

MINUTES APPROVED 05-08-15
AG & EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
UW-Extension, Rolling Hills Complex, Room 220, Sparta, WI
Friday, April 10, 2015

Meeting was called in accordance with open meeting law requirements.

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Nodji Van Wychen at 9:05 a.m.

Members present were: Nodji VanWychen, Wallace Habhegger, Gail Chapman, and David Pierce. Agents present were: Bill Halfman and Joshua Goede. Others present were: : Alli Karrell, Deke Slayton Space & Bicycle Museum Executive Director and Jarrod Roll, Monroe County Local History Room Director, and Matt Hanson, Southwest Regional Director. Member(s) absent: James Schroeder, Mr. Habhegger had to leave the meeting at 10:17 a.m.

Motion was made by David Pierce to accept the minutes for the past meeting as printed. Seconded by Gail Chapman. Motion carried. 4-0-1.

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 8, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Monroe County Extension Office, Rolling Hills Conference Room 220, Sparta.

THE DEKE SLAYTON MEMORIAL SPACE AND BIKE MUSEUM REPORT— Motion made by Gail Chapman to accept the museum report (attached). Seconded by David Pierce. Motion carried. 4-0-1.

LOCAL HISTORY ROOM REPORT— Motion made by Wallace Habhegger to accept the History Room report (attached). Seconded by David Pierce. Motion carried. 4-0-1.

COUNTY FARM EDUCATION FUNDS – No discussion on other potential projects.

EXTENSION OFFICE BUSINESS AND BILLS

> **Agent Program and Updates/Reports**

The Extension educators provided education current programs/impacts. Motion made by David Pierce to review/approve office expenditures. No monthly reports given due to annual reviews done at this meeting. Seconded by Gail Chapman. Motion carried. 4-0-1

Motion was made by Gail Chapman at 9:43 a.m. to go into closed session pursuant to Chapter 19.85 (1) (C) for Annual County Agent Performance Review. Seconded by David Pierce. Nodji Van Wychen - aye; David Pierce - aye; Wallace Habhegger - aye; Gail Chapman – aye; James Schroeder - absent. Motion carried. 4-0-1 (The closed session of this meeting is on file)

Motion was made by David Pierce at 10:40 a.m. to go into open session pursuant to Chapter 19.85 (2). Seconded by Gail Chapman. Nodji Van Wychen - aye; David Pierce - aye; Wallace Habhegger - absent; Gail Chapman – aye; James Schroeder - absent. Motion carried. 3-0-2

Motion was made to adjourn by Gail Chapman, seconded by David Pierce and approved on a 3-0-2 vote at 10:44 a.m.

Bill Halfman, Recording Secretary



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Informational Report:

Audience Served 2015 January February March
 Month Month Month

Adult Members Served:	26	18	15	
6-15 Age Members Served:	4	3	3	
< 5 Age Members Served:	3	3	2	
Adult Non-Members Served:	50	50	101	
6-15 Age Non-Members Served:	23	23	24	
< 5 Age Non-Members Served:	8	8	12	
Number Served in Groups:	44	44	550	YTD
Total Audience Served:	158	149	707	1014

Past Events:

March 11: Business after 5 at the Museum
 March 14: Sparta Sports Expo
 March 23: School group
 March 25: School group
 April 9: 50th Tea Time at the Museum
 March 31: School group

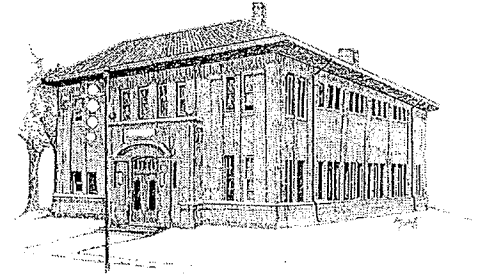
Upcoming Events:

April 16: Mr. Science
 April 18: WCLH Meeting
 April 30: school group

If you have any questions, please call 608-269-0033. Thanks, Allii Karrels.

MONROE COUNTY LOCAL HISTORY ROOM MUSEUM & LIBRARY

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County Historian's Report, March 2015 Submitted by Jarrod Roll, Director / County Historian

