

# THE YELLOW WASP

Lima Historical Society

May 2010

**LHS Annual Dinner Meeting: Sunday, May 23rd  
Lima Country Club, 7470 Chase Rd**

*Looking Backward, Looking Forward:  
How My Hometown Mentored Me*

**by Colleen Plimpton  
Author, Gardener, Teacher, Columnist**



Gardener, author, teacher, blogger, garden coach, and newspaper columnist, Colleen Plimpton will be our speaker at the Annual Dinner Meeting of the Lima Historical Society on Sunday, May 23rd. She will weave her experiences growing up in 1950s/1960s Lima and the local people who influenced her, together with the lessons learned in her pursuit of gardening and writing. Along with this very personal account, Colleen will also share some "juicy" gardening tips.

Colleen has appeared on *Good Morning America* and PBS; she pens the weekly gardening column for the Danbury News-Times; she teaches at the New York Botanical Garden, and writes for publications such as *GreenPrints*, *The Litchfield Review*, *People, Places & Plants*, and *Toastmaster*. Colleen's new book, *Mentors in the Garden of Life*, will be available for purchase and signing following the program. She has generously offered to donate the proceeds to the Lima Historical Society for ongoing maintenance of the Tennie Burton Museum. Check out Colleen's website: [www.colleenplimpton.com](http://www.colleenplimpton.com).

The evening begins with a casual social hour at 5 PM at the Lima Country Club, followed by a delicious Buffet Dinner at 6 PM and then our program. The all-inclusive cost is \$20 per person. Please come and bring your friends and neighbors for this exciting, hometown evening. The reservation form is on the back page of the Newsletter.

## Summer Programs at the Tennie Burton Museum

This summer, we are featuring a series of monthly Sunday demonstrations at the museum. Bring the kids and turn Sunday afternoons into an educational and historical "mini-staycation" right here in Lima. Free and open to the public.

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| <b>-June 6th</b>  | <b>2 to 4 pm</b> | <b>Fiber preparation and spinning.</b> Learn about making yarn from wool and view a spinning wheel demonstration. Try your own hand at the drop spindle. |
| <b>-July 4th</b>  | <b>2 to 4 pm</b> | <b>19th century vocal and instrumental music.</b> Come sing along with us on the Fourth.   |
| <b>-Aug. 1st</b>  | <b>2 to 4 pm</b> | <b>English country dancing.</b> Join in the fun— we'll teach you.  |
| <b>-Sept. 5th</b> | <b>2 to 4 pm</b> | <b>Weaving on inkle, lap and rigid looms.</b> Try out these old-time looms yourself.   |

## LHS Calendar of Events

**PLEASE CLIP AND SAVE**

- April and May                      Reorganization and Cleaning of Tennie Burton Museum. Help needed. Please email Marilyn Schroeder [pmschroeder@frontiernet.net](mailto:pmschroeder@frontiernet.net) or Barbara May [BMAY123M@peoplepc.com](mailto:BMAY123M@peoplepc.com).
- Saturday, May 15th                Final Cleanup Day at the Tennie Burton Museum: 9 to 12.
- Wednesday, May 19th            Lima Historical Society Board meeting: 7 PM at Tennie Burton Museum
- Sunday, May 23rd                 Lima Historical Society Annual Dinner Meeting. "Looking Backward, Looking Forward: How My Hometown Mentored Me" by Colleen Plimpton. Lima Country Club.
- Memorial Day                      Grand Re-opening of the Tennie Burton Museum.  
Opening of new exhibit: 100th Anniversary of American Boy Scouts.
- June-September                 Tennie Burton Museum open Sunday afternoons 2-4 PM or by appointment.

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*Lima 4H group. Back from left: Mollie Dolan, Carrie Killenbec, Grace DeClerck, Lizzie Killenbec. Front from left; Liza Van Dick, Maggie Killenbec, Breanna Graves, Julia Graves.*

### Tennie Burton Update

The Grand Re-opening of the Tennie Burton Museum is slated for Memorial Day and we are grateful to the many willing volunteers who have been working to clean up, and prepare for our visitors on that day. Please join us for our final workday: Saturday, May 15th.

A small group of Lima 4H-er's (see adjoining photo) very enthusiastically picked up debris on the museum grounds on a sunny Saturday a few weeks ago. They were accompanied by their able leaders, Jennifer Killenbec and Julie Van Dick.

On the same day, Cathy Gardner supervised two SUNY Genesee students in the onerous task of moving the heavy boxes of Town and Village records that had been taken to the Court House last year, back to their original home at the Tennie Burton Museum.

Last but definitely not least, a dedicated group of our LHS members have been working tirelessly to clean, polish, repaint and restore the museum rooms and exhibits to a fine shine for Memorial Day.

We are grateful to all!! Please join us on Memorial Day.

### Thank You to Village Glass

The Museum Committee says a great big "Thank You" to Bob Mann over at Village Glass in Honeoye Falls. During the recent museum refurbishing, a framed collection of photographs taken at Lima's 1919 Memorial Day parade met with a bit of an accident. His generous contribution of time, skill, and materials has resulted in "new" antique glass on the front, and a repaired backing on its reverse. What a kind thing for you to do, Bob.

This Memorial Day, visit the Tennie Burton Museum and view the scene as it was 91 years ago.

### 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.**

### HISTORIAN'S NOTES

Town Historian, Doug Morgan has offered yet another reason to attend the Lima Historical Society Annual Dinner this year. He will have twenty Lima Historian's DVDs (*LIMA HISTORIAN* Volume 1) available for free at the meeting. The DVD contains files, newspaper clippings and historic photos that he has scanned over the last year. Take it home and pop it into your computer and enjoy!



### HOW OLD IS YOUR HOUSE ? WORKSHOP JUNE 12th

Ever wondered how old your house is? Or who built it and what style it is? Or whether it was a stop on the Underground Railroad? Or how to repair your crumbling foundation or drafty windows?

Help is on the way! Lima's Historic Preservation Commission is sponsoring a free "Old House" workshop on Saturday, June 12th from 10 am to noon at the Town Hall. Architectural, historical, preservation, and construction expertise and resources will be available to help you learn about, preserve, and maintain you historic home. Coffee and refreshments



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Buffet dinner: \$20.00 per person (all inclusive)

Golden, baked seasoned chicken

Tender roast beef in a savory gravy

Vegetarian dish upon request

Garden Salad, Scalloped Potatoes

Pasta Dish, Vegetable, Rolls & Butter

Sheet Cake/Coffee

Social Hour: 5 PM

Dinner: 6 PM

Program: around 7:30 PM

Number \_\_\_\_\_ Total amount \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please mail form and check payable to Lima Historical Society by May 15:**

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