

Washington Island Historical Archives Committee
Town of Washington
Washington Island,
Wisconsin 54246

The Tuesday, May 20, 2014 meeting of the Washington Island Historical Archives Committee was called to order by Chairman Eric Greenfeldt at 3:00 PM in the Rutledge Room.

Present were Kirby Foss, Jewel Lee Grandy, Eric Greenfeldt, Charlotte Hansen, Merrill Lundberg, Richard Purinton, Connie Sena and Jeanette Young. Also present was Archivist Janet Berggren. David Raup was absent.

Approval of Minutes

Upon motion made by Kirby Foss and seconded by Jeanie Young, the minutes of the meeting of February 7, 2014, as previously sent to members of the Archives Committee, were approved.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented a written report. A copy is attached to the minutes. Receipts are up for the first five months of the calendar year. Donations have been received from those for whom we worked on research requests. Our budget, of course, is also increased for this year. At the Town's suggestion, the Archivist is now being paid based on the hours she reports rather than the same amount each month. Her hours were up a little these past months and will be lower later this year when she is absent for scheduled trips. Upon motion by Charlotte Hansen and seconded by Connie Sena, the Treasurer's report was approved.

Archivist's Report

The Archivist presented lists of research requests and accessions. Copies are attached to the minutes. She thanked the volunteers. Janet noted that Jo has retired as a volunteer and Barb Ellefson's deteriorating eyesight precludes her from continuing to index the Observer and the Bethel Tidings. We do have a new prospective volunteer. The school project reflected on the second page of the research requests is now up on the school website. The Advocate project on Island family businesses is on track. Arrangements have been made for the Jacobsen Museum to take the whale tooth piece, and the Normandy Landing piece may go to the Legion. Melodie Ellefson and Tryg Jensen are working on an oral history project, with proceeds to go to the Archives. Dick Westring's

project to preserve old home movies in DVD format continues. The Heritage Alliance of Door County held an organizational meeting in March. Janet was not able to attend, but we are an affiliated member of the group and hope to get some educational benefit. Upon motion by Connie Sena and seconded by Jeanie Young, the Archivist's report was accepted.

Program Committee Report

Dick Purinton will present "Thordarson Acquaintances" at Trinity on Sunday afternoon, June 22 or 29, at 4:30. Dick favors June 22, but he will confirm the date with the church.

The 2014 cemetery walk will be on Sunday, September 14, at 1:00 PM. In case of rain we will plan to use the barn at the Farm Museum. We will notify the Town Board for their June meeting. We will meet at 2:00 on Friday, June 20, in the Rutledge Room to read through some of the scripts. We identified some of the prospective impersonators. Each piece should last seven minutes at most. We will address publicity later.

Appeal Letter and Mailing

The Committee members reviewed and approved the proposed annual fund raising letter. A copy is attached. The final version will identify the date for the cemetery walk. Dick Purinton prepared the first draft of the letter. Janet and Eric helped with revisions. This year the letter is on two sheets. We will meet on Thursday, May 29, at 10:00 to work on the mailing.

Facilities Update

The microfilm reader that was in the corner cabinet in the Rutledge Room is now in another room in the building, but we can store it there for no more than a year. Eric will go through the microfilm, and then we can get rid of the reader, keeping just the microfilm. It was agreed that the reader may be moved to Eric's premises where it will be more convenient for him to work on this project.

Storage space continues to be short. The spaces under the work surfaces on the north and west walls of the Archives office, and under the copy machine, offer some possibilities.

Computer/Software Update

Dave Raup has done some research to keep our materials secure as we provide access to these on the internet. Microsoft no longer supports XP, but other service providers do, and their products may be even better than Microsoft. Our software works on XP so far and security is in place. But this solution will need to be revisited on a continuing basis. It has simply given us some more time.

Affiliation with Wisconsin Historical Society

Some limited grant money might be available if we were to be affiliated with the Wisconsin Historical Society. But this is not the case so long as are a committee of the Town Board. Grants are generally available for organizations that have established their own eligibility as charities in accordance with IRC section 501(c)(3). We briefly discussed some of the trade-offs that this presents.

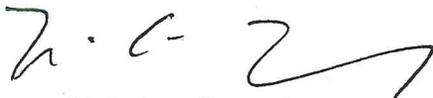
Date of Next Meeting

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 12, 2014, at 3:00 PM in the Rutledge Room.

