HISTORIC MILLBURN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.



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Fall Picnic

The Annual Fall Picnic will be held at Mildred Haisma's house on Saturday, September 19th, at 4:00 p.m. Please join us. Brats and lemonade will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass, along with a chair. You are welcome to bring other beverages and friends. Mildred's address is 38735 U.S. Highway 45. You may park your car in her backyard. The driveway is off Millburn Road.

Annual Meeting and Potluck Supper

Many of our members enjoyed a wonderful potluck dinner and fascinating presentation about Abraham Lincoln by Krista Holst. We greatly appreciate her time, expertise, and willingness to share with us. We also enjoyed Doug Stiles' brush with fame – he taught the Smithsonian new information about Lincoln's watch, which is on display there. His g-g-grandfather 's inscription inside Lincoln's watch (which he was repairing at the onset of the Civil War) was publicly verified. How timely!

Memorial Day

We had a wonderful turnout to honor our veterans on Memorial Day at the Millburn Cemetery. Reverend Father John Jamnicky of St. Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church and Pastor Paul Meltzer, formerly of Millburn Church, gave moving tributes to those who served. Christopher and Nicholas Morrissey shared their musical talents with us as well.

Annual Fourth of July Celebration

Tim Smith's Annual Fourth of July Celebration was another huge success! We had a wonderful turnout. We sincerely thank our host for such a terrific community celebration and HMCA fundraiser!

In Remembrance

We mourn the deaths of Alice Anderson and Howard Bonner. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families.

Inquiries

Call Jennifer Andrew at 847-828-3737.

Membership Dues

Thank you for your continued support of our historical society. We have received annual dues from many of our past members and some new members as well. If you have yet renewed your membership, it is not too late to do so! Please remit your dues today. Individual annual memberships are \$12 and family memberships are \$25. Life memberships are also available.

From the Archives

The Millburn Mutual Insurance Company was formed shortly after a house belonging to George Strang was burned to the ground, and it was found that the company in which he carried insurance was insolvent and the property was a total loss. The first annual meeting was held March 8, 1856. Father Dodge was the prime mover in forming the company that became one of the strongest mutual companies in Illinois. It merged with Dunham & Chemung in 1990.

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