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DIRECTOR'S COLUMN

Summer is a time for Wisconsin's fairs and festivals. The smell of the grill, the sweet taste of a cream puff or corn on the cob, and the excitement of your first trip on the Ferris Wheel are a few of the things we look forward to during summertime.

In Rock County, fairs and festivals are seemingly as numerous as blades of grass on a prairie: Pork Fest, Beef Fest, the 4-H Fair, and the Tallman Arts Festival; all are different, unique, and make the communities in Rock County special to those who live and play there. When thinking about Rock County's fairs, I cannot help but wonder what fun activities and displays were on hand at the first Wisconsin State Fair, held in Janesville in 1851.

We want to do our part to contribute to the storied tradition of making fairs fun by integrating more PLAY at this year's Tallman Arts Festival (TAF). Art@PLAY is our 2016 theme and we have planned a diverse array of family activities that integrates art, education, and fun!

During TAF, we are excited to showcase our first major achievement of our Campus Master Plan: Built in 1853, the Frances Willard Schoolhouse was

relocated from the 4-H Fairgrounds to the Rock County Historical Society campus and will bring an added dimension to our educational programs and events. Accelerating the move of the school with the support of local residents speaks to the importance this educational asset has in the community.

With summer being a busy time for all, be sure to check out our website, www.rchs.us, to get up-to-date information on all our new Tallman tours, TOYS activities, and Society events, especially our 35th annual Historic House Tour, showcasing the historic Courthouse Hill neighborhood!

Whatever your summer plans, I encourage you to take part in a take part in a fair, a festival or two, and learn something new about Rock County's heritage and culture!

See you on campus!

Michael Reuter
Executive Director

59th ANNUAL TALLMAN ARTS FESTIVAL

ART@PLAY

Immerse yourself and your family at Wisconsin's oldest outdoor arts festival! The art lover in you will discover over 80 local and regional artists displaying one-of-a-kind treasures, available for purchase. Bring a blanket or chair to relax in the shade and enjoy the live music, bring the children for arts and crafts at our various "PLAY Stations," browse nearly 100 fine art and fine craft booths for something special to bring home, or stop by our food trucks for some mouthwatering cheese curds, ice cream, burgers, and more!

The Tallman Arts Festival is always much more than an art fair. The Rock County Historical Society and a local art group have joined together to create the "Art with Heart" project. Art with Heart's mission is to support youth (18 and younger) in Rock County through the sale of art created by young artists. Proceeds from Art with Heart 2016 sales will benefit the Craig High School and Parker High School closets that serve high school students in need of items such as clothes, bus tokens and personal items.

Every year, the Tallman Arts Festival plans activities under a special theme and this year, the theme is Art@PLAY. Come down to the Rock County Historical Society campus on Sunday, August 7th to explore the playful side of art and history!

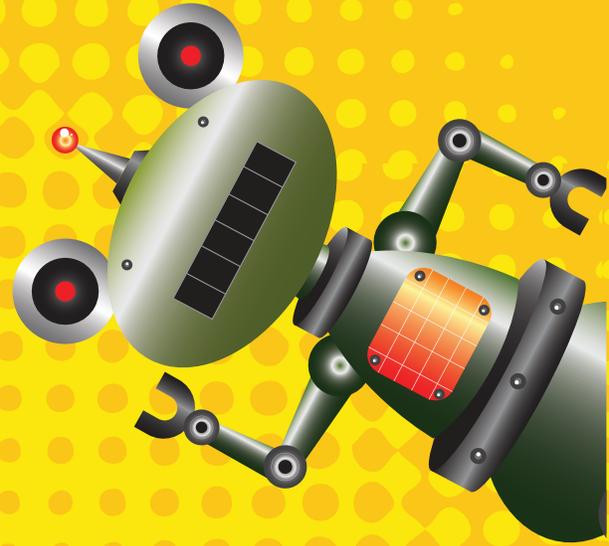
Date: Sunday, August 7th, 2016

Time: 10:00am-5:00pm

Cost: \$5.00 at the gates

Location: 440 N. Jackson St. in Janesville





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36TH ANNUAL HISTORIC HOUSE TOUR & GALA

