 years, ran into RAIN and now we're back to Sept. and ran into a perfect day, it was RCW Homecoming, but no Saturday activities so it worked out very well. Verlyn Kling's One Man Band (a technical marvel with a very pleasing sound) and his music provided the background for all other activities.

There were lots of visitors coming & going, the happy sounds of conversations & laughter, the fragrance of Doug's brats being grilled, plenty of good food to eat, all under the good work of our loyal DHS Volunteers. Yes, the DHS (school) cooks Jeanette & Jan were at work with Kathy Tepfer, Dorothy K., Donna Treichler & Harriet Schroeder serving: Gene Alex & Jerry J. at the grills, Rod, Maurice, Lee, Calvin & Stan wherever they were needed (as usual) and Grace Lueck, Suzie and Mary Lee in the Depot mixing with the visitors and selling Danube-opoly games. A great day!

**American Legion Bingo Night:** DHS served a menu of hot beef sandwiches, brats, hot dogs & bars prior to Bingo, served till the food was gone. The decision had been made that this would be our last year at this, but we have appreciated the Legion giving us this opportunity to make some more money for our treasury. Thanks!

**Painting:** Mentioned in last issue that the building exterior had some areas needing scraped & repainted. It is done & paid for. It was possible to have Gary Michaels, our original painter, do the work & it is looking good. He also painted the freight wagons.

**Accessions:** DHS appreciates all the times you think of The Depot and present us with documented memories in the form of annuals, scrapbooks, uniforms, obituaries, photos, etc. but this Fall we received a very unusual item. Roger Shanahan & Lois (Shanahan) Wigen passed along a **very handsome horse hide blanket**, about a hundred years old. It was made from the hide of a horse from their Grandfather's work team and the presentation includes the story & a picture of Adrian with the team when he was about 2 years old. It is a luxuriously beautiful blanket. Come see it when

you're passing through, if the door isn't blocked with snow, we'll let you in!

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**Andy Bruns** by

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**Doug Swoboda** by

Stan & Sue Malecek

**OUR TENTH ANNIVERSARY YEAR IS OVER VERY SOON  
\_ AND ITS BEEN ANOTHER GOOD YEAR.  
THANKS FOR ALL OF YOUR INTEREST & PARTICIPATION!**

**LOOKING AHEAD TO YEAR ELEVEN**

**Projects:** DHS has been letting your donations accumulate for a couple of years for at least two reasons. **1.** It seems wise to have a reserve for future upkeep of the Depot Building & the Museum artifacts. Our treasury is healthy for the present time, but we have to plan for the time the present donors & volunteers aren't as available. Our thanks goes to all of you who have made this huge project work!!! **2.** DHS still needs a storage facility, to include room for the freight wagons, popcorn stand, and large supplies, and a food serving Concession window for our special times. We are working on it, we know where we would like to build it, but have not been able to acquire the land, yet. **MLB**

**DHS ANNOUNCES A  
DANUBE-OPOLY  
TOURNAMENT**

**Bring YOUR DANUBE-OPOLY GAME & YOUR  
DANUBE-OPOLY TEAM !  
COMPETE FOR CASH PRIZE**

**JUST \$5.00 PER TABLE – SEATS 8  
SATURDAY AFTERNOON - JANUARY 9th  
Begins @1:30 @ Danube Community Center  
1½ Hour Game Limit**

**IF YOU DON'T HAVE YOUR GAME YET ENJOY OUR  
CHRISTMAS SPECIAL - \$30.00 PER GAME  
PURCHASE @ 212-1- Stop, the City Office or the  
Co-op Country Farmers Elevator - Danube Office**

**To Register: CALL CAL OR SUZIE LUECK OR  
ROD OR MARY LEE BLACK**

**WE NEED A MINIMUM OF 5 REGISTERED TEAMS TO  
HOLD THIS EVENT**

To submit money or your email, please use the form below.

*Membership Dues - \$10.00 per individual. January 1st begins new year.*

**Yes, I would like to support the Danube Historical Society**

*Dues Amount enclosed: \$\_\_\_\_\_*

*Dues For: Name(s)\_\_\_\_\_*

*Donation - \$\_\_\_\_\_*

*Memorial - \$\_\_\_\_\_ In Memory of:\_\_\_\_\_*

*From:\_\_\_\_\_*

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Would you like to receive this newsletter by email? Yes\_\_ No\_\_

Corrections or Omissions to the editor: \_\_\_\_\_

**Lilah & Alfred Schroeder**

by Donna Treichler

**RECENT DEATHS**

**Richard Lippert- 1966**

**Doug Swoboda - 1967**

**Gary Svobodny – 1969**

**Cornie Yock - 1944**

**Eleanor Hotovec–** Mother of Pat, Nancy Gary, Jim, Dan & Dale

**Andy Bruns –** Father of Lois, Lori, Linda. Mike & Kevin

**MUSEUM HOURS :**

**October to May By  
Request. Call:**

Rod & MaryLee 320-826-2274

Dorothy K. 320-826-2589

Lowell J. 320-826-2740

Cal & Suzie 320-826-2236

**2016 DATES TO SAVE**

**Planning Meetings: 2nd &  
4th Thursdays @ 9:30  
All members welcome to  
attend.**

Wishing You & Yours a  
Merry  
Christmas  
and a  
Happy New Year  
wherever you will be.

