

JHA MEMBER NEWS

January 2014

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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.

MINUTES OF THE JENISON HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION MEETING NOVEMBER 21, 2013

Present: Ken Williams, Liz Timmer, Nellie DeLaat, Barb Semeyn, Linda Droog, Yvonne Williams, Mike Timmer, Gene Kort, Ruth Lowing
Guests: Bernie Meekhof, Curt and Bryce Coty

Association Business

Approve November Agenda: Motion made to approve by Mike and seconded by Barb. Several additions were made. Approved.

Review October Minutes: Motion to approve as written, seconded by Gene, correction requested to complete name of Melissa Huisman as the person who is restoring our loom to working condition. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Barb and seconded by Gene to approve as written. Motion carried.

Historian's Report:

- Ken and Gene have taken care of the leaves outside as well as the outdoor decorations.
- Sandy Hill School tour was October 18
- October 30 email received from the Allendale Historical Society and their new board.
- November 2, 9, 15, 16 raked leaves. Visitors from Hong Kong stopped by to admire the yellow leaves.
- November 5 Open House had 8 visitors
- November 8 Puppet Show at Jenison Chr. School 2nd graders
- November 9 decorating of the museum began
- November 12 JCS 2nd graders school tour
- November 14 personal tours given
- November 16 12-14 people from Cornerstone College at the museum videotaping, Melissa Huisman finished setting up the loom and she taught Gene and Ken how to work it also.
- Ken showed us the 1912 plat map with the location of the Garfield property location on Quincy near 16th.
- There were 2 alarms this past month. There were power outages on Monday the 18th.
- Ken did some research r/t email inquiring property at 18th and Port Sheldon which was found to belong to the Roberts family with no further info given.
- Jenison Heritage Trail map, Ken found he'd be able to make corrections on it after it had been scanned. He is pursuing other avenues.

Township Representative's Report: Ron not present to report.

Acquisitions Report: Barb reported there were no new items.

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Inventory: Ruth continues compiling the articles. She also is participating in a web site class for Past Perfect. There will be another one in December.

Elections: Motion made by Barb to nominate Liz, Nellie, Mike and Gene to the board, seconded by Yvonne, carried. Liz has agreed to return as Chair, Nellie as Social Secretary, Mike as Maintenance and Gene as Trustee. Ken motioned to accept them to those positions. Motion carried.

Association Jobs for 2014: Liz presented list of job assignments and suggestions were made who could best be responsible for those jobs. (Note handout sheet).

2014 Meeting Locations: Locations have still not been confirmed with the library. Please note location in our next email notice.

Celebrate Community Expo: Liz reported a good response. Had 187 people entered for the drawing.

Tri-River Historical Museum Network: Liz reported a list of meetings places starting in Feb. at Grattan Township Hall. We will need to be represented at 3 meetings to become members, no membership fees, just need to attend 6 meetings per year. Tabled until January meeting.

Eagle Scout Presentation: Curt and Bryce Coty requested permission to present a potential Eagle Scout project. Bryce is volunteering to take on a project at the museum. Discussion followed as to what projects he could work on. Suggestions made to have them return to the January meeting for further discussion.

Museum Business

Maintenance Report: Mike reported that the light fixture in the walk through closet on the 2nd level has been fixed, dehumidifier is off and new furnace filter in. He opened the outside faucets and checked on the dead tree which is on the Maier property.

Holiday Open House is set for Dec. 7 from 1-4. We will have the decorating completed by this Saturday. Ken and Yvonne have found someone to play the piano during that time and Melissa plans on being there to demonstrate the working loom.

March & April 2014 Quilt Open House: Barb will be contacting Bev regarding some of the quilts.

Garfield Print: Restoration needs to proceed. Yvonne and Barb have agreed to get new estimates on cost of restoration.

Museum Usage Agreement: Form was presented for approval.

Special Thank You: Suggestions were made on how to show our appreciation to Melissa Huisman for the time and effort put into making our loom come alive. Yvonne shared that the "history mystery" on the Congregational red and white quilt has been solved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

For those who wanted to stay, Ken showed a video of the puppet show that was presented at Jenison Christian School this past month.

