

OWLS – November 13, 2025

Happy Thanksgiving

This year's OWLS Thanksgiving meal was provided by the HyVee Catering store in Janesville. It consisted of two boxes containing a cooked turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, corn, rolls and cranberries. Unbeknown at the time was that the turkeys still needed to be cooked for about 2 hours. So, the dinner was delayed by about an hour until 1:00 pm. The turkeys were whole so they also needed to be carved before serving. The meal turned out to be great, although a little behind schedule. A group of 14 Owls enjoyed the meal.

The famous apple pie by Joann Rosenow and ice cream made a wonderful dessert to top off the dinner. The photo shows very little left in the pan. Jean's pumpkins were table decorations.

A group of 4 Owls attended the Lutherford Travel Ministry presentation and lunch on Tues. Oct. 28 from 11am to 1 pm. Information on the 3 long travel trips was reviewed as well as the several one-day trips planned. Information is posted in the upstairs hallway.

The November and December meetings are scheduled on the second Thursday, rather than the 4th Thursday.

The December meeting will feature Michelle Gibbons presenting "A Novelist's Christmas Carol". The schedule for December will be Coffee at 9:30, presentation at 10:00, and potluck at noon. Plans are to invite other churches including Luther Valley, Our Saviors, Orfordville, and Faith of S. Beloit.

Photos this month:

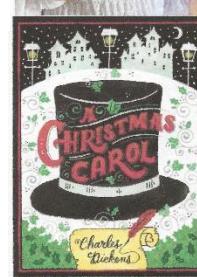
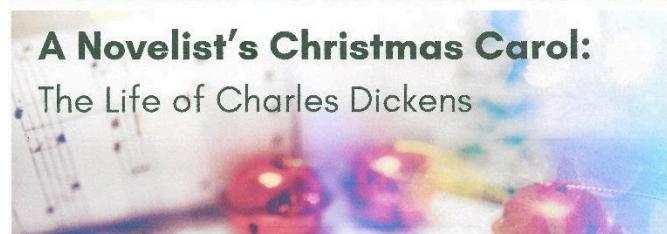
1. Table decorations
2. Joann's famous apple pie
3. Dec. Program - Gibbons



Decorations



Historical Presenter • Public Speaker • Storyteller • Adult programming • Historical Portrayals



A Novelist's Christmas Carol: The Life of Charles Dickens

Bring the magic of "A Christmas Carol" alive

During the holiday season, one can make the choice to either embrace the holiday spirit of kindness and giving or to say "bah humbug" and be what others call, "a Scrooge." The greedy Ebenezer Scrooge and the kindhearted Bob Cratchit and Tiny Tim, all prove as life lessons during the holiday season. These lessons, originated in the novella, "A Christmas Carol," by Charles Dickens, have been passed down from generation to generation. Dickens has been said by many to be one of the greatest writers of the Victorian Era. In addition to "A Christmas Carol," Dickens is most well-known for his fiction novels, "Oliver Twist," "A Tale of Two Cities," "Great Expectations" and more.

Travel through time on a theatrical journey with The Ghost of Christmas Past, portrayed by historical presenter, Michelle Gibbons. The Ghost will awaken Charles Dickens to a lifetime of accomplishment, showing him all that was and all that could be. Dickens will learn of the bright and merry future he may have if he believes in the magic of the holiday season.

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