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New Arbor and Gate Adorn Entrance to Garden

Pictured at left is the beautiful new arbor and gate built by volunteers Bill Schrankler and Dick Fields. The new entry was given by Bill and Mary Schrankler in memory of their mothers. What a wonderful way to remember cherished family members and what a special addition to the garden! The arbor has always been a favorite spot for the many professional photographers who visit the garden and this new arbor will surely make its way into many a family album.

Many thanks to Bill and Dick for all their hard work, and to Wayne Schilling, Bud Yurek and Ron Linden who helped with the installation.

HERITAGE SOCIETY POTLUCK GATHERING

SCHILLING FARM-7535 BAILEY ROAD

Saturday, August 24th



Start at 12:17 p.m. (Because it has to start some time, so why not then?) Bring your own lawn chairs along with a dish to share. RSVPs to the Heritage Society office (651) 714-3564 would be appreciated, but not essential. Bring your whole family, friends also okay! We will not be asking for donations of any kind (except your volunteer time). We expect it to go until 3:30 you are welcome to

come any time it works best for your day. We will arrange for parking for handicapped, please call the office number above if you would like to arrange a spot. If the weather warrants it, inside dining will be available. It is not so charming to be there in the rain. If it is pouring, think twice before you come.

Come and enjoy learning about a stone milk house and stone smoke house, built by the Schilling ancestors. We will talk about farming in earlier eras and in 2013. There will be various forms of farming equipment available to view. There will be no farm animals except some errant cats.

There will be a hayride available for those who want to have such an experience. There will be opportunities for conversation with the Schillings and a walk about to look at what "used to be" as well as what is. We hope to see you all there!

The farm is located between Salem Lutheran Church and Bailey School - you can see the silos at the end of the driveway.



Have you Visited the Heritage House and Garden lately?

These Notables Did!



On May 15th, we were pleased to offer a special tour to Mayor Giuliani Stephens and members of the Woodbury City Council. They arrived just in time to see our beautiful new, very freshly painted (better not lean on it!) arbor.

Pictured above, from left to right, Council Members Burns, Scoggins and Ohs, and Mayor Giuliani Stephens.

HERITAGE SOCIETY

WOODBURY

The general purpose and plan of operation of the Woodbury Heritage Society shall be to research and study the history of Woodbury; to provide for the collection, preservation, and dissemination of knowledge and information; to provide for the collection and preservation of papers, books, records, relics and other things of historical interest; to display such materials in appropriate exhibits; to acquire, hold, own, operate and provide for the marking and preservation of historic sites and buildings; to publish materials which shall bear upon the history of Woodbury; and, in general, to carry on all activities appropriate for a Heritage Society.

Pioneer Girls Visit Heritage House

On June 26th the Heritage House and Garden offered a special tour to a group of girls participating in a Pioneer Summer Day Camp at Red Rock Elementary School. It was so cute to see the girls decked out in their bonnets and aprons! Volunteers Bob Elm and Kathrvn Ho introduced the girls to Milky Way, our model milking cow, and helped them explore the house and grounds; learning what it was like to be a pioneer in Woodbury. Each girl went away with a corn cob that they were planning to make into a doll back at the Day Camp.

We are always happy to try and host special groups, call our office at (651) 714-3564 to inquire about a date.



THERE'S STILL TIME!

Open House Schedule

August 11 August 25 September 8

Join us on these Sundays from 1-4 p.m. Bring a friend!

> Marsh Creek Park corner of Radio Drive and Lake Road.





WANTED!

Newsletter Editor

It's 1 a.m. and I'm up trying to get this edition of the *Heritage Happenings* finished because it's way overdue! My busy schedule has gotten even busier this year, and something's just got to give. Please consider giving your time to this worthwhile endeavor. I'm happy to help however I can, but I just can't stand the guilt of always being late! Please call the office (651) 714-3564 or email us at:

heritagesociety@ci.woodbury.mn.us

Free training provided!



Now it's 1:30. (Sigh.)

Sunday October 6, 2013, 2:00 p.m.

Woodbury Heritage Society

30th Anniversary Celebration

Through games, quizzes and photos shared from the Woodbury Heritage Society's Project Preserve we will travel through time and learn what makes Woodbury such a special place to live. There will be opportunities for audience participation for both young and old throughout and the oldest audience member will receive special recognition. Join us at Woodbury's Central Park Amphitheatre to celebrate what makes Woodbury so special.

JOIN US!

Membership dues are for an individual, and cover the calendar year (January—December).

Already a member?

Invite a friend, relative or neighbor to join the ranks. Your support and participation in the Woodbury Heritage Society is

greatly appreciated!

Application for Membership 2013

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Name: _____

Address : _____

City: _____ State ____ Zipcode: _____

Phone: E-mail:

Dues: \$10 per individual

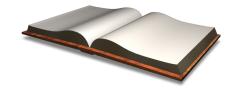
Additional donation for Project Preserve: \$_____

Send application and check or money order to:

Woodbury Heritage Society, c/o Woodbury City Hall 8301 Valley Creek Road, Woodbury, MN 55125

Turn the Page on History

As reported in the last issue of *Heritage Happenings*, our own Bill Schrankler is working on a book, **Shadows of Time. . . Minneso-ta's Surviving Train Depots**. The book will be 250 pages long, 208 in color, featuring the 52 depots listed on the National Register of Historic Places, along with the depots that currently house museums, businesses, civic venues or private residences. The Release date is projected to be November 1, 2013.





Gardener's Report

I've been thinking a lot about corn lately. Why didn't the corn come up this year? Maybe it was because it rained for 10 days straight, with hardly a let up right after the corn was planted. Too much rain can be as bad as too little. Maybe I was too cocky, planting twice as much as usual because it was actually edible last year, for the first time in my experience! Maybe the critters came and ate it right out of the ground, they do that sometimes, and there are a lot of them and a wide variety that compete for what is in the garden, both flowers and food. And what did the pioneers do when their crops failed, surely that had to happen to them, too? They couldn't fall back on the pumpkins to hold them through the winter and feed the animals? Do you have memories of hard growing years? If so, please pass them on to the office via a note or email. It would be useful when we are hosting the school groups in the fall. Meanwhile, there's always next year....

Kathryn Ho

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Woodbury Heritage House and Garden is located at the corner of Radio Drive and Lake Road, in Marsh Creek Park.



Saturday, August 24 WHS at the Schilling Farm

Sunday, October 6 30th Anniversary Celebration At Central Park

(Details inside.)

"Those who do not know history are probably also not doing well in English or math."

P.J. O'Rourke

The **Afton Historical Museum** suffered damage from a tree falling onto the building during a June storm. They will be raising funds to help cover the repair and restoration during the fourth annual Afton Fest to be held on August 10th from 6:30-10:30 p.m. in Afton's Town Square Park. Music, dancing, food and drinks will be available. The event is free. You can get more details at

www.aftonhistoricalmuseum.com.





The **Denmark Township Historical Society** is raising funds to restore the Valley View School, pictured above. One of their hard-working members, Lyla Davies, is making caramels and caramel corn and selling it at the farmers market in Hastings (west on 55 to Westview). She is there from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays and Saturdays. You can get more details about the Valley View School Project at www.dthsmn.org.