**Jenison Historical Association
Treasurers Report 11/19/13 thru 12/31/13**

Date	Account Num	Transaction	Memo	Category	Amount
Beginning Balance					\$4,789.63
11/19/14	Checking	Deposit	Open House 11/19/13	Donations: Open House	\$25.00
11/21/13		2032	Mike Timmer	Repairs	(\$24.86)
11/22/13		2033	American Heart Assoc	Memorial	(\$25.00)
12/14/13		Deposit	Sandy Hill School Tour	Donations: School Tour	\$50.00
				Gift Store: Ornaments	\$45.00
				Gift Store: Books	\$4.00
12/26/13		Deposit	Open House 12/6/13	Donations: Open House	\$42.00
				Donations: Tours	\$26.00
				Gift Store: Ornaments	\$48.00
				Interest Income	\$0.00
				Activity for report period	\$190.14
				Checking Account Balance	\$4,979.77
Petty Cash					\$50.00
				Petty Cash Balance	\$50.00
ENDING Accounts BALANCE					\$5,029.77
2011 Retained Earnings					\$2,211.47
				Total Income 2012	\$7,189.50
				Total Expenses 2012	(\$4,892.66)
2012 Retained Earnings					\$4,508.31
				Total Income 2013	\$3,526.45
				Total Expenses 2013	(\$3,054.99)
				Petty Cash Box	\$50.00
Cash on Hand					\$5,029.77
				Receivables	\$0.00
Total Equity					\$5,029.77
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND-RESTORATION PROJECT-BEGINNING BALANCE					\$66.34
			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
			9/1/13	Donations: Restoration Projects	\$6.00
SPECIAL FUND-RESTORATION PROJECT-ENDING BALANCE (note, this balance is part of the total Cash on Hand above)					\$132.68

submitted by Ruth Lowing, Treasurer

Upcoming

March/April Open House

We will be highlighting Quilts Old and New!

May/June Open Houses

The Jenison Electric Park on Lake Macatawa will be the focus during these 2 months. Put this on your calendar to visit during May and June.

Restoration Fund

Our Restoration Fund is still active with several pictures in need of some tender loving care. With your help we can fulfill the dream of restoring some of these special pieces so that generations ahead will be able to enjoy them.

Time and Talent...

If you have any hobby or other skill that might benefit the Historical Association or wish to assist in the upkeep of the museum, we would love to hear from you. Volunteering at your local museum actually doesn't take a lot of skill, it takes a desire to give back and an hour or two of your time each month, we can help you fit your skill to our needs. Thanks for considering the Jenison Historical Association as a place to stretch your wings and become a volunteer.

Loom Restored!

It's lived in the attic since approx 2002, when donated by Jeff Merrill, Jenison. But now, thanks to Melissa Huisman it is restored to working order and she has been teaching some of the younger volunteers how to run it.

Find us on Facebook at Jenison History Association and become a friend.

JHA TRUSTEE'S**Chair**

Liz Timmer (16)
457-3708

Vice Chair/Curator

Ken Williams (14)
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Treasurer/Editor

Ruth Lowing (14)
896-1447

Social Secretary

Nellie DeLaat (16)
457-1193

Recording Secretary

Linda Droog (15)
457-3016

Tours/Co-Archivist

Joyce Klawiter
457-9018

Co-Archivist

Barb Semeyn (14)
457-9343

Maintenance/Historian

Mike Timmer (16)
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Trustee

Yvonne Williams (14)
772-6523
Gene Kort (16)
534-6760

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

**Organization Membership in the
Historical Association of
Michigan**

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



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2014 Meeting Schedule

**All meetings begin at 6:45 PM at the
Georgetown Library with exception noted.**

Thursday, January 16, 2014

Thursday, February 20, 2014

Thursday, March 20, 2014

Thursday, April 17, 2014

Thursday, May 15, 2014

Thursday, June 19, 2014

Thursday, July 17, 2014

Thursday, August 21, 2014

Thursday, September 18, 2014

Thursday, October 16, 2014

Thursday, November 20, 2014

No Meeting in December, 2013

2014 Museum Open House and Activity Schedule

March 15, 2014	2-4 PM	Quilts old and New!
April 19, 2014	2-4 PM	
May 17, 2014	2-4 PM	Jenison Electric Park
June 21, 2014	2-4 PM	
July 19, 2014	Noon-2 PM	Grand Lady Riverboat
	2:30 - 4 PM	Open house
Sept 20, 2014	2-4 PM	Glimpses of early Hudsonville
Oct 18, 2014	2-4 PM	
December 6, 2014	1-4 PM	Christmas at the Museum
January 10, 2015	2-4 PM	Christmas Encore