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## Delavan Train Show 2017 Thank You!

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Dear Editor,

In March 2017, the Delavan Train Show celebrated its 10th Anniversary with its annual show in Historic Downtown Delavan.

By all accounts, it was very much a success with record setting attendance of nearly 6,000 individuals visiting Delavan the weekend of March 11-12.

The show this year included additional locations, exhibits, and new attractions from years past, all while maintaining our commitment to keeping this show free for families and individuals of all ages to enjoy.

To annually sustain and grow a show like this takes a lot of work, time, and dedication. If it were not for the dedicated group of volunteers, continuation of this show would not have been possible and the opportunity to continue to showcase what makes Delavan and our historic downtown business district unique would have been lost.

I thank my fellow committee members – Rebecca Barth, Marybeth Benson, Joe & Jan Bores, Richard Burnes, Patty Cain, Sara & Brad Deschner, Carol & Bill Deschner, Dawn Froncek, Lukas Janaky, Nora Karbash, Heather & Dan Nieuwenhuis, Anita O'Brien, Denise Pieroni, Kathy Seeberg, Linda Siert, Lois Stritt, Lauren Thomas, Brenda Warrenburg, Mark Wendorf and Lorie Wutke – who sacrificed countless hours, attended numerous meetings and volunteered in a number of ways to make this show possible.

A special thank you to Sara and Brad Deschner and their family who kept this show going as a "family project" for the first 9 years until its success made it impossible to continue with the support of only one family. Thank you to Frank & Doris Cangelosi, who by taking the initial lead to save the show, allowed the committee the time needed to commit to moving forward.

On behalf of the committee, I would like to extend a special thank you to this year's event sponsors: the American Legion *Delavan* Legion Post 95, Delavan Historic Foundation, WSLD, Visit Delavan, Lake Lawn Resort, Corey's Auto Kare, and Delavan-Delavan Lake Area Chamber of Commerce. A special thank you as well to the donors: Alder Scherer LLC,



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The Committee also wants to thank our location sponsors of the American Legion Delavan Legion Post 95, Aram Public Library, Beall Jewelers, Bradley's Department Store, Caleta Western Wear, China Garden, Patty's Downtown Deli, Elizabeth's Café, Gill Family Chiropractic, Hobbytown USA, Jan's Hallmark, Lauren's Antiques and Art Centre, LSJ Music Company, Meeper Bots, Pet Pals, Rosebuds Floral and Gift, Star Rock Bar and Grill, Treasure Hut, and World Finance Corporation. Additionally, a heartfelt thank you to Alder Scherer LLC and Barb Hager for use of the space in their respective buildings.

Appreciation goes out to our student volunteers and other volunteers that helped make things happen during the show itself.

Thank you to those who attended the show both locally, and from afar. Also, if you see some of the individuals or businesses that were involved in the show, please take time to thank them for continuing to make this show possible.

We continue to look at ways to expand the show, so if you have ideas or would like to get involved, stay tuned for more information on how you can help out.

Thank you again to all who made the involvement in this show special and a fulfilling experience!

Sincerely,

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