Historic House Tour

By: Keighton Klos • Operations Manager

The 36th Annual Historic House Tour will highlight the popular Courthouse Hill District. Perhaps the most well-known of the many historic districts in Janesville, Courthouse Hill includes a wide variety of architectural styles including Greek Revival, Prairie Style, and Queen Anne, with many homes combining multiple styles. Beginning in the 1850's, many of Janesville's prosperous business owners, bankers, lawyers, and other white collar professionals chose to build their homes in this prestigious district, and enjoyed the expansive views of the rivers and hills of downtown Janesville. Today many of the original homes still stand proudly, with 6 homes surviving from the 1850's, and 24 surviving from the 1860's. Driving or walking down the streets of the district, it is fun to imagine what beauty you might encounter if you could walk through one of the front doors. The Historic House Tour allows you to do that for one afternoon in August! A select number of gracious owners will be opening their historic homes to the general public, offering a glimpse of the grandeur of a by-gone era. Do not miss your opportunity to step inside these beauties before their doors are once again closed to the public. The tour will be held on Sunday August 21 from 11:00 am - 4:00 pm. Tickets will be sold in advance online at www.rchs.us/event/36th-annual-historic-house-tour/ or in person at the Helen Jeffris Wood Museum Center at 426 N Jackson St, Janesville WI 53548. Tickets will also be sold at ticket central, located within the Courthouse Hill neighborhood, the day of the tour.

Date: Sunday, August 21st

Time: 11:00am -4:00 pm

Cost: Pre-sale is \$15.00; Day-of is \$20.00

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Connecting through History

By Keighton Klos • Operations Manager

There is nothing more synonymous with summer in the Midwest than fairs. From county fairs to the state fair, it seems that every summer weekend is filled with squeals of delight from tilt-a-whirls, the fragrant smell of popcorn and funnel cakes, and music from the main stage floating on the warm summer breeze. There is something truly magical and unique about a fair in the Midwest, and here in Wisconsin it is no different. The State Fair in Milwaukee is one of the premier summer events in the state, but here in Rock County we boast the oldest 4-H fair in the country! A 4-H fair is a competitive exhibition of livestock,

agricultural products, and household skills held annually by a town, county, or state and also featuring entertainment and educational displays. According to <https://rockcounty4hfair.com/>, "From the numerous animals to the carnival and every unique exhibit in between, the Rock County 4-H Fair allows visitors one special week a year to experience the many projects and learn from the county's youth." Although the entertainment and food has changed over the years, the main events of the fair, which are the many different farm animals and judging competitions, have not changed much since the fair was

first started in 1851. This year, from July 26 – July 31, thousands of people of all ages will be found at the 4-H fairgrounds viewing animals from pigs to cows to chickens, enjoying live entertainment from big name bands such as Diamond Rio and Parmalee, riding thrilling carnival rides, and eating things from cotton candy to deep fried cheese curds. If you are looking for quintessential American fun this summer, look further no than your own back door and the Rock County 4-H fair.

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SUMMER 2016 EVENT CALENDAR

JULY

21 • Night @ the Museum.
7:00pm-9:30pm.
\$2 for children and free for adults
426 N. Jackson St.
www.rchs.us/event/night-at-the-museum/

Come dressed in your bunny slippers and pajamas, bring your favorite stuffed animal, and enjoy an evening of family fun at the Helen Jeffris Wood Museum Center! Explore the museum at night, enjoy a special treat and activities for children of all ages. Please note that this not an overnight, and families with children of all ages are welcome!



30 • Historic Rock County Walking Tours: Janesville's Prospect Hill. 9:00am-10:00am. Free. Meet at Saint Mary's Catholic Church on the corner of Wisconsin Street and Prospect Avenue.

The second in our monthly summer walking tours goes to Janesville and will feature the Prospect Hill historic neighborhood of Wisconsin's Park Place. A mix of Italianate and Queen Anne style houses, the Prospect Hill neighborhood is a great example of the wide range of architectural styles our county boasts and is a great place to stroll on a Saturday morning.

59th ANNUAL TALLMAN ARTS FESTIVAL

ART @ PLAY

AUGUST

7 • 59th Annual Tallman Arts Festival. 10:00am-5:00pm. \$5.00 at the door. 440 N. Jackson St.

Immerse yourself and your family at Wisconsin's oldest outdoor arts festival! The art lover in you will discover over 80 local and regional artists selling one-of-a-kind treasures, available for purchase. "PLAY" stations will provide hands-on opportunities for children and adults alike to unleash the artist within each of us! Bring a blanket or chair and enjoy local entertainment while tasting food from regional food trucks!



21 • 36th Annual Historic House Tour. 11am-4pm. Tickets may be purchased at www.rchs.us/event/36th-annual-historic-house-tour/

The 36th Annual Historic House tour is visiting the gorgeous Courthouse Hill District. This historic neighborhood boasts a wide range of architectural styles ranging from dramatic Queen Annes to quaint bungalows. Do not miss your opportunity to see the insides of some of these privately owned beauties before their doors are closed to the public!

