

LAKEVILLE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

HERITAGE CENTER, 20110 HOLYOKE AVENUE, 952-985-4680

"In recognition of the responsibility to past and future generations, the mission of the Lakeville Area Historical Society shall be to document, collect, preserve and teach the history of the Lakeville area."

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2014



Second Annual Heritage Center Golf Classic Tuesday, September 16 Noon Shotgun Start, 4-Person Scramble Crystal Lake Golf Club, 16725 Innsbrook Drive

The upcoming Golf Classic gives you an opportunity to support the Lakeville Heritage Center by helping to repay the bridge loan from the City. You can help by purchasing a golf package, sponsoring a hole, donating a prize or silent auction item, or by registering for the dinner. \$100 per player golf package includes green fee, cart, range balls, dinner and prizes. Dinner-only option is \$35.00. Informational brochures are available at the Heritage Center, City Hall, and at many area golf courses.

If you have questions contact Wally Potter at 952-484-4855, or Ric Cleminson at ccleminson@aol.com.

September-October LAHS Calendar

The display area at the Historical Society will be open on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. through September, with the exception of Labor Day, Monday, September 1, when Heritage Center will be closed. October open hours will be posted on the LAHS website: www.mnlahs.org.

All Historical Society members are welcome to attend monthly board meetings at 3:00 p.m. on the third Monday of each month. Upcoming meetings are scheduled for September 15 and October 20.



Labor Day in the United States has been celebrated on the first Monday in September since it became a federal holiday in 1894. It began as a celebration of the American labor movement and the contributions its workers have made to the well-being of our country.

The first proposal for the holiday included a street parade to exhibit the strength of trade and labor organizations along with a festival for the workers and their families. In later years, speeches by prominent men and women were added.

Now, since school often starts on the following day, Labor Day has come to symbolize the final day of summer. Probably because of those last minute trips to purchase school clothing and supplies, retailers claim it as one of the largest sale dates of the year. It also marks the beginning of NFL and college football seasons.

Many of you probably also remember that Labor Day was the last day of the year when it was fashionable to wear white or to carry straw purses. My mother lived by that rule.

Upcoming Programs at LAHS

Farm Program Monday, September 22



A new fall harvesting display will soon decorate the hallway windows of the LAHS. Lakeville resident Gordon W. Fredrickson will present a Farm Heritage program to complement that exhibit. Gordon was raised on a 120-acre dairy farm in Scott County where he milked cows and picked rocks. After serving in the US Army, attending college, teaching high school English,

and operating his own farm, Gordon started writing books that would preserve our agricultural heritage. His latest volume, *A Farm Country Harvest*, is a combination of fictional story and factual history filled with photographs of past harvests and family stories. Gordon's Farm Heritage program will bring those pictures and stories to life for his audience. Those who want to relive their farm days or introduce rural life to their children and grandchildren will enjoy this program.

Bring your family & friends to the Heritage Center at 7:00 p.m. on September 22 and enjoy farm history as it comes alive. Refreshments will be served and Gordon's books will be available for purchase. For more information about Gordon Fredrickson, his books and programs visit his website: www.gordonfredrickson.com.

Schools Program Monday, October 13

Linda Swanson, ISD 194 Director of Communications, will present an historical perspective of the Lakeville schools at 6:30 p.m. on Monday October 13. Don't miss it!

