

# ALMIRA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Almira Historical Society continues to move forward in our efforts to preserve and protect the history of Almira Township and the Village of Lake Ann. The past year we saw the completion of the vintage boathouse that was moved to the site from the shore of Lake Ann. Thanks to Mason Clark and Amy Carmien along with others for the hours spent restoring it. The many displays that include a vintage boat provide an idea of the activities of fishing and boating that took place on the lake in earlier days.



We also have restored the electric to the fire barn that was necessary after it was moved to accommodate our new site plan. A very special thanks to Tim VanderMeulen and students from TBA for donating their time. It was a day of fun, food and work accomplished.

Judging from the comments of people that visited the doll and pedal tractor displays at the museum this year they were a great success. Thanks to Linda Peck, Nancy Shreve and Dick Prance for their work on those displays. This year we are planning a display of wedding gowns. If you have a wedding gown that you would like to display please call Linda at 275-6266 or Nancy at 275-5382. We also would like to include any wedding accessories you may be willing to loan for the display. We are also planning a toy barn display. If you have a model barn that we might use please call Dick Prance at 275-2324 or Vera at 275-7362.



A tree has been donated to the Society by Paul Dannecker and daughters in memory of George Wilkie. George was a great supporter of the Society and looked forward to attending the Lake Ann Homecoming each year. Watch the web site ([almirahistoricalsociety.org](http://almirahistoricalsociety.org)) for the date of the dedication.

The community enjoyed the second annual music on the porch with children's games on the lawn. Our musical families graciously donate their time for this annual event. Please join us this fall for another relaxing afternoon. If you play an instrument bring it and join in the fun.



All of the progress we have realized was accomplished solely by volunteers. Thanks to those that have been so faithful with generous donations and support. The buildings, artifacts and documents enjoyed by visitors to our site every year survive today only because of the dedication of people like you. Your interest and continued support make it possible for the Almira Historical Society to proceed with our restoration and preservation projects.

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Much of the work of the board goes unnoticed. Their help, which is all volunteer, is critical to our success. The commitment, dedication and community spirit they show is to be commended.