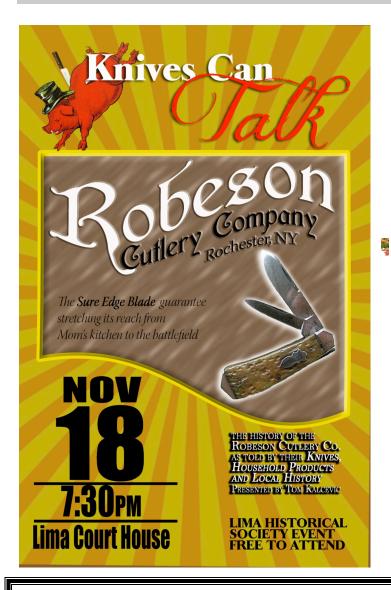
THE YELLOW WASP

Lima Historical Society

November 2014



LIMA HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

by Tom Kalcevic of Avon

Tuesday, November 18th

You have probably all, at some point, held and used a pocket or kitchen knife made by the local Robeson Cutlery Company. Mr. Kalcevic's well-illustrated slide presentation will chart the history of this local company, from its beginnings in the 1890's, through the growth of its manufacturing operations in Perry and Mt. Morris, to its ultimate demise nearly a century later. He will explore some of the reasons--avoidable and unavoidable --why the company was eventually forced to close its doors.

In addition to pictorial illustrations of the many types of knives made and marketed by Robeson, he will have a fine selection of examples on hand for up close viewing.

Please join us for this free historical talk.

Lima Court House (East Main St. next to Town Hall)

Join fellow LHS members, friends, and neighbors for this casual Fall social event



AUTUMN WINE AND CHEESE TASTING

Saturday, October 25th 4-6PM

At lovely historic home of John Andrews and John Rutkowski 6963 West Main Street

Reservations: Martha - 624-2626 Suggested Donation: \$10 per person Page 2 THE YELLOW WASP

LHS Calendar of Events

PLEASE CLIP AND SAVE.

Saturday, October 25th LHS Autumn Wine and Cheese Tasting. Call Martha Sempowski 624-2626 for reservations.

All are welcome. Non-alcoholic beverages available too.

Wednesday, November 12th LHS Board Meeting: 7 PM at the Tennie Burton Museum. All LHS members welcome to

attend.

Tuesday, November 18th LHS General Meeting. Knives Can Talk: The History of Robeson Cutlery, by Tom Kalcevic of

Avon NY. Lima Court House, 7:30 PM.

Saturday, November 22nd Last day for receipt of Holiday Cookie tray orders (postmarked by November 19th).

Monday, December 8th Holiday Cookie Decorating at the American Hotel at 7PM. Everyone welcome to help.

Wednesday, December 10th LHS Board Meeting: 7 PM at the Tennie Burton Museum. All LHS members welcome.

Friday, December 12th Holiday Cookie Tray pickup at Lower level of Town Hall between 3 and 7PM.

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Holiday Cookie Tray Sale

This marks the 5th year of our cookie tray fundraiser during the holidays. These 4 dozen-assorted-cookie trays are great for office parties or gifts to friends or neighbors—or freeze them for your own holiday entertaining.

Any members wanting to help with this project by baking, decorating, or helping to arrange and package the trays, please contact us at 624-4206. You will be more than welcome.

Please see the enclosed order forms. Orders must be received by November 22nd.

NightinGael Band at the Tennie Burton Museum

The Nightingael Band just tuning up for their wonderful twohour performance at the museum. LHS members and visitors enjoyed a most pleasant September Sunday afternoon enjoying good music, friends and refreshments.

Refurbished Front Steps and Sidewalk

As you may have noticed, the sidewalk has been re-oriented so that it comes from the driveway along the front of the house to the new steps--a much lower incline.

Our appreciation to Mike Payment who did a beautiful job on the steps and to member Roger Reakes who successfully reconfigured the front sidewalk, reusing the slates from the earlier walkway. Come check out their excellent workmanship.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

We are searching for a Treasurer to serve on our Lima Historical Society Executive Board. If you think you might consider helping us out in this regard, please call President Barbara May for details (624-2173).

We're also looking for a vintage door knob and handle for the Tennie Burtonn Museum front door. If you have a lead for us, please call Duane Fuller at 624-7542.

Welcome to New LHS Members

Ben and Sarah Dodzweit, Lisa Buckman, Stephanie Empson, Kylena Payne, Sharon Ward, Janeen Hendler, Mike Payment.

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.

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THE ROOSEVELTS VISIT LIMA

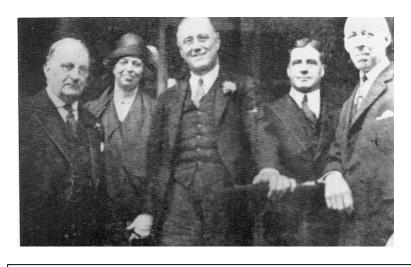
Some of you may have seen the recent PBS series on the Roosevelts—Theodore, Franklin, and Eleanor—and their various contributions to the American way of life that we enjoy today. But did you know that both Eleanor and Franklin had personal impacts on Lima?

Both visited here in 1930, drawing an estimated crowd of more than 2,000 people to hear then NYS Governor Roosevelt speak on the campus of Genesee Wesleyan Seminary (now Elim Bible Institute campus). The Governor commented that this was his first visit to Lima and that he was impressed by the pleasant appearance of the village and the campus. He noted that he had many alumni of the seminary.

Then in 1941, one of Eleanor's pet "New Deal" programs was established on the GWS campus (see National Youth Administration (NYA) article below.



Radios repaired and ready for shipment.



Dr. Frank McDaniel, President of GWS, Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt, Guernsey Cross, and Lima Chamber of Commerce President, E.M. Gillette.

NATIONAL YOUTH ADMINISTRATION (NYA)

The Lima Center, a residential training program for young men and women operated here during 1941-42. It was one of the New Deal programs promoted by the Roosevelts to stem the effects of the depression and impart practical job skills. Students were given medical and dental care, and lived in the dorms at GWS, alternating 4 hours of shop training each day with 4 hours of classroom study.

Campus buildings were rehabilitated and a staff of 34 were hired to give training in ten industrial skill areas. Lamps, radios, medical instruments, table silverware and other electrical appliances were repaired or produced by the students for sale to military camps, libraries and schools. Students governed their own dorms and even set up their own radio station, "Radio Lima," in their leisure time, according to Gordon Halstead, Director of the Lima Center.

To read more go to http://newdeal.feri.org/wsl/wsl05.htm

LIMA MUSEUM MERCANTILE BOOK AND GIFT SHOP

OPEN TWO SATURDAYS IN DECEMBER FOR YOUR HOLIDAY SHOPPING

DECEMBER 6TH: Noon to 5 PM DECEMBER 20TH: Noon to 5 PM

Shop locally, and find unique homemade crafts and special made-in-Lima gifts

See enclosed 25% off LHS Member coupon

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