

HUXLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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2008 Officers

- **President**—Nels Nord
- **V.P.** — Don Duncan
- **Sec.**—Michele Kalsem
- **Treasure**—Scot Petersen
- **Officer**—Ron Krull

2008 Calendar:

NOTICE

Correction Annual meeting

January 26th
2009 —6:30 pm.
Council Chambers.

Meetings are on the 4th
Monday of the month at
6:30 Pm in Council
Chambers.

Meetings Schedule:
February 24—6:30pm
March 23—6:30pm
April 27 —6:30pm
May 25—6:30pm

2008 Calendar:

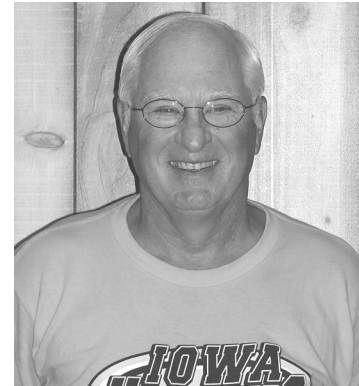
Nords Notes

a word from our president

An article that appeared in the "Huxonian" on Thursday, December 24, 1942, it had a list of Huxley alumni that were serving our country in World War II. The article stated:

A service roll for Huxley High School Alumni who are now serving in the armed forces of the United States, was dedicated by Rev. O. E. Barrow, pastor of the Christian Church at Elkhart, at the December meeting of the P. T.A., which was held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 8. The P.T.A. purchased the service roll and Mrs. Olem Tesdall presented it to the Huxley school.

This list of service men contains fifty-four names in all. The boys listed as serving in the navy are John Douglas, Robert Larson, Joye Saveraid, Leonard Berg, Arnold Lande, Sherman Risvold and Emory Lande.



Those serving in the navy air corps are John Hally and Donald Ritland. Gene Hally is in the marine air corps.

The biggest percentage of the alumni are serving in the army. Those in the army are Sanford Handeland, Anthony Anfinson, Eugene Anfinson, Weir Birkestrand, Jr., Wayne Ingram, Stanley Sydnes, Sherrill Freed, Harold Sorenson, Burton Nagel, Sherman Steensland, Charles Ritland, Faltin Kalsem, Ole Legvold, Jr., Burnis Kalsem, Delmer Bennett, Archie Maland, Harold Steensland, Alden Hill, Joseph Peterson, H. Donald Lee, Ernest Fjelland, Martin Fjelland, Joe Marvelli, Albert Bauge, Adrian Hal-

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MISSION STATEMENT: *To engage the Community of Huxley, Iowa in the preservation, education, and celebration of our heritage and ancestry. To preserve for research and education, the artifacts, information, and verbal histories about the lives of the people of Huxley from its pioneer origins to the present day and into our future.*

October Meeting Minutes

October 27, 2008 - Call to order at 6:30Pm in the Council Chambers by President Nord.

Attendees: Michele Kalsem, Nels Nord, Scot Petersen, Yvonne (Daisy) Fjelland, John Hendricks, Arlene Lande, Ikey Lee, Ruth Lee, Harriet Sheldahl, Arnold and Vivian Larson and Janet Stoll.

Past minutes were read by Sec Kalsem.

Treasurer report was read by Sec Kalsem

Web Report was given by Sec Kalsem.

All reports were approved as read.

Discussions and Actions on old Business

Book information – The membership is considering doing a photo book with captions.

News letter boxes – Nels will prepare newsletter boxes

Story Co. Foundation – Nels will contact a contractor and find out the feasibility of renovating the old fire station to meet the needs of the Society.

Recording Equipment – We are waiting on this issue

Cemetery information – Motion was made and passed to pay Ron Krull for his gas for mowing the Ballard Cemetery. Michele contacted the Palestine Peppy Pushers 4H to see if anyone would consider doing a service project and/or help keep the cemetery clean.

New Business

What to do about the web site – Ask the city if we might have a sub-domain of theirs – webmaster Kalsem will check into that.

Annual meeting date and plan – Arlen Twedt said he would come and do a first person recitation of a Norwegian settlers story.

Motion to pay outstanding debts was made and passed included is reimbursement for Ron Krull's mowing.

Secretary Kalsem will prepare the lifetime membership certificates for our Annual Meeting.

Adjourn

7:00 PM

Sec Kalsem

Annual Meeting

**January 26th, 6:30 PM City Council
Chambers**

**This is a great time to renew your membership!
If you renew at the Annual meeting you will not
miss a single issue of this fabulous and amazing
news letter. Feel free to use the form on the back
page of this news letter.**

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erson, Marion Bauge, Jennings Ritland, John Boardson, Donald Tesdall, Herbert Tesdall, Gerhard Birkestrand, Lester Ritland, Sherrill Lande, Douglas Lantz, Oscar Overland, Raymond Anderson and Obert Overland.

Four Huxley alumni are in the United States army air corps. They are Obert Ryerson, Arnold Tesdall, Silas Tweedt and Robert Hill.

