

Second Trivia Night Offered

Lincoln Center • Feb. 25, 2011 • 6 p.m.



“A wonderful night was had by everyone,” said Beloit Historical Society Board Member Nancy Alseth, talking about the society’s first Trivia Night held earlier this year. “It was fun and stimulating,” she added, explaining how good reviews prompted the society to offer another Trivia Night.

Our second Trivia Night is set for 6 p.m. on Friday, February 25 at the Lincoln Center. Cost is \$20 per person and teams must be made up of six or eight individuals.

maybe your team will win the \$250 grand prize

“Assemble your teams, answer general knowledge questions and maybe your team will win the \$250 grand prize,” said Nancy.

Thirteen teams competed at the first Trivia Night, but Nancy said organizers are hoping for 20 teams this time, so anyone looking for a fun way to fill a cold winter night can get busy putting their team together.

The registration fee includes a light supper of sandwiches, chips, desserts, beer, soda and water.

Mail form (see insert) with payment to Beloit Historical Society Lincoln Center, 845 Hackett St., Beloit, WI 53511 by Monday, Feb. 21, 2011. Or, visit us to register. The Lincoln Center is open 12-4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday.



Confluence

Volume 18, Issue 1 - January 2011

Join Us for An Evening at Lincoln Center

Speaker to take audience on journey of laughs and tears



Set against the background of a 50th wedding anniversary, guests for “An Evening at Lincoln Center” will hear the story of love and family, the American Dream and how America has, or hasn’t, changed over the past 50 years.

Professor C.J. Hribal will present his program on Friday, February 11 at the Beloit Historical Society Lincoln Center, 845 Hackett St. Cost is \$35 for members and \$40 for non-members. The evening includes wine and appetizers at 6 p.m., a buffet meal at 6:30 p.m., and a program based on Hribal’s book, *The Company Car: Observations from the Wayback*.

Meal entrees are Grilled Chicken Monterey, Roast Beef Au Jus, and Cheese Tortellini Parma Rosa. Dessert is Lemon Cheese Shortcake with Melba Sauce. Reservations with payment are due by Friday, February 4, 2011 (see insert).

The Company Car is the story of one Midwestern family caught in the changing landscape of the times. Hribal’s talk will take the Czabek family, and his audience, on a journey that is both hilarious and heartbreaking as they travel from the suburbs of Chicago to a small Wisconsin town where they try, usually with comic results, to become farmers.

The Company Car was published in 2005 by Random House. His previous works include *The Clouds in Memphis*, *Matty’s Heart* and *American Beauty*. He edited *The Boundaries of Twilight: Czecho-Slavak Writing From the New World*.

Hribal graduated from St. Norbert College with a BA in Creative Writing and from Syracuse University where he did his graduate work with writers Raymond Carver and Tobias Wolff. He has been a garbage man, bookseller, hotel night clerk, and cookie salesman, and has lived and taught in Minneapolis, Memphis, and Milwaukee. He and his three children live in Milwaukee where he is the Louise Edna Goeden Professor of English at Marquette University. He has held Fellowships from the NEA, the Bush, and from the Guggenheim Foundations.

See insert for Registration form

BHS Lincoln Center hours are noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and by appointment on Saturday. Call 608-365-7835.

Beloit Historical Society
Confluence
845 Hackett St.
Beloit WI 53511
Address Service Requested

The Vision of the Beloit Historical Society is to make history a focal point of community pride and to serve as a constant reminder to the community of its great and diverse heritage.
Visit our web site at beloithistoricalsociety.com

Non Profit Org.
U.S. Postage
PAID
Beloit, WI
Permit No. 87

Beloit Historical Society

Founded 1910

Officers

Craig Mellem, President
Nancy Alseth, Vice President
Maggie Janke, Treasurer
William Bolgrien, Secretary

Board of Directors

David Collins
Sue Drevdahl
Nora Gard
Martin Kades
Terry Karow
Sue Kurth
Nancy Wallace

Lincoln Center Staff:

Paul Kerr,
Executive Director
Dwight Alton,
Facilities Manager

Newsletter Contributors:

Paul Kerr, Dwight Alton,
Sue Kurth; layout by Jen
Scott.

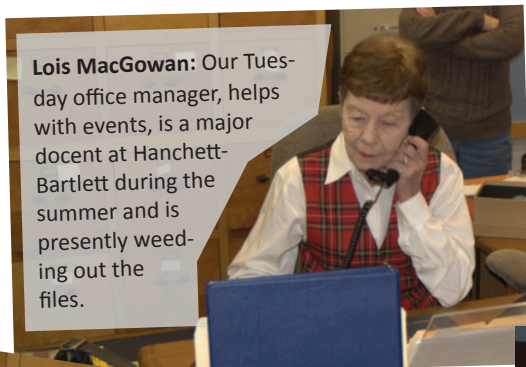
Board meetings are the
third Thursday of every
month at 4 p.m. and are
held at Lincoln Center, 845
Hackett Street.

