



WAPELLO COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
210 West Main St., Ottumwa, Iowa 52501
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MUSEUM NOTES

JANUARY 2018

NEW YEAR EVENT

CHRISTMAS CAME LATE

Thursday, January 25, 2018, 5 –7 p.m.

Free Admission

- **Fun Crafts for Kids
- **Photo Booth--Wear Your Ugly Sweater
- **Wine Sampling—Local+other varieties
- **Refreshments
- **Museum Tour (admission: pet food item)

UPCOMING EVENT

Town of Buxton, by Rachel Chase

Thursday, February 8, 2018 5:30 p.m.

Railroad Clubhouse, 210 ½ W. Main St.

Free Admission, Refreshments

WELCOME BACK OFFICE STAFF PAT AND TERI AFTER HOLIDAYS MUSEUM HOURS

March through September

Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: Noon – 4 p.m.

Thursday: Noon – 7 p.m.

Closed Sunday through Tuesday & holidays

October through February

Friday, Saturday: Noon – 4 p.m.

Thursday: Noon – 7 p.m.

Closed Sunday through Wednesday & holidays

Monday, Tuesday by appointment 682.8676.

Closed Thanksgiving until January 4, 2018.

2018 MEMBERSHIP DUES

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

ALL WCHS memberships will be due and payable April 1, 2018, vs. staggered dates as in the past. Dues notices will be mailed March 2018, payable April 1, 2018. Membership status: Single \$15, Family \$25, Business \$100.

We sincerely appreciate your membership and interest in the Society and the museum.

SPECIAL THANKS to Tom Leinhauser, John Cobler, Dee Mullenix, Richwell Carpet for their time and efforts in redoing offices, gift shop, new kitchen flooring, updating exhibits, painting and general maintenance and repair during the past months while museum was closed.

LOOKING FOR PARTY/MEETING VENUE?

Planning graduation party, bridal shower, baby shower, birthday, family or class reunion, business meeting? Rent the Railroad Clubhouse, 210 ½ W. Main, full kitchen, ADA RR & entry, heating, A/C, tables & chairs. Rental fee \$35.00/hr. + \$100 deposit. Deposit returned after Clubhouse inspected following event. Reservation forms and guidelines available at museum office. Phone 641.682.8676

BRIEF HISTORY WCHS

- 1959 October 14 WCHS organized
- 1965 Museum 4th floor municipal building
- 1970 Museum moved to home Chester Ave.
- 1987 April Purchased former Burlington Railroad offices, 210 W. Main
- 1988 June 11 Grand Opening at 210 W. Main
- 1989 September New elevator to second floor
- 2013 Purchased Railroad Clubhouse from BNSF Retirees Chapter #11

SMITHSONIAN COMES TO OTTUMWA

Traveling Smithsonian Exhibit to arrive at WCHS, heralded with kickoff ceremony Saturday, May 5. The exhibit, **Hometown Teams**, will be available approx. six weeks. Timeline of events and speakers to be announced.

WHEN DID YOU LAST VISIT YOUR

MUSEUM? You will be amazed at the varied and interesting exhibits showcasing the history and growth of Wapello County.

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