



OLATHE HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

July 2016

Calendar

July 21, 2016
Royal Albert China
OHS General Meeting
Heritage Center
7:00 p.m.

If you plan to attend the meeting and are in need of a deaf interpreter, please contact Bob Courtney by email at bobandlilacourtney@att.net at least 48 hours in advance.

August 18, 2016
OHS Board meeting
Heritage Center
7:00 p.m.

September 9, 10, 11
Old Settlers Days

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Royal Albert

Join us on Thursday, July 21st at 7 p.m. at the Heritage Center for a program on Royal Albert China with collector Sandi Walrod. Sandi will show some of the pieces from her collection as she shares how she became a collector of Royal Albert China.



Tea Talk

A cup of tea is a vital part of everyday life for the majority of people in modern Britain. Long ago tea was a luxury product that only the rich could afford, and at one time there was even a debate about whether it might be bad for the health. It was over the course of several hundred years that tea gained its place as Britain's drink, and only relatively recently that its health-giving properties have been recognized.

An article in the *Washington Post* reports that the U.S. market for tea has more than quadrupled during the past twenty-plus years—from just under \$2 billion in 1990 to just over \$10 billion last year. Demand for the herbal beverage has now been growing at a healthy clip for decades. By weight, Americans now drink almost 20 percent more of tea than they did back in 2000.

Americans are much fonder of iced tea than they are of hot tea—more than 85 percent of tea consumed in the U.S. is chilled. They're also partial to ready-to-drink tea bags, which make up the vast majority of tea consumed in the U.S. And Americans appear willing to spend a bit extra on fancier (and pricier) tea bags—dollar sales growth has been outpacing volume sales growth for years.

Despite the country's growing interest in tea, Americans are very much still amateurs on a per capita basis. The average American drinks just over half a pound of tea per year, which is barely enough to crack the top 35 worldwide. Turks, by comparison, drink nearly seven pounds per person per year; the Irish drink just under five pounds per person per year; and the English drink just over four.

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BOARD MEETING

JUNE 16, 2016

Bob Courtney, Vickie Holdman, Mary Cochran, Maureen Donegan, Mary Jo O'Brien, Jayne Jones, Anne Seitz, Ken Roberts, Margaret Endecott

MINUTES

The minutes of the April 21, 2016 board meeting were approved as read.

NOTE

Minutes of today's meeting are not yet approved. If corrections are needed they will appear in the following bi-monthly newsletter.

FINANCIALS

The Financial Report was approved as read.

CORRESPONDENCE

Bob received a call from a member of our community expressing positive reviews of the film "Civil Rights" from the newest Olathe: The City Beautiful Film Series, Volume 5.

The Olathe Historical Society received an email inquiry concerning the Liberty Chapel building located on East Park Street, which used to be the Good Samaritan Center and is now apartments.

OLD BUSINESS

DVDs of the Olathe: The City Beautiful film series are available for \$10 at the Heritage Center, Feeney's Hallmark store and on our website at olathehistoricalsociety.org

Films currently under production include Trails through Johnson County and Railroads in Olathe.

DISPLAY CASE

OLD SETTLERS will be the new theme for the OHS display case at the Heritage Center in September.

OLD SETTLERS

The theme for the Old Settlers event this year is "National Parks" in honor of the 100th anniversary of the National Parks. Old Settlers Days will be September 9th, 10th, and 11th.

We will again share a booth with the Olathe Public Schools Alumni Association. If you would like to volunteer for a 2 hour shift please call Bob Courtney at 913 764-2494. Thursday, Friday and Saturday days and evenings are available. This is a fun opportunity to meet and greet your Olathe neighbors!

COLLECTIONS REPORT

A file folder catalog system will be used as newspaper articles are found and donated. They will be stored in acid free, archival quality folders and boxes.

NEW BUSINESS

The July 21st program will be "Royal Albert China". The program will be given by Sandi Walrod who has a collection of china tea cups.

Next General Meeting

July 21, 2016 7 p.m. at the Heritage Center.

Next Board Meeting

August 18, 2016 5 p.m. at the Heritage Center

Adjourned

Olathe Historical Society

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