SEPTEMBER



15 • Uncovering Tallman's Treasures: The Art & Furniture of the Tallman Family. 5:00pm & 7:00pm. \$15.00. 440 N. Jackson St. Tickets may be purchased at www.rchs.us/tallman-tours/

Have you ever wondered about all of the beautiful antique artwork that resides in the Lincoln-Tallman House? Many of the artwork pieces in the house are original to the Tallman family and have their own unique story to tell! Come enjoy a glass of wine or sparkling cider while learning about the art in the Tallman collection. From statues to paintings this tour is sure to satisfy the art lover in everyone!

18 • Uncovering Tallman's Treasures: The Art & Furniture of the Tallman Family. 1:00pm & 5:00pm. \$15.00. 440 N. Jackson St. Tickets may be purchased at www.rchs.us/tallman-tours/

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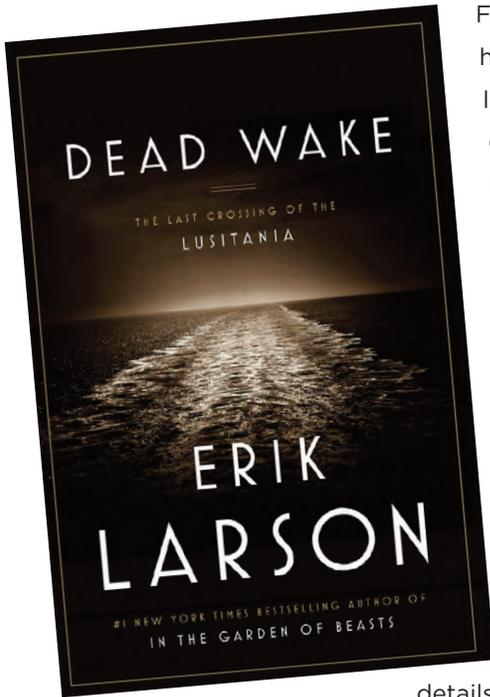
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Wise Words: *The Last Crossing of the Lusitania* by Erik Larson

By Amanda Strobel Wise • Volunteer & Internship Program Manager



Fans of Larson's past historical novelizations, like *Devil in the White City*, will not be disappointed; Larson's latest historical exploration of the sinking of the Lusitania, a passenger ship, is compelling and full of his characteristic masterful manipulation of phrase, as well as layers of historical details. Each page is filled with perfectly suspended moments in time, and tangible recountings of the days and minutes before the epic sinking of the prized passenger ship by a German U-Boat that eventually pulled the United States into World War I. The reader is slowly drawn into the eventual attack and sinking of the ship with the strong currents of multiple story lines and vivid details.

Larson takes particular care to focus on the passenger's faith that Germany would not attack a ship of civilians (which was also transporting a large amount of ammunition). Their trust in the company's safety procedures, which had been amplified after the sinking of



Erik Larson

the Titanic, the British Royal Navy, and the German, is a stark contrast to the realities of today's international travel. The idea that any civilian was in any actual danger "[...] seemed beyond rational consideration." (94)

Larson's retelling is

precariously balanced, as "[e]ven the briefest [of the ship] delay could shape history" (117). What we assume as eventualities of history are placed on a razor thin line. While the Lusitania made its way across the sea to Europe, it was pursued not only by the threats of poor weather, but also a new deadly threat, that of unfettered German aggression in the form of the undetectable U-boat. All the while, the United States and a distracted President Wilson resisted the European clash that seemed to consume all it touched: "But the tendrils of conflict seemed to reach more and more insistently toward America's shores" (112). As the enormous and luxurious passenger ship sank, it pulled the United States into a global conflict of unprecedented violence and death.

This work is a must read for any history lover and should be on everyone's summer reading list!



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Night @ the Museum

Come dressed in your bunny slippers and pajamas, bring your favorite toy, and enjoy an evening of family fun in the Toys@PLAY exhibit. Explore the Helen Jeffris Museum Center at night, snack on some delicious treats and get your hands messy with crafting supplies! This is a great event for families with children of all ages.

Walk through our pillow fort entrance to the Toys@PLAY exhibit and play fun games like giant ping-pong and pin the flame on the rocket, dig into colorful cloud dough, create a galaxy print, and craft your own superhero mask.

But that's not all: there will also be popcorn with m&ms and cookie decorating. It wouldn't be a party without a little sugar!

