ICHS 22nd ANNUAL MEETING at the FOREST HISTORY CENTER
Nikki Rajala presented her new book “Waters Like the Sky”. Leona Litchke greeted everyone after a delicious dinner from Embers. Director Lilah Crowe gave an update and presented the 2015 budget. John Roessler gave the treasurer report with good news on the giving from Itasca County, our townships and cities.

Film from Forest History Center was seen during the meal. We will be working with the FHC on projects this coming year.

Over 50 people attended the annual meeting. Forest History Center has offered to again host our event next year! We had a wonderful time and hope that more members will come to the 23rd Annual Dinner in 2015.

Members in line for the buffet supper of roast beef, potatoes, green beans and Chocolate Mint Ice Cream!

Remember to tell your friends our Museum is FREE!

We just ask people to sign in on the guest book; it helps in gaining support when we go before the County Board and when applying for grants.
ITASCA GENEALOGY

Genealogy meetings: 1st Thursday of the month, (except for January and July)
6:00 p.m. at the Karjala Genealogy and History Research Center. New and seasoned
genealogists are welcome to come and learn more about how and
where to research your family tree.
Genealogists available Monday, Wednesday and Fridays 12:00 to 4:00

INFECTIONOUS DISEASES
GENEALOGY—Warning!!
Very contagious to mature adults. NO KNOWN CURE

SYMPTOMS:
Mumbles to self. Makes secret calls at night.
Hides phone bill from spouse. Has strange far
away look in eyes. Has strong compulsions to
write letters. Always includes a check in these
letters. Swears at mailman when he leaves no
mail. Continual complaints for names, dates,
and places. Patient has black expression,
sometimes deaf to spouse & children. Has no
taste for work of any kind, except feverishly
looking though records at libraries and
courthouses. Compulsions to frequently visit
strange places, such as cemeteries, ruins, and
remote dissolute country areas.

TREATMENT:
Medication—useless, disease not fatal, buts gets
progressively worse. Patient should be given a
quiet corner of the house where he or she can be
left alone. Patient should subscribe to as many
societies, newsgroups, surnames lists, and
genealogical magazines as possible.

REMARKS:
The unusual nature of this disease is….
The sicker one gets, the more he or she enjoys
it.
Author unknown

Family Photos
Do you take 3, 4 or 5 generation photos in your family?

Please bring in your families photos, we will
digitize it and give it right back to you. We have
a piece of your family history and we will share
it with future generations!

COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE PRESENTS
Featured “What is it” Item

One of the most interesting objects!
We did however take it to an archeologist and he said “It’s a ROCK!”

2014 SUPPORTING TOWNSHIPS
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ITASCA COUNTY & CITIES
Itasca County Grand Rapids LaPrairie Nashwauk Bigfork
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT
August through October

INDIVIDUAL $25
Larry Jonson
Richard Green
Steve Jonnes
Caroline King
Jacqueline Dowell
David Johnson
Norma Bilyeu
Tom & Barbara Sventkofskie
Leo Trunt
Kris Ferraro
Janis Johnson
Margaret Domish

FAMILY $40
Lowell & Judy Pittack
Lee & Cynthia Johnson
Bill & Diane Rutherford
Gordon & Jackie Davis
Mike & Barb Shipka
Casey & Georgette Renslow
Richard Bevins
Lee & MaryJo Jess
Truman & Mary Shoaff
William & Anne Langford

SUPPORTING $65
Jim & Wendy Uzelac

PRESEVATION $100
Clair Wilcox
Don Marine
Edward Buttenhoff
Bruce & Kay Aiton

ASSOCIATE $1,000
Dede Emerson

GIVE TO MAX DAY!
November 13, 2014
We are joining with the Grand Rapids Community Foundation to promote giving on GIVE TO THE MAX DAY. All proceeds to the Itasca County Historical Society will go towards paying off our mortgage! Go on the web or stop in at the Community Foundation with your donation!
www.givemn.org

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Memorials
Oftelie Family: Jane Oftelie
Crowe Family: Arnold Burt
James Gilboy: Maxine Binet
Karen Lucachick: Alvar “Al” & Norma “Toots” Hupila
Dr. Mark Hoffmeyer-Mary Luehne, Brian Rajala: Agnes Rajala
Cheryl Thueson/Lilah Crowe/Business Networking Inc. Rapid Referral Members: Brian Daigle
North Star Grand Rapids Women's Club: Agnes Landers and Ethel Brady
Jody & JoLynn Crowe: Eleanor Watson
Jean Knowles: John R. Howes
Deborah Best, Richard Moore, Jim Marshall: Katherine Berkeland
Susan Kujala: Edith Mary Schagh

If you are thinking about year-end tax planning, consider gifting appreciated stock to ICHS. Call 218-326-6431 for more details.
Members and Friends:

A special thanks again to our board of directors in making the important decision of moving to our new location. I can’t express how many people have come in and really enjoy the atmosphere, the museum, and the volunteers that greet each person. It has made a world of difference to us all!

I’m just now finishing up on 5 grants that we have received from the legacy program; $5,900 engineer consultant for basement, $8,000 for the LED lighting lower level, $63,000 heating and humidity controlling equipment and installation, $3,900 AASLH convention for Jeremy and Lilah and $6,150 for asbestos removal in the lower level. Upon completion, we will then again be applying for a large grant to do a complete inventory of the objects. We currently have 54,000 documented and more not entered in the program. We receive donations on a daily basis.

We had wonderful news about the Karjala endowment and the board was able to let us purchase brand new computers for the research center. It is awesome. These new computers will enable us to have a good back-up system and are easier for the staff to use. Jeremy has done a great job in making sure they are all in working order. You’ll notice a big difference they have made in the center. We really are a professional research center!

Some exciting things coming up in the future. Our grand opening of Ordinary People the last Thursday in February and our first Historic Wedding Dress Show and Lunch on Valentines Day. Hope you can join us on both occasions.

Lilah J. Crowe
New Museum Store
Features local artists and authors.
Stop in and see the new gifts and books!

Poachers Caught! By Tom Chapin
1. Adventures of a Northwoods Game Warden.
2. Further Adventures of a Northwoods

Save on shipping and handling by stopping in at the Museum Store

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Call 218-326-6431 and reserve your BOOKS!
The Candy Cane Boutique will be held from 9:00am to 3:00pm, Saturday, November 8, at the Zion Lutheran Church. We will be serving lunch as a fund-raiser for Itasca County Historical Society! We are raising money for our conservation room, specifically a stackable washer and dryer, and a 6 foot chest style freezer.

Please help us by bringing in baked goods Friday November 7th. We will prepare for the sale at ICHS. Call with ?’s 218-326-6431. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!