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REMEMBERING

Wednesday, September 12, 2018 - Five members of the exhibit committee for "Tales Unveiled", the newest museum exhibit, presented additional information about the items they had researched.

Rebeka Jacobson's item was a bird cage which was purchased at Battershall's store. The store opened in 1890 in a two-story building built by George and his son Fred. By 1894 Fred was running the Grayslake store. The Grayslake store was said to be the "largest general merchandise store in the area". The second floor sometimes hosted community events and entertainment. Fred added additions to the building over the years and in 1919 sold the business to his son-in-law. Eventually the building had several different owners and even the library used a room at one time.

Nancy Reed then discussed the loom which was purchased by Dorothy DeGraff in 1946 and which Dorothy used in her rug-weaving business. She operated her business from her home on Lake Street. She began weaving rugs as a member of a group of United Protestant Church members who used the rugs to make money at the bazaars in the area. The loom is handmade and was put together with wooden pegs although her husband Anton strengthened it over the years using nails. It was donated to the society in 1978 and moved from the museum in the village hall building into the new museum with the help of Carl Heiler. It took Mrs. DeGraff an hour and twenty-five minutes to make 1.5 inches. She stated that what a rug-weaving hobbyist needed was time and patience but most of all a larger room for the loom.

Marie Hines was the next person. Her item was believed to be a coffee urn and had been used by the Grayslake Woman's Club. Marie said that she chose the urn because it was so ornate and unusual. She talked to women in the club and looked at scrapbooks but she could find no information. Finally she discovered that the item had been used at a reception celebrating the Grayslake Jubilee in 1970. Later she found out on a vacation that the "urn" is actually a water tipper from the 1890s and is unusual because it is very complete.

Cynthia Lee presented information about the Indian headdress that her father, Jim Rockenbach, had received from the Canadian division of the International Association of Fire Chiefs, of which he was elected president in 1979. In that year the Village of Grayslake also held a large parade and festivities to celebrate him. She showed one of the large picture posters that was displayed by the Village on the light posts in town. In 1980 he was on the cover of "Fire Chief" magazine with a large article inside. She also displayed a pen which was shaped like a match and a small box with a rock in it which he had given out when he was running for the election. Her mother had kept a small notebook in which she recorded all the association meetings and conferences they attended and it was included.

Linda Willhite's item was the Eastern Star Chapter 329 signature quilt which was made in 1927 by Lillie Mead Hook. The Chapter was started in 1896 and by 1994 had 240 members. In the 1920s and 30s newspapers had printed patterns for Eastern Star quilts after receiving requests for them from readers. The Grayslake chapter charged five cents for each square and it had ninety-six names. Some chapters auctioned or raffled quilts but it is not known how the Grayslake quilt was used. It contains the names of many pioneer families and is a treasure.

Sunday, September 30, 2018 - It was a gloomy weather day for the twenty-first annual Living History Tour of the Grayslake Cemetery but the enactors brightened the day with their outstanding presentations. The theme of the walk was the Illinois Bicentennial. Daniel Graham Jr., portraying George Thomson, the first mayor of Grays Lake, welcomed the crowd at each of the two sessions. Thomson lived from 1864 to 1912. He and his brother Albert had a harness shop on the main street of town. Grayslake Village Trustee Shawn Vogel was the historian for the day and told the audience that the first governor of Illinois was Shadrach Bond. Bond served only one term just like Thomson.

Thomson introduced Carrie Beverly Wilkinson (1857 - 1933) portrayed by Marie Hines. Carrie and her husband raised children on their farm near Spring Grove. The Cherry Mine Disaster was in 1909 and Carrie read in the newspaper that 259 men and boys died when the mine caught fire and they were trapped inside the mine. Trustee Vogel explained that Grayslake also had a disaster when in 1974 four Grayslake public works employees were asphyxiated underground in a lift station accident. The men were Wayne Alesi, Tommy Dungan, John Hertel Jr. and James Pech. Ironically Carrie's husband died in a disaster. He was killed when dynamite exploded while blasting a tree trunk. It was also a disaster when Bob Rockenbach was killed when snow plowing for the Village.

The next person to tell a story was Mary Ann Cleveland. Due to her husband's absence, Mary Ann, portrayed by Charlotte Renehan, explained that John Milton Cleveland lived from 1804 to 1881. Besides farming he was a township collector, road commissioner and school board member. During Cleveland's life time, the first state fair was held at Springfield in 1853. After moving around the state for many years, the fair settled permanently in Springfield in 1894. According to Trustee Vogel, the first Lake County Agricultural Fair was held in Waukegan in 1852. It, too, traveled to different locations before getting a permanent home in Grayslake in the early fifties.