This is not an overnight stay, and all children that attend must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times. There will be fun things for parents to do too! Share with your children some of the board games that you remember as a kid. We have a collection of board games, toys from the 1960s, 70s, 80s, and 90s that most of us can remember playing with.

Date: July 21, 2016
Time: 7:00pm-9:30pm
Cost: \$2.00 for children and all adults are free.
Location: 426 N. Jackson St.

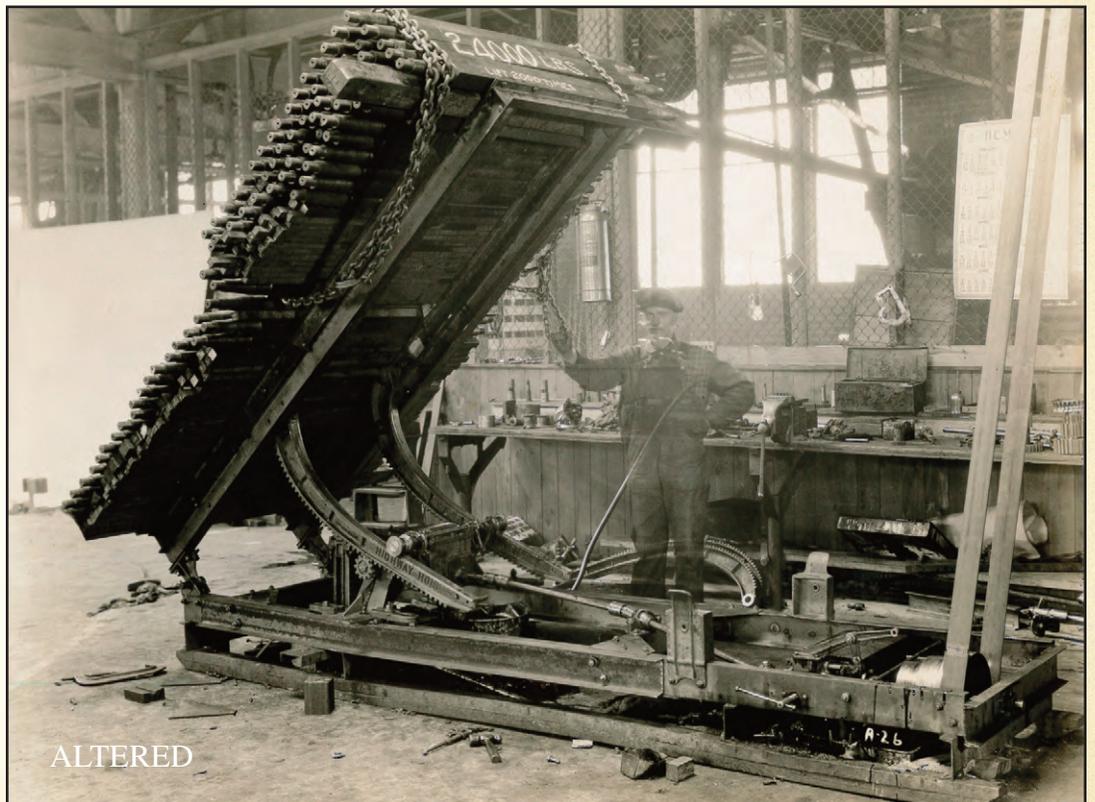
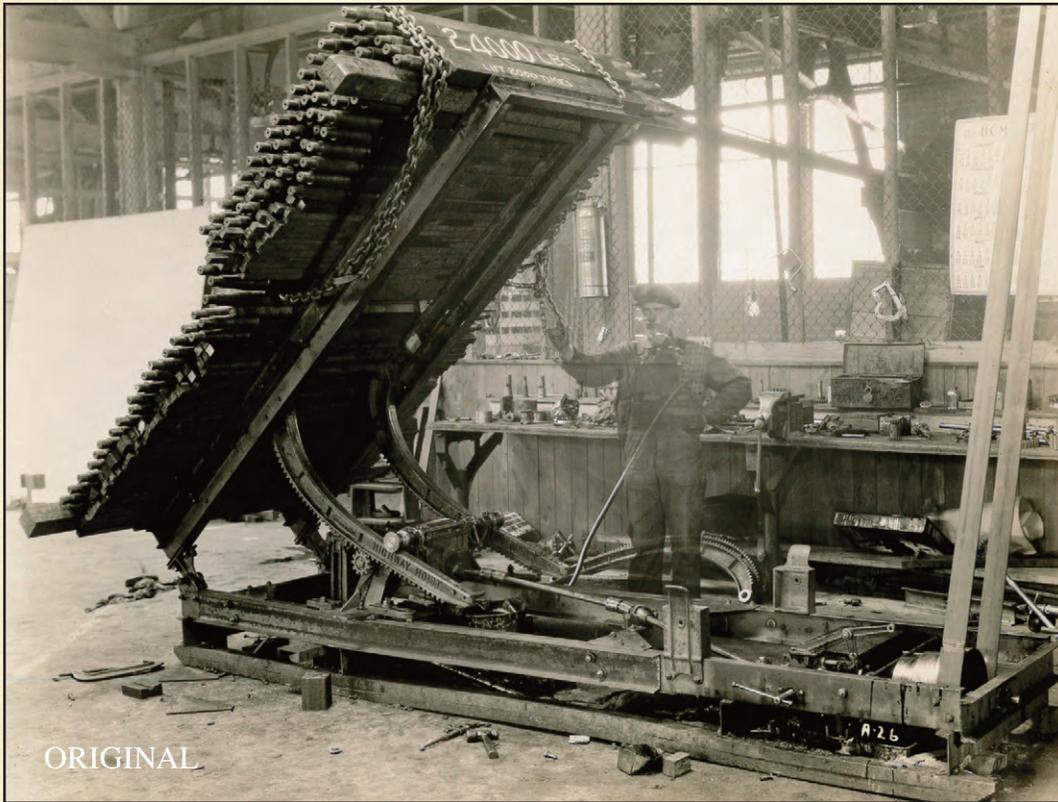
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History Hunt