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. C. Lundberg', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Merrill C. Lundberg, Secretary

WASHINGTON ISLAND ARCHIVES

BUDGET

EXPENDITURES:	ACTUAL 5/16/14	BUDGET 2014
ARCHIVIST:	<u>4743.00</u>	<u>12,376.</u>
FICA:	<u>362.84</u>	<u>972.</u>
DUES/SUBSCRIP:	<u>45.00</u>	<u>100.</u>
POSTAGE:	<u>0</u>	<u>750.</u>
EQUIPMENT:	<u>0</u>	<u>500.</u>
OFFICE SUPPLIES:	<u>0</u>	<u>500.</u>
INSURANCE:	<u>34.00</u>	<u>175.</u>
S.D.BOX:	<u>45.00</u>	<u>45.</u>
PRINTING:	<u>0</u>	<u>800.</u>
TELE/INTERNET:	<u>389.20</u>	<u>1000.</u>
TRAVEL:	<u>0</u>	<u>100.</u>
MAINTENANCE:	<u>0</u>	<u>100.</u>
PROGRAM EXP:	<u>0</u>	<u>100.</u>
ADVERTISING/PROMO:	<u>0</u>	<u>100.</u>
BOOK/DVD PURCHASE:	<u>0</u>	<u>100.</u>

TOTALS: 5619.04 17,718.00

RECEIPTS: DONATIONS: 1160.00 SALES: 116.00

Checking BALANCE: 23,629.79

**WASHINGTON ISLAND ARCHIVES
RESEARCH REQUESTS
JANUARY - MAY 16, 2014**

Source of Request: IP = In person, EM = E-Mail, PH = Phone, LTR = Letter

Requester	Subject	Source
Pat Hewitt/Observer	Photo Fire Dept	EM
Mary Marik/Observer	W. I. Foundation	PH, IP
Mack/Jim Gunnlaugsson	Aznoe Rd. property	IP
Eric Bonow	Fish tug "Una"	EM
Tammy J./Town Office	McHenry family burial plots	IP
Jeanie Young	Island restaurants	IP
Steve Eaton	Enoch Steen	IP
Peg Nikolai/Danish Mill	Peterson family	IP
Kirby Foss	1940 Census	IP
Marilyn Bjarnarson	Andrew Swenson, Enoch Steen letters	IP
Jerry Maiers	Kari & Sigurline Bjarnarson / Veblen	IP
Kay Combs	Great Lakes Storm 1914	LTR
Marilyn Bjarnarson	Nels Friis	IP
Kirby Foss	Janet Burgoon -- cemetery walk	IP
Julie Anderson	Lars Peter Ottoson, Otto Mortenson	IP
Ed O'Neill	Civil War veterans	IP
Martha Blaney	Lorraine Gunnlaugsson essay	EM
Merrill Lundberg	Will Jess -- cemetery walk	IP
Connie Sena	Nels Friis -- cemetery walk	IP
Kirby Foss	Janet Burgoon -- cemetery walk	IP
Jewel Lee Grandy	Jens Jacobsen -- cemetery walk	IP
Dave Raup	Tom Nelson -- cemetery walk	IP
Janet Berggren	Anne Whitney -- cemetery walk	IP
Jean Keating	Irish Village photo	PH
Julie Anderson	Jack Herschberger snowy auto photo	IP
Deb Wuellner-Clarke	Ice-out dates, previous years	IP
Howard Scott / Trinity	Early church history, John Christiansen	IP
Ward Hanson	Thorstein Veblen	IP
Tammy J. / Town Office	Gene Meyer	EM
Pat Hewitt / Observer	Photos of Trinity Church, Matt Foss	EM
Valerie Fons / Earth Day	Island poems, essays for Earth Day	IP
Dave McCormick	Negro baseball teams, Lefty Johnson	IP
Dick Purinton	Dr. Thordur Gudmundsen, Kalmbachs	IP
Britta Sevcik	Scandinavian Dance Fest	IP
Donna Benson / Parks Comm.	Schoolhouse Beach -- old photos	IP

B. J. & Brian Sliwa	1772 Detroit Harbor Rd -- history house	IP
Karen Mamaras	Haglund house history	IP
Bill Tobey	1930's West channel dredging	EM
M. Marik / Advocate	"Generations:" Mann's, Ferry, Sunset	PH

