

# *THE YELLOW WASP*

*Lima Historical Society*

*September 2008*

## **One Room Schoolhouses in Lima**

**A Round Table Discussion**

**by Former Students and Teachers**



On Tuesday, September 23rd at 7:30 pm at the Lima Court House, the Lima Historical Society will present a round table discussion on "One-Room Schoolhouses in Lima." Participants around the table will include some of those with firsthand experience of these educational institutions--former teachers Jane Decker Barnard and Alice Loss, and former pupils, Lee Shanks, Ron Yorks, Louise Stanford. They will share some of their stories and recollections of learning, teaching, playing, and perhaps some misbehaving in these simple schoolhouses of yesteryear.

Two schools will be featured: District 1 School on Doran Road and District 8 on Dalton Rd, but we welcome input and recollections regarding any of Lima's multiple rural school districts. Class pictures and photos of the schools from the Historical Society's collections will be on display to help jog memories. Come and see what and whom you might recognize.

Children are especially welcome to come and learn how different schools and school life were--not so very long ago.

Tuesday, September 23: 7:30 PM  
Lima Court House on East Main Street in Lima

Open to the public  
Admission Free

## LHS Calendar of Events

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- Sunday, September 7th "Sheep to Shawl" demonstration of old time weaving crafts by Adams Family to celebrate Grandparents Day at the TENNIE BURTON MUSEUM, 2 to 4 PM.
- Wednesday, September 10th Lima Historical Society Board Meeting at Tennie Burton Museum at 7:30 PM.
- Tuesday, September 23rd Lima Historical Society General Meeting. Round Table Discussion, "One Room Schoolhouses in Lima." Lima Court House , 7:30 PM . Bring the kids to learn about a simpler time. Surprise Presentation of the MOST IMPROVED PROPERTY AWARD.
- September Sundays TENNIE BURTON MUSEUM open 2 to 4 PM. Come and see the new *Teapot Exhibit*.

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### 2008 Summer Events at the Tennie Burton Museum

There has been a lot of activity at the museum this summer, starting with its 30 Birthday Party on Memorial Day, when we welcomed many Lima residents, some for the first time. We also had a great many visitors on our regular Sunday afternoon openings. A new exhibit of old and new *Teapots* was mounted by the members of the LHS Museum Committee and Board this summer. It will be open until October. Please come and enjoy it .

On July 17th, we hosted a special museum tour for members of the Lima Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) who are celebrating their 100th anniversary this year (see article below).

Crossroads Day on August 2nd brought large crowds into the village. The Adams family of Lima presented an interesting demonstration of old time crafts, "Sheep to Shawl" on the front lawn of the Tennie Burton Museum.



*30th Birthday Celebration of Tennie Burton Museum. Memorial Day 2008. Photo courtesy of Bill Ruth*

### DAR Ska-Hase-Ga-O Chapter 1908-2008

Founded in 1908, and meeting continuously ever since, the Lima chapter of the DAR--the Daughters of the American Revolution--is one of the oldest of the 3000 chapters in the nation. Two LHS members, Barbara Knop and Ellen Gillette, are also active DAR members, and facilitated this year's meeting and tour of the Tennie Burton Museum.

A patriotic organization, membership in the DAR requires that they be able to trace their descent " from an ancestor who aided in achieving United States independence," either as signers of the Declaration of Independence or as participants in some way in the Revolutionary war effort (excerpted from "The Daughters of the American Revolution" by Joyce Rapp). The group participates in many patriotic efforts, such as sending supplies to US service people in hospitals overseas, contributions to the Statue of Liberty restoration, and buying flags for veterans' graves. They also promote education through support of Native American schools, and scholarships for students at all levels.

Please wish them well on this 100th anniversary.

### 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.

### HISTORY NOTES

#### The Cost of Education in Early Lima

" In 1797, there were 3 Commissioners of Common Schools elected by the Town Meeting to apportion to the school districts their share of public moneys, and at that time, there was \$60.40 due for support of a common school. By 1827, the several school districts had been organized in the town, and the boundaries of each established. In the year 1824, District No. 9 received \$33.28 for 88 pupils, and another district had 5 pupils and received \$1.89. The money was expended in paying teachers duly qualified by law. Through the years, District No. 9, comprising the village and some outlying territory, had the largest apportionment."

(excerpt from *Lima 1788 - 1964: The Crossroads of Western New York*, p. 22, by Mabel Jenks). Copies of the book are available at the Tennie Burton Museum for \$5, or purchase one at the meeting on 9/23. It's a treasure! And a bargain!

### IN SYMPATHY

Our deepest condolences to the family of one of our Lima Historical Society Life members, Al Lacey. We should also note that Al was the creator of the beautiful picture on the cover of our new Cookbook. We are grateful.

### *Savor Lima*

#### A "Raise the Roof" Cookbook

Kudos to the cookbook committee! Thanks to months of hard work—soliciting and collecting recipes, proofing, organizing, proofing, typing, proofing, editing, proofing, selling advertising, proofing, and much more, Lima's 2008 "down home" cookbook is now available. We are all just thrilled with the results. It is a beautiful book.

So far, receipts total \$8500.00. This means that the cost of preparation and printing are paid. Whew!!! It also means that we have \$3912.87 towards the total cost of \$6840.00 for the new roof on the Tennie Burton Museum. That leaves just under \$3000.00 of cookbook sales to finish paying for the roof.

So, please help us meet the full potential of this huge fundraising effort. We hope that all Historical Society members will assist in promoting our *Savor Lima* cookbook to family and friends as a way of supporting LHS programs. And please support our sponsors.

Books continue to be available at the Lima Pharmacy, American Hotel, Lima Diner, Lima Town Hall, Lima Library, and Honeoye Falls Market Place. You might consider starting your Christmas shopping early by buying a book a month for family and friends.

### THANK YOU'S

We would like to extend our thanks and appreciation to several particular LHS members and friends.

First, to Judien Cooper and Hildegard Turk who have served in the capacity of Co-Presidents for the last two years, and now have graciously extended their tenure temporarily because we have been unable to find an individual willing to take on the role of President. Anyone interested in becoming involved, please step forward. We need you!!

Also to the members of Lima Masonic Lodge #45 for their generosity in hosting a Pancake Breakfast fundraiser on our behalf last May. Proceeds of \$360 were donated to our LHS treasury.

Thanks also to Paul Worboys for his great talk on baseball in Lima in earlier days at our Annual Meeting.

Finally, our ongoing appreciation is extended to the members of our Museum Committee--Ellen Gillette, Barbara May, Dottie Rosenberg, Marilyn Schroeder, and Marilyn Zaludny for all that they do to preserve and protect the collections and resources in the Tennie Burton Museum. Special thanks to Barbara May for the lovely new curtains which she has donated and hung in the museum in honor of her mother, Mary Jo May.

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## Lima Historical Society

### Board Members 2008-2009

Interim Co-Presidents: Judien Cooper

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## LHS Meeting

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## ***SAVOR LIMA***

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