There are 7 changes made from the original. Can you find all 7?



1. white wall on the left side is extended • 2. Beam at the bottom of the lift is extended • 3. item in the box on top of the "highway hoist" is missing • 4. the "T" in "highway hoist" is removed • 5. item to the right of the man (his left) is moved over • 6. pipe at the corner of the lift is missing • 7. lock on the hoist box is gone

ANSWERS

STORIES FROM THE STACKS

Rock County Fairgrounds

By Ruth Anderson • Archives Manager

The Rock County Fairgrounds is home to many festivals. The 4-H Fair may be the principle reason for its existence, but over the years, the fairgrounds has been home to the Blackhawk Curling Club, Janesville Cubs baseball, Rock County Play Days, and The Rotary Horse Show - just to name a few.

In 1972 the Blackhawk Curling Club built the Blackhawk building that adds valuable display space during the 4-H fair adds valuable display space. Annually from October through March a climate controlled 3-sheet ice house located in the west side is accompanied by a club house on the east end. Since 1972, the club has hosted many curling competitions called “bonspiels”. Club members celebrate the skills needed to throw rocks at houses, and the camaraderie after each game. Games always begin with the “Good Curling” greeting and handshake, and end with a fellowship of food and beverage. Good shots are celebrated no matter who makes them, the home team or the opponent. At one time a series of themed parties were presented. These curling matches sometimes had creative rules. The photo here demonstrates the rule of a “towel shot” from the Restaurant at the End of the Universe party where competitors were asked to bring towels. The towels were used during the competition to allow “magical correction” of missed shots.

The Janesville Cubs, a Chicago Cubs sponsored farm team, competed in the Wisconsin State Baseball League. The team’s home field was the Rock County 4-H Fairgrounds from 1941-42, and 1947-1953. This 1950s era photo demonstrates the growing urban area surrounding the fairgrounds.

During the YMCA sponsored Rock County Play Days, the 4-H Fairgrounds was a beehive of activity. Youthful participants from across the county swarmed to the fairgrounds to compete in races, volleyball, and softball. This softball game was between Bradford and Spring Valley. Notice the family cars in the background.

For years one of the local equine industry’s popular events was the Rotary Horse Show hosted by the Janesville Rotary Club. Farmers of a generation past, who had converted to gasoline-powered machinery, and avid horse lovers, flocked to the grounds to see the exhibits and competitions. See the two-horse team being driven past the grandstand.

Over the years events including Sinnissippi Council Boy Scouts of America’s “Scout-O-Rama”, car shows, Shrine circus, and dinners celebrating agricultural products like beef or pork were also held at the fairgrounds.



