

The Union

Newsletter

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One interesting aspect of history is that we're always making new discoveries. Our museums provide an opportunity for our guests to make discoveries of their own! In fact, we've hosted over 2500 guests during the 2022 season.



Last year we matched donations for a new exhibit focusing on the four major treaties that were negotiated and signed at Prairie du Chien with Native American tribes. Thanks to the generosity of our membership, the Society purchased this rare Native American beaded pouch for this exhibit. It's the most recent acquisition to our collection and dates to the early/mid 1800s.

It was most likely made to carry fire making tools. We will be working through the winter on this new exhibit, so be sure to stay tuned for future progress!

Although our museums are closed for the season, we are still available to answer your research requests and to schedule your next tour.

Thank you for your support of the Prairie du Chien Historical Society!

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To become a member & to renew your membership for 2023, visit our website or contact us!



Christmas Cookie and Candy Sale

This year's Christmas Cookie and Candy Sale will be Saturday, December 10 from 9:00 until noon or until they are sold out. Heads up; the holiday goodies go fast! Last year they were gone by 10:30am. The sale will be held in the lower building; the Museum of Prairie du Chien. All cookies and candy will be pre-packaged. Each covered container will have a variety of cookies and candies, a dozen on a plate. The cost is \$5.00 per dozen. There is no need to bring your own containers. The Museum Store will be open for Christmas shopping.

Annual Dinner & Meeting

The Prairie du Chien Historical Society annual dinner meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 12, 2023. It will be held at Huckleberry's Banquet Hall. The time of the event is:

5:30 Social Gathering (cash bar)

6:00 Dinner

6:40 Business Meeting

7:00 Program: Kenneth R. Bradbury, Former Director & State Geologist

Wisconsin Geological & Natural History Survey

"Artesian Wells in Prairie du Chien"

Menu

Salad Greens with Cranberries & Walnuts

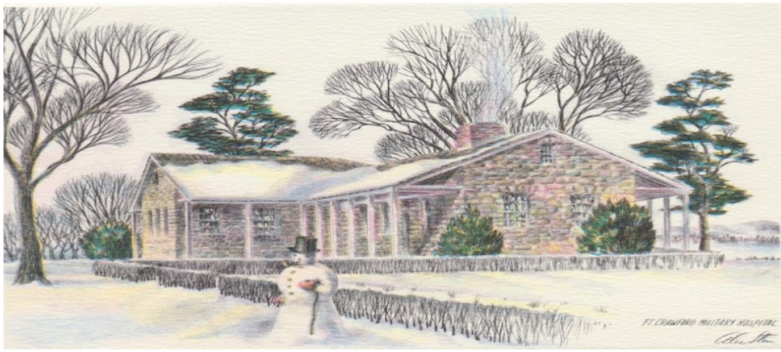
French Cut Pork Chops

Oven Roasted Red Potatoes, Green Beans & Squash

Assorted Rolls. Coffee or Milk

* Additional information and a reservation form will be sent to members in the next month.

Kathy Koch



The Fort Crawford Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution & their sponsored Christmas Tree in 2021.



Christmas at the Fort

This year the Fort will be lit up again with Christmas lights but in a bit different way. It has been decided to eliminate the trees on the porch. Over the years, the wind made a mess of the decorations and lights on the trees. Last year was especially nasty. During the month of celebration, trees were blown down and ornaments were scattered over the grounds. Many mornings were spent picking up ornaments and righting the trees. The beautiful trees really took a beating. It was disappointing and frustrating to see Mother Nature be such a grinch. So, instead of decorated trees the hospital pillars will be adorned with garland and lights. For \$50.00 a family, individual, organization, business or group can become a pillar sponsor. No work involved! The decorating will be done by us. A big advantage is no “taking down the tree” in cold January.

Kathy Koch

Sponsorship Form

Prairie du Chien Historical Society 2022

Name/Business/Organization _____

Phone Number _____

Number of Pillars _____ x 50.00 = \$ _____

Amount Enclosed _____

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