

THE YELLOW WASP

Lima Historical Society

May 2009

Annual LHS Dinner Meeting: Sunday, May 17th at the Lima Country Club

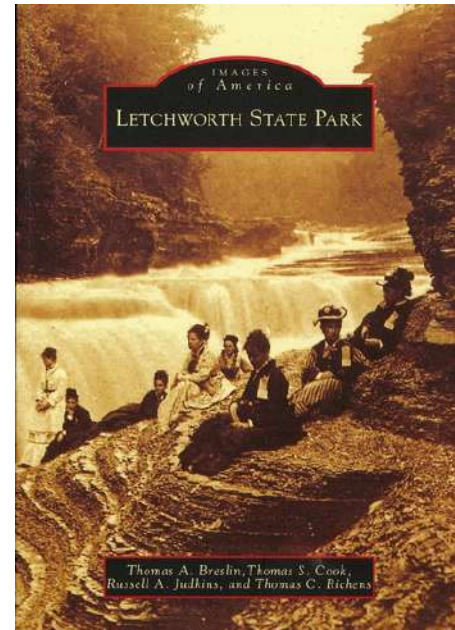
Letchworth Park: A Journey Through Time

by Thomas Cook

Our LHS Annual Dinner Meeting will be held Sunday, May 17th at the Lima Country Club, 7474 Chase Road in Lima. The featured speaker for the evening is Tom Cook, who will take us on an exciting PowerPoint journey through the history of Letchworth State Park—one of the "natural wonders" of our region. Mr. Cook will talk about the river and the people who have made this park the very special place that we all love. He has worked part time for the park for many years and is currently the President of the Nunda Historical Society. He is also one of the co-authors of the Images of America Series book—*Letchworth State Park*.

The dinner and talk are open to Lima Historical Society members, as well as the general public. There will be an informal cocktail hour beginning at 5:00 PM and a buffet dinner at 6:00 PM followed by a short business meeting and program at 7:00-7:30 PM. Dinner will include Carved Turkey in a Lightly Seasoned Gravy with Dressing and Tender Roast Beef in a Savory Gravy plus Potatoes, Green Salad, Vegetable, Rolls, Sheet Cake and Coffee. A vegetarian option will be available upon advance request.

For more information, call Shirley Murphy at 582-2649. The all-inclusive cost is \$20 per person, payable by May 10, 2009. Please fill out the reservation form on the back cover of the Yellow Wasp and mail to the Lima Historical Society, PO Box 532, Lima, NY 14485.



LHS Election of Officers and Trustees Proposed Amendments to LHS By-Laws

Please fill out and return the enclosed ballot for the 2009 election of officers and trustees of the Lima Historical Society, and a set of proposed amendments to the LHS By-Laws, which call for two-thirds approval by LHS members. The suggested changes to the By-Laws are not large, but represent an attempt to achieve consistency between our written rules and current circumstances and practices in our governance. Please read them over and return your ballot.

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.

LHS Calendar of Events

PLEASE CLIP AND SAVE

May 17th	Annual Dinner Meeting, Lima Country Club, 5:00 PM. "Letchworth Park: A Journey Through Time" by Thomas Cook, President of the Nunda Historical Society.
Memorial Day, May 25th	Reception and Season Opening of the Tennie Burton Museum, following the parade.
June through September	Tennie Burton Museum open on Sunday afternoons 2-4 PM. Special group tours available by appointment.
July 6-10th	Week-Long Summer Day Camp at the Museum for ages 7 through 14. (9-Noon). See insert.
Tuesday, July 14th	One-Day Summer Camp at the Museum for ages 4 through 6. (9-Noon). See insert.
Saturday, September 26th	SAVE THE DATE! Lima Historical Society House Tour.

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SPRING CLEANUP DAYS

Although turnout was low for this year's annual Clean-Up Days at the Tennie Burton Museum, a great deal was accomplished by those who did participate. On Friday, this included a six-member power crew: Kirk, Anna, Isaac, Ian, Grace, and Elise Adams, who were assisted by their mother, Jennifer Adams, Shirley Murphy, and Martha Sempowski on Friday. Museum Committee members Marilyn Schroeder and Barb May had already gotten the ball rolling by polishing up the front rooms on the preceding Wednesday, their regular workday at the museum. Thanks to all.

The museum committee is planning a new music exhibit for this summer. Would you care to help? If so, please call Barb May, Marilyn Zaludny or Marilyn Schroeder.



The Hard Working
Adams Crew and Mrs
Murphy

Two LHS Children's Day Camps

Tennie Burton Museum

A Visit to the Past

Dates: July 6 - 10, 2009 (Monday through Friday)

Ages: 9 to 14

Time: 9 am to noon each day

Cost: \$45 (Registration by June 1, 2009)

This week will give children experience with crafts, games, stories and music from our American history. Each day will have a craft and game and children will have finished projects to take home with them. Crafts will be: cotton potholders, bookmarks (weaving), coasters (corking), rug hooked sachet, various toys. We will use old-fashioned quill and ink for practicing our penmanship. We will learn about folk instruments and songs in our history. We will have guitar, banjo, mountain dulcimer, fiddle, harmonica and ocarina demonstrated on different days. Each participant will have a sunbonnet or mob cap (girls) or a straw hat (boys) to use for the week and then take home. All supplies and materials will be included in the program fee and each child will have their own ocarina to bring home.

