

THE YELLOW WASP

Lima Historical Society

March 2012

LHS General Meeting: Tuesday, March 27th

LIVINGSTON COUNTY
"A CAST OF ALL-AMERICAN CHARACTERS"
by Amie Alden
Livingston County Historian

On Tuesday, March 27th at the Lima Court House, the Lima Historical Society will host a slide-illustrated presentation by Amie Alden, the Livingston County Historian. In her role as County Historian, Ms Alden has gathered dozens of biographies of 19th and 20th century individuals with roots in Livingston County, including many with close ties to Lima and Genesee Wesleyan Seminary. Ms Alden will relate some of their unique and interesting stories, and describe how these individuals distinguished themselves locally and achieved greatness far beyond our area—often in very unexpected ways.

Please join us for this entertaining evening of local history. Children are more than welcome,

Tuesday, March 27th: 7:30 PM
Lima Court House on East Main Street

Open to the public
Admission Free

Tennie's Place
Museum Gallery and Gift Shoppe

Have you visited Lima Historical Society's new storefront on Main Street? Thanks to the generosity of Kathie and Tom Reynolds, who are allowing us to use this space until it becomes rented, we now have a gift shop and gallery located in the old Lima pharmacy storefront at 7308 East Main Street. Joyce Rapp chose our catchy new name—*Tennie's Place*.

The store opened in December and has hosted three LHS workshops and brought in over \$400 in revenue from sales. Items available include: *Savor Lima* Cookbooks, several books by Lima authors, oil paintings by John Little, photo art by John Bailey, antiques and other items donated by Lee and Edna Shanks, Mike Leavy and Doug Morgan, Lima coffee mugs donated by Jean Lacey, and LHS maps, tee shirts, brochures, and notecards. Having a storefront has enabled us to earn extra funds to support projects at Tennie Burton Museum.



Cozy Interior of Tennie's Place 7308 East Main Street
Stop and Visit
Open Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday 11-3.

Check Out Our New LHS Website

www.limahistorical.org

Cleanup Days at the Tennie Burton Museum- April 27th and 28th
Please Help Us If You Can!

LHS Calendar of Events

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| Wednesday, March 14th | LHS Board Meeting: 7 PM at Town Hall. |
| Tuesday, March 27th | LHS General Meeting: <i>LIVINGSTON COUNTY "A CAST OF ALL-AMERICAN CHARACTERS"</i> by Amie Alden, Livingston County Historian. Lima Court House, 7:30 PM. |
| Wednesday, April 11th | LHS Board meeting: 7 PM at Tennie Burton Museum. |
| Fri. April 27/ Sat . April 28 | April Cleanup Days at the Museum. Please help out between 9 to 12 on either day. |
| Sunday, May 20th | LHS Annual Meeting, Potluck with Special Program: " Trunks & Travel...a 19th Century Experience" by Mary Jeanne Bialas, (Details to be announced). |

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LHS Launches its New Website

www.limahistorical.org

The Lima Historical Society is proud to announce the launch of its new website—www.limahistorical.org—with everything you always wanted to know about the LHS, the Tennie Burton Museum, special programs and exhibits, fundraisers, workshops, classes, volunteer opportunities. Download a walking tour of historic Lima, renew your membership or buy books and gifts online, take a virtual tour of the museum, or enjoy an illustrated history of Lima via Fran Gotcsik's "Talking Buildings" Power Point presentation. Errors? Please contact Martha Sempowski.

Thanks to Jerry Warsaw for his creative work on this long awaited project LIBIHOST.COM Web Design & Hosting.

Christmas Cookie Fundraiser

This year's Christmas Cookie Sale was a rousing success, yielding profits in excess of \$1400. Our heartfelt thanks to everyone who baked, frosted, arranged, packaged, sold and tracked cookies. Special thanks to Mary Jule Welch and her able committee—Judi Cooper, Marilyn Schroeder, Barb May, and Gail Fuller—and to Rose Reynolds who personally rolled and baked 500 cutouts.

These funds will be used toward the many maintenance projects looming at the Tennie Burton Museum. Our list is long: electrical inspection and upgrades, if necessary; masonry repairs to a deteriorating chimney and both sets of front steps; and possibly driveway repairs.