The only service person that was killed up to that time of Dec. 24, 1942, was Luther Williams, who died while serving with the U. S. Marines.

In memory of those from Huxley who made the supreme sacrifice for their country during World War II were: Gene Ames, John Boardson, Kenneth Christensen, Lloyd Hally, Ole Halverson, Owen Newgaard, Lester Ritland, Emil Westvold and Luther Williams.

I wish you all a Happy Holiday and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Sincerely, Nels A. Nord

President, Huxley Historical Society

November Meeting Minutes

November 24, 2008 - Call to order at 6:30Pm in the Council Chambers by President Nord.

Attendees: Michele Kalsem, Nels Nord, Scot Petersen, Yvonne (Daisy) Fjelland, John Hendricks, Arlene Lande, Ikey Lee, Ruth Lee, Laverne Helland, John Kalsem, and Delila Roberts.

Past minutes were not read.

Treasurer report was given by Scott Petersen

No Web Report was given.

All reports were approved as read.

Discussions and Actions on old Business

Nels will prepared and will place 4 newsletter boxes around town locations to include City Hall, the Library, Quicks Hardware, and a couple other locations.

Cemetery information - Michele will contact the Palestine Peppy Pushers 4H later in the spring to see if anyone would consider doing a service project and/or help could be hired to help keep the cemetery clean.

The website hosting issue was resolved and our new address is www.history.huxleyiowa.org

It will be up again ASAP.

The plan for the annual meeting was updated and corrected. It will be held the 4th Monday of January NOT January 4th as was published. The date will be Jan 26th. at 6:30 in City Council Chambers. Delila and Michele volunteered to bring some cookies and plan to set up a coffee pot so we might snack during the presentation to be given by Arlen Twedt. He said he would love to present a first person recitation of a Norwegian settler's story for us. Also at the meeting we will present the lifetime membership certificates. Secretary Kalsem is preparing those. An annual meeting notice and renewal membership notice will be sent around Jan 10th to the general membership. Sec Michele will contact Fjeldberg and Palestine about posting our annual meeting info.

New Business

Secretary Kalsem will send VP Duncan a sympathy card from the HHS as his father passed this week.

Motion to pay the bill for the newsletter printing and Arlene Lande's membership was added.

Adjourn

6:50 PM

Sec Kalsem

No December meeting because of upcoming holidays.



Do you know someone that has
Huxley Historical memorabilia?
How about photo's or a great life
story?

Let us know! Call Don Duncan
515-597- 2563

2nd edition DVD is ready!

This DVD includes the 1st edition AND more it can be purchased for \$20 or \$22.50 w/S&H if we need to ship it to you.

This awesome DVD contains video stream of Huxley Iowa 1939-1955, Ladies at Ovid Louks Farm, 1955 City streets, 125th Anniversary of Fjeldberg Lutheran Church, Huxley Horse Show, and a 1944 Baseball game in addition to some silliness. Get yours today!

The Historical Society would love to have copies of any film you may have or photo's from the past in our community. To purchase a video OR contact us about getting copies from you please contact us at 515-597-3142 or email to hhs@huxcomm.net



END of 2008 - Thank God!

BUT that means '09 memberships are due.

Please consider joining as a LIFETIME members and never have to worry about renewing again.

Joining as a LIFETIME member is easy (\$500 one time) and it means so much to HHS as we need a safe space to store the heritage we have already acquired AND your input about how best to preserve it. The HHS needs a building and archival quality storage to protect our items. Did you know we have a fire truck? And a 4' x 5' painting? Those are just two of the fabulous treasures we store but we have A LOT more much of which are delicate photo's, fabrics, and papers.

Feel free to use the form on the back page of this news letter.

Be sure and come to a meeting when you can because even as we need financial assistance we also need help making good plans for our future.
NOT to mention the great stories we share!

The following are Lifetime members who agree with our mission.

John Berhow

Elizabeth Maland

Laverne & Elaine Helland

Nels & Rowena Nord

Darlene & Robert Hermann

Harriett Sheldahl

Dave & Cheryl Kalsem

Janet & Gary Thompson

John & Ann Kalsem

Prefer to get your newsletter on
line? Email and let us know!

hhs@huxcomm.net



Have time and energy?

The Historical Society always has projects we could use assistance with. Simple things like editing to physical things like cleaning of the cemetery.

ANY help is welcome call to volunteer.

Sec Kalsem 515-597-3142

We have a NEW web address and site.

Our new web address is

www.history.huxleyiowa.org

Watch for exciting changes in the history pages
AND be sure and sent me family histories to include on the peoples pages.

Thanks Web Master Kalsem

THANKS! THANKS! THANKS! THANKS!
THANKS!

To all those who have purchased memberships.

The HHS also wants to thank members for all donations, project specific and general.

Membership Form—Clip and Mail or Copy.

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Circle those that apply please.

Annual '09	\$20
Family '09	\$30
Lifetime Membership	\$500
Gift Amount	\$ _____
2nd Ed DVD Purchase	\$20
S&H for DVD	\$2.50
Total	\$ _____

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