

Friends of the Fredricksons Newsletter

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Friends of the Fredricksons *Update*

Bob Marsh, President

Friends of the Fredricksons Board

It's that time of year again. Yes, summer is disappearing before our eyes-- the evenings are getting a bit cooler & Labor Day is right around the corner. Before we jump into fall again, the "Friends of the Fredricksons" Board thought it would be a good time to update Star Lakers & friends on what we have accomplished and what we are looking to accomplish in the future.

The accomplishments have been many.... We have:

- Received in excess of \$7000 donations from the Old Schoolhouse Gallery (2006 & 2007 seasons.)
- Replaced Bait Shop roof.
- Installed Fredrickson Memorial at bait Shop.
- Installed and restored a vintage merry-go-round. We will be installing a canopy for the merry-go-round in the next few weeks!
- Bill Hintz & Libby and Doug Scott personally restored the Star Lake Schoolhouse and purchased the Schoolhouse property for the benefit of the Star Lake community.
- And, awarded \$1000 college scholarship to Star Lake summer resident-- Jimmy Prusha.



What's next??

All you have to do is ask a Friend of the Fredrickson Board member what "we want for Christmas" and they will tell you that we are hoping to accomplish. We plan to:

- Finish the restoration of the Bait Shop this fall. (Board Approved.)
- Purchase and install a canopy for our merry-go round this fall. (Board Approved.)
- And hopefully start to restore the Fredrickson home in the very near future.

The Fredrickson home is the only original mill town house left in Star Lake and full of Fredrickson treasures. Restoration of their home is a huge project, but one we think very worthwhile. You may have noticed that the roof of the Fredrickson home was replaced just a few weeks ago.

How do we do it?

The success of the Friends of the Fredricksons comes from many sources.

- The Old Schoolhouse Gallery donates 10% of sales to the foundation each year.
- Individual and family donations.
- And a huge amount of time & energy from community members.

As we look at it, The Friends of the Fredricksons is truly "a labor of love" and totally worthwhile.

Thanks to everyone for supporting our cause. We certainly could not do it without you!

College Scholarship

Apply Now!

JuAnn Kehl

The Friends of the Fredricksons Board is proud to announce that we will award another college scholarship this September.

All college age Star Lakers (summer & winter) need to do to apply is submit an anonymous essay explaining:

- "What they want to do when they grow up,"
- How Star Lake has affected them personally,
- How it will affect their future,
- And, what they envision for Star Lake's future.

Interested students should submit their essay (with name & contact information) to Frank Split via email at: FNJSMP@aol.com by September 1st. Frank will forward anonymous versions of the essay to Board Members for voting purposes.

Questions? Call or visit Libby Scott - 542-3998, or Bill Hintz at 542-3600. We look forward to reading your essays!

Thank You!

Kathy Wawortra

For the last number of years, Greg & Stephanie Shubat supported the Friends of the Fredricksons by donating the use of the schoolhouse land. Although we owned the schoolhouse, we did not own the land it sat upon. The Shubats graciously paid the property taxes, electric bills, etc... each year and charged us absolutely no rent. Thank you Greg & Stephanie!

As of this last spring, Bill Hintz and Doug & Libby Scott personally purchased the Schoolhouse land from Greg & Stephanie. Thanks again for supporting us!

Merry-Go-Round

Bill Hintz

As you all may be aware, last year we installed a vintage merry-go-round next to the Schoolhouse. Our thinking.... "What's more perfect than a vintage merry-go-round to go with a vintage one room schoolhouse?"

As unbelievable as it seems, Libby found the vintage 1930's merry-go-round on ebay! In the end, we paid \$200 for the merry-go-round and another \$1200 to restore it. On top of that, Bill Hintz provided free labor to restore it! It's been a *huge success story!* Children (of all ages) spend hours there each day.

Our next step-- we plan to purchase a canopy to go with the merry-go-round. Let us know if you would like to make a contribution toward the \$2000 canopy. Just call Bill Hintz at 542-3600 if you would like more information or would like to make a donation.

Memorial

John & Joan Schaet

The merry-go-round is dedicated to all people that attended the school over the years- but especially to Phyllis Schulz Cooke. She passed away a few years ago and the Schulz family of Star Lake made a nice donation in her honor. Check out the memorial plaque directly in front of the merry-go-round. A big thank you goes to the Schulz- Brill family for their support!