

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

— 2017 Season —

April 17th 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm	Spring Membership Meeting (see flyer on back)
June 18th	Open House
1 to 4 pm portra	Laura Ingalls Wilder yed by Jessica Michna
July 16th 1 to 4 pm	Ice Cream Social
September 10th	Historic Day
Noon to 4 pm	Parade at 2 pm
October 1st 1 to 4 pm	Applefest

Annual Meeting

Fifty-one people turned out for our Annual Meeting in November. President Dave Totten gave a presentation covering our year in review. After coffee and treats, we settled down to hear Terry Kutz portray *Benjamin Franklin*. We learned a lot of tidbits that are not very well known. Three board member terms were expiring; 2 elected to stay on: Al Mueller and Dale Ziemer. Ron Hause retired and Anne Marquardt was added to the roster.

Volunteer Party

In December volunteers and guests attended a buffet gettogether at the Peach Tree Restaurant. We finished the meal with a special cake for our 50th Anniversary; a nice time was had by all.

Christmas Lights

We hope you had a chance to go past the Park this past Christmas season and see all the lights in the windows. We owe a BIG THANK YOU to John Martin and friends who always put the final touch on the gazebo with a lighted and decorated Christmas tree. It really sets it off nicely.

Tuesday Work Days

This winter the weather was uncooperative on Tuesdays but we got a few small projects done. Numerous artifacts were photographed and entered into our data base. Some cleaning was done in the museum after the City workers replaced a wall of cement blocks which made for a LOT of dust (but many thanks to the City!)

Discover New Berlin

We again had a booth at the community and business fair held at Eisenhower High School on March 25^{th} . It was very well attended and we had a good turnout at our booth. We took in a new membership and sold various items. We really enjoyed visiting with everyone who stopped by.

Website

Check out our NEW FACEBOOK page: www.facebook.com/New-Berlin-WI-Historical-Society

Easter Egg Hunt

Joanne and June set up a table again on Sat., April 8th at the Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Jr. Women's Club. They brought the ever-popular egg laying chicken to entertain the kids.

Almanack Part II

"An Apple a Day" was mailed to all members and given to all public and parochial school libraries.

Street Lamps

Many thanks to the City for installing beautiful lamps along our walkways. They add much charm to the Park.

Upcoming Tours

St. Paul's Lutheran School on May 22nd and Senior Red Hats on May 25th.

Welcome New Members

Kathy & Bill Swartz Jan & Frank Swartz Sylvia Wilm Beverly Mueller Katie Multhauf Rip Edmundson Andrea Cira

THANK YOU to all of

our Donors since our last newsletter...

GENERAL DONORS

Sylvia Wilm–\$35; New Berlin Lions Club– for our work at the Corn Roast–\$1,000.

MEMORIAL

Phyllis Pfeiffer—\$20 from Jackie Hermann Frieda Hart—\$10 from Jackie Hermann

THANK YOU... TO ALL OF OUR DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS WHO WORK SO HARD TO GET OUR BUILDINGS READY FOR OUR UPCOMING TOURS AND OPEN HOUSE EVENTS.



Welcome noted author Jerry Apps discussing his latest book *Never Curse the Rain*.

Never Curse the Rain



A Farm Boy's Reflections on Water

Growing up on the family farm, Jerry Apps learned from a young age that water was precious. The farm had no running water, a windmill pumped drinking water for the small herd of cattle, and Jerry and his brothers hauled bucket after bucket of water for the family's use. A weekly bath was considered sufficient. And when it rained, it was cause for celebration

Monday April 17 at 6:30 pm

New Berlin Public Library Community Room

15105 Library Lane in the City Center

Light Refreshments

Free and open to the public

Jerry Apps is professor emeritus at the University of Wisconsin–Madison and the author of many books on rural history, country life, and the environment. He has co-created four documentaries with Wisconsin Public Television and has won several awards for his writing and a regional Emmy Award for the program A Farm Winter. His books for the Wisconsin Historical Society Press include The Quiet Season: Remembering Country Winters and Whispers and Shadows: A Naturalist's Memoir.

The WHS Press will have Jerry's publications available for purchase; Jerry will sign on request.

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First Open House at New Berlin Historical Park will be held Sunday, June 18, 1-4 PM

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