

THE YELLOW WASP

Lima Historical Society

November 2010

LHS Meeting: Tuesday, November 16th at 7:30 PM

You Loved it on the Lima House Tour - now Own it! The See
1497 **Collecting, Antique and Costume Jewelry**

Lima, NY

By June Stolts



The Lima Historical Society is sponsoring a fascinating program on antique jewelry for its November Meeting. June Stolts, a 1975 graduate of Lima Honeoye Falls School, will talk about the do's and don'ts of "Collecting Antique and Costume Jewelry" on November 16th at 7:30 PM at the Lima Court House.

After a time in retail management, June embarked on a second career dealing in antique and costume jewelry dating from the 19th century to the present day. She will discuss the history and estimated value of a number of special pieces, as well as how to care for a collection of older jewelry. Attendees are invited to bring their own favorite pieces in for discussion. Contact Shirley Murphy 582-2649 or Judi Cooper 582-2652 for information.

Tuesday, November 16th: 7:30 PM
Lima Court House on East Main Street in Lima

Open to the public
Admission Free

LHS Cookies, Calendars, & Cookbooks

We have some great gift ideas for the coming holiday season. 2011 calendars featuring vintage photos from Lima are available for sale at \$7.50 and make the perfect stocking stuffer for those on your list. Also, we still have *Savor Lima* Cookbooks for sale at a discounted price. Please call Shirley Murphy (582-2649) or Judi Cooper (582-2652). Finally, during this busy holiday season, treat yourself, family, friends, or office to a varied assortment of six dozen cookies (see Insert)

Electronic Mailing for Yellow Wasp ?

In an effort to reduce the rising costs of postage for the Yellow Wasp, we are planning to send it out by email to those members who have email and are willing to receive it that way. Others will continue to receive it by traditional mail.

Therefore, we are asking all those who have email to please send your email address to Martha Sempowski (msempowski@frontiernet.net). This will be a huge help in keeping dues low.

It is LHS Membership Renewal Time !

LHS Calendar of Events

PLEASE CLIP AND SAVE

- Wednesday, November 10th Lima Historical Society Board meeting: 7 PM at Tennie Burton Museum.
- Tuesday, November 16th Lima Historical Society General Meeting. *Collecting Antique and Costume Jewelry*
By June Stolts. Lima Court House 7:30 PM.
- Wednesday, November 10th Deadline for placing orders for Holiday Cookie Platters (see inserted order form).

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Condolences

The members of the Lima Historical Society would like to offer their condolences to the families and friends of two of its long-time members who passed away this year—Patricia Bujinowski and Mary Doran. They will be greatly missed.

Charleston (established by Ontario County in 1789) Becomes Lima (1808)

"In 1795, Charleston was considered the most flourishing place in the county, though there were only a few log houses and the road to the north was a muddy thoroughfare with no buildings north of the corner for nearly a mile.

Because of the confusion caused by another town in the state by the same name, by Act of Legislature in 1808, the name was changed from Charleston to Lima....Thus Lima, New York is the first town of that name to be settled in the United States. There are now six others..." (excerpt from *Lima 1788 - 1964: The Crossroads of Western New York*, p.12, by Mabel Jenks.

LHS Member House for Sale



*You loved it on the Lima House Tour - now own it!
See the Sheppard Home - 1497 Bragg Street, Lima, NY*

Memorial Day 2010



Memorial Day on the lawn at the Tennie Burton Museum. Photo courtesy of Bill Ruth.

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.

Painting the Tennie Burton Museum by President Michael Leavy

The prospect of painting our museum—alone—with all its architectural twists and turns could easily have become overwhelming, but there was to be none of that. In fact I approached it with a sense of privilege and anticipation at painting one of Rochester Street’s *grand dames*. Numerous repairs had to be made, including replacing clapboards and installing some new sills along the north side. Next came power washing (thanks to Doug Morgan for use of his power washer), scraping, caulking, glazing, nailing, screwing, filling and sanding.

When all that was done, a coat of primer was applied to the whole structure. Folks walking by thought, approvingly, that we were painting the museum white. With all her acorn pendants sparkling in the morning light, one woman remarked, “It looks like a wedding cake!” But we had another color scheme in mind. We took the previous colors and stepped them back one shade lighter on the Historic Preservation Colors chart. The idea was to make the museum more visible through the armada of grand oaks standing guard on our lawn.

The main project began in earnest August 22 and was completed by mid October.. I would arrive each morning with a cup of coffee and donut from Kirkwood's. Although the day’s work was planned, a thoughtful walk around the place was needed to check the progress. Having worked on the house over the years, I knew her nooks and crannies—her aches and pains—and applied each brush-full of paint with plodding affection. The house exudes a sense of history and small town life. As a painter, it was cool to work on things like a widow's walk and a cast iron horse step.



The shutters were picky. I paid a young man from Harper’s Trailer Park to scrape them. I then glued, tapped and screwed them into shape. Thankfully, Brant Braeges brought his heavy-duty sprayer to paint them in two and a half hours.

I'd also like to thank Bill Ruth, Josh Belke and my brother Glenn for helping. Glenn showed up regularly to help me carry the heavy forty-foot ladder. The house received two coats—the second being a carefully brushed finish coat. Glenn made a good point while contemplating the finished project from the front lawn. He said, “Painting a house is a headache but paint gives you something siding never will.” He was right. Tennie-Burton glowed in the somber hues of that autumn dusk. I’d like to thank the LHS for entrusting me with this great project.

TIME TO RENEW MEMBERSHIPS FOR NEXT YEAR !!!!

2011 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

_____ Individual	\$15	_____ Senior	\$10
_____ Family	\$20	_____ Senior Family	\$15
_____ Sustaining		\$30-\$100	

Members are the lifeblood of our society and its museum of Lima's history—Please help keep us alive!!!

Please return with your membership form and check before December 31, 2010 to:
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Lima Historical Society

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