Blanche White (1875 - 1918) was portrayed by Julia Wasik. People in the audience remembered Blanche's daughter - in - law, beautician Hazel White. From

Blanche it was learned that the first state park was Fort Massac State Park . It opened in 1908. From Trustee Vogel it was learned that Grayslake's Park District was formed in 1959 and that Jones Island was the first park. It was created in 1985.

The most interesting person was Anna Ingrish Hendee (1852 - 1929) portrayed by Virginia Fitzgerald. Anna was born in Austria and immigrated to the U. S. in time to witness the Great Chicago Fire of 1871. People in the audience were reminded by Trustee Vogel of the numerous lumberyard fires in Grayslake. One even had a fatality.

Maria Morrill Rich was born in 1818, the year that Illinois' statehood began. Before she died in 1903, Illinois had three capitals: Kaskaskia, Vandalia and Springfield. She even experienced Grayslake becoming incorporated. Her husband was David Rich, one of the first settlers in the area. Maria was portrayed by Gayle Gilliland. Trustee Vogel told that Grayslake has had three Village Halls. The first one is now the Grayslake History Museum.

William Hall (1875 - 1949), a Hainesville village trustee, was portrayed by Max Gambony. William was alive during the Flood of 1818 which put Illinois' first capital on the other side of the Mississippi River. Will actually experienced Grayslake's Flood of 1938.

George read a letter written by Anthony Harvey (1851 - 1924) as Anthony was busy trading cattle. In the letter Anthony told of the Eastland Disaster when 844 people lost their lives when the ship capsized in the Chicago River. George then told of numerous drownings in Grays Lake. The 1986 drowning of David Pinkham was remembered by many in the audience.

Wednesday, October 10, 2018 - Members of the exhibit committee for "Tales Unveiled" expanded on the stories told by the objects in the exhibit.

Tess Madden discussed the curling broom owned by Jake Pech. She shared some background on the rules of curling and its history as well as changes that had occurred in the look of the broom over the years. Jake was born in 1901 in Rockefeller (Mundelein) and later moved to Grayslake. He was described as "an impeccably dressed pipe smoker who liked to wear a black beret with curling pins." (Curlers would exchange pins representing their team with opponents.) His favorite was from a club near Loch Ness which featured the monster. He learned to skate when he was young and although he was a bowler, he gave it up for curling. He was a member of the Chicago Curling Club of Northbrook and competed in Scotland, Sweden and Canada. He was also a member of the O.B., Old Buzzards, a club made up of retired men within the Chicago club who curled together once a week. Jake lived to be 80 and is buried in Grayslake.

Linda Pekelsma first saw her item, a long white nightgown with thirty-four buttons down the front, during the Flood of 2017. She described it as simple but beautiful. The person who donated it was Ruth Pester. The gown belonged to Emily Jean Beak, who was born in 1861 and lived on a farm with her parents. She was married in 1887 to George Thurlwell and made the nightgown. In 1900 they lived on a farm near Grayslake with four children. They divorced between 1901 - 1908. For a period of time he worked as a well-digger. Emily as a single mother faced some family drama. Her daughter Alma was sent to McHenry to go to high school and then at age of fifteen she married Thomas Haas. She lied about her age and said she was twenty. Emily tried to

have the marriage annulled. Later Emily lived at 130 Center Street and worked as a seamstress. Emily died in 1943 and George died in 1925.

Linda Willhite spoke about the play pipe, a rigid extension of a fire hose that has handles and provides a gripping surface. It was manufactured in 1934 in Chicago and mounted to the Pirsch 1928 #1 fire truck. One of the most important roles of the play pipe was to help fight the fire of 1970 at the Grayslake Bowling Alley. The fire was discovered by Robert Duesterberg who was in the apartment above the alley. He was able to wake his grandmother and the Killeen family who were in another apartment and get them to safety. The fire was fought for twelve hours and thousands of gallons of water were used. For the play pipe the water came from the lake after a valve was opened at Pete's Park and flowed down a pipe under Center Street. Three firemen opened up a manhole and pumped the water with the Pirsch. Nine people were left homeless by the fire. The play pipe became outdated and was replaced by a nozzle with an "on and off" switch. The old pipe was made into a lamp by one of the firemen and later given to the Doug Rockenbach family.

