Roseville Historical Society

MEMO



Pigs — "Roseville Loved the Smell!"

Spanish explorer Hernando de Soto brought pigs with him in the year 1539 when he came to explore the southeastern region of North America. They were the first pigs on the continent. Pigs that escaped from his herd became ancestors of razorback pigs. Wild pigs have straight tails, domestic pigs have curly pigs. There are 16 species of pigs.

Roseville was an agriculture center during the early years. Many of the farmers raised pigs. They would 'pick' garbage from city homes and restaurants, bakeries and commission rows (wholesale companies). It was said that Summit Avenue had the best garbage!

As Roseville grew and housing developments were built "downwind" from the pig farms the residents complained about the smell. The new Roseville residents complained about the number of pigs, the odor, the garbage, rats and flies.

Tony Schmidt raised pigs on his farm at 2865 Hamline Avenue North. "It was the smell," the neighbors complained that had driven them to convince the Roseville Council to disengage Tony from his porkers. Tony countered that "his pig farm was neatly kept and fenced and that a little smell never hurt anyone."

Many legal actions and petitions were filed against Tony and the other pig farmers. The Village Council of Roseville issued an order to all pig farmers that "The owners will cease all garbage cooking or feeding or use of the property in any way for storage of garbage by Dec. 31, 1967, and the owners will cease use of the premises as a piggery by Dec. 31, 1968."

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Sharon DeHaven on Grandpa August Otto's pig farm.

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Membership Meetings:



Monday, May 15, 2017 – 7:00 p.m.

Program: Author Lee Burtman will speak about her book - "Fighting for Delphine, True Story of Triumph and Tears, Memoirs of WWII Veterans."

Treats will be provided by: Arlene Krause, LaVerne Dickhudt and Delores DeHaven.

Monday, Sept. 18, 2017 – 7:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. 11, 2017 – 5:30 p.m. Potluck Dinner

Membership meetings are held in the Fireside Room at the Oval.

Board Meetings:

Thursday, Aug. 10, 2017 – 7:00 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 9, 2017 – 7:00 p.m. Board meetings are held in the Aspen room at City Hall.

Rosefest Parade

Monday, June 26,2017

The Roseville Historical Society will have 3 units in the parade.

The lead car will be a yellow 2008 Pontiac roadster named "solstice" which is owned and driver by Wayne Griesel. Riding with Wayne is the Society President, Rynetta Renford.

In position #2 is a diesel Ford pickup driven by Mike Halbe and pulling a 12-foot trailer with members of the Roseville Historical Society.

Following is a Minneapolis Moline tractor owned and driven by Eric Gunard, who through the years has entertained the crowds along the parade route with his old farm machinery.

Meet at Roseville Area High School at 5:30 p.m. and ride in the parade on a Historical Society vehicle.



40th Anniversary in the Park

The Roseville Historical Society will commemorate 40 years of collecting, maintaining and disseminating the history of Rosetown/Roseville.

On Thursday, June 29, 2017, beginning at 6:00 p.m., at Central Park, Lexington Avenue, free cake and lemonade will be served to the public to celebrate this anniversary.

Stay and listen to the Blue Groove Blue Grass band at 7:00 p.m.

Please Note

Due to the Anniversary celebration in Central Park on June 29, 2017, the annual picnic usually held in July has been cancelled.



Many, many thanks to **Sam Fudenberg** for the hundreds of hours he spent over the last years cutting out Roseville obituaries from the local newspapers. He'll be retiring from that job in June. We will miss his faithful work for the Society.

If anyone can help with this on-going project, please let us know.

From your Archivist

By LaVerne Dickhudt

Spring is here and flowers are starting to bloom.

Things are about the same here in the office.



Sharon and Joyce decided to do a new display for city hall, so we went into our artifact collection downstairs and found some beautiful dishes from some prominent people in Roseville. Don't forget to look at it.

Since our last newsletter, we had some folks we could help. Several people from RAHS alumni wanted some pictures from 50 years ago for their reunion. Mission accomplished!

A lady came in and bought 2 trail books. The public knows we're still here.

We're still waiting for our new home someday.



When - Monday mornings.

No experience necessary. Training will be provided.

Excellent working environment!

Salary & benefits = Tea and cookies

Please consider helping the Society in this way. Call and leave a message at 651-792-7440 or email at rhsmn1977@yahoo.com.



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Membership Meeting Minutes Feb. 20, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Rynetta Renford at 7:00 p.m.

Treasurer Beverly Kroschel reported as of 2/1/17 the financial statement was as follows: Building fund \$8,284.24. Checking \$2,404.22. Savings \$3,510.35 and CD \$6,185.42 for a total of \$20,384.23. Approved

Secretary's minutes read and approved

Membership report by Ron Linebarger was read and approved. 121 total members. 30 family members and 61 total individuals paid their 2017 dues. One new member joined the Roseville Historical Society in January.

Archivist LaVerne Dickhudt – Nothing more right now than what was in the MEMO.

Heritage Director Sharon Pillen thanked everyone for the supplies that were donated, trying to keep cost factor down. She will be entering jam into Anoka, Ramsey, and MN State Fairs. A craft show will be held the first week in April at Curves in Little Canada. We will also participate in December at the city hall craft show.

Showcase in city hall by Sharon Pillen and Joyce DuFresne consisted of a snowman collection, ice skates and a sled. It will be taken down the middle of March. The new display will include some Brimhall china and other glassware.

