

BEAUTIFICATION
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35th CHRISTMAS IN WARRENSBURGH TOWN & COUNTRY HOLIDAY PACKAGE

The **37th Operation Santa Claus Charity Ball** was held at the Sagamore Resort on December 9th. Our Operation Santa Claus Charity Ball Grand Auction Package brought in \$900! Program page is attached. This has always been a great opportunity for local businesses to promote themselves and to promote our community, while raising money for such a worthwhile cause. 100% of all the proceeds go directly to Operation Santa.

All of our local businesses who participated are responsible for this large sum of money raised to help children in need from Warren, Washington, Essex and Northern Saratoga Counties at Christmas time with gifts of food and new clothing. On behalf of Warrensburgh Beautification I wish to thank all those in our community from the bottom of my heart for not just this year's donations but all those the past 32 years.

Wishing everyone a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!

Discover Warrensburg! the Museum of Local History

Report for November & December 2023 to Town Board

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

Museum Activities

- Software
 - Past Perfect - 2023 membership
 - 227 total -23 Businesses, 18 Life, 14 Family, 23 Gratis, 33 Individuals, 79 Senior, 28 Senior Couple, 3 students, 7 contributors
 - Photo upload to website.
 - Quick Books - billing for 2023 settled
- Meetings
 - Town Board meeting -December 13, 2023
 - Historical Society meeting -December 6, 2023
- Grants/Fundraising -research new grant opportunities
 - ADK Fudge of Lake George
 - 50 pieces sold
- Occupancy Tax Activities
 - Occupancy Tax received for 2023
- Correspondence:
 - Wayne Taylor phone call looking for a Walter Emerson painting that was done by his dad 5189321592
 - Warrensburg Photo Collection 1-240-481-0157
- **Committee update:**
- **Member of Finance, Events, Membership**
 - Society Events
 - Bingo(Yvonne) - 2024 Date to be determined
 - Chicken BBQ (Jim Allen) Determine dates for 2024
 - Sticky Wicket - 2024 date to be determined, Volunteer Appreciation Day
 - Graveyard Walk Determine dates for 2024
 - Garage Sale Spot for Warrensburg Thurman Historical Society –
- 2024 will be on October 4-6th - other societies/museums share our booth
 - Thurman Fall Tour -2024 date
 - Annual Meeting February 29th
 - Glens Falls Senior Center TBD
 - Wiawaka Center TBD
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● **Bicentennial Book Committee**

- January 2024 meeting to be determined
- Committee: Laura, Sandi, Myra, Gary, Manu, Mark

● **Chair Museum Guides & other Museum**

- 2024 Weekday opening -Still Researching
 - Poetry Workshop Coordinating with Library for May 2024 Adirondack Writing Center project includes Workshop at the Library and Museum

● **Member Publications/Media**

- Beautification and the Historical Society for a promotional video -January 2024

● **Member of Bylaws - incorporation paper and bylaw etc**

● **Member of Education/Library/Programs**

- Nothing to report for November & December
- *Historian -Accession of items -Thurman Collection.*
- *Deaccession/Loan of items - Director and Historian - future project development of process*
- *Shelving/storage of items - The Quilt Rack has been posted with the Northern Museum Group*
- **Accession of Burnham Mansion Curio Cabinet, postcards of many buildings in warrensburg, two pictures of one room school houses**
- *Short Term and Long Term Goals - coordinate with Executive Committee and others*

PENDING MUSEUM 2024 Goals

1. Review operating for 3 days a week
 - a. Working with Library and Warren County Youth Program will share a student
2. Recruit more Volunteers
 - a. Open Museum at least 3 hours and 1 more day.
 - b. Board Member 1 day per month at minimum.
 - c. Meet with volunteers twice a year to update.
 - d. Hold luncheon meeting twice a year for recruitment, etc
3. New exhibit and establish schedule.
 - a. Exhibit at school
 - b. Committee to update displays
 - c. Introduce more audio systems.

4. Identify school for more involvement.
5. Quarterly Museum Committee Meetings.
6. Learn Accession process

Respectfully submitted, Laura Moore Laura Moore, Museum Director

Town of Warrensburg Historian December 2023 Monthly Report

Historian & Museum

December Warrensburg Historical Society Meetings

December Town Board Meetings

Guide at the Museum December 2 – Christmas In Warrensburg

Attended Warrensburg/Thurman Historical Society Annual Holiday Brunch at The Bond.

Attended the In The Zone Dinner

Sarah Farrar continues to come in frequently doing family research.

Kelly Barton, relative of the Bonds and the Warrens game in. We spent about 3 hours researching, and he donated photos of his family.

Gary and Char Bivona continue to come in weekly to help me sort the **humungus** amount of paperwork that I received from the family of Cindy Needham. Much of my time at the Historian's office is spent recording and filing all the information.

I put the remainder of the enormous collection from Mrs. Needham, that I was not able to use, and that the other historians did not want on a large table in the entrance to the building, free for anyone that was interested. Most of the stuff has been taken.

Char and have continued entering all accessions, and information on the photos that we will be scanning (with our new scanner) and they will be going on-line after January.

December Deaths

4 Shelli L. Cameron
12 Norman Charles Russell
13 Corinna Leigh Smith Russell
19 Denis Morin
24 Helen I. Cole Saddlemire
24 Walter R. Byrne
Larry A. Denton (Wbg. Or Chestertown)

Office & Museum Hours 40 hours

Volunteers

Char Bivona 7 days
Gary Bivona 3 days

Respectfully Submitted, Sandi Parisi

January 2024 Parks & Rec Report

We are working on equipment maintenance and painting and repairing picnic tables for next season. We have started taking down Christmas decorations.

I would like to wish Larry Crandall best of luck on his retirement after 38 years of service.

Respectively,

Tracy Benoit

January 2024 Water Report

Three meters were removed and the water shut off at the street. A new meter was installed at a new residence, and water was shut off for repairs at several homes. A new backflow preventer was installed to replace the old one that had failed. A new curb shut off was installed at 33 River Street after the old one failed, and two stems and stands were replaced on Newton Street. We are trying to identify water lines for the lead line inventory list for the EPA.

Respectively,

Tracy Benoit

January SEWER REPORT 2023

THE TWO PUMPS AT PUMP STATION A WERE NOT OPERATING CORRECTLY. WE OPENED THEM UP AND FOUND RAGS IN BOTH PUMPS. WE CHECK THE FLAPPER VALVE TO MAKE SURE IT WAS WORKING PROPERLY. PUMP STATION C CALLED OUT FOR HIGHWATER. WE BACK FLUSHED BOTH PUMPS AND CLEARED ANY DEBRIS IN THE PUMPS.

WE LOST A COMPRESSOR THAT OPERATES THE SAND FILTERS. ATLAS COPCO CMAE AN DIAGNOSED THE PROBLEM AND RECOMMENDED THAT DUE TO THE AGE AND COST OF REPAIR THAT WE SHOULD REPLACE IT AND WE ARE WAITING ON A QUOTE.

Respectively,

Mark Rumble II

Lead Line Inventory List For The EPA

The water department is doing a waterline inventory of the supply lines coming from the water main to the homes. The reason is to identify any lead lines that could be in the system so they can be removed. We need the community's help in identifying the lines by taking a picture of the water line where it comes into the home and sending it to our email that is set up on the Town of Warrensburg's website under the service line inventory project, or by calling the water clerk at 518-504-4114 to schedule an appointment to look at the line.

Respectively,

Tracy Benoit

