



Rochelle's Place for History

Special Interest

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2020—A Clear Vision

No one saw it coming

but then it hit—COVID-19.

The museum like so many places closed its doors in March. Many have yet to reopen or recover.

The museum was able to reopen on July 2nd following the guidelines established as a result of the pandemic.

Masks are required. Social distancing is required. How the museum functions has been and continues to be impacted by the challenges of living day to day during a pandemic.

Our calendar of events continues to change as we try to stay connected in the community.

Norm Skare Day

In July we celebrated **Norm Skare Day** at Skare Park. We sat under the trees by the Skare Park Museum and talked about how much Norm in his quiet way had an impact on both individuals and the community.

Pictured is Julie Hanson who's father was Norm Skare's nephew with one of the posters that is on display in the Skare Park Museum in the park. Julie is the young girl in the photo.

Thank you, Norm, for your generosity to the community.



Our Vision continues...

In August

Our **History Trunks** were on display throughout the museum on two dates in August.

These informal educational resources are available to anyone in the community to check out for their individual or classroom use. Several have been updated and new ones added.

Happy Birthday, Illinois NEW!
Hispanic Crafts NEW
Hispanic Heritage NEW
Native Americans & Early Settlers NEW
Playground Games & Victorian Etiquette
Quill Pen Workshop
Turn of the Century Life & School
Stop in the museum to take a look!

They Took to the Streets...but never without a hat.

An exhibit in the Cabinet of Curiosities recognizing the 100th anniversary of women earning the right to vote continued through September.

The suffragists tireless work began in 1848 with a first women's rights conference and ended in August of 1920 when the last vote was cast by Tennessee to pass the 19th Amendment. Whether it was in the streets, at a conference, or meeting with voters their civil disobedience was always conducted properly attired...in a hat, always in a hat.

In September

Happy 100th Birthday, Jim Moorehead was celebrated on September 12, one day after Jim turned 100! We visited Jim via facetime to congratulate him on his longevity.

A **Cemetery "Walk"** through St. Patrick's Cemetery was held both at the museum and via ZOOM. Took us a while to get things working but Sally Sawicki did an awesome job. Thank you all for your patience.

Sally's extensive research on Rochelle citizens buried in St. Pat's Cemetery made a very interesting program. Watch for the "Cemetery "Walk" again during the winter.

Our Vision of clubs and organizations.....

1921

Illinois Club

First organized on November 28, 1915, the early charter members included O.C Griffin, President; Joyce Weeks, Vice President; Phil W. May, Sr., Secretary; Joseph Olson, Treasurer.

Club rooms were leased in the Bain Building.

The club was inactive from April 14, 1918 until October 15, 1919, due to 95% of the club serving during the first World War.

After the war, club rooms were secured in the Lazier Building. Officers at that time were Clarence A. Anderson, President; Malden Barker, Vice President; Harold P. Stevens, Secretary; William T. Hayes, Treasurer.

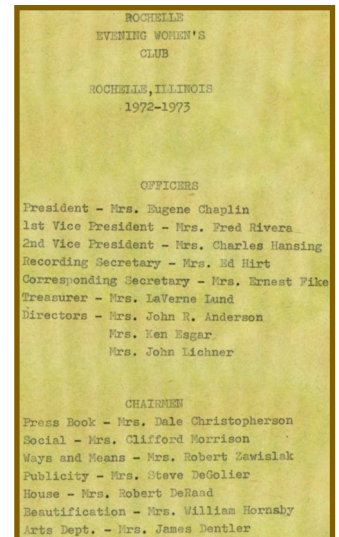
1972

Evening Women's Club

The Evening Women's Club scheduled a monthly program for members, including a Welcome Tea for new members in September.

The philanthropic club was involved with improving the community and raised money for selected charities. Eventually it became the Rochelle Women's Club which has since disbanded.

Pictured left to right in the front row are newly installed officers Mrs. Charles Hansing, second vice president; Mrs. Fred Rivera, first vice president; Mrs. Eugene Chaplin, president. Back row are Mrs. Laverne Lund treasurer; Mrs. Ed Hirt, recording secretary and Mrs. Ernest Fike, corresponding secretary.



ILLINOIS CLUB HUNT

Next Sunday, December 18th, 1921

THIS will be a competitive hunt. The club has been divided into two sides. The side that kills the least game (by points) for the day, pays for a big feed that will be prepared while we are gone, and served at 7:30 o'clock that night. If you have never hunted before in your life, hunt Sunday. If there is anything that prevents you from going out, be on hand for the big feed that night.

THE DIVISION OF THE CLUB IS AS FOLLOWS:

Capt. Horace Jerry Beck	Capt. Clair (Shorty) Beck
Les Bain	Ralph Dame
Jay Wornley	Gosny
Bud Sullivan	Bob Dail
Merritt Leonard	Ralph Cleveland
Berve	Seth Hoan
Dano	Andy Fell
Mart Hathaway	Millotte
Andy	Phelps
Jack Barker	Shenell
Shorty Caron	Felch
Bud Alaban	Wrenn
Art Guest	Thorp
Bill Hayes	J. Weeks
Chas. Kepner	Art Tigan
Jeff Furlong	Lyons
Dave Richwine	Hustler
H. Stevens	Harrison
Bob Tilton	Corsini
O. N. Wing	F. Carney
Geo. Unger	B. Baker
John Mason	Lewis
M. Weeks	Negent
Jap Bolen	Haselton
Frank Kelley	Kitchie
Fred Gardner	F. Barker
Berscheid	E. Dinch
Lowe	H. Clinite
Cleveland	J. Craft
Anstlin	Atwater
Lind	P. Dee
R. Caron	May
Geo. Baker	

C. E. Gardner and Chuck Unger will settle all disputes that arise over the hunt.

A Few Rules:

Arrange your own parties—go any place you wish. Dogs will be allowed, but no ferrets. The hunt will start at 6:00 A. M. Sunday and close at 6:00 P. M. the same day. All game must be killed the day of the hunt. You will bring all your game to the Club before 6:00 P. M. Any game that is not there by that time, will not be counted.

