## CHERRY VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2006

Our potluck and ice cream social on July 9<sup>th</sup> was very well attended. It was great to visit with those of you that we haven't seen in a while. The weather cooperated with a nice breeze off the Kishwaukee River. We made a profit of \$103.70. Cherry Valley had village-wide rummage sales on 9/22 and 9/23, so we held a bake sale on both of those days also. We made a profit of \$116. Our next fundraiser is a calendar of old pictures of Cherry Valley. We hope to have this ready by November, in time for folks to purchase as Christmas gifts. We haven't forgotten about the recipe books, but need more volunteers to finish it.

Mary Lou (Scott) Gundhus-Millar has been a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution since 1973. They compose a book about folk's life during WW2. Her very interesting story was chosen and is printed in this book. She has donated "Rosie's Daughters" to our Cherry Valley Library. This is worth reading.

On August 21, 2006 a very interesting article entitled "Malawi In Need of Help to Keep AIDS Epidemic at Bay" was printed in the Rockford Register Star. Bill and Benita Yunek's daughter Brenda and her husband Dr. Perry Jansen run Partners in Hope Medical Center and HIV/AIDS new address is 287 N. Partridge Loop, Post Falls, ID 83854.

The following have passed away since our last newsletter:

Bonita (Bonnie) F. (Mrs. Merritt) Miller 87 June 27 Lola M. (Mrs. Robert) Murphy 92 July 3 Eleanor B. (Leichman) Kuntze 85 July 7 Gaylord Vincent Brennan 84 July 15 Marilyn J. (Mrs. Ron) Wilson 66 August 15

This article is also from the Rockford Republic newspaper dated February 11, 1910. "Cherry Valley a Clean, Quiet Village". "The village is a dry one, as Cherry Valley voted for local option two years ago, and there are no saloons. There was a time when conditions were far from ideal. Drunkenness, swearing, and carousing were no uncommon thing. A drunken mob, holding high carnival on the streets was an all too frequent occurrence. And a crowd of rowdies from any neighboring community who were for all kinds of deviltry, found Cherry Valley a convenient place. But all that has changed now. During the time the village has been free from saloons, commercial conditions have greatly improved, rowdy-ism has been eliminated, deportment on the streets has been better, collections better - whole social life of village on a higher plane. In place of the town 'running down', it is 'rising up'.

Rachel Rawson (our web master) has found that many of our member's web sites are outdated. Please let us know if you have made a change in the past year. If you wish to receive any pictures of our members or our trips, please contact Frank Horn at: frkarob7@verizon.net Thanks to all who updated their membership dues.

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