

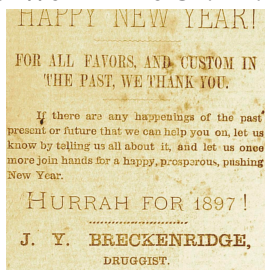


Pine City about 1936 - photo courtesy of Michael Sauser



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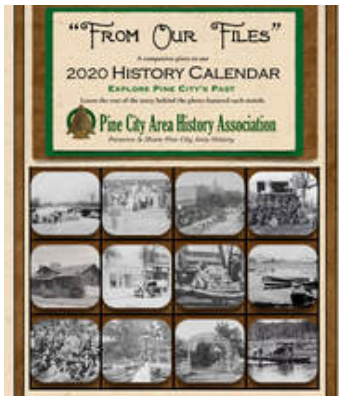
NEWSPAPERS ONLINE



2020 CALENDAR



CALENDAR SUPPLEMENT



FACEBOOK

Looking back at our seventh year

Message from the Board

In our seventh year we found ourselves challenged by an historic event, the Coronavirus pandemic. At present we have been forced to cancel two of our quarterly meetings and four months and counting of meetings of the Thursday local history group. It is unclear at the writing of this when we will be able to resume either activity.

We are grateful for the generous community support we have. Last year we wrote about the need to replace the foundation under the Rural School Museum. The estimated cost was a jaw dropping \$20,000. We got to work writing grants and contacting local service groups. So many organizations and individuals stepped up to help us, we reached our goal. We have a contractor lined up and the foundation issues will be corrected this summer.

Volunteers are critical to our operation, we need to say a special thank you to a few of them.

- Nora McKinnon continues with the wonderful job she does posting on our FaceBook page. A few times each week she posts an item from our collection, often with links to more information. This has proved very popular, generating lots of memories being shared and increased awareness of our association and things we offer. Our page likes have grown from 950 to 1,136. Nora, we are so grateful for all your hard work.
- We have been digitally clipping old newspapers and filing the clippings. These are extremely useful when doing

research on a topic. Currently they are only available on our computer but we have plans to make them available in our space in city hall and eventually to make them available online. Key to this project is attaching key words to each article. We have three volunteers who have gone above and beyond and have added key words to thousands of clippings. We currently have over 19,000 articles in our data base. Thank you Margery Stratte Swanson, Julie Berglund, and Don Lund!

Last year we talked about using "From Our Files" to share information. We used the "From Our Files" format for our calendar. New this year was a supplement to the calendar that contained more information on each of the twelve calendar entries. The supplements were very popular. Look for one again when the 2021 calendar comes out. This year we have been developing another tool for sharing information. This one is called "If Walls Could Talk." We have looked at items unexpectedly found in people's homes and the stories they can tell. We hope to share soon some of the stories we have discovered.

Lastly a couple of things to watch for:

- The 2021 Calendar & Supplement
- A special exhibit at the Pine City City Hall entitled "Found at the Fur Post"

MISSION

The collection, preservation and dissemination of knowledge about the history of the Pine City area.



Pine City Area History Association

Treasurer's Report

Starting Balance 7/1/19 = \$6110.07

Income	
Memberships	\$1,080.00
Donations & Memorials	\$150.00
Grants	
Sales	\$834.00
Other	\$264.38
Total	\$2,328.38

Expenses	
Membership	\$95.00
Grant	\$0.00
Collection/Exhibit	\$1,901.30
Sales	\$760.00
Supplies	\$220.05
Sales Tax	\$69.00
Other	\$85.17
Total	\$3,130.52

Balance as of 6/30/2020 = \$5307.93

Rural School Museum	
Rural School Account	\$3,427.47
Greater Pine Area Endowment	\$5,000.00
City of Pine City	\$5,000.00
Pokegama Lake Association	\$1,500.00
ECE	\$1,000.00
Mn Energy	\$1,000.00
Rock Creek Lions	\$1,000.00
Pine City Lions	\$1,000.00

Local History Group

The local history group from which the history association evolved, has had to temporarily suspend meeting due to the Coronavirus. Once it is safe to resume you are invited to join us on Thursdays at 1:00 PM in the meeting room of the Pine City Public Library. The meetings are free and open to the public. They are casual meetings with no set agenda. Often participants will bring items of historical interest to share. Discussion usually lasts about two hours. Watch our website for meeting information.

Going Forward

Some of our goals this year include;

- Continue collecting family histories and making them available to the public.
- Increase membership and awareness of the Pine City Area History Association.
- Continue updating the collection catalog and make more of it available online.
- Work with the city of Pine City to incorporate historical displays into their space as they remodel.

Rural School Museum	
Walmart	\$850.00
Pine Area Lions	\$300.00
Joy Circle ORL	\$75.00
Individuals	\$1,865.00
Total	\$22,017.47

We are so grateful for the wonderful support we received in raising the funds to repair the foundation of the Rural School Museum.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

We are supported by memberships. An annual membership is \$20.00.

Please help by purchasing a membership.

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