

NEW BERLIN

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Rescuing ... Recording ...
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the authentic
New Berlin history

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June 2017

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

— 2017 Season —

Sunday, June 18, 1-4 pm

Open House with Laura Ingalls Wilder

As portrayed by Jessica Michna

See flyer on back

Sunday, July 16, 1-4 pm

Open House—Ice Cream Social

Sunday, September 10, Noon-4 pm

Open House—Historic Day

Parade at 2 pm

Sunday, October 1, 1-4 pm

Open House—Applefest

Monday, November 13, 6:30 pm

Annual Meeting & Program

"WWI Christmas Miracle"

New Berlin Public Library

Spring Membership Meeting

Noted Wisconsin author Jerry Apps entertained about 50 people with stories from his most recent book "*Never Curse the Rain*". He has a very comfortable speaking style and we learned things about farming many of us did not know. He met with the visitors after the program and autographed his books for them.

Upcoming Almanack

Members will soon be receiving a copy of our latest Almanack "History of the Meidenbauer Log House", by Roy Meidenbauer. Roy, a long-time member, has written other Almanacks about farm life in New Berlin. This story covers the history of the Meidenbauer cabin which can be visited at the Historical Park.

Welcome New Members

Virginia Small; Janice Edwards

Ship Shape

All of our buildings are now ship shape thanks to the City workers. They kindly stopped the leak in the Winton-Sprengel house after putting on a new roof. Three ceilings in the Winton-Martin house suffered damage so we hired a drywaller to repair them; this also included repainting the rooms.

Spring Cleaning

Since the construction put us behind in cleaning, we hired a member and his wife to clean two buildings. On May 5th we were fortunate to get five volunteers from the Merritt-Lennon Agency who allowed their employees time off to do community projects. These people helped clean in the barn and the museum. A VERY BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED READY THE BUILDINGS FOR THE 2017 SEASON!

Patriotic Citizen

We have selected Kathleen Sisson to receive a flag at the Patriotic Citizen Awards on June 11th for years of volunteering.

Tours and School Days

We had a very busy season of tours of Historic Park and grade school children spending a day at our one-room schoolhouse. We could use more help at these events and at our Open Houses. If you can help, contact Joanne Erickson at (262)-542-3643.

Thank You, Al Mueller

Al Mueller, who has been with the Society for decades, is retiring from the Board of Directors. He has always brought, and will continue to bring, his motors to our Open Houses. He was the only keeper of the windmill and would climb up to the motor to oil it. Lately he has passed on his knowledge to the city workers who use a cherry picker to reach the top. Al will still be at our Open Houses with his machinery.

THANK YOU to all of our donors since our last newsletter...

GENERAL:

Ralph Heun presented us with a check for \$618.07. New Berlin Citizens for Responsible Government has disbanded and this was the balance of their funds.

Corn Roasts

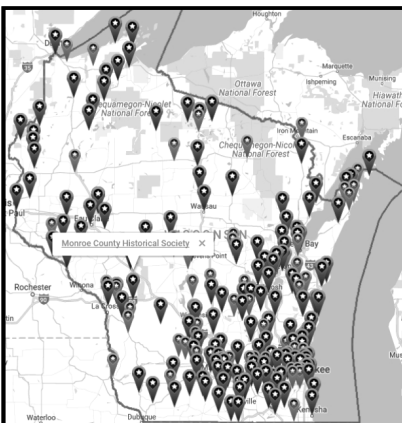
We will again be helping the New Berlin Lion's Club at the State Fair and the Prospect Lion's Club at the City's July 4th celebration. Both clubs are very good to us and we do what we can to help.

Finding Your Way to Local History

Are you interested in local history? Did you know there are over 300 local history affiliates of the Wisconsin Historical Society, of which our society is one? To find out where they are and what they offer, logon to:

newberlinhistoricalsociety.org/locations

There you will find an interactive map locating all those affiliates that have a website. Next time you have a free afternoon, are on a road trip with some extra time, or looking for local history near that vacation spot, logon. Works on laptops, tablets, and smart phones. Enjoy the summer!



At **newberlinhistoricalsociety.org/locations** you can find a local history site near you. Click the icon to launch their website to learn what they offer and when they are open.



OPEN HOUSE AT HISTORICAL PARK SUNDAY, JUNE 18 • 1-4 PM 19765 NATIONAL AVE., NEW BERLIN



SPECIAL EVENT

(AT THE CHURCH 2:30-3:30 PM)

MEET LAURA INGALLS WILDER

LIFE EXPERIENCES THAT MOTIVATED THE
LITTLE HOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE SERIES

A PORTRAYAL BY JESSICA MICHNA



KIDS ACTIVITIES OPERATE THE OLD CLOTHES WASHER RIDE THE BARREL TRAIN AND MORE!



Tour:

- Pioneer log home • Little red school house
- Two 19th century homes • Historic Freewill Baptist Church
- Antique Apple Orchard and Barn

At the Museum:

- Cornfalfa Farms exhibit • Military History exhibit
- Gift shop • Historic Volunteer Fire Department and Police Department exhibits

Refreshments at the Gazebo:

*Home Made Desserts
Hot Dogs, Beverages*



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