
Germantown Historical Society
Newsletter



Hello Everyone,

Happy New Year. If you are reading this the chances are pretty good that you have an interest in local history, bells, or one of the many things that happen throughout the year at our park. For that, I thank you. With that in mind I would like to take the chance to rattle the trees and try to find a few new faces to help us in our efforts to keep (and grow) the Germantown Historical Society.

There isn't one area that couldn't use some help. We need light carpentry, painting, gardening, cleaning, moving, or help with any of the events that we host. If you are so inclined, we need people to help get our files on the computer, genealogy work is also available. We are always looking for people to help guide tours. Please, give us a call.

Also feel free to drop a line and give us some ideas for new and fun events. Once again thanks for keeping us in your minds and we look forward to another year of history and fun.

We are busy getting ready for the seasonal reopening of the Christ Church Museum. We have fixed a few structural things. Slowly but surely we will be getting displays ready to go. In spring we hope to begin work on re-roofing the steeple. This will be our best shot at getting the cross fixed. Keep your fingers "crossed".

In June we will be hosting our second Rendezvous. Last year we just got our toes wet and are ready to make this event bigger and better.

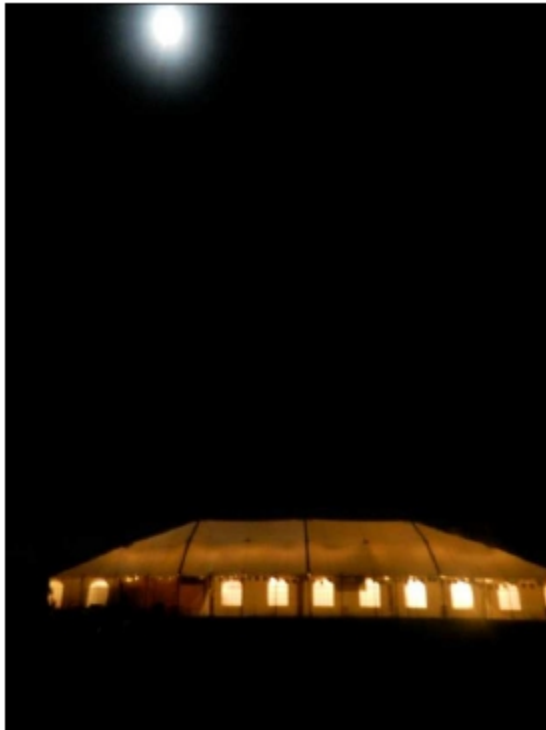
Our summer season ends with Oktoberfest. Last year we had record crowds and have plans in the works to help protect the cemetery. If someone can help us out with electrical needs please call.

The archery lanes opened in n fall and the park may host leagues this year. We are also exploring ideas to help bring more people to the park.

Thank you again for your interest in what we do. Feel free to get in touch with a board member with questions or ideas.

Sincerely
Jeff Dhein
President

A few photos from Oktoberfest and the Sinter Klausen Konzert: (these look awesome in color. See them on the website at www.GermantownHistoricalSociety.org... If you would prefer your newsletter via email, please let us know.



The Germantown Historical Society has ordered the final printing of its first book *Germantown: The Early Years*. The additional 25 copies will complete this limited edition of a pictorial history of the village and town, from its earliest settlers in 1838 up to the beginning of the Twentieth Century. When they are gone, there will be no more. The book costs \$49.00 plus tax and shipping, and is available for purchase at the society's website www.germantownhistoricalsociety.org or by calling 262-628-3170.

Work is well underway on the sequel to *The Early Years*, which will be a two-volume edition covering the entire Twentieth Century, decade by decade. The first of those volumes will be available for purchase in 2013. In order to have the full story, you will want to acquire the very first book, soon to be sold out.

2013 Season and Hours:

Valentine Wolf Haus & Genealogy Research Center
– Open Wednesdays

June 1st – October 1st
1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Christ Church Museum of Local History
– Open Sundays

June 1st – October 1st
1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Sila Lydia Bast Bell Museum
– Open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays

June 1st – November 1st
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

2013 Calendar of Events

May 4th : Bell Ringing and Wine & Cheese at
Christ Church

June 1st – Season Opens for Sila Lydia Bast Bell
Museum, Wolf Haus & Genealogy Research
Center and Christ Church Museum of Local History

June 7th -Rendevous

June 8th - Rendevous

September 28th : Oktoberfest

September 29th : Oktoberfest

October 1st : Wolf Haus & Genealogy Research
Center closes for the season

October 1st : Christ Church Museum of Local
History closes for the season

November 1st : Sila Lydia Bast Bell Museum closes
for the season

December 1st : Sinter Klausen Christmas Concert