Collections Corner

Two Restored Collection Pieces Returned

By Laurel Fant • Collections Manager

The restored steel engraving “Waiting for the Deer to Rise” was returned to the Lincoln-Tallman House in April and it now appears nearly as it did when it was printed in 1856. The Blackhawk Questers received a grant and matched the funds for the restoration; Len Lassandro completed the work which included removing the water tidelines and plank burns (discoloration from moisture and wood backing) and de-acidifying the print. The piece is based on a painting by Sir Edwin Landseer and was engraved by H.T. Ryall. It hangs next to a companion piece “The Shot”, c. 1848, which was restored in 2014 by the Monterrey Questers. Both engravings were donated by Mrs. L.E. Craven in 1952.

A Becker stereopticon with a double viewer or “sweetheart” viewer was also returned and may be used by interpreters during tours of the Lincoln-Tallman House. A matching four legged stand was built by Trae Leeder of Icon Woodworks, who also completed the repairs to the viewer. The funds for the restoration and stand were provided by the Wisconsin Antiques Dealers Association, Inc. While we are searching for glass slides to use in the viewer which allows for two people to see the same image at the same time, we will use unmatched 3-D cardboard slides back to back to allow for two viewers at a time. We hope you will stop in to take a peek! To learn more about the stereopticon check out the Winter 2014/2015 Finial, where it was featured.



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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT:

Kathy Thostenson

By Amanda Strobel Wise • Volunteer & Internship Program Manager

As one of our Front Desk and Special Event Volunteers, Kathy has been part of the RCHS family for years! Kathy's warm face and welcoming smile have greeted guests for many years, and like so many other Front Desk Volunteers, she also volunteers at our big events every summer.

Kathy is a great supporter of RCHS, and she is a font of information about our organization, as well as information about Janesville for our guests! Kathy enjoys gardening, swimming laps, reading, and was a librarian at Beloit College for 20 years. She is active in several other local organizations, and we are thankful for all of the time and talent she has given to RCHS!



CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS – TALLMAN ARTS FESTIVAL



Summer is just starting, and that means that the Tallman Arts Festival is just around the corner! Every year, we welcome thousands of guests on our campus, and to make the event run smoothly, we rely on almost 100 volunteers!

Consider joining the fun this year and sign up for a two-hour shift! Volunteers get lunch, in addition to free entry into the fair.

As always, there are many other exciting volunteer opportunities in addition to events! Visit our volunteer page at <http://www.rchs.us/volunteer/>, or contact Amanda Strobel Wise (astrobelwise@rchs.us | 608-756-4509 x313) to see how you can make history today!

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Through our Annual Business Sponsorship program, the Society is able to connect our slate of fun, educational and engaging tours, exhibits and programming to clients and employees of businesses from throughout Rock County!

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As we continue through 2016 with an emphasis on RCHS@PLAY, we aim to bring a higher level of interaction to all who visit our campus. Please consider being a part of our 2016 sponsors!

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WISH LIST 2016

Summer is a great time to clean your attic, basement, or garage, and perhaps you have come across some stuff you no longer need or want. Check out this wish list below and see if you have any of the following and are willing to donate to help our education programs succeed!

Specifically, we are looking for:

- White linen sheets
- White China (plates)
- Silverware sets
- Old pairs of leather shoes

We are also in need of a "new to us" gas stove here at the Helen Jeffris Wood Museum Center and we would love to have your older model, just as long as it works! Updating your refrigerator? Consider donating your older model to us.

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ROOTS IN ROCK COUNTY: Regal Beloit Corporation

By Nancy McDonald • Development Manager

Nestled in downtown Beloit is a company that has impacted nearly every household in the United States and other areas of the world. Their products are made to complement other products. Some end up in our household HVAC systems and pool pumps while others impact our community through industrial and commercial processes. This company is Regal Beloit Corporation or just “Regal.”

HOW THEY STARTED

In 1955, Henry Odell and Kenyon Taylor decided to combine their experience in tool manufacturing, accounting, and sales and start a company together. They brought in a self-taught tool designer, John Willard Oliver, to assist. The company was called the Beloit Tool Corporation and began operations in a foreclosed roller rink located in the farm fields on Highway 15, northeast of Beloit. By the end of the first business year, Beloit Tool’s sales were \$41,562 (\$291,000 today) and there were 15 employees working on the shop floor.

At the time, the Stateline area was a strong manufacturing community and Beloit Tool was known as a specialty tap manufacturer. They realized significant growth by committing to deliver finished taps within 48 hours. It had an immediate positive impact on sales, but also revealed much about the customer-centered philosophy of the people running the company, which still holds true today.

REBRANDING AND TODAY

In 1961, Beloit Tool became Regal Beloit Corporation, a rebranding that has continued in response to the changing needs of its customers and community. Regal has many product brands used in HVAC, commercial refrigeration, food processing, oil & gas, medical, mining and many other applications. Their brands include Wisconsin-based Marathon, Leeson, Durst, Unico, Milwaukee Gear and Grove Gear.

