## Museum Report to Warrensburg Town Board

September 14, 2011

## **Museum statistics:**

Aug'11	July'11	June'11	May'11	April'11	Mar'11	Feb'11
Scheduled Days open:12	14	13	9	8	10	8
Visitor Attendance:149	157	61	80	82	59	74
Student (group) visits:0	0	56	70	0	0	0
Director's Hours:57	58	70	62	-	-	-
Volunteer Hours:						
Museum Guides: (hrs.)80	85	72	45	47	54	53
Collections Management: (hrs.)55	46	34	44	114	115	97
Maintenance/cleaning (hrs.)16	8	8	8	5	7	7
<b>Total Hours208</b>	194	184	159	166	176	157

## Attendance for the June/July/August period stands at 367, vs. 189 for the same period in 2010, almost double.

Gary Bivona and I are almost finished altering the window in the Vets Appreciation Room for display purposes, only needing to complete the interior. I discussed the electrical requirements for the air conditioner and the flat screen TV to be installed over the display window with Walt Haws and he will accomplish the job as time allows. The air conditioner was donated last June by Steve Blakely of Lake Luzerne.

The flat screen TV, mounting bracket and attendant cables have been purchased from Best Buy and it was installed on Monday. The TV purchase was covered by the \$600 grant from the Charles R. Wood Foundation. Additional costs will be covered by the Society's Museum fund.

We are researching the use of LEDs for lighting, and the possibilities of getting "green" grants to pay for the changeover. This probably won't be accomplished until 2012.

The exhibit, "Quilts From the Museum's Collection," will remain up until September 30. We now have the pattern for the "Dutch Tulip" appliqué quilt available for sale at the Book Nook for \$5.00, thanks to Linda Denner, who drew the pattern and wrote the instructions.

A panel with text and photos about Richards Library, created by Rita Ferraro, has been added to the permanent exhibit.

We will be working on an exhibit entitled "The Bear Waller Club: Hunting and Fishing in the Warrensburg Area," to be installed following the Quilt exhibit, with an opening reception Sunday, October 16, and running until November 27. Following that an exhibit entitled "My Dolly," being developed by Delbert Chambers, will run through New Year's weekend. Delbert is hoping to borrow favorite dolls from members of the community.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Parisi, Museum Director.