THE YELLOW WASP

Lima Historical Society

November 2016



"Peanut Line" of the New York Central, 1853. Honeoye Falls Archives.

Tragedies and Train Wrecks in Honeoye Falls/Mendon

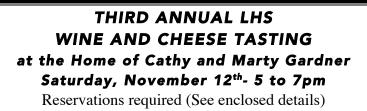
by Lynne Menz Honeoye Falls Village Historian

Tuesday, November 15th at 7PM Lima Court House

The November meeting of the Lima Historical Society will feature Lynne Menz, Honeoye Falls Historian, speaker, and local author, relating some of the interesting mishaps, fires, accidents, and tragedies that befell the early residents of our neighboring town of Honeoye Falls. Despite the peaceful demeanor of Honeoye Falls today, it was apparently not always so quiet. Please join us for this interesting slide-illustrated taste of local history.

Lima Court House (next to the Town Hall)

Tuesday November 15th 7 PM



LHS Calendar of	Events <u>please clip and save</u>		
Saturday, November 12 th	Third Annual LHS Wine and Cheese Tasting. 5 to 7 Pm. Reservations Required.		
Tuesday, November 15 th	LHS General Meeting "Tragedies and Train Wrecks" by Lynne Menz. 7 PM, Everyone welcome, Court House.		
 Thursday, November 17th 	LHS Board Meeting: 7 PM at the Tennie Burton Museum. All LHS members welcome. Deadline for sending in cookie orders – mailed by Nov. 17 th /received by Nov. 21 st .		
 Saturday, December 3 rd 	Holiday Sale at Museum Mercantile. 11 to 4 PM. LHS Member Discount (see enclosed coupon) Spread the word to friends and family.		
 Thursday, December 8 th	Cookie Tray Assembly at Town Hall. 12pm.		
Friday, Decmber 9 th LIMA HISTORICAL	Cookie Tray Pickup SOCIETY PO BOX 532 LIMA NY 14485 (585-624-1050) <u>www.limahistorical.org</u> Or contact us at: <u>limahistoricalsociety@gmail.com</u>		

Summer 2016 at the Museum

The BCW Trio entertained us all with a fun-filled concert from the Tennie Burton porch in August. As always, thanks to them and to those who donated refreshments for the intermission.

Our two exhibits, *Remembering the 60's* and *Lima Artists Past and Present*, as well as a 50th anniversary reception for the Lima High School Class of 1966, a book signing, an artists' reception, and a tour for the Lima Brownies brought in a record number of visitors this year. Thank you to all who made it possible, especially our Sunday member docents, and the Lima artists who graciously entrusted their work to us for the summer exhibit.

Holíday Events LHS Cookíe Tray Sale Museum Mercantíle Open House

Once again, it is cookie time for the Lima Historical Society and its friends and supporters. This will be the seventh year for this popular annual fundraiser— one that draws in people from across the community. Please see the enclosed order form. Orders must be sent by Nov.17th.

Another popular event is our annual holiday sale at the Museum Mercantile Store on **Dec. 3rd from 11 to 4.** A new array of handmade scarves, doilies, cards, candles, toys – great for stocking stuffers. Member discount.



THE FIRST-EVER LHS SOCK HOP

It was a small but spirited crowd that danced to 50s and 60s favorites in the Town Hall ballroom on a stormy evening in mid-September. We are extremely grateful to all those who made the event possible—particularly, of course, DJ Gary Reinhard and his "helpmate" Judy. Chairperson Karen Hanson decorated the ballroom with style, and sold snacks and drinks to keep the dancers going. George Gotcsik, Doug Best, and John Sempowski provided the muscle to lug equipment up and down. Door prizes were donated by American Hotel, Village Hair Salon, Ruck's Pizza, the Gotcsiks, Karen Hanson, Kirk Adams and Barb May. Thank you all. Results were a tidy profit for the LHS and a great time for all who attended.

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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Francis M. Dalton-A Lima Hero

by Joyce Rapp

One of the joys of being the Lima Historian was reading the original records and letters of the folks who built and sometimes defended this community. For example, those of twenty-year-old Marine, Francis Dalton who left the family farm on Seneca Street during World War I "to save America from the Kaiser and the Huns."

His first letter was sent during February 1918 and described his second physical during basic training, "they did everything but turn you inside out" and continued through homesickness and even between battles in France. On July 12, for instance, he described warfare during the battle of Belleau Woods from June 18 to July 4. "I have been up on the front line...for most of the time, I was never touched but believe me, I have learned to hit the ground pretty fast...Mother, War is Hell but it would be a ruined world if we did not down the Kaiser. I would be happy to be home for Christmas but it may take longer."

There were few letters during the next few months. There wasn't time. His 78th Company went on to fight in Verzy in the bloody battles at Pont-a-Mousson and Michiel. Francis survived them but on October 3 he was wounded in action as the group moved toward Blanc Mont Ridge. He died the following day and was buried in Marne, France. A small cross with a helmet and gas mask marked the grave.

Francis' mother received a letter from a fellow Marine. He wrote, "Francis and I fought side by side like brothers in battle...he was a soldier through and through. He died a hero.



Francis Michael Dalton

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