BE A GOOD SPORT. KILL YOUR OWN GAME, AND REMEMBER—The Club will not assume any responsibility for the actions of any participant in the hunt. Buy a license and hunt according to the state laws.

The Award of Points will be as Follows:

Wolf.....2000	Hawk.....200
Fox.....1000	Rabbit.....100
Coon.....500	Crow.....100
Wild Goose.....400	Owl.....100
Heron.....400	Pigeon.....50
Woodchuck.....200	Blue Jay.....15
Squak.....200	Black Bird.....15
Wild Duck.....250	

THIS IS THE FINAL DOPE SHEET

The membership fee was \$10.00 with dues of \$1.00 per month. Membership was limited to sixty members.

Outings were held at the Gardner Cabin and grounds. Shown in front of the cabin is Clarence Gardner smoking his pipe (at the left) and Les Bain on the stretcher with a broken ankle, a mishap while playing ball.



Recently added to the collection...

Recent Acquisitions

The museum is grateful to the following donors for items donated to the museum in 2020.

All Things New & Used, Anonymous, Gretchen Bain, Bob Caron & Dianne Kenney, Linda Corwin-Graber, Becky & Terry Danner, Ron Duval (RTHS), Sue Engebretson & The Estate of Betty Barnes, Steve Frank & the City of Rochelle, James Gill, David Guest, Don Horner, Kennay Distilling, Gary Krahenbuhl, Nancy Krahenbuhl, Tom McDermott, Bud Norcross, Steve O'Connor, Al Reppine, Charles Roberts, Lydia Roberts (DAR), Sally Sawicki, Dave Schabacker, Bill Stocking, Steve Strang,

Ruthann Trinco, Janine Wendling Turner, Arlyn VanDyke, Diane Wegener, Michelle Cote Zunnerain.

Recent Memberships

Membership keeps history alive! Thank you to new and renewing members in 2020.

Bobbie Colbert, Wendell Colwill, Danner Family, Betty Dearth, Jan Devore, Esgar Family, Graber Family, Sam Graber, Dorothy Heltness, Tom Hill, Kathy Hollonbeck*, Marv & Dianne Jenner, Kathy Johnson, Kasmar Family, Pris Kellogg, Liezert Family, Mace Family, Claude & Lynda McKibben*, Montgomery Family, Bud Norcross, O'Connor Family,

Renee Page, Esther & John Prabhaker, Dwayne Query Family, Ed Rice, Roberts Family, Laurie Russell, Dallas Schuler, Bill Stocking, Jamie Thomas, Ruthann Trinco, Janine Turner, Tom & Maria Van Hise*, Bill & Leah Vanstone.

*Lifetime members

It's never too late to join or to renew your membership.

The membership form is available online at www.flaggtownshipmuseumrochelle.org.

... acquisition is defined as the discovery, preliminary evaluation, taking physical and legal custody of, and acknowledging receipt of materials and objects.

The end of our "2020—A Clear Vision"

October

Artist's Talk

October 11 at 1 pm

Local artist Fran Volz will talk about his multi-faceted career, from cartooning to full-size bronze statues.

November

Armaments & More

November 8 at 1 pm

Local collector will display a portion of a large collection and present a program about arms and ammunition used during WWI and WWII.

Decorate the Museum

November 28 from 1 to 4 pm

Come help make our holiday paper chain even longer. Our goal is to have it go around the first floor and start up the stairs to the second floor. We have trees to decorate too..

December

Santa at the Museum

December 4 from 5 to 7 pm

Decorate your car and join the parade. Make sure you come past the museum and wave to Santa. He's anxious to wave to all the boys and girls this year.

Santa at the Museum

December 12 & 19, 1-3 pm

Because of the restrictions due to COVID-19, Santa is trying something new this year.

Come from 1 to 2 pm and visit with Santa outside, wearing your mask, of course. Make sure you take a photo.

From 2 to 3 pm Santa will be available via ZOOM to chat with you electronically. Watch for the link or call the museum in December.



*An early Santa at the Museum
Date unknown*

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About Our Organization...

The Mission of the Flagg Township Historical Society and Museum is to stimulate interest in Flagg Township history through education, research, collection and preservation of information for the benefit of the public of today and in the future.

Request a Presentation...

Contact the museum to request a presentation to your club, organization, or school by museum personnel. Presentations support the museum's mission to stimulate interest in Flagg Township history.

Looking for some help...

Students earning community service hours are welcome to volunteer at the museum. There are a variety of tasks just perfect for young people. It might include clean-up duties, exhibit development or record keeping—you never know.

Stop by the museum to learn more.

Museum Events

November 8: : Armaments & More, 1 pm

November 28: Decorate the Museum, 11 am to 4 pm

December 4: Santa at the Museum Drive-by, 5-7 pm

December 12, 19: Santa at the Museum, outside from 1-2 pm (masks required) and from 2-3 pm via ZOOM from home.

