



Mahanoy Area Historical Society
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The regular meeting of the Mahanoy Area Historical Society was held on **Thursday, July 28, 2016** at 7 PM at the Rhoades Downtown Center. Attending were: Peg Grigalonis, Paul Coombe, Peg Coombe, Jim Shaup, Virginia Motsko, Betty Ann Chescattie, Ann Evans, Charles Palulis, and Joan Goodman. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a prayer by Paul Coombe.

MINUTES

The minutes of the May 2016 meeting were read and approved on a motion made by Jim Shaup and seconded by Paul Coombe. There was no meeting in June.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's reports for May and June were accepted on a motion made by Betty Ann Chescattie and seconded by Ann Evans. A bank error for the Hughes check was explained and the bank credited the account. General Fund indicated a balance of \$21,698.37 as of June 30.

CORRESPONDENCE

The historical society received a letter from PPL denying this year's grant application.

ACCESSIONS AND ROOM

1. A WWI bugle was received from an anonymous donor.
2. We are in the process of labeling and describing the display items.
3. Peg Grigalonis is in the process of computerizing the acquisitions.
4. Pete Gutsie donated a large poster of Social Club caricatures.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. A program commemorating the 100th anniversary of the *1916 Movie Memories* DVD is scheduled for September 11 at 1 PM. There will

be a showing of the video, followed by a town walk visit to sites from the movie.

NEW BUSINESS

1. We have been given permission to use the Teen Canteen for displays and programs.
2. Lithuanian Days will be held at Schuylkill Mall on August 13 and 14. Peg Grigalonis and Elaine Luschas will be collecting historical and genealogical information from attendees.
3. It is proposed that the historical society make postcard-type copies of the iconic 1969 Community Christmas Tree photo for sale as a fund raiser. Peg Coombe will contact Mark Purcell for permission to use the photo.
4. A program is scheduled for Saturday, October 8 at 10 AM. The presenter is Jay Smar, and will feature miners' songs, folklore, dance, and artifacts.
5. Paul Coombe scanned a number of very good photos at the Penn State Schuylkill Library. A return visit is planned.
6. Angelina Fritz donated the contents of a file cabinet which contained cemetery and other records for many counties in Pennsylvania. With the exception of the Schuylkill and Carbon County records, they were donated to, and picked up by, the Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania. This was done to afford more accessibility to those records.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned on a motion made by Paul Coombe and seconded by Jim Shaup.

Peg Coombe, Secretary