LHS Spring Workshops

Three successful Saturday workshops have already been conducted at our new annex—*Tennie's Place*—one on producing electronic family albums, one on "faux finishes" and one on antique jewelry. More are being scheduled this spring. Please check our new LHS website, the PennySaver, Livingston County News, or The Sentinel for future workshop topics, dates and times.

Thank you to Shirley Murphy, Hildegard Turk, Marilyn and Paul Schroeder, Gail Fuller, Marilyn Zaludny, Mike Leavy and Doug Morgan, for their help in getting *Tennie's Place* up and running. Thank you again, to Kathie and Tom Reynolds for the opportunity they have given to the Lima Historical Society.

LHS Members!! Help Needed

April Cleanup Days at the Museum

As always, we need to sweep out the cobwebs and prepare the Tennie Burton Museum for its season opening on Memorial Day. The more hands we have to share the sweeping, raking dusting and vacuuming, the easier it is. So, please consider giving just a few hours of your time between 9 and 12 on either Friday or Saturday morning, April 27th or 28th.

Tennie's Place

We also need volunteers to help out at the store on Wednesdays from 11-1 and Fridays 1-3. If you are interested in giving an hour or two of your time to help at the store, please call Judi Cooper at 582-2652.

LIMA HISTORICAL SOCIETY MISSION STATEMENT

Lima Historical Society was founded to collect and preserve Lima's history, its architectural structures, and its culture to educate and inspire people today and tomorrow.

THE LIMA TOWN FLAG

The Town of Lima has the rare distinction of having its own custom handmade town flag. It was designed, created, and presented to the town on Memorial Day 1976 by Lima's Quaere Club (see adjoining article) in honor of the United States Bicentennial.

Many designs were considered before three finalists were chosen and reviewed by the Lima Town Board, the Bicentennial Committee and the American Legion who together selected the final design. The green background represents the verdant agricultural fields surrounding Lima, while the two diagonally-crossed yellow lines (the color of forsythia—Lima's town flower) reflect Lima's designation as the "Crossroads of Western NY." Lima's Town seal with the 1788 date of incorporation is at the center of a white circle symbolizing Lima's lime deposits, another of the town's historically important resources.

The flag was designed by Helen Kreienberg and exquisitely sewn by Evelyn Miller, two Quaere Club members. It presently hangs in the Lima Town Hall. Wouldn't it be wonderful to see it carried once again in the Memorial Day parade!



THE QUAERE CLUB 1893-1993

The Quaere Club was a prestigious women's organization founded in Lima in 1893, and dedicated to the pursuit of intellectual endeavors. Members included many of the most prominent women in Lima throughout its 100-year history. The name of the group reflects its reason for being, which was "to inquire" into a variety of topics of interest to the group—from history to architecture, to politics, etc. Members were each assigned a topic which they would then research, write up, and present to the group at one of the monthly meetings. The last meeting was held in the group's centennial year of 1993.

LHS MEMBERS WHO HAVE RENEWED FOR 2012 and LHS LIFE MEMBERS

If you do not see your name,
please renew your membership using form on the back page

Annual Memberships

Jennifer and Skip Adams family
Tom and Kathie Reynolds
Beverly Garling
Frank and Linda Bassett*
Duane and Gayle Fuller
Dorie Sullivan
Barbara Knop
Bill & Sherlee Ruth
John & Martha Sempowski
Gail Erskine
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Jim and Shirley Murphy
Mary Jule Welch
Louise Dolliver

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John and Sharon Neenan
John and Mary Ellen Little
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Margaret Mercado
Barbara Kolstee
Ralph & Marilyn Herke
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Erwin & Ellen Gillette*
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Lee & Edna Shanks
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Dr. Charles Thompson
Hildegard & Paul Turk
Chris Turk
Thomas Wheat
Theodore Wiggins

Honorary Members

Lima Town Supervisor

Lima Public Library

Livingston County Historian

If your name has been mistakenly omitted,
or, to update our contact list with your current email address (all members),
return form on back or contact Martha Sempowski (624-2626) or msempowski@frontiernet.net

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LHS Membership Form Jan. thru Dec. 2012

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____ Phone _____

City/State/Zip _____ Type of membership _____

Email address _____

Family: \$20 Senior Family: \$15 Sustaining: \$30 to \$100
Individual: \$15 Senior Individual \$10

Please send check and membership form to Membership Chair, Lima Historical Society, PO Box 532, Lima NY 14485