## MUSEUM MUSINGS

## ITASCA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY





The Showboat exhibit in the River Room is almost done!
Rachel Shiller-Hartwell was our spring intern and she researched and collected, designed and put up this exhibit! Wonderful job!

## THINGS TO REMEMBER

Murder in Craig on Piggly Avenue is the current theme for the Grand Rapids Escape Room!

While we are working hard at the River Room and Itasca Schools Gallery, the escape room has been in operation.

Grand Rapids is famous again! We here at the historical society and other locations around town are on a podcast Called Crime Show, "No Place Like Grand rapids"

https://open.spotify.com/episode/6sNFFhIr7p68ild5x6UaxJ?si=791d965322994460

I forgot to send this out last week, and in the mean time, my nephew who is traveling in the Outback in Australia always listens to podcasts, said last night he was shocked to start a podcast and his aunt Lilah was the first speaker! He texted his dad and said it was a great program.

Another podcast is coming out soon.....



## NEED YOUR HELP!

ICHS is looking for artifacts from the Nashwauk/Keewatin and Deer River School Districts. If you know someone that attended those schools in the past or even now, let them know we are trying to tell the school stories and need artifacts to help with the story!

The RIVER ROOM is underway! Wesley Sisson is painting the wall with the artist Peggy Hagen. Wesley is blind, so she took hot glue and made lines for him to paint. He was able to paint in several places on the wall. She had all the volunteers put in something on the wall. Some of us were able to paint leaves on a tree with a stamp.

Andy Nintzel chaired the board meeting while our President is on sick leave. We also have staff and volunteers on sick leave, so it has been quiet around the historical society. The board heard the news from the Blandin Foundation. Response was given as a unit when answering questions. No money, no directives or action were given. A Board member volunteered to give to the intern a donation for all her work. She was really surprised and grateful! It was determined that as long as the Escape Room was making us money, it will stay as an escape room. Great Board Meeting.