Highlighted Projects and Activities

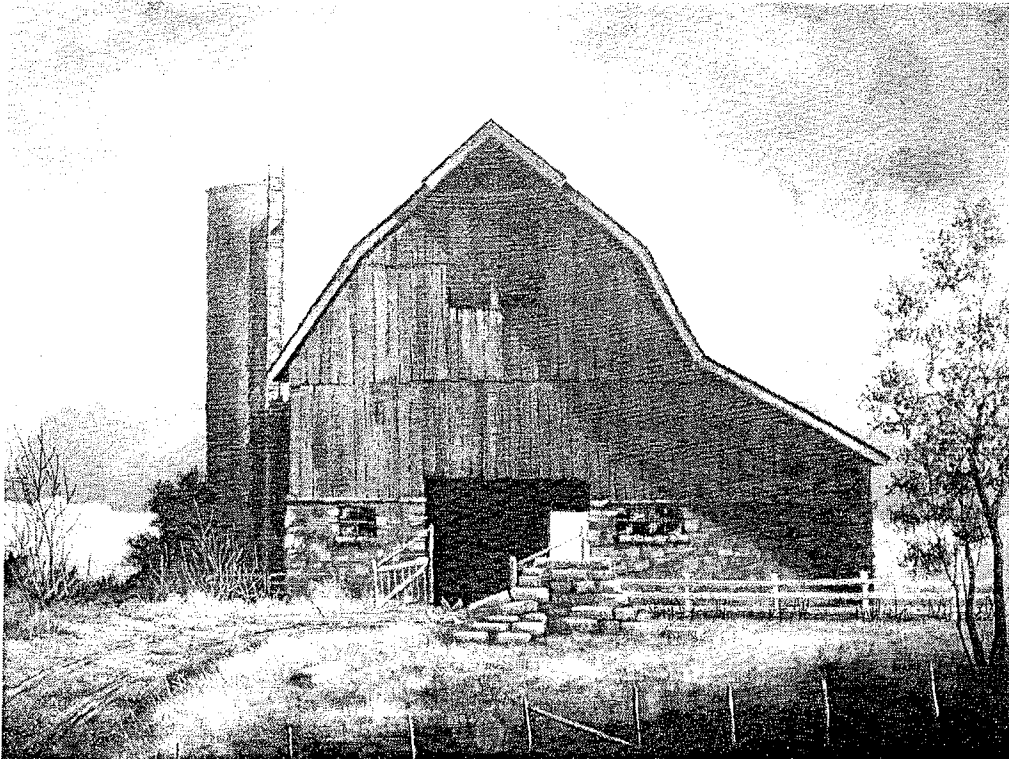
- Promoted and hosted the Thursday evening public program, "Tart's Delight"
- Created interpretive panel for temporary display, Tobacco Harvest Diorama, on loan from Randy Amundson of Portland Township.
- Processed donations to the Annual Fund Drive: wrote thank-you letters, sent receipts, deposited with Co. Treasurer
- Trained new volunteer, Audra Miller, on updating the Monroe County Cemetery Index
- Provided educational programming to 80 Sparta elementary school students and 60 Brookwood High School students.
- Prepared for and hosted Business After Five at the Museum
- Attended Governor's Convention on Tourism in La Crosse and created a report
- Trained volunteer on selling items on eBay
- Attended State Genealogical Convention (Gene-A-Rama)
- Began updating the "What's New in the Museum" display cases
- Continued to fine-tune I-Guide project (added rack signs, exhibit map; enhanced videos)
- Regular tasks: provide research assistance to the public (via email, telephone, mail, and in person patrons); provide customer service to museum visitors; create agenda and minutes; process photo duplication orders; balance LHR financial books and draft monthly report; check fire extinguishers; process new donation offerings; confer with Alli Karrells about museum issues and activities; attend monthly meetings (Ag/Ex Committee, Co. Economic Development & Tourism Committee, Dept Heads, MCHS)

In addition to the projects listed above, I supervise the following volunteer and support staff:

- Janet Hendersin: process new donations: assign accession numbers, catalog, store; assist researchers; assist with exhibit development
- Paul Kuester: work on indexing projects; work on clerical duties as assigned
- Agnes Jenkins: indexing newspapers
- Dennis Burek: photo scanning projects; data entry projects; assist with clerical duties
- Barb Reedich: research Water St. businesses for book/walking tour; answer research requests
- On call (Dennis Burek, Melissa Bailey): data entry; research assistance
- Helga Rogers: data entry projects; assist with clerical duties
- Kathy Hehn: assist with research requests
- Scot Simpson: indexing the County Poor Farm / Asylum records
- John Lasko: represents and promotes LHR at public events
- Lucy Bailey: indexing newspapers
- Jane Schmidt: indexing newspapers

THE MONROE COUNTY LOCAL HISTORY ROOM
"HISTORY - LIVE!" 2015 PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES

Life on the Wisconsin Farm in the 1940s and 1950s



Presented by:
Larry Scheckel,
Author of
Seneca Seasons

*Hear stories from Larry Scheckel's childhood including:
the one-room country school, farming with horses, moving to tractors,
the threshing ring, neighbors helping neighbors, and more!*

Public History Program & Book Signing

7:00pm Thursday, May 14, 2015

Monroe County Local History Room

200 West Main St., Sparta, WI

For More Info Call: 608-269-8680

A \$1.00 per person admission donation is greatly appreciated to defray programming costs.