

## CHERRY VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

JUNE 2006

I'm sending this newsletter a little early. Our annual potluck for members and guests will be held on July 9<sup>th</sup> at noon. At 2 to 4 pm we will have an ice cream social which is open to the public. One of our new members, Bruce Steder, is in a country band called Hot Rod Hank. This band will play during our potluck and social. This will be in the pavilion behind the tennis courts. We hope you will come and enjoy the food and visiting. We had a bake sale on May 6. We made a profit of \$144.

May 21<sup>st</sup> eight of us traveled to Union, IL for our spring trip. We enjoyed a delicious lunch at Checkers in Union. The restaurant was decorated in Victorian style. We were amazed at the McHenry County Museum which was opened July 4, 1976. This is located in the 1867 school house (two story plus an addition). They have a wonderful, organized display of artifacts. Upstairs they have many Civil War artifacts depicting the lives of the men in battle and the women waiting at home. Nancy Irwin was a very helpful guide. We could also proceed on our own. This was a very interesting afternoon.

We now have web sites: [www.cherryvalleyhistoricalsociety.com](http://www.cherryvalleyhistoricalsociety.com)  
[www.cherryvalleyhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.cherryvalleyhistoricalsociety.org) [www.cherryvalleyhistorical.us](http://www.cherryvalleyhistorical.us) Rachel Rawson (member) is our web master. We very much appreciate her help.

We are sorry to report two more deaths of our Cherry Valley friends:

Wayne Pophan	74	April, 2006
Fred J. Zumbragel	70	May 9 <sup>th</sup> .

This article was found in the Cherry Valley Library. "Rockford Republic news-paper, February 11, 1910. Cherry Valley State Bank is the pride of the town and is now open for business. W. J. Slater president, R. F. Lee vice-president, and F.W. Howe, cashier. 2% on Demand Certificates, and 3% on Savings. Capital Stock \$25,000 and Surplus \$1,250. It is thoroughly fireproof and constructed of vitrified brick, with ornamental stone facings, heavy plate glass windows, and has been erected to house the banking business and none other. The bank has the financial confidence of the community. A bank was long deserved in the town and it will prove a great convenience to the farmers and business men. W. J. Slater is one of the village's leading merchants. Slater and Son conduct a large grocery and dry goods establishment. R. F. Lee conducts a very successful hardware and lumber business. F. W. Howe is an expert accountant and experienced business man."

Please keep Bob Wilson in your prayers.

We have received a used computer and a printer from the Village Hall. We appreciate receiving more updated equipment. There are many who still haven't paid their January, 2006 dues. We will be discontinuing the newsletter for those who haven't paid. Dues are \$10 a year. Ink cartridges and postage are costly. The dues enables us to send the newsletters. Let me know if you aren't sure if you have paid.

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