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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.

Annual General Meeting: Our 32nd 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 Rhinelander Historical Society continues to operate well. 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: Once again we are happy to announce that the Museum will be open for Tours 10am – 2pm five days a week (Tuesdays – Saturdays) from Memorial Day to Labor Day. A big **Thank You** goes out to Anne Anderson, Mike Boyer, Sue Brettingen, Barb Craig, Jim Hagen, Ed & Pat Kubesh, Rick Rollman, Bill Vancos and Tom Winquist for making this possible by volunteering their time to welcome guests to the Museum. Additional Docents would always be appreciated and then hopefully we could increase the hours the Museum is open.

New Web Site is up and running: If you haven't visited the Historical Society's Web Site lately (RhinelanderHistoricalSociety.org) you will be in for a treat. In addition to the Virtual Tour of the Museum, and additional information on items in each of the rooms, you will find a great deal of information on people, places and businesses that played a part in Rhinelander's early history. This would not have been possible without the expertise and guidance of Scott Bertz at webworklife website design. While there is plenty of history and information to see now, you will note that a few items indicate 'coming soon'. Hopefully by summer's end those pieces will also be up and running. If you have any suggestions for additional people, places or business to be included, please let us know. And if you already have some information and photos, that would be even better and much appreciated.

Gift Included Enclosed with this newsletter is a postcard of the Museum. On the back side you will note we included our Web Site address. Please feel free to share the card and web site address with your family and friends.

Sign Hosts: A sincere Thank You goes out to the families and businesses that host one of the Museum signs for a week during the summer months. Visitors continue to comment that seeing a sign prompts them to visit.

Please Save The Dates:

May 28th to August 31st - Museum will be open for Tours Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10am – 2pm

October 15, 2024 – Tentative date for Annual Meeting at the Museum

October 26, 2024 – Halloween Open House at the Museum

December 7, 2024 – Holiday Open House at the Museum

The Museum Tours and the Open Houses are all Free.

MEMBERSHIPS, NEW OR RENEWALS: Your membership and financial support are important for the continued success of the Rhinelander Historical Society Museum. 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. Reminder we are an All Volunteer Organization, so 100% of your donation goes to helping the Museum.

MEMBERSHIP FORM (NEW, RENEWAL, OR UPGRADE)

Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Address: _____ Email Address: _____
 City _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

<u>Membership Fees:</u>	Annual Individual Membership.....\$10
	Annual Family Membership.....\$25
Annual Business	Life Individual Membership.....\$100
Membership \$50	Life Family Membership.....\$250
	Charter Membership.....\$500
Annual Organization	Donor Membership.....\$1,000
Membership \$100	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. 54501-3458. For those we haven't heard from in the past year, or those that we don't have recorded as a Life Member, a preaddressed envelope is included for your convenience.

Consider a tax-free gift from your IRA

An **Individual Retirement Account (IRA)** is a great way to put money aside for retirement, and after you have taken care of yourself and your loved ones, you may consider a **Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)** to help support non-profit organizations like the Rhinelander Historical Society. At age 70 ½ or older, you are eligible to make a QCD directly from your IRA account to a tax-exempt charity like the Rhinelander Historical Society, up to \$100,000. If transferred directly from your account to the charity, the amount you give **will not be subject to federal income tax**. If you are required to take a required minimum distribution (RMD), you may also give all or part of your RMD as a QCD and the amount you give **will not be subject to federal income tax**. Please talk to your financial advisor to determine if this type of gift is an option for you.

Rhinelander Historical Society is grateful for your generosity.

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.