Washington Island Navigators WINS -- W. I. School project -- history & photos

Tony Woodruff/Island Players	WINS -- Early Icelanders	IP
Margaret Foss / School	WINS - Island occupations	EM
Howard Scott/Tony Woodruff	WINS -- Early Icelanders, Arni LeGrove	IP
Marleen Johnson / 3rd - 6th	WINS -- Island Schools	PH, IP
Dani Kickbush / 3rd - 6th	WINS -- Island Schools	IP
Tom Hokkanen / K - 2	WINS -- Whale tooth carving (Art class)	IP
Leila Nehlsen / H. S.	WINS -- Island occupations (H. S.)	IP
Tim Raymond / H. S.	WINS -- Island occupations (H. S.)	IP
Madeline Glines / H. S.	WINS -- Norse Horse Farm	IP
Madeline Glines / H. S.	WINS -- Icelandic horses (past)	IP
Hailey Jorgenson / H. S.	WINS -- Island Outpost	IP
Hailey Jorgenson / H. S.	WINS -- Curly Chris Anderson (past)	IP
Lydia Schutz / H. S.	WINS -- Sailor's Pub	IP
Lydia Schutz / H. S.	WINS -- Gislason dock (past)	IP
Chris Cornell / H. S.	WINS -- Shipyard Marina	IP
Chris Cornell / H. S.	WINS -- Gislason store, Welcome (past)	IP
Elena Waldron / H. S.	WINS -- Graphic solutions	IP
Autumn Dompke / H. S.	WINS -- Lavender Shop / Sunset Resort	IP
Alex Johnson / H. S.	WINS -- Nelsen's Hall	IP
Alex Johnson / H. S.	WINS -- Tom Nelsen, Gunnar & Bessie	IP
Katy Jordan / H. S.	WINS -- Danish Mill, Albatross	IP
Brittany Wacaser / H. S.	WINS -- Mann's Store, George O. Mann	IP
Micala Ervin / H. S.	WINS -- W. I. Observer & predecessors	IP
Laura Schultz / H. S.	WINS -- Kap's Marina, Ship's Wheel	IP
Laura Schultz / H. S.	WINS -- Cap Anderson, Cap's (past)	IP
Hannes Johnson / H. S.	WINS -- Time Out Concessions, predecess.	IP
Hannes Johnson / H. S.	WINS -- Rasmus Hanson, Ridges (past)	IP
Caroline Cauldwell / H. S.	WINS -- Red Cup Coffee	IP
Caroline Cauldwell / H. S.	WINS -- Clover Farm Store (past)	IP
Sophia Hagen / H. S.	WINS -- Siever's School	IP
Sophia Hagen / H. S.	WINS -- Jackson Harbor School (past)	IP
Griffin Garland / H. S.	WINS -- Island Exchange (now & past)	IP
Teachers / School	WINS -- misc. photos schools, etc.	IP

**WASHINGTON ISLAND ARCHIVES
ACCESSIONS
JANUARY - MAY 16, 2014**

DOCUMENTS / PHOTOS ACCEPTED

Donor	Item
Marilyn Bjarnarson	Nora Friis Hansen's autograph book -- pages, 2 photos
Amanda Danforth	Shellswicks' -- collection dozen scanned photos
Ann Young	Jack Herschberger & Reo car photos & story
Lydia Foss / Observer	Complete set 2013 issues of Observer, PDF on disk
"	Einerson - Hansen Family Tree booklet
"	Farm Museum -- old signage & photos
Jim Hanson	Memories: Movies at Nelson's
Jeanie Young	Memories: Movies at Nelson's
Merrill Lundberg	Memories: Bethel Church
"	135th anniversary Bethel in 2000
Marilyn Bjarnarson	Photos of Gunnlaugssons, Evelyn, Madeline, Peter & Magnina
Butch Young	Fire Dept. early records, attendance, fire calls, correspondence
Eric Greenfeldt	Set of 1890 "Republican" newsclips re: Island
Dick Purinton	Ferry-related slides
Steve Eaton	Comments: History Pedant's Lane, Reo cars
Terry Henkel / REC	Plaque S.A.Y State Soccer Champs 1996
Mary Jo Purinton	Photo album: Heritage Trail building & dedication
Connie Sena & Marilyn Bjarn.	Photos of Nels Friis family to scan
Anna Gibson	Photos: I. P. "Steel Magnolias" production, H. S. Scandinavian Dance in Sturgeon Bay / Island, H. S. Graduation, Jackson Harbor. Cassettes oral interviews: Rasmus Hansen, Jeanette Hutchins, Aunt Dottie & Uncle Jim, Herb Gibson, Jake Ellefson, Jeanette Hutchins & Marianna Gibson
Jeanie Young	Photos 2013 Island Party -- 1950s & Elvis
Marilyn Bjarnarson	Misc. items from Henry Nelson's house: Town of Wash. 1936 Audit Report; Trinity Beacons & bulletins; photos of Pastor Rieff, Verna Hanson, Juleene Hanson
Val Carpenter/Janet B.	W. I. Family Center photo album 2003 - 2004