

Westwood Museum Newsletter

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2018 President's Letter

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Anna Lee's dress with photo of granddaughter modeling it.

1950s Interviews

We are ready to begin our new DVD dedicated to those who went to school in Westwood in the 1950s. If you are willing to be interviewed, please contact Sheri via email at westwoodmuseum@gmail.com

Our 2018 season has been a very successful year for the Westwood Museum. I would like to thank all of the local community and museum members for their support. Annual memberships, donations, retail sales, and support at our fundraising events continue to keep the doors open and allow several improvements to the Museum and its displays.

This year, a special visit from a docent from the Red River Lumber Company Museum in Akeley, Minnesota, was a surprise and a highlight of the season. He was very interested in seeing all of the Walker history in Westwood.

The fundraising events started on Mother's Day weekend. Pastor Terry Johnson and his congregation once again prepared and served a wonderful meal at the Annual Fundraising Dinner. The menu consisted of dishes pulled from recipes in the Westwood Museum Cookbook. Si Bollinger was our guest speaker and enthralled everyone with stories and photos of shoot-outs, rum-running, and many other law enforcement incidents from 1913 to the present. Many guests toured the Museum after dinner and then the next morning supported the Bake Sale. In partnership with the Westwood Chamber during the Paul Bunyan Festival, we held the Paul Bunyan Breakfast on July 7th. All three fundraising events were highly successful.

The Museum survives because of the dedication of the Museum Docents led by Docent Coordinator Kay Johnson. They all donate their time and expertise to make the Museum a friendly and warm place to visit. So many past and current Westwood residents visit and share their stories of life in Westwood. Some local residents donate artifacts and the Muse-

Museum Board Election for

Treasurer, Rec. Sec., and VP scheduled for Sat., March. 12, 2019 at 2 p.m. at the Museum. You must be a member before Dec. 31, 2018 to participate. Let us know if you'd like to volunteer for the board.

um is full of new items and their history. I want to thank Kay for her many years work as the Docent Coordinator and welcome Carol Mason as her replacement.

Some new items have been donated and certainly enhance our Museum. A pool table from the bowling alley is ready to view; along with reproduced mannequins dressed in period pieces; a strike picket banner; and original theater seats.

As a reminder, when you clean out your attic or garage, and find any Westwood gems that may have helped shape the town of Westwood, please consider donating them to the Westwood Museum. Westwood history lives!

The Board and I thank you again for your continued support and interest in the Museum.

Docent Doings

Kay Johnson, Docent Coordinator

Westwood is and was a wonderful town. A temporary lumber mill was built in the middle of a forest. From those roots grew a town. The R.R.L.Co. supplied its workers a home for their family or a bunk for a single man, health care, churches, excellent schools, organizations, skating rink, and a Big Store with all the convenience offered nowhere else.

The Westwood Museum will restore your memory or spark your curiosity to learn more about Westwood's past history. Yes, that is Phil's pool table (thank you Mike Carney) in the middle of the room with a new Plexiglas cover to hold artifacts. The wooden mannequins created by Si Bollinger and Jacquie Cordova are dressed in period clothing, just like those in the Big Store. Thank you, Rayna Simpson for the office chair from T.R.R.L.Co. office and the work/ fire whistle. They have a great home in the museum.

Accomplished/Purchased:

- New Book Case in memory of Allen Vaughn
- Plexiglass cover for pool table
- Flooring for Mill/Woods room Indexed yearbooks and Mrs. Bai-
- ley's scrapbooks. Framed Picket Sash
- Purchased pens for sale
- Purchased jigsaw puzzles for sale
- Awarded first Eveline Walker Scholarship to Manuel Amavizca—\$500



1938 Football Photo: Ellis Rose

Students who attended Westwood High or Mrs. Bailey's 6th grade are cross referenced for convenience thanks to Debbie Christie.

Quite by surprise, Scarlet Rose brought in a 1939 strike picket ribbon (AFL) which was her grandfather's as well as numerous photographs. Her father was in the camera club and photographed many football games.

Thanks to the Westwood Service District, we now have air conditioning and our new flooring laid. They are also ready to help when heavy lifting or ladder work is required.

Thanks to our Board of Directors President, Jack Forester for assembling a new veteran's display case before our opening. Thanks to Si Bollinger for his great handiwork and an awesome program on Westwood's law enforcement in May for our opening. Thanks to our awesome docents who show up, shine floors, move heavy objects, dust, scrapbook, rearrange, talk to the public, put out the signs and take them down, make signs, take notes, and get things done.

Please come by the Westwood Museum with family, friends, acquaintances, and spread the word that we are ready for you to be acquainted or reacquainted with the wonderful town of Westwood.

Treasurer's Report	
Operating Expense 2018 \$4,096	
Fundraising Gross Proceeds :	
Bake Sale	\$ 731
May Dinner	1,248
Pancake Breakfast/PBMF	1,590
For Jan 1 to Sept 22, 2018:	
Donations	3,855
Memberships	830
Counter Sales	2,442

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