Michelle Poe talked about several boxes that were donated to the historical society by a land developer in 2018. Inside was a treasure trove from archaeology digs near the corner of Peterson and Alleghany roads in the 1980s and 1990s. Pieces of window glass, bits of dinner plates, a belt bucket and a piece of a doll found at the site tell the story of a farm that was on the site from about 1850 to 1900. The land was owned by Enoch Morse and his son and five or more families called it home. About 1900 the home was sold to the Behm family and the house was razed.

Charlotte Renehan concluded the program by sharing the stories of two items. For several years the Society had four pieces of paper dated 1894 in a frame. It was assumed that they were connected to Grayslake's incorporation as the pages were on Thomson Brothers receipts. Research corrected the assumption. The papers contained tally marks as men voted on a slate of men to represent them at a Republican convention in Libertyville. The next item was rusty but unique. It was a water heater used by a local woman who took in laundry. While doing other work at the house, a plumber convinced the woman that the water heater needed to be replaced. The plumber stored the conversation piece until he moved and then it became a treasure of the Society.

Wednesday, November 14, 2018 - Robert Smyth presented a program on Bert Jacobson and his involvement in Pearl Harbor. He began with a short video of the 75th anniversary ceremony at the site of the attack. He then explained how the attack occurred and also how a British author named Hector Bywater had been enthralled by the idea of such an attack for many years. He had written books about the idea, and some of his writing influenced how the U. S. government planned for such an attack.

Bert Jacobson, who grew up in Grayslake and graduated from Warren High School, was one of the 389 sailors killed in the Pearl Harbor attack. Bert's parents were George and Mabel and he had a brother Stanley and two sisters, Marie and Norma. Before the war he had worked at Oakes Products Corporation. At age twenty-one he went to boot camp at Great Lakes Naval Training camp. Bert and one of his friends were very excited when they learned they were assigned to Pearl Harbor or "paradise" as they called it. To support him, his sister Norma started a nurses' unit at Warren High

Saturday, March 9 - Saturday Kids! "Watercolor Wonders". Salt, wax and straws can turn an average watercolor painting into something magical. It is Youth Art Month. Community Room. 10:00 AM. Free.

Saturday, March 9 - Grayslake Heritage Center Foundation. "Shop 'n Swirl Wine Walk". Shop and taste wine in downtown Grayslake. 3:00 to 6:00 PM. Tickets \$25 in advance with all proceeds to the Foundation. Event starts at the Grayslake History Museum.

Wednesday, March 13 - **Grayslake Historical Society** program. "Milk Wars: Money, Mobsters and Mayhem". In the early decades of the twentieth century, Chicago area dairy farmers organized in order to do battle with distributors over milk prices. Society member Jane Trump will discuss the hot button issues involved and reveal how Grayslake was in the thick of the often violent struggles that ensued. Community Room. 7:00 PM. Refreshments. Free.

Saturday, March 16 - Grayslake Arts Alliance Fine Art Show. Music and fine art by local artists. Grayslake Heritage Center. 5:00 to 8:00 PM.

Wednesday April 3 - Search & Share Genealogy Discussion Group. Community Room. 2:00 PM.

Wednesday, April 10 - **Grayslake Historical Society** annual meeting and program. All four Society officers are up for election plus two board seats. The story of family heirlooms with some family history will be shared by six members of the community including Karen Lenzen, Rick Lawrence, Tracy Nielsen and Village Trustee Elizabeth Davies. Community Room. 7:00 PM. Refreshments. Free.

Saturday, April 13 - Saturday Kids! "Pets and Planting". The Grayslake Park District will lead a seed planting and pet rock painting event for kids. Grayslake Heritage Center. 9:30 to 10:30 AM.

Thursday, April 25 - Grayslake Heritage Center Foundation. "Best of Grayslake". Sample the best bites and beverages Grayslake has to offer. \$\$\$. All proceeds go to the Foundation.

Sunday, April 28 - Grayslake Lions Club Pancake Breakfast at the Grayslake Fire Station next door. The Museum galleries will be open all morning and close at four.

Sunday, April 28 - Celesti Winds Concert. Grayslake Heritage Center. 2:00 PM. Free.

Wednesday, May 1 - Search & Share Genealogy Discussion Group. Community Room. 2:00 PM. Free.

Saturday, May 6 - Grayslake Arts Alliance. "May Fest". Outdoor celebration with music and art. Free.