A Day in the Past

Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2009

Ages: 5 to 8 (parents welcome to come with child)

Time: 9 am to noon

Cost: \$10 (Registration by June 1, 2009)

This is a one-day event for the younger children to enjoy crafts, games, music and a story from our American History. Participants will get a mob cap (girls) or straw hat (boys) to take home. They will do some simple weaving and corking, try old-fashioned board games and some outdoor playthings, have an olden-day treat, and hear music and a story that help them learn about boys and girls growing up in our country.

HISTORIAN'S CORNER**Douglas Morgan**

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Greetings to all my fellow members of the Lima Historical Society. Many of you know me, but of course, some do not. My name is Douglas J. Morgan and I was born in 1950, in Dansville, Livingston County, NY. I grew up in Lima, Livingston County, New York, living in the house on East Main Street where the George Travis family lives today. My wife and I are both life members of the Livingston County Historical Society. My wife Sandy serves on the Board of Directors of the Livingston County Historical Society. I belong to historical societies in the Livingston County Towns of Dansville, Conesus, Nunda, Springwater and West Sparta. I have belonged to the Lima Historical Society since about 2003, becoming active on the board of directors after I retired from General Motors in 2005. I was appointed Lima Historian in January, 2009.

First and foremost I would like to thank Joyce Rapp for her service to the town and the community during her tenure. Joyce remains an indispensable source of information to me and we correspond often via the internet. I would also like to thank all the other historians that have labored over the years, clipping articles, recording events and writing books that have become the foundation of the town's historical record. There is a special place in Heaven for those historians who wrote names and dates on the backs of photos! Thank you, thank you, thank you! Hint to family historians – use full names (along with dates) whenever possible when identifying people in family photos. Three generations from now, it will make all the difference in the world.

It is my mission as Lima Town & Village Historian to make as much of the Lima town records and historical documents (including photographs) available to the general public as possible. After all, they are your records, not mine – I am just the caretaker. To this end, I have, so far, scanned in over 400 articles, posters, pamphlets, new clippings and other items found in the historian's files drawers at the Town Hall. After scanning an article, it is then put into a three ring archival quality sleeve protector with an acid free backer board to provide rigidity and put into its appropriate hanging folder. Eventually, all items will be housed in much easier to handle and browse, three ring binders. The scans of these items will also be available on line in hopefully the not to distant future. I say I am retired, but I continue to work with a fellow retiree in the home repair business. Sometimes this part time work slows down the historian part of my life but I do manage to find time for everything!

There are more issues that I will address in future issues of the Yellow Wasp. At this time, I am more than happy to assist people in their historical queries of Lima, its inhabitants or its businesses. If you or someone you know has any questions concerning Lima history, please feel free to contact me by phone, e-mail (dmorgan21@rochester.rr.com) or we can arrange a personal visit.

Lima Historical Society
House Tour

Saturday: September 26, 2009
11:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Once again, we can look forward to being involved in a fall House Tour sponsored by the Lima Historical Society. This year's tour, entitled "*East Side /West Side: All Around the Town,*" will feature seven Lima houses. The Afternoon Tea will be held in the Legion Room of the Lima Town Hall. A unique event in this year's House Tour will be a special Dollhouse Exhibit to be presented in the Board Room of the Town Hall. If anyone has a dollhouse that they would like to loan for this exhibit, please contact Judien Cooper or Hildegard Turk.

Savor Lima
Cookbooks

Just a reminder that we still have a supply of our popular Lima Historical Society cookbooks. Now that the new roof on the Tennie Burton Museum has been paid for, cookbook funds will help pay for the many improvements, such as gutters and exterior painting, needed at the museum.

Lima Republicans Raise Funds
For "Greening" Tennie Burton Museum

Lima's Sustainability Fair on May 2nd provided an opportunity for Lima Republicans to raise funds to support improvement projects designed to enhance energy efficiency at the Tennie Burton Museum. Thank you to all who participated.

Lima Historical Society

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Lima Historical Society

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Membership: Sherlee Ruth

Museum: Barbara May

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Ways and Means: Unfilled

RESERVATION FORM

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By Thomas Cook

President of Nunda Historical Society

Buffet dinner:

\$20.00 per person (all inclusive)

Carved turkey in a lightly seasoned gravy

with dressing

Tender roast beef in a savory gravy

Vegetarian dish upon request

Garden Salad

Vegetable

Rolls & Butter

Sheet Cake/Coffee

Social Hour: 5 PM

Dinner: 6 PM

Program: around 7:30 PM

Number _____

Total amount _____

Name _____

email address _____ Phone _____

**Please mail reservation form and check to Lima Historical Society, P.O. Box 532,
Lima NY 14485 by no later than May 10th. Checks payable to Lima Historical
Society.**