

Nicholson Heritage Association  
Nicholson Presbyterian Church  
February 25, 2015  
7:00pm

The meeting was called to order by Marion Sweet Chairman with the following people attending: Marion Sweet, Joan Jenkins, Pat Gunton, Jody Nichols, Allie Nichols, Wayne Franko, Albert Olive, Tina Barrasse, Patricia McFarland, Marie Mihalina, Curtis Stevens, Nancy Cleveland, Joan Kupetsky, Karin Wellings, Robert Gritman, Michael Rudolf, and Stephen Peterson

The Agenda was presented, reviewed and approved.

Minutes were reviewed from the January 28, 2015 meeting. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. Motion carried, the minutes were approved. Everyone that attended the meeting received a copy for their records.

Treasurer's report: Rick Lochen was absent from the meeting.

Correspondence: The heritage received several donations given in memory of Helen Saxton and one in memory of Shirley Hazen.

### **Old Business**

Grant Report: We received EMVB room tax grant for posters, ads, and brochures.

First Day Cancellation: Tim Hortman is working on the cancellation. A discussion was held when to have the cancellation take place. It was suggested to have it on 9/11/2015 and 9/12/2015 and have a different picture each day. We thought that more people would buy the stamp each day.

Stamp letter for 2015: Marion received a letter from the Postal Department that the stamp celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of bridge was refused.

Nicholson Woman's Club: The Woman's Club reported they will have a float on 9/12/2015. They will use both Main Street and Nordahl Park on Sunday 9/12/2015. They also will need Shuttle Service back and forth to Nordahl Park on Sunday. They will set up the vendors spaces on Friday 9/11/2015. A discussion was held to give a map to visitors for vendor location. Also discussed was that more picnic tables will be needed for the weekend. Heritage agreed to do a basket for the Woman's Club on Sunday 9/13/2015 for their basket raffle.

Souvenir ideas for 2015: Curt Stevens's is checking on some companies to make the small bell replica of Tim Hortman's 100 year old bell. Curt Stevens will contact the canvas bag company and have them send different colors with the logo on so we can decide what to order.

Marion will order glass ornament this week with the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo on. We will start selling them as soon as they are delivered. A motion was made by Jody Nichols and seconded by Bob Gritman to order 500 ornaments.

History on Main Street: The Historical sites will be open to the public on Saturday. Also Josh contacted 27 Historical groups to have booths located on Main Street.

Walking tours: Robert Gritman will have walking tours of some homes and business in Nicholson. We will discuss what homes and buildings in Nicholson to have on the tour at our next meeting.

Time Capsule Contents-ideas: We last buried a Time Capsule in 1990. Suggestions made what to place in the capsule: August 2015 minutes of the Heritage meeting, Newspaper, Posters, Small Coins, railroad spike and other memorabilia to be discussed at next meeting. It was also suggested that we bury it at the station and have a cornerstone at same location.

Fireworks: Rich Lochen is working on the fireworks and will give us updates as they progress.

Shuttle Bus: Mark Novitch & Ted Roberts finalized the arrangements for the shuttle bus.

Bridge lighting for 2015: Richard Zick and David Palmer will contact the Gas Companies to do the lighting. We will have updates at each meeting.

Train Excursion: Work is being done to see if a train Excursion will run on Sept 13<sup>th</sup>.

Brooklyn Historical Society-Update: Martins Creek Viaduct will have their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration on September 5, 2015. They contacted the railroad company for permission to have a dance on the bridge. A dance was held on the Martins Creek Viaduct when it was completed in 1915. They will display their memorabilia at Carol Master's building the Aqua Inn. Marion will attend their March 17, 2015 meeting.

Essay contest with schools: Marion sent the essay forms to Lackawanna Trail and they were received. We will have 8- \$50.00 winners one for each grade 4<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>.

Dietrich Theater Display June thru August: Marion will take articles of the bridge down to the Dietrich for the display. Marion will work with Mark Mitchell on the display. Marion will also speak at the Dietrich on August 16, 2015 for a special event.

**New Business:**

Sign beneath bridge: Trent Phillips will replace the sign for his Eagle Scout project.

Clean Up Crew: Rick Lochen will take care of the cleanup for the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary weekend.

Nicholson Fire Company: Albert Olive will contact the fire company about having their fire trucks lead the parade. We would also like the water tanker in the parade. The Heritage and Woman's Club will write a letter to the Fire Company in care of Mr. Olive asking for the fire police to help for the weekend.

Insurance Coverage: Marion contacted Hawk Insurance for the insurance coverage for the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary weekend. She has the papers and will fill them out and find out the cost of the coverage. We will discuss at our next meeting.

Wine Festival May 9, 2015: A motion was made by Tina Barrasse and seconded by Steve Peterson to pay \$50.00 for a space at the Wine festival.

Membership: Tina Barrasse will be the Heritage Membership Chairman. It was discussed to have all memberships go from January to December 31<sup>st</sup> and all agreed.

Julian Campbell Photo's: Steve Peterson said his friend that owns Camerawork Gallery in Scranton will display Julian Campbell photo's for First Friday in August in his gallery. The gallery will display the photos from August 7, 2015 to August 31, 2015. We will them take the photo's to display in the station. Jay Walters will enlarge the photos

Next meeting will be February 25, 2015

A motion was made by Marie Mihalina and seconded by Jody Nichols to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned 8:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Joan Irion Jenkins, Sec.