

Friends of Rocheport Newsletter

P.O. Box 122

Rocheport, MO 65279

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Friends of Rocheport October General Meeting

The Friends of Rocheport October General Meeting will be October 25, 2015. The meeting will be held at the Rocheport Community Hall. There will be a potluck dinner starting at 5:00 p.m. and the meeting will follow at 6:00 p.m. If you would like to participate in the potluck dinner, just bring a dish to share with everyone and join us at 5:00 p.m. Please feel free to just join us for the meeting if you can't make it to the potluck!!! We hope to see you there!!!

Chili/Ham & Bean Dinner And Bake Sale – Nov. 14th



The Friends of Rocheport Chili/Ham & Bean Dinner and Bake Sale will be **November 14, 2015 from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Rocheport Fire Station**. We will have chili, ham and beans, hot dogs, cornbread, Amish pies, carrot cake, tea and coffee. Adult tickets are \$8.00 and kids 12 and under are \$4.00.

If you purchase your ticket prior to the day of the event, you will be entered into a raffle for a country ham donated by Steve & Lynda Baumgartner. You can purchase your advance ticket at the Friends of Rocheport Museum from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday through October. You can also contact Mary Hall at 573-698-4855 for a ticket.

There will also be tasty baked items at our Bake Sale, tomato relish and Friends of Rocheport t-shirts and sweatshirts for sale. This would be a great opportunity to pick up some Christmas gifts or just get a t-shirt or sweatshirt for yourself so you are ready for the Yates Photo Contest next year.

Thank You

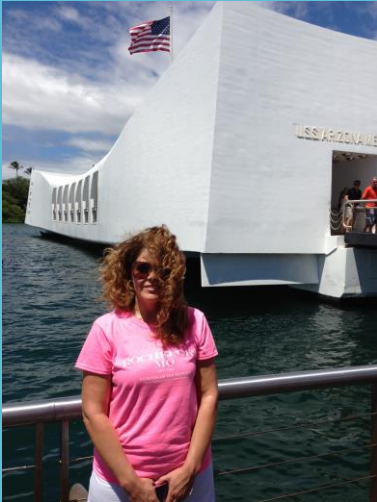
We would like to thank **Doris Overton** and **Martha Parnell** for their generous donations to the Friends of Rocheport.

We would also like to thank **Albert Taylor** for cutting down and removing the overgrown bushes located on the Friends of Rocheport Historic Museum's property.

Thanks to **Gail Daly** for her assistance getting the newsletters printed and mailed out this year!!!

Winner of Yates Photo Contest

The Friends of Rocheport would like to thank Conrad & Dixie Yates for sponsoring the FOR t-shirt photo contest and donating the prize of breakfast for four (4) at Yates House (a \$60.00 value). There were many worthy contenders with photos submitted from locations as near as Jefferson City and the Lake of the Ozarks and from as far as Hawaii and Puerto Rico. There were pictures from historic locations and from the “Happiest Place on Earth” (Disneyland).



In the end, Conrad & Dixie (or their designees) decided that the “coolest” photo and winner of the contest is the photo submitted by **Mindy Moreau** which was taken at the U.S.S. Arizona at Pearl Harbor in Honolulu, Hawaii.

There is good news for everyone who did not win this year – Conrad and Dixie are sponsoring the contest again for the next year. So, keep those Friends of Rocheport t-shirts and your cameras handy and send us your pictures when you go on vacation or you are doing something fun. You might be the lucky winner next year!!! You have until September 30, 2016 to submit your photos.

Museum

The final day that the Friends of Rocheport Historic Museum will be open is Saturday, October 31, 2015. If you have been thinking about visiting the museum you just have a few weekends left.

It is quite an accomplishment for a town of Rocheport’s size to support a museum. It is made possible because of the volunteers who donate their time to work at the museum. In addition to everyone who worked at the museum this year, we would like to thank several people for their work related to the museum - **Joann Moreau** coordinated the volunteer workers, **Stockton Mercantile (Diane Dunn)** served as the pick-up and drop-off point for the volunteers, **Monett & Mallory Lite** assisted in adding content to the museum’s computer, **Maria Turner Begemann** assisted in gathering veteran’s photos and **Sondra Small** made the display of the veteran’s photos.

End of Year Charitable Donations

Since this is the Friends of Rocheport’s last newsletter for 2015, we would like to take this opportunity to request that you consider making a donation to the Friends of Rocheport when you make your end-of-year charitable donations. The Friends of Rocheport is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) non-profit organization so your donation is tax deductible. Your donation can be mailed to:

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Your donation would be greatly appreciated!!!

Friends of Rocheport Fall Mum Sale

The Fall Mum Sale was a success again this year. We sold 163 mums, 16 t-shirts and sweatshirts, 5 tickets to the Chili/Ham & Bean Dinner and 6 jars of relish.



Thanks to **Betty Sullins** for leading us in organizing the sale and making sure everything went well. Thank you also to everyone who volunteered to work at the sale, to **Chuck Bay (Wilson's Garden Center)** for providing the beautiful mums, to all the businesses that displayed our flyers, to **RAMA** for including the Friends of Rocheport in its advertising and to everyone who purchased mums, t-shirts, sweatshirts, relish, and tickets for the Chili/Ham & Bean Dinner.

Our success wouldn't be possible without the support of everyone in the community!!! Thank you!!

Christmas Tree Lighting

The Friends of Rocheport's Annual Christmas Tree Lighting is tentatively set for **December 6, 2015**. We are still ironing out the details to make sure that date will work for the folks putting up lights, providing music and, of course, making sure Santa can work us into his busy schedule.

It is a little early to think about Christmas but this is the last newsletter we will be sending out before Christmas so we wanted to let you know what we have planned. As always, we will light the Christmas tree on 2nd Street between the Rocheport Christian Church and the Rocheport Christian Church Annex. We hope to sing Christmas carols at the church after the tree lighting and then move to the Rocheport Community Hall for refreshments and a visit from Santa and, possibly, Mrs. Claus.

We will be collecting donations for the Central Missouri Food Bank at the Community Hall.

Watch for final plans for this event!!! . We will have signs up in downtown Rocheport once we have a confirmed date. We will also inform everyone on Facebook, Twitter and our website, www.friendsofrocheport.org.

We would love to have as many people as possible celebrate with us!!!



Membership

Please consider joining the Friends of Rocheport if you have not already done so. Your membership dues help support the Friends of Rocheport in its efforts to preserve the history of Rocheport and operate and maintain the Friends of Rocheport Historic Museum. If you are already a member, you can renew your membership for 2016 at any time.

Friends of Rocheport – 2016 Membership Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Membership Dues (\$20 per household or business): _____

Special Gift Donation: _____

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