



Wildwood Historical Society

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May 2015 Newsletter

May Meeting

Our May program will feature the Gateway Harness Club's president, Wildwood resident Lonnie Leavitt. We will learn about the history of the club and carriage driving in the St. Louis area. Weather permitting, there will be a carriage for show-and-tell at 6:30, with the meeting inside at 7:00. Please join us for this great program!

May Meeting

Tuesday, May 19, 2015

Show-and-tell at 6:30 p.m.; indoor meeting at 7:00 p.m.

WHS Meeting Hall

18750 Highway 100

Wildwood, MO 63069

Upcoming Meetings

June 16 – Potluck at 6:00 p.m.; History of Fahr's Greenhouse program at 7:00 p.m.

July 21 – Honor Flight 2015 Recap at 7:00 p.m.; ice cream social following (tentative)

August 18 – WF&P Railroad history at 7:00 p.m.

September 15 – TBA; annual election of officers and trustees

October 20 – TBA

November 17 – WHS Antiques Roadshow at 7:00 p.m.

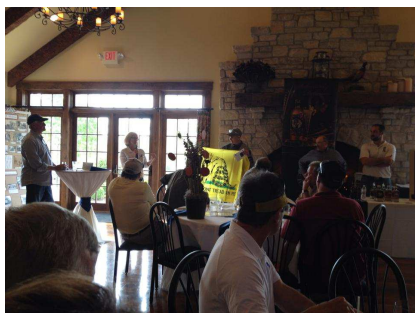
December 5 – Annual WHS Christmas Party at 6:30 p.m.

Please see page 3 of this newsletter for an easy-to-use calendar ad sales form. We need YOU to help. It's a great fundraiser!

Thank You

Sporting Clays Fundraiser

Thanks to Rick and Karen Fox for organizing this event and for their generous matching donation. We are awaiting the final bills, but we know this was a great fundraiser. Everyone enjoyed it!



Trivia Night

Thanks to Martha Bunch and the West County Kiwanis for organizing a fun night of trivia. We raised about \$1,400!



Spring Regional Historical Society Meeting

Thanks to Martha Bunch for organizing this event. We had 34 in attendance, which is a great turnout for one of these meetings. Everyone enjoyed lunch, visiting, touring our museum, and hearing about other societies' work.

A huge THANK YOU to all who helped prepare for these events and to all who participated or supported them. We couldn't have done them without you! We do not want to overlook anyone, so please know that our thanks goes to you if you were part of the above-mentioned events.

Recent Donations

- Lil & Ron Putman** – Louise Bouquet Hencken's quilting table
- Val & Denny Mertz** – Vintage bulbs and plants; a large number of farm artifacts
- Fred & Martha Bunch** – Camcorder
- Donna & Steve Kummer** – White folding chairs
- Joyce Mercer** – Bethany Church research
- Dot Pendleton** – Rockwood School research
- Rich Hardt's Family** – Monetary donation
- Rich Hardt** – Repairing and installing cemetery fence and stone display (in museum)
- Wild Horse Creek Living Magazine** – Monetary donation
- Peggy and Steve Fossett Foundation** – Outdoor lighting

Thank you for your donations – we appreciate them!



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2016 Calendar Advertising Sale Form

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Paul's phone number is (636)273-5398 in case you need to speak to him in person.

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If advertiser pays at time of sale, please fill out the information below and bring this form and advertiser's check to our next monthly meeting. Thank you!

Business Name: _____

Check Amount \$ _____ Check Number: _____

Date: _____ Received By: _____

WHS will email a receipt to each advertiser upon receipt of each advertiser's check.

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Peek Into Our Past

The *Watchman* county newspaper published news from towns in our area in the late 1800s. Enjoy this month's "Peek Into Our Past."

5/11/1882 – The Armenia Harugari Lodge picnic at Hetzell's grove near Pond, was a splendid success. Between 800 and 1000 people were present.

5/11/1882 – The closing exercises and picnic of the Melrose public school took place last Saturday, May 6, under the supervision of Mr. S. W. Stellwag who has successfully taught the pupils at Melrose for the last two years. He has certainly proved himself to be an earnest and painstaking teacher. The school room was tastefully decorated with evergreens, hung in wreaths and festoons, and bouquets of flowers in profusion. The exercises commenced at 10 a.m., consisting of vocal music and recitations in English and German. It was indeed an intellectual treat to sit and listen to the harmonious sound, and those patriotic songs which added so much to the success of the occasion. The pupils were prompt in recitation; ever ready to obey the commands of their teacher, and all evinced a desire to do their duty faithfully and well. At 12 o'clock the pupils formed in double file, headed by two musicians, marched around the playground in soldier-like style and finally came to a halt at the dinner table, which was under the immediate supervision of the ladies, who were untiring in their efforts to attend to the wants of their juvenile guests. Lemonade was served to the little folks, but the older ones preferred to discuss the foaming amber as a beverage. The picnic proved a gala day for the children, and all, patrons, children and pupils, went home highly pleased with the occasion.

WHS Membership Information

WHS memberships are due on a calendar-year basis and run through December 31, 2015. Thanks for your support!

Individual – \$25

Couple – \$30

Family with children through age 22 – \$35

Benefactor – \$100

Lifetime – \$500

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