Wednesday, May 8 - **Grayslake Historical Society** program. It will be a double header. Robert Churchill will tell the history of the law firm his grandfather started in 1903 and include some family history. Bob knows some Grayslake history that many residents do not know. Community Room. 7:00 PM. Refreshments. Free.

Monday, May 27 - Grayslake Memorial Parade. Watch for Wilbur, the Society's 1954 fire truck.

Saturday, June 1 - Grayslake Craft Beer Festival. Downtown Grayslake. Noon to 5:00 PM.

Wednesday, June 5 - Search & Share Genealogy Discussion Group. Community Room. 2:00 PM. Free.

Wednesday, June 19 - Grayslake Farmers Market. Historical Society and Heritage Center will have a hands-on booth for kids with information for adults. Downtown Grayslake. 3:00 to 7:00 PM.

Saturday, June 22 - Arts Festival. Downtown Grayslake. Historical Society and Heritage Center will have a booth.

Saturday, June 29 - Taste of Grayslake. Grayslake Central Park. Historical Society and Heritage Center will have a booth.

Wednesday, July 3 - Search & Share Genealogy Discussion Group. Community Room. 2:00 PM. Free.

Saturday, July 20 - **Grayslake History Museum.** Gelatin Factory exhibit opens in the first floor gallery of the Heritage Center.

Wednesday, July 31 - Grayslake Farmers Market. Historical Society and Heritage Center will have a hands-on booth for kids with information for adults.

Wednesday, August 7 - Search & Share Genealogy Discussion Group. Community Room. 2:00 PM. Free.

Friday, August 16 & Saturday, August 17 - Grayslake Summer Days. Historical Society's fire truck will be in the parade Friday evening. Downtown Grayslake.

Saturday, August 24 - Balloon Fest. Grayslake Central Park. Historical Society and Heritage Center will have a booth.

TBA - A Historical Society Reminisce program will be held either in June or July with the subject yet to be decided. The Historical Society and Heritage Center will participate in Farmers Markets in the fall.

More details about the above events can be found in the Village newsletter or on-line.

EXHIBITS

"Where the Fun Grows, 60 Years of the Grayslake Community Park District" opened in February and will close in November. This exhibit is in the Upper Gallery and was the joint effort of the Historical Society, the Heritage Center and the Grayslake Park District. It has stories and images illustrating the Park District's history. Costumes, uniforms, plaques, brochures, maps and more are on display. Children can create their own park in the hands-on area.

The "Tales Unveiled" exhibit in the first floor gallery is scheduled to end in June. Opening in July will be an exhibit featuring the Gelatin Factory. A committee will explore and present an exhibit starting with the factory's opening in the 1920s and concluding with the public's enjoyment of Gelatin Park.

The Annex continues to "Wow" people.

"Embracing Change, the Growth of Grayslake" in the permanent gallery is temporarily closed.

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The lobby cases are scheduled to display collections of private individuals. If you have a collection you are willing to share, let us know.

OTHER UPDATES

The Office and Archives of the Society are on the first floor of the Museum. The Society will not be returning to the lower level of the Heritage Center. The collections of the Society are housed in a nearby facility which has been dubbed "The Attic" even though it is at ground level. Work continues in sorting and recording items which were involved in the flood. Historic maps which suffered damage are still at the conservators.

The Society has done no major fund raising to off set the cost of the flood. Through careful saving and the generosity of members and friends, the Society has been able to cover costs of about \$40,000. More money will be needed as the Society continues to slowly work on recovery. Clothing needs to be dry cleaned and furniture repaired. Archival boxes and other supplies need to be purchased. The Society receives no money from the Grayslake Heritage Center Foundation.

The winter was hard on the older, historic part of the Museum. A portion of the ceiling (not the roof) in the permanent gallery collapsed. Fortunately no artifacts were permanently damaged. However, the gallery is waiting for repairs and will be closed until further notice. Watch Facebook and websites for opening. As the Village owns the building, they are responsible for the structural repair.

Society members have been busy doing outreach programs. Programs have been given at Woodview School, St. Mary's Church senior group and Prime Timers senior group. The Society assisted with history fair judging at Grayslake North High School.

A PAGE FROM THE PAST

Grayslake Times - May 14, 1959

VOTERS APPROVE PARK PLAN BY 34 VOTE EDGE

Since Grayslake voted in the proposed park district called Avon-Grayslake Community Park District on May 9, five newly elected commissioners are anxious to get sworn in and started on the new programs.