No new news on building for new home for RHS.

New Business: Joyce Dufresne, Vice president and Co-Heritage Director, announced that the Society's 40th anniversary is this year. Where to have it? What type of entertainment? Any ideas or suggestions, please call the office. No date yet.

Emails sent electronically before Feb. 1 to send out the newsletter instead of mailing it. Saves on postage.

Election of officers: Nominated and approved. Vice President - Joyce DuFresne Treasurer - Beverly Kroschel Archivist - LaVerne Dickhudt

Guest speaker was Carrie Huber. Subject State Fair Archives.

Meeting adjourned 7:25p.m. Amie Pillen, Secretary

Pigs Can Scream

The sound made by a jet engine is around 113 decibels. A pig can scream at 115 decibels.



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Tony knew he was wrong of course, in violation of village zoning laws, but he was unwilling to give in (though he eventually did) on the basis of "principle." What that principle was, Tony didn't bother to explain.

Obviously, the new residents did not appreciate pigs for all their good qualities.

Technically speaking, a pig is an animal less than 10 weeks old and a mature pig is called a hog. Piglets weaned off their mother's milk are called shoats. A male pig is called a boar until it is castrated then it is a barrow. A female pig is called a gilt until it gives birth than it is a sow. From birth to the age of 6 months a piglet will increase its size by 7,000 percent.

Pigs prefer clean pens. They will relieve themselves in the corner furthest from where they sleep.

Pig skin has no sweat glands. To keep cool they prefer to a dip in cool clean, water. If that is not available mud will do. Mud also protects them from lice and other parasites as well as preventing sunburn. Because of their thick skin they can withstand the bite of venomous snakes far better than other animals.

Like humans, pigs are omnivores, meaning they eat both plants and other animals. They prefer to eat slowly and savor their food. "Porcus" is Latin for pig giving us the word pork. Bacon is one of the oldest processed meats in history. The Chinese began salting pork bellies as early as 1500 BC. Today 38% of meat worldwide is pork and 65% of a pig is edible.

Pigs consume half the corn supply of the US, and 75 million of them each year are slaughtered to provide Americans with 65 pounds of pork eaten per capita.

Pig snouts are very sensitive to touch. Some pig farmers put rings in pig's noses to prevent them from rooting around in the dirt with their snouts causing damage to crops.

Their skin is used to treat burns and their insulin is used to treat diabetics. Thyroxine is used to treat under-active thyroids and a compound from their pituitary gland is used to relieve arthritis. About 40 different medications are made from pigs, and their heart valves have been used to replace human heart valves.

The world's largest pig was Big Bill, a hog who was 5 feet tall at the shoulder, 9 feet long and weighed 2552 pounds in 1933.

Winston Churchill famously said "Dogs look up to man. Cats look down to man. Pigs look us straight in the eye and see an equal."



CheerBy Monica Muckala

Get well cards sent to:
Beverly Kroschel
Joyce DuFresne
Herb & LaVerne Dickhudt

If you know of a someone who should receive a card, please call Monica at 651-489-7293.

Notes from your Heritage Directors

By Sharon Pillen and Joyce DuFresne

We are well into the year for planning fundraising and for the 40th Anniversary of the Roseville Historical Society. If anyone has ideas for projects, we would love to hear from you.

The yesteryear Christmas display at city hall was a great success. The winter display was old-fashioned toys of the season and a snowman collection. At present, there is a dish display of china and depression glass donated by long-time members.



A teapot and cup display is planned for June. Members are encouraged to share their teapots and/or cups and saucers. Contact Sharon or Joyce.

Any member who has a collection of historical interest they would like to share with the community, please call the office so plans can be made to display in the future.

At all the membership meetings, there will always be the award-winning jams, gingerbread and other homemade items for sale. We were invited to participate in two craft sales this spring. The second sale is on-going at the Chickadee Boutique on St. Marie street near Rice street. They are open Thursday through Sunday until the end of May.

The goal this year is \$2,000 and with the help of members and others we will do well. The donations of 4-ounce jelly and pint jars, sugar, flour, baskets, yarn and helping hands has made a big difference. Please keep us in mind when you are discarding your treasures of baskets, small glass dishes, cups etc.

Triple-berry: apricot, pineapple and raspberry is the new jam to be entered in Ramsey, Anoka and Minnesota State Fairs this year. It has been a great seller. The original triple-berry: strawberry, blueberry and raspberry will always be available.

This year the office has been getting calls from people who have come to our sales during the past year and wanted to buy some of the jam. How great that is for the Roseville Historical Society to have our name out there and for others to enjoy the homemade products. There have been requests for relish and beet pickles. Dick Wenkel has offered space in his garden to grow the beets for us, so we will have beet pickles this fall at our sale.

The planning for the Society's 40th Anniversary party under way. Keys restaurant will be making the cake for our celebration at the Central park. The date to come and celebrate is June 29, 2017, 6:00 p.m. There will be cake, lemonade and water. Come share stories

of Roseville history past and stay for the Blue Grass music at the amphitheater. You may want to bring your favorite lawn chair.

We hope to see you all at our quarterly May 15 meeting. Be sure to invite a friend to enjoy the evening with us and the door prizes.

Treasurer's Report

April 6, 2017 By Beverly Kroschel

 Checking
 \$ 2,567.61

 Savings
 3,510.35

 Building Fund
 8,328.74

 CD
 6,185.42

 Total
 \$20,592.12

Roseville Historical Society Membership Form

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