

# MUSEUM MUSINGS

## ITASCA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Mission: Connecting people to the history of Itasca County.



Pokegama Golf Course is celebrating it's Centennial this year on August 23rd. ICHS is working to develop a history time-line and collection artifacts. If you have anything from Pokegama Golf Course to help us tell the story, please contact Lilah.



Lori and Senja is standing in front of the newest addition to the hallway outside Meeting Space room at the Blandin Foundation. Most of the pictures used in this kiosk came from the ICHS collection. Senja is the historian over at Blandin and has done a wonderful job!

### Director's Report

March was an extremely busy month! Changes brought about a new office setting for me. Please stop in my office. I've been told the 2 new chairs are really comfortable!

I was able to speak at 2 townships this year. Harris was a well organized meeting. Pat Medure was elected moderator and the leadership again gave me 5 minutes to speak about what was happening at ICHS. Arbo was still in session at 7:45 when I walked in the door. I was able to not only speak but talked to Patti Walls who had some items to give to ICHS. Patti has been documenting the Bovey businesses for many years and is now ready to hand over her finding on the business locations and changes. A wonderful gift for research.

I had a meeting with Megan Christianson from Visit Grand Rapids, we met to discuss area events and what ICHS could do for bus tours this summer. We are joining with other attractions to get our rack cards out to area resorts

We will be getting a couple of items from the Calumet Hill Annex Mine Museum, it closed down and most of the artifacts are going to local museums.

ICHS donated an extra Kate Spade purse basket for the Forward Foundation Spring Purse Bingo, held at the Cohasset Community Center on Friday night March 28th. We had a wonderful time, only Ruth won a wallet from our table.

Upsala Area Historical Society board member came and visited our museum and storage. They have a 1914 house and are looking at what to do with the donated property and artifacts. Sandy McMillion was very thankful for all the ideas, and encouragement for her board.

We welcome Cait Greeley to our community ! She is an Architectural Historian and we hope to share her talents. Cait Greeley has traveled the world and is planning on staying here or at least in Minnesota.

Aitkin County Historical Society board members came up and played the Escape Room! They did an awesome job and asked lots of questions. They are considering putting in an escape room at their museum.



Shawna and Peggy were the first to try out the new chairs!



Huge smiles from the Current Judy Garland Museum Director Janie Heitz and past director John Kelsch at the auction House for the Slippers! Ridicules amount of 28 million for a pair of shoes! Congratulations on purchasing the Minnesota Painting,! It will be a great asset to your museum.

Escape Room Story now until May 31st!  
**"The Case of the Missing Star"**  
Reserve your hour to help Yeti find the star!  
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