Now located in downtown Beloit, Regal (NYSE: RBC) is a global leading manufacturer of electric motors,



electrical motion controls, power generation and power transmission products serving markets throughout the world. The company is comprised of three business segments: Commercial and Industrial Systems, Climate Solutions and Power Transmission Solutions. Today, Regal sales are over \$3.5 billion and they employ over 26,000 people worldwide who work diligently to ensure that processes are efficient and to provide the best customer service possible.

BLAST FROM THE PAST:

That's Fair

By Nathan Fuller • Education Curator

Summertime in the Midwest brings both the return of mosquitoes and the many amazing fairs and festivals we all love to attend. From the State Fair to the local county fair, and from music festivals to farmer's markets, fairs in their various forms dot the landscape and are a sign that summer has officially arrived and it's time to put the winter coat away. Many of the festivities we think of as being timeless were actually established not that long ago and many of our more recent ancestors took part in them, just as we do today.

Historically speaking, celebrations were centered on good harvests, religious rites, successful military campaigns, timely trade caravans, or drunken merrymaking. This could range from simple tribal trading events to the elaborate Roman Circus celebrations, named after the circular amphitheaters where spectators could watch chariot racing, horse maneuvers, and even pitched naval battles! The origins of the modern fair came from the Middle Ages, where the trade fairs were usually held on the feast days of Catholic saints during the work week. The word fair actually comes from the Latin word "feria" which means "free day" which denotes a day free of work, essentially a holiday!

The Victorians loved the idea of a fair or festival, and looked with reverence to the



Middle Ages and Renaissance. Most fairs revolved around business transactions, specifically the buying and selling of livestock; the partying and fun were just a small part of the festivities. These "agricultural fairs" were a popular mainstay in America, where they became a showpiece for the latest and greatest ideas in agriculture, animal husbandry, and inventions. Many summer festivals included a maypole, a pagan religious symbol where Victorian adults and children, would dress up as wood sprites and dance around the colorful pole, singing songs.

The first Wisconsin State Fair was held in Janesville in 1851, where around 15,000 people were in attendance to see a 200 pound squash, plowing demonstrations, and other agricultural wonders. The Rock County Fair also began in 1851 and became a part of the summer experience in Rock County; it eventually moved to its current site in the 1880s which originally featured a

