

# STONE LAKE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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THE STONE LAKE DEPOT/MUSEUM, SOO  
LINE CABOOSE, AND 1926 TOWN HALL

## ELECTION BALLOT ENCLOSED

Each family holding membership in the Stone Lake Area Historical Society receiving this Newsletter will find an Election Ballot and a self addressed envelope included. It is time for the annual election of the historical society, and we are hoping you will wish to vote on the officers, or on a write-in candidate. Please return your completed ballots by May 1, 2012. (You may use this envelope for other items to be mailed to the historical society as well.)

## THANKS TO DONORS!

We want to thank the following donors who responded to the fall, 2011, newsletter, helping us reduce the \$1,107 debt still outstanding on the depot/caboose/town hall projects to a new balance due of just \$347. Over the past four years, we have moved the depot, brought in the caboose, moved the 1926 town hall, and completed the restoration of all three, at a total cost of \$94,000 and thousands of hours of volunteer labor. No tax dollars helped with these projects, every dollar was donated by the generous and caring citizens of our community! Our sincere thanks to every one of you!

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## WHAT'S IT WORTH?

An Antique and Collectible Event will be held from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM on Saturday, June 16, 2012, at the Stone Lake Fire Hall, next to the Stone Lake Area Historical Museum on Highway 70 in Stone Lake.

This appraisal event will be limited to 40 items, and the cost to have each item appraised will be \$15. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Stone Lake Area Historical Society.

Who hasn't watched PBS' Antique Roadshow and wondered about treasures in their own home? Mark Moran has served as a guest expert on Antique Roadshow, has authored or co-authored more than 25 books on antiques and collectibles, including the 800-page annual Warman's Antiques & Collectibles, now in its 45<sup>th</sup> edition, and recently started his own "mobile" antiques appraisal business, which has him visiting libraries and historical societies all over the Midwest.



Mark Moran, antique appraiser, to visit Stone Lake Area Historical Society on June 16, 2012, for Antique Appraisal Event

Reservations to have one or more items appraised may be made by sending your check for \$15 per item to: "The Stone Lake Area Historical Society, PO Box 35, Stone Lake, WI 54876. We have provided a form in this Newsletter which you may use to register. Register by May 1, 2012, to assure a spot at this exciting event. Spectators are welcome.

You may visit Moran's website at: <http://mark-moran.blogspot.com/> to read more about the appraiser's qualifications. We look forward to an exciting event and hope to see you there!



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## 60 GLASS NEGATIVES DEVELOPED

Many of you have viewed the museum's glass negative display, dating back to 1919/1920 and depicting scenes taken in Siberia and Manchuria during the Polar Expedition. Photos were taken by Stone Lake seasonal resident Major Charles M. Winter, first owner of the Pine Ridge lakeshore property on Big Sissabagama Lake.



Manchurian natives pose for Major Charles M. Winter in their ceremonial garb

Over the past winter, we have had 60 more negatives developed and they have proven to be very interesting. There are photos of the Great Wall of China, built during the Ming Dynasty in the 14<sup>th</sup> century. There are photos of Russian Navy submarines of that era. Another depicts the pulling of the steamship “China” off the rocks in Nagasaki, Japan. Camels are pictured on the streets of Peking, the “Altar of Heaven” Temple and its beautiful marble steps are pictured, as are many more fascinating scenes. Make this display one of your destinations when you visit the museum. It will be found in the 1926 Town Hall addition.

## REMINDER TO NEWSLETTER RECIPIENTS

Several of you have told us you are not receiving the Newsletter. We believe this may be because we are now sending it to you via email, and you are either not opening it, or it is going into your Spam folder. For this reason, all of our spring Newsletters are being mailed **and** sent by email to those of you who provided an email address. The advantage of receiving it by email is 1) you will receive it in full color and 2) you are saving the historical society the cost of postage, which we appreciate very much.

## DOCENTS WILL BE HONORED

A special event is being planned for this summer to honor the 55 docents who volunteer their time to hold our museum open for all to enjoy. Each docent works a four hour shift, with two or three people working together, on each day the museum is open.

Now that our museum has grown much larger, we are desperately in need of approximately 20 more docents who can work a four hour shift on a Friday, Saturday, or Sunday, whichever day fits into their own schedule. Would some of you be willing to help us?

P.S. You do not need to have knowledge of museum displays. You need only be a friendly presence in the museum as visitors take their own tour.



Another interesting display was given to the museum by Judy Crandell (pictured above). It is her mother's large collection of fruit jars, with no two jars alike.



**Things Remembered**  
**N507 Dawn Road**  
**Stone Lake, WI**  
**715-865-5600**

If depression glass is your passion, be sure to circle this shop on your map! Vi Myer welcomes you to tour this small shop just outside of Stone Lake. Set in the pines, her country shop features depression glass, collectibles, furniture, gifts and ceramics. 3 Miles west of Stone Lake on 70 to Dawn Road. Open 7 Days a Week 9am-5pm April-October.

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**UPCOMING HISTORICAL SOCIETY EVENTS**

**Ham & Scalloped Potato Dinner:** Saturday, April 21, 2012, 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM, at the Stone Lake Fire Hall. This annual spring dinner is the historical society's major fundraiser of the year.

**Carol (Rhea) Groenlund Craft Expo:** Saturday, June 2, 2012, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, at the Stone Lake Fire Hall. The proceeds of the craft expo and lunch will benefit the Stone Lake Area Historical Society.

**Antique & Collectible Appraisal Event:** Saturday, June 16, 2012, 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM, at the Stone Lake Fire Hall. Reservations for appraisals are required in advance of the event. See Reservation Form in this newsletter.

**Pie & Ice Cream:** Sunday, July 8, 2012, 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM, at the Stone Lake Lion's Park on Highway 70.

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THESE EVENTS. THEY PAY THE YEARLY OPERATING EXPENSES OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.**

**We also give our sincere thanks to the local advertisers who have placed ads in this newsletter to cover the cost of printing and mailing. Thank you so much!**

**ANTIQUE & APPRAISAL EVENT**

I would like to have the following article(s) appraised at this event:

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Enclosed is my check for \$15 per article. I understand I will be contacted by phone or email by the end of May, 2012, and be advised of the time of my appointment.

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**STONE LAKE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**I would like to become a member of the historical society.**

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\_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

- LIFETIME**      \$100.00
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\_\_\_\_\_ **I would be willing to bake a pie**

**for the Pie & Ice Cream Social in July**

\_\_\_\_\_ **I would be willing to be a docent during the 2012 season**

**Mail to:**  
**Stone Lake Area Historical Society**  
**PO Box 68, Stone Lake, WI 54876**

**We realize that many folks do not have email addresses. We want to thank those of you who do and who have given us the address. This is helping us save the cost of printing and mailing the Stone Lake Area Historical Society Newsletter to you.**

To receive future newsletters by email, here is my email address: \_\_\_\_\_

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