

Stoughton Historical Society Newsletter

Winter / Spring 2022

Hello From the President

We're back! The 2021 season had a good turn out even with CoVid restrictions. Total attendance for the year was around 680 visitors.

Special tours and "Whispers at the Museum" brought many new faces to the museum along with a few new members and many positive comments.

Our primary objectives remains on course with "collection, preservation, advancement and dissemination of knowledge of the history of Stoughton, Wisconsin and its environs".

With our Society joining the 175 Birthday celebration committee for 2022, we have added more events than ever and could use your help.

I encourage all to get involved, or continue to be involved, with the Stoughton Historical Society and help celebrate and grow our history.
The best to you! - Nancy Hagen

To volunteer contact: Nkhagen5@gmail.com

For calendar of events:
stoughtonhistorical.society.org or
[Facebook.com/city history.org](https://www.facebook.com/cityhistory.org)

Happy 175th Birthday Stoughton!

Working with many volunteers from the Stoughton area, the Stoughton Historical Society has taken an active role in the upcoming 2022 year long birthday celebrations. Listed below are the Stoughton Historical Society events. Check our Facebook and/or web page for a list of all the citywide events for 2022. Here we go!

April 5 - 6:30 on Tuesday. Our annual meeting at the Sons of Norway Lodge will feature Todd Hubing. He will be presenting the Museum's Linderud slides dating from the late 1900s. Birthday cake and refreshments will be provided.

June 25, Saturday from 12:00 - 3:00. Come to the Luke Stoughton Pioneer home at 315 N. Division St. We will be having an ice cream social, reenactments in the home, historic walking tours at 12:30 and 130 and more.

September 10, Saturday, from 2:00-6:00. The Stoughton Hist. Society and the Stoughton Village Players will join forces again for the first ever "Whispers Mystery on Main" This light hearted throwback to 1947, during Stoughton's 100 year celebration will entertain all ages. Tours will leave every 10 minutes with five stops. More details to come. Fundraiser.

December 4, Sunday 3:00-5:00. (At the Historical Societies Main museum on Page St). "The First Service - 1858" will take place with tours every 15 minutes. More Information to come.



Private Tour Groups

Private group tours are available for you and your clubs. Contact Nancy at Nkhagen5@gmail.com for more information. Special tours were given throughout our 2021 season using Covid protocols.



New Century learned about tobacco farming from member Sue Slinde on our lower level display while also touring the entire museum.



Stoughton Lions club visited in the summer and got quizzed on what they saw.



“R” Olde House Club” toured with SHS with docents Bonnie Rae, Chris Milligan - Ciha and Nancy Hagen.

Son's of Norway Vendor Bake Sale



Pictured are two customers checking out the SHS sale table at the November Son's of Norway vendor/ bake sale event.

Whispers from the Museum

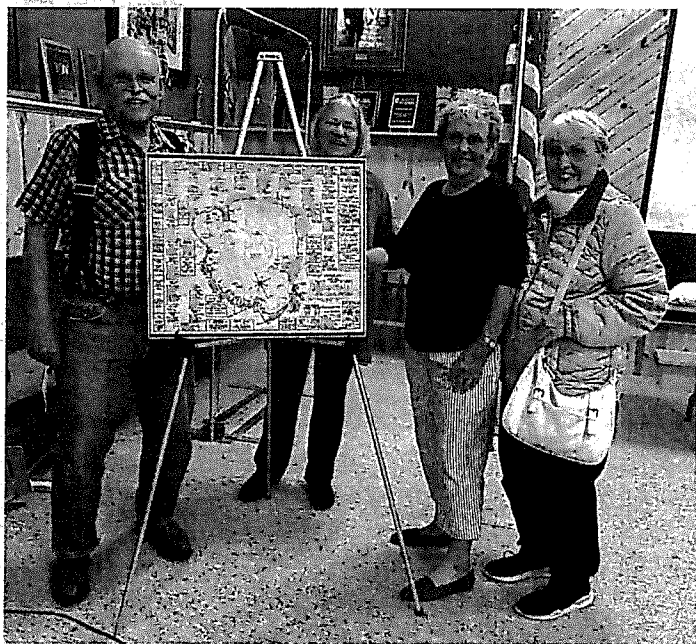
“Whispers from the Museum” held on September 11, was a great success. Stoughton Historical Society and Stoughton Village players not only entertained visitors, as mannequins came to life, but shared historical events.



Events

October 5, 2021 General Meeting at Sons of Norway Lodge.

Lake Kegonsa was featured. A large group enjoyed our presenters Barb and Steve Sackett slides and stories from the lake. The museums lake collection along with family slides all added to the evening with many stories shared. Be sure to check out our Lake Kegonsa show at the Museum.



Pictured Barb and Steve along with Barb's sister Beth Koss.

Thank You!

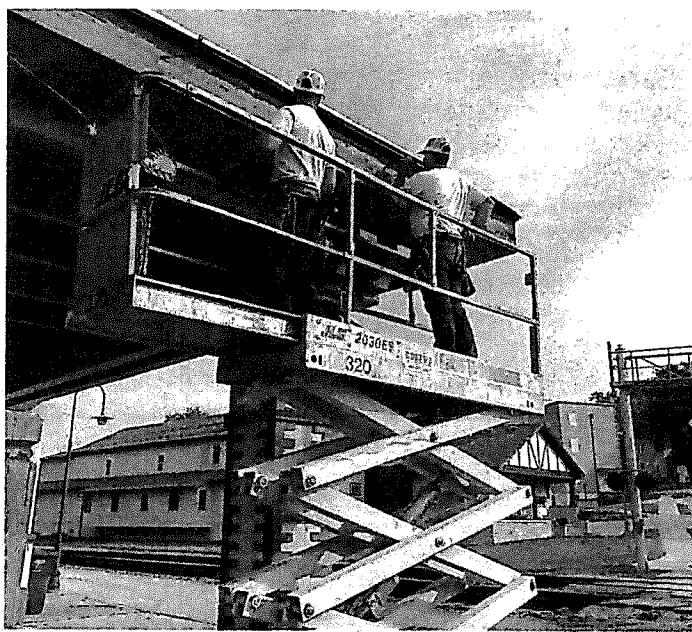
A special THANK YOU to the Stoughton Courier Hub for the coverage on museum events during our 2021 season.

Lake Kegonsa cake and treats donated by Al and Chris Milligan -Ciha. Thank you!

Speakers: Barb and Steve Sackett with Barb's sister Beth Koss. Thank you!

Depot Repairs

Pictured is a team of workers repairing exterior depot deterioration. Painting slated for 2022. Be sure to check out our museum located in the northern section of the building open during chamber hours.



Volunteer Opportunities

We are a totally volunteer organization. Do you have a spare two hours a year to help us out? Below are several opportunities to give us a hand. Contact Nancy if interested: Nkhagen5@gmail.com. Thanks!

Spring clean - April 16, 9:00-11:00
Syttende Mai docents- May 13,14,15
Saturday docents - Syttende Mai till Labor Day in
Raise the Flag drivers - (fundraiser)
Luke Stoughton Pioneer Day - June 25, 12:00-3:00 (several opportunities)
"Whispers Mystery on Main" - September 14, 2:00-6:00 (fundraiser)
"The First Service 1858" 3:00-5:00 (Docents needed.)

Check out our web page: www.stoughtonhistoricalsociety.org for items for sale. We have books, t-shirts, notecards and more.



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**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO VOLUNTEERED THIS SEASON.
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