

Jenison Historical Association

JHA MEMBER NEWS

June 2013

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JENISON HISTORICAL
ASSOCIATION
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Our mission is to learn about Jenison history, obtain artifacts relating to its history, and maintain the Jenison Historical Museum as a place to share and display our heritage.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR 2013 MEMBERSHIP DUES?

CONTACT THE TREASURER WITH QUESTIONS AT 616-896-1447

A Historic Riverboat Tour on the Grand Lady Riverboat

Saturday, July 20, 2013

12-2 PM

\$10 per person

Bring your lunch. ALL drinks must be purchased on the boat, no carry on beverages.

Get your tickets early

All tickets will be distributed the day of the tour at the Riverboat Landing.

Orders must be received by July 15, 2013

Tickets must be purchased in advance and are Non-Refundable

No ticket sales available the day of the tour.

Call Liz Timmer 616-457-3708 for ticket information.

MINUTES OF THE JENISON HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION MEETING MAY 16, 2013

Present: Ruth Lowing, Nellie DeLaat, Liz Timmer, Ken Williams, Yvonne Williams, Barb Semeyn, Linda Droog, Mike Timmer, Gene Gort, RonVillerius

Association Business

Review April minutes: Mike made motion to accept as written, Ron 2nd, Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion made by Barb to accept as written, 2nd by Mike. Carried.

Historian's Report: Ken shared that the school tours have been going on for 23 years. The school questions have brought up discussion with the teachers and we are hoping to get more feedback from them. This coming Thursday will be the 4th school this month. Also have a Red Hat group and home school group coming through next Tuesday. This month's displays are almost completed on the families from

"Jenisonville". Ken read some excerpts from the diary of John Piers (Virginia Timmer's father). Another wood chuck was captured and we also have a white duck nesting by the front porch.

Township Representative's Report: Final approval was made to have the Senior Center relocated to the present township offices and new township offices will be built at 200 Baldwin. The Board is still pursuing buying up others properties near the 200 Baldwin location.

Acquisitions Report: New donations from the Jenison family have been filed. A special thank you to Nellie for the donation of the desk in the office. We now have a specific place for paperwork.

Am. Assoc. for State and Local History (AASLH) membership: Liz received a membership packet which she reviewed with the board. She will further report on it at next month's meeting.

Master Plan Review: Yearly, we review our plan of direction for our association, our goals and plans for five years out, ten years out and what has been completed. Liz will compare this with some of the areas of concern that were identified and report on it at next month's meeting.

Storage in Township Space: Questions were raised on how much space is needed. This will be evaluated and discussed further.

Grange Hall Report: Tim not present.

Past Perfect Software: Ruth gave an update on the progress of data input. Motion to allocate up to \$700 to network our computers and routers along with tech set up was made by Ruth and seconded by Barb. Carried.

Ornament Design for 2014: Tabled until June meeting.

Museum Business

Maintenance Report: Back door needs repairs as well as the front porch facade. Suggestion made to get estimate of cost for repairs. Yvonne also suggested we look into putting up shades on the east windows in the attic which might help to keep the attic cooler in the warmer months.

Garfield Lithograph Restoration: It was recommended to use local company but is tabled for present.

Upcoming tours: See Historian's Report.

June Open House: Progressing on displays for the families along the Grand River.

July Open House--Boat Ride: Posters have been distributed to area businesses and tickets are available thru any members and the museum. Liz has them for \$10 per person.

Other Business

Yvonne suggested we pay our student intern \$8.00/hr for 2 hours/week for the 3 summer months. Motion was made by Ron and seconded by Gene. Carried.

