

MENASHA HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

December 2014

CHRISTMAS BANQUET & PROGRAM

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11

WAVERLY BEACH

5:00 pm SOCIAL HOUR

6:00 pm DINNER

7:00 pm "AROUND DOWNTOWN"

COST: \$21.00 PER PERSON

MAIL CHECKS TO: MENASHA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

P. O. BOX 255

MENASHA, WI 54952

(RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN BY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2014)

November Program Honors Local Veterans

50 persons attended a Veteran's program with interviews by John Straw and Norm Bodway, 2 of our local Korean War veterans. A special thank you to Mark Ropella for again presenting this most moving tribute.

Thank you to ALL veterans for our FREEDOM

Board Meeting

Monday, December 1st

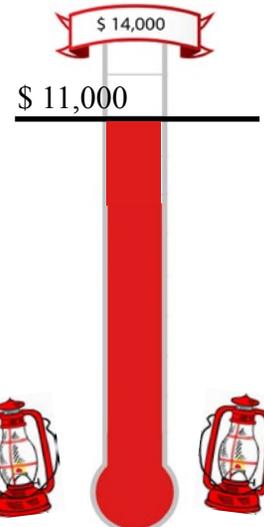
6:00 p.m. Memorial Bldg.

Anyone is invited to attend.



CABOOSE UPDATE

We have reached the \$11,000 mark! We will continue to accept donations for the restoration of the "Little Red Caboose" and hopefully reach our goal prior to the rededication to take place on May 16, 2015. Our next upcoming tour will take place Nov. 25 when we will share this past history with two 3rd grade elementary classes.



Reminder

This will be your last newsletter if your tax deductible

2014 - 2015 membership dues are not paid.

Membership Dues (\$15/individual - \$25/couple)

are payable at this time or may be mailed to:

Menasha Historical Society

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See You Next Year

Our next program (The Wittman Airport) will be held Thurs., April 9, 2015 at the Elisha D Smith Library and presented by Ken Syring. In the meantime we hope you will survive and enjoy another Wisconsin winter. Even though we complain about the cold and snow, think of the many cities who have endured floods, earthquakes, tornadoes and LOTS of snow already in November. So keep the chin up, put a smile on your face and BE THANKFUL

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Although we no longer have open hours on a regular basis a few of us continue to work diligently to “move forward” in our preservation and knowledge of Menasha’s past history. We are continually reminded that we learn from the Past and pursue our endeavors, with modern technology, to preserve. Therefore, it cannot be stressed enough that we need hands-on volunteers who are willing to step forward so progress will not be at a standstill.

Dickens’ *A Christmas Carol*

Charles Dickens certainly was not the first author to celebrate the Christmas season in literature, but it was he who superimposed his vision of the holiday upon the public through his immensely popular novella, *A Christmas Carol*. First published in London by Chapman & Hall on December 19, 1843, the book met with instant success and critical acclaim. Many are familiar with the plot - it tells the story of an old miser named Ebenezer Scrooge and his transformation into a gentler, kinder man after visitations by the ghost of his former business partner Jacob Marley and the Ghosts of Christmases Past, Present, and Yet to Come. *A Christmas Carol* remains popular - having never been out of print - and it has been adapted many times to film, stage, opera, and other media. Revisit this classic tale this holiday season, and it will help you remember the true spirit of Christmas.



“I am the Ghost of Christmas Present,” said the spirit. “Look upon me!”



HAPPY THANKSGIVING, MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR
MAY YOU ALL BE BLESSED WITH THE TRUE MEANING OF THIS SEASON

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