There were about 450 voters at the polls but due to some spoiled ballots there were only 439 votes completed. There were 237 votes for the district and 203 votes against.

The new park board consists of Richard Bennett, Mrs. Louise Deichman, Oliver Anderson Jr., Mrs. Gloria Roselli and Robert V. Notson.

The new board will organize as soon as possible and mull over the legal duties of the board. Bennett said the commissioners plan to visit meetings of other park boards in the area to get familiar with procedures.

Bennett said the board has already received a lot of volunteer labor for the park programs. He said the board appreciates the efforts of volunteers at the polls and the persons who worked on getting out votes.

The board will start holding meetings and working up a budget in the near future.

A MEMORY

On May 16, 1990 Louise Deichman of the Grayslake Historical Society interviewed Grayslake resident Mary Jane Lucas. The following is what Mary Jane told Louise.

"After Chuck (her son) got into high school, maybe he was graduating that year, there was a vacancy on the Park District Board of Commissioners. I asked if they would

consider me for the vacancy. I was appointed to the Park District Board in 1976. Then I ran on my own in 1978. I ran two or three times after that. I served twelve years on the Park Board before retiring in 1989.

Before that time I was on the Park Board, the Park District had been formed and they had arts and crafts, baseball, etc. In order to keep taxes down, I think that they just let the parks be parks and had done a good job really. Then after I was put on the Park District, a new group of people came on to the Park District Board of Commissioners because the ones that had been on had served seventeen or eighteen years.

The new commissioners decided we needed a director. A director was hired which we never had before. They never had a full time employee. They had managed with part time employees.

During the time that I served, Central Park was purchased, government grants and matching funds were gotten. Neville Park, which is in the south end of town, the land was purchased for that. The old bulk oil plant, which I believe is where Warren Chard ran his oil business and where his office was, across from the high school, was purchased."

VOLUNTEERS

The Grayslake Historical Society could not fulfill its mission without volunteers. Volunteering for the Society during 2018 were the following:

Lisa Androus, Adrijana Bisevac, Chris Brenner, Doris Craig, Jim Crofton, Evonne D'Agostino, Darlene Dorfler, Marci Dreschler, Virginia Fitzgerald, Kitty Flary, Marie Frandsen, Richard Gaddis, Max Gambony, Gayle Gilliland, Daniel Graham & Family, Jackie Hansen, Marjie Jobes, Cynthia Lee, Penne Lawrence, Steve Lawrence, Karen & Ken Lenzen, Bill Leider, Marie Hines, Joyce & Terry Norton, Linda Pekelsma, Nancy Reed, Shelly Regnier, Charlotte Renehan, Jim Rockwell, Ron Roselli, John Smiskol, Rob Smyth, Kathi Starzec, Karen Thoms, Shawn Vogel, Julie Wasik, Glenn Winters, Linda Willhite, Patty Yopp, Nancy Yukl.

DONATIONS

There are many ways to donate to the Society: time, energy, monetary, objects, stories, images, maps, etc. You have just read the names of those who gave time and effort by volunteering. Here are some more names and how they contribute to the Society.

Monetary donations include monies received in memory of a deceased Society member or friend plus general membership donations. Donors from August 1, 2018 to January 31, 2019 were Elizabeth A. Best, Georgia E. Bookwalter, Carol Botimer, Terry & Ann Brazeal, Linda Cunningham, Darlene Dorfler, Diane M. Eldridge, Cynthia L. Fagan, Lorelee Guenther & Kevin Chick, Jacqueline D. Hansen, Linda Hartman, Cynthia E. Lee, Patricia Murdock, Donna Pankow, Carol Plumer, Nancy Reed, Charlotte K. Renehan, Virginia M. Rogers, Barbara Richardson, James D. Rockwell, M. Rogers, Ronald Roselli, Larry & Marilou Tonies, USG Foundation, John & Gail Vitols, Barbara A. Weichman, Linda Willhite, Patricia Yopp, Theresa A. Yopp.