The Newsletter, *Confluence*, is published quarterly for the membership of the Beloit Historical Society to inform readers of Society activities as well as educate them on the history of Beloit. The Beloit Historical Society manages two sites, Lincoln Center Museum with main offices at 845 Hackett St. and Hanchett-Bartlett Homestead, 2149 St. Lawrence Ave. For further information please call (608) 365-7835 or e-mail us at Pkerr@beloithistoricalsociety.com. Or see our web site at beloithistoricalsociety.com.

Meet the BHS Volunteers

In this issue of *Confluence* we look at some of the people whose work keeps the Historical Society running throughout the year. Now, for 2011, when you receive *Confluence* or check out our Web page, you will know who is behind our operation here in good old Beloit.

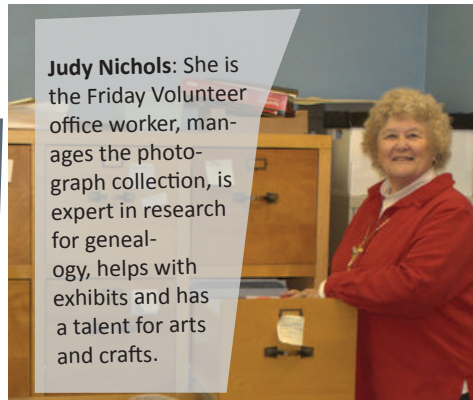
Lois MacGowan: Our Tuesday office manager, helps with events, is a major docent at Hanchett-Bartlett during the summer and is presently weeding out the files.



Shirley Geffers: She is our data entry person for Thursday mornings and also answers the phone when needed.



Judy Nichols: She is the Friday Volunteer office worker, manages the photograph collection, is expert in research for genealogy, helps with exhibits and has a talent for arts and crafts.



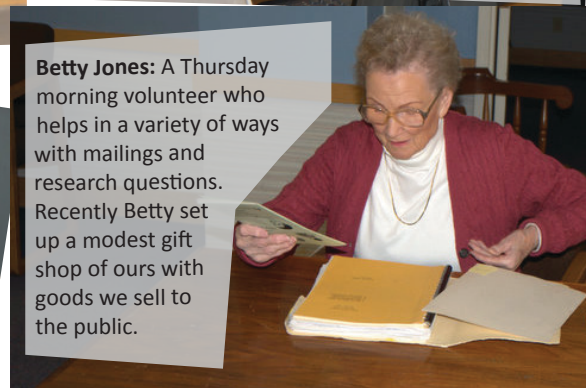
More coming soon

There are many, many more involved in the Beloit Historical Society than just those shown here. The Board of Directors can be called our top volunteers, and we'll introduce you to them in a future issue. Also, the Society has a great force of volunteer docents, and one volunteer grounds-keeper, who keep the tours rolling at Hanchett-Bartlett and make the whole area of the Homestead look great. You can be assured that we'll do our best to ensure all are included when we continue the Meet the BHS Volunteers series.

Jean Combs: Our Wednesday office manager, helps with research and documents the volunteer hours for RSVP.



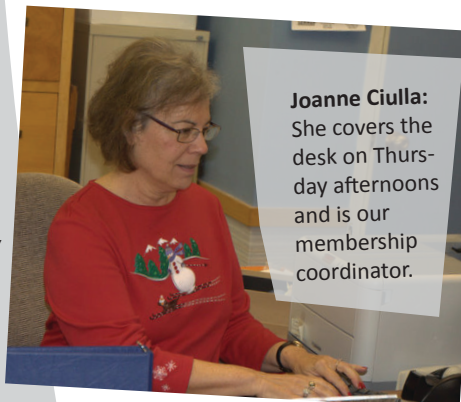
Betty Jones: A Thursday morning volunteer who helps in a variety of ways with mailings and research questions. Recently Betty set up a modest gift shop of ours with goods we sell to the public.



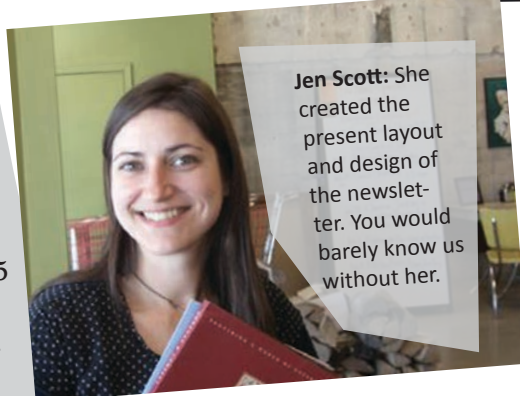
Louise Reidenbach, Carol Bolgrien, Lois Papesh and Delores Hahn (l-r): Are Thursday volunteers who do all the accessioning for the Society. Presently Carol and Lois are working on the Society's Hat collection and Louise is working on the Society's Flag collection.



Joanne Ciulla: She covers the desk on Thursday afternoons and is our membership coordinator.



Jen Scott: She created the present layout and design of the newsletter. You would barely know us without her.



Ron Klein: He is our everything-volunteer who is the main docent at Hanchett-Bartlett, works at Lincoln Center year round helping with exhibits and collections and covers the office when needed.

