

Curator Report July 2021

Collections

- Our last report had a total of 9,264 items in Past Perfect. Since then, our total is now 9,548. Thus, we have added 284 more items into our catalog software.
- Museum has a new student volunteer who will be working with us for a month to learn about the museum field. She is taking a museum studies course at Indiana University and thought to gain a little experience before her class.
- A new volunteer may be starting at the end of the week, and a previous volunteer may be returning to the Museum to work, starting in August.
- A new donation of school photos came in from Sharen Lahti. She stated she is going through more boxes and will make another donation in the future.

Exhibits

- Next exhibit will open in January and will be about the women of Orland Park.
- Museum to put in discretionary budget for the purchase of exhibit cases for the Museum and Village Hall.

Programs

- Laura Ingalls Wilder program at Stellwagen Farm brought in 15 people; many walk-ins and we held the program in the barn due to weather.
- Museum held its first summer camp (American Girl) and we had 15 girls; it was sold out and was a huge success!
- Another summer camp (pioneers) is set for August; some kids from the American Girl camp may be signing up
- Due to the American Girl camp being so successful, more of these types of programs will be offered as well as more kid programs, including after-school programs, homeschool workshops, etc.
- Cocktails with Tales of OP History program in August is sold out
- Working on the Winter/Spring programs
- Fall recreation guide to come out early August

Other

- The next museum newsletter will be mailed out within the next week.
- Two grant applications were completed, one for museum operations and another for a specific project, through Illinios Humanities.