In-kind donations (refreshments, stamps, copy paper, printer ink, muslin, archival supplies) help to keep the Society budget low. Donations received between August 1, 2018 and January 31, 2019 came from Lisa Androus, Adriana Bisevac, Darlene Dorfler,

Linda Fassbinder, Daniel Graham Family, Cynthia Lee, Ken Lenzen, Joyce Norton, Nancy Reed, Charlotte Renehan, Ron Roselli, John Smiskol, Village of Grayslake, Linda Willhite, Patty Yopp,

Archival and Collection donors between August 1, 2018 and January 31, 2018 were Robert Samuelson - file on G. C. H. S. gym floor; Sandra Sorenson - typewriter used by secretary of Grayslake lawyer Joseph Sikes; Jerry & Marlene Badgerow - Grayslake Jaycee plaques and slides; Leslie Babcox - thumb drive of Strang photos, 3 Grayslake picture postcards, 13 Grayslake event snapshots; 1989 Grayslake Chamber Guide, partial copy of *Grayslake Times*, about Strang Funeral Chapel, newspaper article of Warren High School grads who were from Grayslake, Remember When newspaper clipping; Kuebker family - home pasteurizing unit; Lynn Jaskela - Grayslake Bowl shirt, Lake County Rifle jacket; Bridgette Leaman - 4 Gelatin recipe cards; Lake County Genealogical Society - 10 Nautilus yearbooks; Roberta Thomas/Grayslake Aresa Public Library - 4 DVDs of Grayslake events, 4 videos of Grayslake events; Anonymous - Grayslake painting, fireman's uniform, Grayslake address book, 2 buttons, Grayslake match books, newspaper clippings; George Capaul - Viet Nam combat boots; Jon Revelle; Lake County sign & glass brick, Gelatin Company file folders; Alisia Kalter - Grayslake Outdoor Theater jacket; Village of Grayslake - ribbon from Railroad Avenue extension opening, ribbon from dedication of Gelatin Park Gail Vollath/Ron Roselli - G.C.H.S. graduation tassel, 3 Grayslake Grade School report cards, Grayslake Consolidated School promotion certificate, G. C. H. S. diploma, 8 school class photos, G.C.H.S. color guard photo; Diana Downs - Centennial coin.

CONDOLENCES

We usually like things to grow, get larger but that is true of the Society's memorial plaque. The following names will be added to the plaque located in the Upper Gallery: Rose Bauer, Fred Kuebker, life member Karen Hook and life member Tom Strang. Our sympathies are extended to their families.

125 YEARS

In May of 2020, the Village of Grayslake will celebrate its 125th anniversary. To fulfill its mission of preserving and promoting Grayslake's history, it has been suggested that the Society collect memories of Grayslake. It is hoped that people will write a short family history followed by a memory. Details with guidelines and deadlines will be forthcoming. As a Historical Society let's make it work with 125 Grayslake memories!

SOCIAL MEDIA AND CONTACT INFORMATION

The Society has an active Facebook page, Grayslake Historical Society. If you are not a Facebook user, the postings can be found on the home page of www.grayslakehistory.org. The Society has a second Facebook page which is not as active but interesting. It is Stories of Grayslake, Keeping History Alive.

The Society can be contacted by phone 847-223-7663 or by e-mail ChaRenehan@aol.com. The Grayslake Heritage Center's phone number is 847-543-1478 with a website at www.grayslakeheritagecenter.com

The Society's mailing address is P. O. Box 185, Grayslake, Illinois 60030.

MEMBERSHIP

Check your address label to see if your membership expired on February 2019. Please renew promptly as reminders take volunteer time and cost the Society money.



Grayslake Historical Society Membership Form

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		Quantity	Total
Individual Annual Membership	\$ 10	_____	_____
Individual Annual Senior (65 years and over) Membership	\$ 5	_____	_____
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Individual Life Membership	\$ 250	_____	_____
Couple Life Membership	\$ 400	_____	_____
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Please accept my additional donation		_____	_____
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Annual Memberships are from
March 1 to February 28

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To receive your membership card, enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.

DO YOU KNOW?

The Grayslake Historical Society publishes two newsletters a year. One is published in the spring and one in the fall.

The Grayslake Heritage Center and the Grayslake Historical Society are separate entities. They each have an office, a Facebook page and a website.

The Grayslake Heritage Center and Museum is governed by a committee composed of the executive director paid by the Village, two Grayslake Village trustees and two Grayslake Historical Society members. It is involved with policies, exhibits and programs.

The Heritage Center has staff paid for by the Village. At the present time there is one director and two part-time assistants. The Society functions with volunteers.

The Grayslake Heritage Center and the Grayslake Historical Society work together to operate the Village Municipal History Museum at 164 Hawley Street in Grayslake.

The Village owns the building. The Society owns the archives and collections which include maps, images, documents, stories, artifacts and textiles. It owns the display cases and other museum items.

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