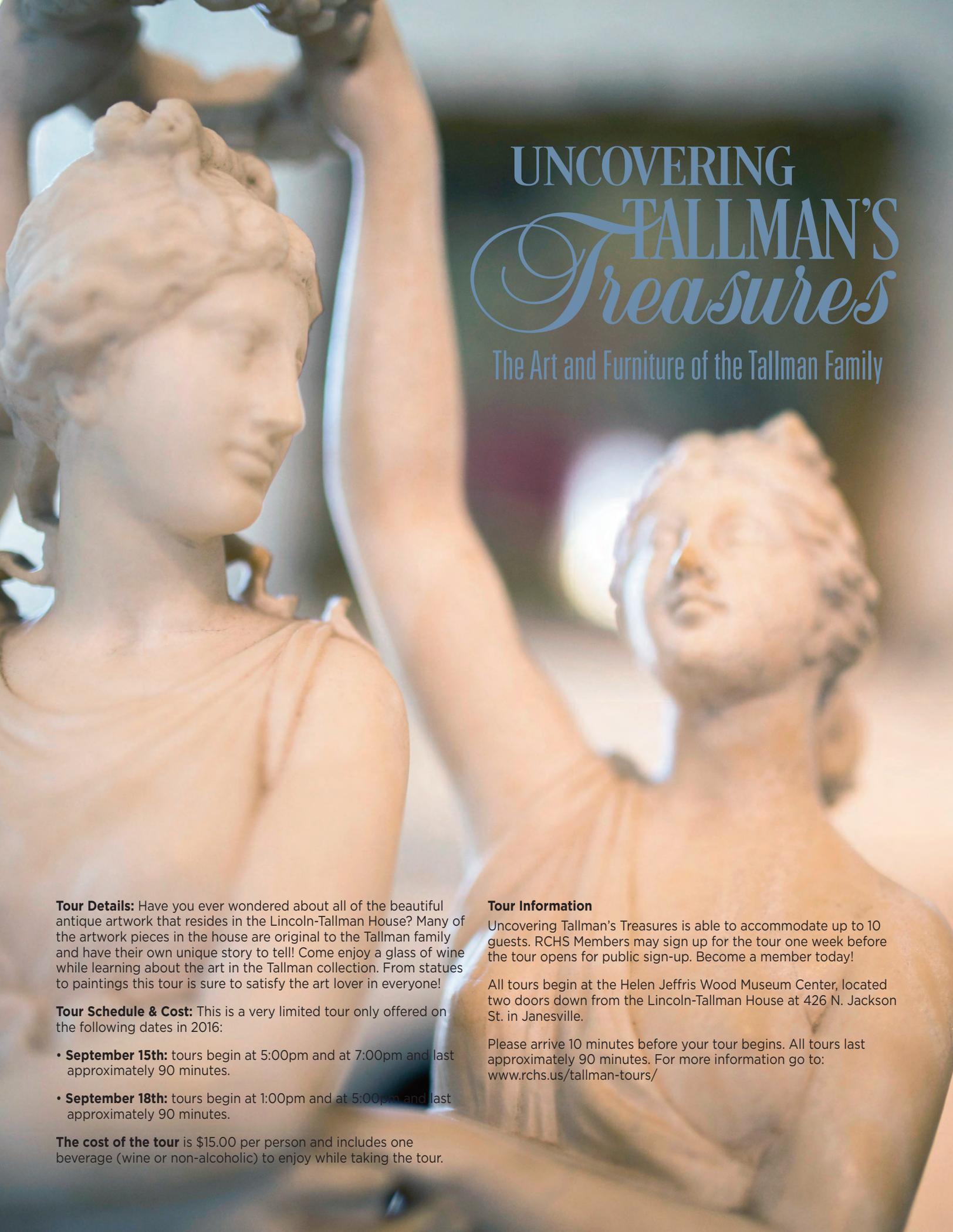


one-mile racetrack, grandstand, and multiple barns. There was enough room at the original plot for actual plane landings, a popular amusement at fairs during the early days of aviation. Some Victorian era people took more inspiration from Ancient celebrations.

Baron Pierre de Coubertin, a French aristocrat, decided along with many others to revive the Greek Olympic Games, envisioning an international sporting competition for amateur athletes. The first modern Summer Olympic Games were held in Athens in 1896, in which 14 countries competed in 43 events, with the United States winning the most gold medals. Beginning in 1912 and up until 1948, Olympic competitions featured both athletic and artistic contests. Along with fencing and gymnastics, there were also competitions in literature, music, and various art forms, with gold medals being awarded!



Our own summer festival, the Tallman Arts Festival is not quite as old, beginning in 1957. It started out as an ice cream social and has certainly expanded from its humble beginnings, though its character remains the same, much like the other fairs and festivals mentioned above. It is still a fun way to spend a summer day and we hope you will join us on August 7th. For more details check out <http://www.rchs.us/event/tallman-arts-festival/>.



UNCOVERING TALLMAN'S *Treasures*

The Art and Furniture of the Tallman Family

Tour Details: Have you ever wondered about all of the beautiful antique artwork that resides in the Lincoln-Tallman House? Many of the artwork pieces in the house are original to the Tallman family and have their own unique story to tell! Come enjoy a glass of wine while learning about the art in the Tallman collection. From statues to paintings this tour is sure to satisfy the art lover in everyone!

Tour Schedule & Cost: This is a very limited tour only offered on the following dates in 2016:

- **September 15th:** tours begin at 5:00pm and at 7:00pm and last approximately 90 minutes.
- **September 18th:** tours begin at 1:00pm and at 5:00pm and last approximately 90 minutes.

The cost of the tour is \$15.00 per person and includes one beverage (wine or non-alcoholic) to enjoy while taking the tour.

Tour Information

Uncovering Tallman's Treasures is able to accommodate up to 10 guests. RCHS Members may sign up for the tour one week before the tour opens for public sign-up. Become a member today!

All tours begin at the Helen Jeffris Wood Museum Center, located two doors down from the Lincoln-Tallman House at 426 N. Jackson St. in Janesville.

Please arrive 10 minutes before your tour begins. All tours last approximately 90 minutes. For more information go to: www.rchs.us/tallman-tours/



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Gift Shop

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In collaboration with our newest exhibit Toys@Play, we have stocked our gift shop with toys ranging from modern to vintage. From paper dolls, to bouncy balls, to GI Joe army men, there is an item in our gift shop for every toy enthusiast in your life, and maybe even for yourself. Next time that you are on campus, make sure to visit the gift shop!

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