

Franklin Historical Society June 2012 Newsletter

Wisconsin Historical Society Regional Metro Conference July 14, 2012

On Saturday July 14 at the Franklin Public Library in the Fadrow Room the Franklin Historical Society will have the privilege of hosting the Wisconsin Historical Society's Regional Metro Conference. Members from as many as twenty historical societies in Milwaukee County are being invited for this yearly conference.

This conference allows members of our local historical societies to meet and exchange ideas. Representatives of WHS will be on hand to offer advice and answer questions. They will also provide an educational program.

The Franklin Historical Society has planned an interesting and entertaining agenda that is listed on the next page.

Many of you that attended the first performance of Civil War in Song will remember what a wonderful experience it was. Definitely worth seeing again. Those of you who have not, it is a must see performance.

We will have a light breakfast to start the day, and later we will have, I promise, an excellent homemade lunch.

The cost of the entire program is just \$15 per person.

Please support your society in this. It is our chance to show off all the fine work we have done, and are doing.

Call me at 414-421-6539 with any questions. Please send your checks as soon as possible to :

Franklin Historical Society
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2012 Regional Metro Conference

Saturday July 14, 2012
 Wisconsin Council for Local History
 Wisconsin Historical Society

| Time | Activity | Provided By |
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| 9:30 - 10:00 a.m. Historical Society | Registration and Refreshments | Franklin |
| 10:00 - 10:15 a.m. | Welcome & Introductions <i>General welcome - local host</i> <i>Introduction of WCLH Representatives</i> <i>Introduction of WHS staff/Field Services Rep.</i> | |
| 10:15 - 11:00 am | WHS Training Session Making the Most of Your Photo Collections | WHS Staff |
| 11:00 - 11:15 a.m. | Break | FHS |
| 11:15 a.m. -12:15 p.m. | Civil War in Song Performed by FHS members and Friends | FHS |
| 12:15-1:00/1:30 p.m. [During lunch] [During lunch] Services Staff | Lunch WCLH Business Meeting WHS Update | FHS WCHL Field |
| 1:00/1:30 -2:00/2:30p.m. WHS/WCLH Introduction of all in attendance | Regional Roundtable | Either |
| 2:00/2:30-3:30 p.m. | Tours across the street at Legend Park | FHS |

It is the privilege of the Franklin Historical Society to host the 2012 Regional Metro Conference for the Wisconsin Historical Society. I hope everyone will enjoy the educational and entertainment programs as well some fine food and camaraderie.

Jim Luckey
President FHS

Franklin Historical Society Barn Raising Committee

On Saturday July 28 in Lions Legend Park from 1 to 3 p.m. the FHS Barn Raising Committee will be hosting a special event. The program will

include a short presentation regarding the barn-raising project, a display of farm tools and equipment which will be housed in the barn, special activities, and a social gathering of old friends and neighbors. Lemonade and cookies will be served. This will be an opportunity for people to share their memories of growing up on a farm in rural Franklin.

All our historic buildings will be open for viewing. This event will gather people in our community who share our goal to build a barn.

Soon membership will be receiving a letter with further details of this important event. Please make plans to attend. Any questions call Luanne Burdick at 414- 423-0065.

April's FHS Annual Meeting

On April 28 the FHS held the Annual Membership meeting. Open to the general public was the entertaining Oregon Trail Program performed by Paddy Lynn and Bobbie LaBelle.

During the membership meeting five board members were elected. Judy Scherrer and Roger Lange were elected for another term. New members were Joan Thompson, Barbara Pforr and Steve Gyuro. Outgoing board members Luanne Burdick, Brenda McGee and Kathryn Harrison were thanked for all their fine work on the board. They all have taken on important committee assignments.

The new board elected Doug Schmidt as vice-president post meeting.

Eagle Scout candidate Bennett Hoeft presented his plan to build a stairway to the second story of the St. Peters Chapel.

2011 minutes were presented by Secretary Matt Englert, and approved. Treasurers report was read by Marian Luckey, and approved.

Presidents 2011 Review - Jim Luckey

The following Committee Reports were presented.

1. School Program - Barbara Pforr
2. Curator Program - Barbara
3. Barn Fundraising - Luanne Burdick
4. Smokehouse - Doug Schmidt & Steve Guyro
5. Historically Speaking - Judy Scherrer
6. Building & Grounds - Jim Luckey & Steve Gyuro

If requested the minutes of the annual meeting with greater details written by Secretary Matt Englert can be sent to any member.

2,957 Students have passed through the doors of the **Whelan School** as part of the FHS children's education program!

Our open house dates for our buildings are after the Music in the Park Concerts on June 24, July 22 and August 19 from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. On the 4th of July the buildings will be open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

We do need some additional volunteer help on July 4th for tour guides

of our buildings. Anyone that could help please call me.

Labor Day Parking we really need some help parking vehicles. This is far and away our primary source of income. Last year we parked over 1400 vehicles. The dates this year are Sunday Sept. 2 and Labor Day Monday Sept.3. It is not too early to call me to get on our schedule. If you have a friend or family member that might be willing to help, please ask them. You would work a two hour shift, and then have a free and close parking spot to go to the fair. What a deal!

Packer Tickets!!! Our Barn Fund Raising Committee will be holding a special raffle during the City of Franklins 4th of July Celebration. There will be a booth set up across the street from our buildings on both days of the celebration July 3 and 4. The raffle will continue to include our July & August open houses, the July 28 barn raising event, the July, August and Sept. Labor Day St. Martins Fair. A booth will be set up for the Labor Day Fair for both days where we hope to sell a lot of tickets.

Please visit our FHS Website www.franklinhistory.net. Our home page has information about upcoming events. It also has a picture of the **Wendt Family Barn** with a story about our efforts to reconstruct the barn in Lions Legend Park. There is also a story page featuring some of Judy Scherrer's Historically Speaking articles from the Franklin Citizen, and some new pictures on our picture page including the May wedding of Michael and Mary Buelow in our St. Peters Chapel.

IN MEMORIAM OF AMY ZVARA

The Franklin Historical Society has lost our long time Treasurer Amy Zvara recently. Amy for many years did great work for us. She was a wonderful person who will be missed at all.

Anything you may wish to discuss with me please call 414-421-6539 or e-mail luckeyjim@yahoo.com. Thank You - Jim Luckey - President FHS.

