

Howard Historical Society

Meeting: July 24, 2018

Present: Lucy Smith-President, Donna McDaniel- Sec'y/Treasurer, Wilma Stewart, Sondra Brown, Alice and Ed Kropp, Sharon Margeson and Mary Kenny. Regrets: Richard Stewart & Jean Willis.

Meeting called to order – by President Lucy Smith at 7 pm

Secretary's report: Alice made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting, Sondra seconded and carried.

Correspondence: Prattsburg news letter was circulated.

Wilma attended the last meeting of Steuben County History Awareness Week which is going to be at the Bath, NY, VFW October 1, 2018 thru October 7, 2018. They already have twenty-five displays from the area. They are featuring World War I, World War II and the Home Front. It is open to the public Tues. – Friday 2-6 pm, Saturday, Oct. 6, 10 am – 2 pm. School groups by appointment only: Tues. – Fr. 9 am – 2 pm. A presentation will be Sunday, Oct. 7 at 3 pm. "Over Here: The Great War in Our Area" by Kirk House at the Haverling High School followed by Gala USO show Finale! You can check this out @steubenhistoryweek on Facebook, or <http://www.steubenhistoricalsociety.org/events.htm> Dorothy Dunham talked with Wilma regarding Sunday's presentation and asked her if she would help and Wilma said she would. If anyone else would like to they could use you. They are looking for volunteers all week long to kind of watch the displays with all the people they expect in and out. Steuben County is using some of Wellsville's ideas as they have held four of these. We discussed sending a donation to them. Sondra made a motion we send \$500, Donna seconded it and it was carried. I gave Wilma the check to take to the next meeting in August. Next year celebrates 200 years of the Steuben County Fair and the theme will be agriculture. 2020 will be Women's Suffrage.

Treasurer's report: \$13, 157.70, Sondra submitted a bill for a binder and frames of \$19.53. It was paid.

Old Business: Old Home Day breakfast at the Fire Hall from 8-10. Take the quilt.

Parade is at 11.

Chicken BBQ 2PM

Museum open 10-3.

Historical Society to enter a float in the parade.

Donna to purchase ice cream which will be available at the Museum from noon – 3 pm free of charge.

New Business: Butch Burdin asked Sondra if he could borrow the Bible and Bible ribbons from the Masonic Museum. All active members joined the Avoca Masonic Hall since the closure of Howard. This Bible was donated by Babcock Ladder to Clarence Burdin (Butch's grandfather). They are having a special service at Avoca honoring Clarence Burdin. Sondra is going to find out when it is needed. Wilma made a motion to allow Butch to borrow the Bible for a specified time. Mary seconded and it was carried. Sondra is going to make sure it's labeled property of Howard Masonic Museum.

Sondra and Mary put together a new binder of local miscellaneous articles. We all are suppose to be writing a history of our homestead for the book as well. Richard gave a picture of the Masonic Conference of many years ago. His father, Eldon Stewart, was in attendance. It goes in the Masonic Museum.

The Annual meeting is September 18, 2018. Slate of officers discussed. Sondra nominated Alice Kropp for President, Mary seconded it and motion was carried. Lucy nominated Sondra for Vice President, Ed seconded and motion was carried. Donna agreed to another term of Secretary/Treasurer. Board of directors: Mary agreed to 1 year and Sharon to 2 years. Sondra recommended Richard and Wilma be Co-curators.

Next meeting: August 28, 2018 7pm at the Museum.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna McDaniel