

MCMS Newsletter

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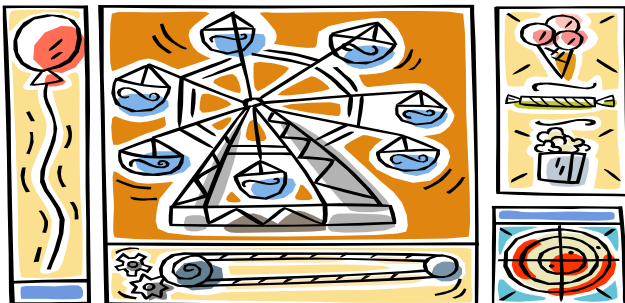
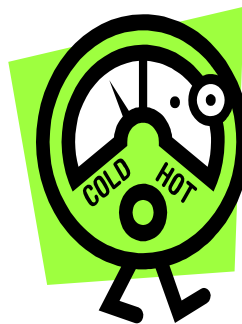
Mad Hatter Party

The first annual Mad Hatter Party was held on Wednesday, July 28 from one to four. Over twenty women attended, some with hats, some without. The Red Hat Society was well represented as women from Slayton and Fulda wore their purple and red. Prizes were awarded during the afternoon: Biggest Hat – Joann Gass, Simplest Hat – Elna Larson, Smallest Hat – Margaret Short, Most Unique – Connie Toner, Most Practical – Laurine Somers and Most Treasured – Frances Johansen. A good time was had by all.

MC Fair Update

The attendance for the Murray County Fair was good with 250 people going through the museum, 270 through the Sierk Building and 550 through the Wornson log cabin. Thank you to all the RSVP volunteers and the board members for working your shifts, it helps us out a lot. The Lake Wilson fire truck and Smiley the jeep were both up and running for the parade. Thanks to Don Erickson and John Busman for driving them in the parade.

The Museum now has air conditioning. In August, Bassett Refrigeration installed two furnaces and air conditioning units in the main and east rooms. They are a welcome addition.



The Grasshopper Plague – 1873-1877

A kind of drag, called a “hopperdozer” was made from wood and sheet iron. This would be covered with tar and dragged over the ground, the tar catching and destroying the hoppers.