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Upcoming Events

July 8 | Red Barn Farm Picnic Supper & Dance

Dine, drink and dance the night away to benefit the LHS. Tickets on sale now, order form on page 3.

August 13-14 | Port Oneida Fair

The LHS booth will be at Burfiend barn. Susan Odom will demonstrate 19th century cooking and Julie Rhodes will demonstrate primitive rug hooking at Olsen House.

August 16 | Golfathon

Mark Nesbitt and Ross Satterwhite play 100 holes at the Leland Country Club to benefit the LHS.

August 24 | North Manitou Island Day Trip

LHS and Preserve Historic Sleeping Bear team up to provide an enjoyable experience visiting the island and viewing the restoration work on the Katie Shepherd Hotel porch. Tickets available in July.

September 18 | 8th Annual Boats on the Wall

On the Leland River, featuring antique to modern wood boats from the region.

From the President

Summer has arrived and, once again, Leland is filling up with family, friends and visitors. As much as we enjoy the tranquility of our off-season months, it is always exciting to see a little more hustle and bustle about town!

During the winter we remodeled the interior of the museum. We were able to create more office space for the Fishtown Preservation Society within our building as well as increase our own office and collections storage space.

The exhibit area was redesigned for better flow and now provides the capacity to have several different exhibits on display. The process was rather chaotic at times, but with the help of our great staff and construction team we weathered through it!

The doors are once again open at the Leelanau Historical Society and we are looking forward to a great summer season, so please stop by and visit us.

The exhibit, *Shipwrecks of the Manitou Passage: Legacy and Loss* will remain on display throughout the summer and early fall. LHS will be sailing again in August to North Manitou in collaboration with Preserve Sleeping Bear and the Wood Boats on the Wall will return in September. New this year will be a fundraiser in July to benefit LHS. This will be one FUN party with a real rockin' band! You will find details for all events in this newsletter. Have a great summer and we hope to see you soon!

Francie

Francie Gits, President



Bob Brown at the Valentine Workshop; Always New exhibit items, see page 2

Collections Corner

by Susan Odom, Historic Program Manager

I hope you will plan a time to visit or revisit LHS this summer, because we have made a few changes that make our museum a better place to visit! Speaking of visiting, have you seen our permanent exhibit, “Traditional Arts of the Anishnabek,” often called “the basket room” for short? It is our premiere collection and quite a joy to see. The baskets were made by local Native Americans, mostly during the early 20th century and include a good variety of types and styles. Our current exhibit “Shipwrecks of the Manitou Passage” has been reinstalled with new additions. It tells stories of the potentially dangerous waters of the passage and the many shipwrecks found there. Come and take a second look!

Another reason to stop by this summer is our “Always New” exhibit. During the remodeling we were able to establish an exhibit space that will be flexible and updated frequently. I’m planning fresh and new exhib-



its by bringing out great pieces of our collection to display. Right now you can see a top hat made of beaver fur, a tiny pair of ladies “kid” gloves,

a bottle capper and bottle from the DeYoung Farm and an egg crate from “John Kilwy Farm Implements” and more! Visitors are enjoying all these exhibits.

The museum continues to add to its collection of archival materials and artifacts. Many generous people donate items each year. Careful consideration is given to make sure the objects have significance to Leelanau County. Time is also spent each week answering research questions that are received from all over the county and sometimes worldwide. Cleaning of the collection also gets weekly attention and we have a new museum-quality vacuum cleaner to help us maintain all the wonderful objects that have been trusted to our care.

We are also continuing work on digitizing the museum’s collection. We are taking all the photos, objects, and papers that have been donated to the museum over the years and making them accessible on the computer. In the years to come this will prove to be a great research

tool. Each item will be inventoried and detailed, but best of all there will be pictures! It is a slow process, but well worth the outcome.

For lots of fun add the “Port Oneida Fair” to your summer calendar. It will be held August 13-14 in the Port Oneida Historic District of Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore. I will be there again this year doing an historic cooking demonstration. If all goes as planned, I will be inside the newly restored kitchen at the Olsen Farmhouse preserving food in the 19th century style! Otherwise, I will be out in the yard making cherry bounce. Either way it should be a lot of fun!

Finally, be sure to check the *Leelanau Enterprise*, as I am writing a local history column every few weeks on a variety of topics. A recent article included recipes from a 1909 Suttons Bay Congregational Church charity cookbook and from the “The Oaks,” an Omena Inn circa 1918. We welcome your comments and questions; please feel free to contact us at the museum, *your* museum.



Annual Valentine Workshop

The Leelanau Historical Society hosted a valentine-making workshop for children and their families on Saturday, February 6 at the Old Art Building. Staff and volunteers provided crafting supplies and refreshments for the dozens of people enjoying the event.



Cathy Fisher, Georgia Rivers and Rachael Carlson make cupcakes for the event



Ticket Order Form

RED BARN FARM PICNIC SUPPER AND DANCE | *A benefit for the Leelanau Historical Society*

Thursday, July 8, 2010 | 5130 E. Duck Lake Road, Lake Leelanau

Cocktails and appetizers 6:30 pm; Dancing at 8 pm with *Jeff Cobb & Friends*

Classic picnic fare including BBQ, salads and sides, desserts, local wines, hard cider and other libations (cash bar), \$50 per person.



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