Next month's meeting is June 20 at the Library. It will include a thank you for the volunteers.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

**Jenison Historical Association
Treasurers Report 5/15/13 thru 6/14/13**

Date	Account	Num	Transaction	Memo	Category	Amount
Beginning Balance						\$3,967.85
5/30/13	Checking		Deposit	Rosewood 4/30/13	Donations:Private Tours	\$30.00
				Bursley 5/16/13	Donations:Private Tours	\$50.00
				Home School 5/2013	Donations:Private Tours	\$10.00
				Bauerwood 5/24/13	Donations:Private Tours	\$29.90
				Pinewood 5/15/13	Donations:Private Tours	\$29.00
				Misc Tour May 2013	Donations:Private Tours	\$23.00
				Red Hat Tour	Donations:Private Tours	\$50.00
				Open House 4/20/13	Donations:OpenHouse	\$76.00
				Ornament Sales	Gift Store: Ornament	\$15.00
				Books:Bend in the Rver	Gift Store: Books	\$20.00
				Stationary	Gift Store: Stationary	\$4.00
6/12/13	Checking	2023	U.S. Postal Service	PO Box 664	Postage:PO Box	\$54.00
					Interest Income	\$0.00
					Activity for report period	\$390.90
					Checking Account Balance	\$4,358.75
Petty Cash						\$50.00
				12/1/12		
					Petty Cash Balance	\$50.00
ENDING Accounts BALANCE						\$4,408.75
2011 Retained Earnings						\$2,211.47
					Total Income 2012	\$7,189.50
					Total Expenses 2012	(\$4,892.66)
2011 Retained Earnings						\$4,508.31
					Total Income 2013	\$1,241.50
					Total Expenses 2013	(\$1,781.96)
					Petty Cash Box	\$50.00
Cash on Hand						\$4,017.85
				Unpaid Dues	Receivables	\$100.00
				Restoration Project		\$60.34
Total Equity						\$4,178.19
SPECIAL FUND-RESTORATION PROJECT-BEGINNING BALANCE						\$0.00
				5/25 Puppet Show	Donations:Restoration Projects	\$25.00
				Restoration of Lucius/Lumen print	Repairs:Restoration Projects	(\$64.66)
				12/12/12	Donations: Restoration Projects	\$100.00
SPECIAL FUND-RESTORATION PROJECT-ENDING BALANCE (THIS PERIOD)						\$60.34

submitted by Ruth Lowing, Treasurer

Restorations Needed

The picture shown is but one of the pictures that JHA is looking to restore. This picture is of President Garfield and his family. He came to our area to visit his brother, Thomas, who lived in Jamestown, one account says his last visit was 3 years before he was assassination in 1881. This picture of Garfield and his family, is showing signs of deterioration which can still be stopped, but the price is upwards of \$600 for just this one picture.



JHA is starting a drive to build a restoration fund with the donations earmarked for just such projects. Would you be willing to donate to help restore this picture and others in need of repair?

Come to the next open house to learn more, or you can send your donation to PO Box 664, Jenison MI 49429 and mark it for the Restoration Fund.

Still a few left! Order yours today!!!!



\$15
Plus shipping

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Township Rep

Ron Villerius

(##) = year of re-election to the board

Contact Information: Members may contact the board at the above phone numbers or leave a message at 457-4398 or info@jenisonhistory.org

Historical Association of Michigan

Find us on the registry of the Historical Society of Michigan
www.hsmichigan.org



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2013 Meeting Schedule

Thursday, June 20 - Georgetown Library
Thursday, July 18, 2013 - Georgetown Library
Thursday, August 15 - Georgetown Library
Thursday, September 19, Georgetown Library
Thursday, October 17, Georgetown Library
Thursday, November 21 - Georgetown Library
No Meeting in December, 2013

All meetings begin at 6:45 PM unless noted

2013 Museum Open House Schedule

June 15, 2013	2-4 PM
July 20, 2013	2:30-4 PM
September 21 2013	2-4 PM
October 19, 2013	2-4 PM
December 7, 2013	1-4 PM 2013 Holiday Open House

ALSO: 1st Tuesday of the month April thru November -
10 AM - Noon
Call to volunteer your time at the open houses