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Bill Vancos, President; Jim Hagen, Vice President; Stephanie Kuski, Secretary; Cindy Goll, Treasurer.
Additional Board Members: June Thiel, Barb Craig, James Hardy and Lynn Huebner.

State of the Society Report: Our 31st Annual Meeting was held on October 17th and we were happy to report that, with the continuing excellent support from our Members, the All Volunteer Rhineland Historical Society remains in very good shape. The Halloween Open House and Holiday Open House were well attended. A Big Thank You to all that volunteered, donated items, or attended these events.

Summer Tours: Good News and Bad News to report. First the good news, the Museum will be open for Tours five days a week (Tuesdays – Saturdays) from Memorial Day to Labor Day. This is an increase from three days per week last summer. The Bad news however is that we will only be open from 10 am – 2 pm each day. This is a decrease from six hours per day in past years. A big **Thank You** goes out to Anne Anderson, Mike Boyer, Barb Craig, Jim Hagen, Bill Hull, Ed Kubesh, Rick Rollman, Bill Vancos and Tom Winquist for volunteering their time to welcome guests to the Museum. Additional Docents would be appreciated to help increase the daily hours. Thank You also to Daniel Vancos for all his help in preparing the Newsletter mailings.

New Things On The Horizon: If you haven't visited the Historical Society's Web Site lately (RhinelandHistoricalSociety.org) please do so. The final touches are being made to an updated Virtual Tour that will help show off many new items that have been donated to the Museum. Work is also progressing on a new addition that will allow you to search Hodag Year Books by student's (and Teachers) names. A majority of Annuals from 1918 to 2013 will be uploaded for searching. Hopefully the missing info will be added soon. Once that is completed, the hope is to do the same with the Oneida Service News. This is a collection of articles on Service men and women from our area that served during WWII. A large number of smaller items have been donated in just the last month, so they won't be visible in the updated Virtual Tour. So that's another good reason to visit the Museum in person this year. Remember you don't have to wait until summer as Tours by Appointment can be arranged anytime.

Hops N' History: Another new thing added this past year has been the evening programs at the Rhineland Brewing Co. Tap Room. The next event (our fifth) is planned for Thursday evening, May 18th with the topic being: John Dillinger, Little Bohemia And a Night of Terror. Kay Krans, Board Member of the Manitowish Waters Historical Society will be the presenter. Plan to join us at 6:30 pm for this program. Previous programs that were well attended were German POW Camps (including one in Rhineland), Making of a very interesting book *Postcards From the Past*, Moonshine in the Northwoods and Alaska, Ho! From Northern Wisconsin to the Matanuska Valley in 1935.

Memory Test: Enclosed is a Fun Quiz to test the memories of those that were here in 1970. We hope you have fun recalling these business locations of the past. If you want to check your answers, or find the answer to a business you may have had difficulty with, please stop by the Museum this summer to check the complete list.

MEMBERSHIPS, NEW OR RENEWALS: Your membership and financial support are important for the continued success of the All Volunteer Rhinelander Historical Society. New memberships and donations are always welcome. For your convenience, we have included the form below. This same form may be used for a new membership or to upgrade to a new category. Upgrades are created by cumulative cash donations. This helps the Historical Society with the on-going Museum expenses. Thank you for your support and generosity. The Rhinelander Historical Society Inc. (a 501c3 nonprofit organization) was incorporated in 1991 so your donations will qualify as tax deductible for income tax purposes.

MEMBERSHIP FORM (NEW, RENEWAL, OR UPGRADE)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email Address: _____

City: _____, State: _____, Zip Code: _____

Membership Fees:

Annual Business Membership \$50	Annual Individual Membership.....\$10
Annual Organization Membership \$100	Annual Family Membership.....\$25
	Life Individual Membership.....\$100
	Life Family Membership.....\$250
	Charter Membership.....\$500
	Donor Membership.....\$1,000
	Patron Membership.....\$5,000
	Founder Membership.....\$10,000
	Additional Donation\$ _____
	TOTAL AMOUNT INCLUDED\$ _____

Bronze plaques recognize all cumulative cash donations at and above the Charter Membership level.

Please make checks Payable to RHINELANDER HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC. and mail to 9 South Pelham Street, Rhinelander, WI. 54501. For those that we have not recorded receiving a donation in the past year, a preaddressed envelope is included for your convenience.

For those over the age of 72, if you haven't heard of the benefits of making donations directly from your pre-tax accounts, please speak with your Financial Advisor. They are called QCDs (Qualified Charitable Donations). You can continue to support non-profit organizations, like the Rhinelander Historical Society, and reduce your tax liability in the process.

Thank you.

Planned Giving

We also ask that you please consider including the Rhinelander Historical Society in your estate planning. A transfer of cash, securities, or other property can be made by including language in your will or living trust leaving a portion of your estate to the Society, or by designating the Rhinelander Historical Society as a beneficiary of your retirement account or life insurance policy. As stated above, the Rhinelander Historical Society is a 501(c).(3) Charitable Organization and contributions are tax-deductible for income, gift and estate taxes. Our Federal Tax Identification Number is 39-1721684. We sincerely thank you for your consideration.