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SEP 28 1998

The first meeting of the MAHANoy AREA Historical Society took place on the evening of September 28, 1998 at 7pm in the Mahanoy City Borough Hall. 16 people attended. Four officers were appointed by the committee: Larry Levy, President; Jim Trusky, Vice President, Edward M. Strassavage, Treasurer; and Tina Teichman, secretary.

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Of the 16 individuals present MARK Major, executive director of the Schuylkill Co. Visitors Bureau, suggested to establish committees. The committees that were mentioned were: Building Search Committee, Finance Committee, Membership Committee, Collections Committee, Publicity Committee, and a Collections Committee. These committees were agreed to be formed at the next meeting; however the collections of artifacts has to start as soon as possible. The storage of the artifacts for the time being will be in the basement of the Teen-Canteen.

Our next meeting will take place on October 26 at 7pm in Borough Hall. The topics for discussion will be: Establishing Bi-Laws, adopting a mission statement, and forming committees.

Respectfully Submitted
Tina Teichman, Secretary.

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FIRST MEETING

SEP 28 1998

OCT 26 1998

11-18-98

The MAHANoy AREA Historical Society meeting took place on October 26, 1998 at 7pm in Borough Hall. Fifteen people were in attendance. OF the four executive officers treasurer, Edward Strassavage, was not present.

President Larry Levy started the meeting with the Pledge to the American flag, then Secretary Tina Teichman Read the minutes of the last meeting. Larry handed out a rough draft of possible By-Laws and a membership application which he gathered from local areas historical societies. The body in attendance thoroughly reviewed the by-laws and membership application. thereby adding input. A Revised copy of both will be available at the next meeting.

The body in attendance sought to create a mission statement for the society that will project our goal for the Mahanoy Area:

"To preserve and protect the History of the Mahanoy Area and work toward restoration and revitalization and the future of the community."

The next meeting will take place on November 24, 1998 at 7pm in the Mahanoy City Public Library. At this meeting we will discuss the By-Laws and appoint committees

Respectfully Submitted

Tina Teichman, Secretary

OCT 26 1998

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12-20-98

The MAHANoy AREA Historical met on November 24, 1998 at 7pm in the MAHANoy City Public Library. Of the four executive officers, Vice President Jim Trusky was not in attendance.

President Larry Levy review the by-laws and the body voted on an appropriate definition to describe the Restoration + Revitalization Committee. Members were also chosen for the Remaining Committees.

A committee that was resurrected on a short term basis is the "New Building" committee. This committee will oversee the construction of the train depot. George Krall and Mary Wahnhaas are in charge of this committee.

To help w/ the finances of the Society two packets, Tax exemption + Non-Profit forms need to be completed. Ray Cavanas and Sam Quick volunteered to look into finding someone to help the society complete these forms.

Lorrie Bennick provided the Society with information about the Society Receiving money. The Society was approved for a \$50,000 grant from DCED to purchase land and provide engineering and design plans for the train depot and museum. Lorrie also stated that the borough applied for \$150,000 from PennDot TEA-21 funds. We will not know if we are approved for this until May 1999.

Respectfully Submitted

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Tina Teichman, Secretary

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DEC 20 1998

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DEC 29 1998

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The MAHANoy AREA Historical Society met on December 29, 1998 at 7pm in the MAHANoy City Public Library. Of the executive officers Jim Trusky, vice President was not in attendance.

President Larry Levy wanted an update from the established committees.

- Membership Committee - Michael Cheslock and Tina Teichman completed the official membership application. A significant number of applications were for members and others interested in joining. Larry suggested to members present to fill out applications for next meeting and have dues paid
- Finance Committee - Edward Straszavage established an account through Pennsylvania National Bank.
- Property and Artifacts - This committee is still collecting historical artifacts of the MAHANoy Area and storing them in the Teen Center
- Fund Raising - Larry suggested having a hogie sale.
- Hospitality Committee - there are no members of this committee; however, Teresa McCord made treats and had beverages for the society. Thank you!
- Public Relations - Tina and Michael had advertise for this meeting. Signs were posted in the town, the meeting was advertised on tv. and also in the News papers. The meeting was also printed in local church bulletins.
- Restoration + Revitalization - Michael, Susan Zimmerman Teresa McCord suggested to talk with American Cable + Hillside Auto to have them move their trailers/cars away from the "Welcome" signs on Rt. 54. It was also suggested to sponsor a litter clean up area on Rt 54 on either end of town and post a Historical Society sign.

DEC 29 1998

New Building - No Report

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JAN 25 1999

2-17-99

The MAHS met on January 25, 1999 at the Mahanoy City public library. The meeting started with the secretary Report on which secretary Tina Teichman had nothing to report. The treasurer Report by treasurer Edward Strasavage finalized the checking account at the Penn. National Bank.

An update from the committees is as follows:

- Membership - Michael Cheslock & Tina Teichman have membership applications available
- Finance - The signature card is complete for our checking account at Penn. Nat'l Bank.
- Property & Artifacts - Larry Levy placed a new lock on the storage at the Teen Canteen. Forms for people who will donate/loan the society artifacts have been made. These forms will protect the society from people taking back without warning their donated items.
- Hospitality - No Report
- Public Relations - Tina & Michael have printed out flyers for advertisement of our meeting. They have been pasted in some businesses in Mahanoy City & surrounding areas.
- Fund Raising - Larry is currently in the process of organizing a hogie sale
- Restoration & Revitalization - It was reported that Michael had written a letter to American Cable to move their trailers from in front of the "Welcome" sign. Michael did talk with the owner; however, nothing has been done. Adopting a highway litter control sign is still being discussed. Also suggested was the possibility of having a fall festival during certain train excursions through Mahanoy City. Another suggestion was to display some items in town somewhere.
- New Building - members of this committee were invited to attend a meeting to discuss the demeritions & cost of the train station. Larry presented the demerition & cost to the present members.

Submitted by:

Tina Teichman, Secretary

JAN 25 1999

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FEB 22 1999

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2-24-99

The MAHS met on February 22, 1999 at 7pm in the Mahanoy City Public Library. The meeting started w/ the secretary reports. Tina Teichman reported she sent the requested information to an interested area man who contacted her last month. The treasurer Edward Strasavage reported he made a \$30 deposit in our checking and will as of tomorrow make another \$40 deposit for membership dues.

An update from the committees are as follows:

- Membership It was suggested by Michael Cheslock to mail monthly reminders to members on our current roster. Michael also suggested to circulate an informative flyer to post in local stores as well as other gathering places in/outside of the area. Vice Pres. Jim Trusky suggested to have someone write up a rough draft of a flyer and some school kids help print out copies. To aid in distributing these flyers we should ask the local boy/girl scout troops. Also suggested was the possibility of having a website. Jim suggested maybe some school students will help develop a site.
- Property & Artifacts - Few bottlest books are in storage. It was suggested that a pamphlet be display asking for artifacts or monetary donations. With the start of spring clean up people in our area should be made aware of our society, mission, and goal.
- Fund Raising - Larry Levy is currently working on a hogie sale through Pic-A-Pic. More information will be given @ next meeting.
- Public Relations - For the Mahanoy City Memorial Day parade, we will try to create a historical float. also for ethnic day (June 5th) we will try to set up an historical exhibit. It was brought to the society's atten. by Lori Bennick (Borough Manager) last year a re enactment of the "Molly McGwier" murder was to take place in Mahanoy City; however, it never went underway. This year our society will try to contact Mark Major, executive director of Sch. Co. Visitors B... to set a date to re-enact this historical event.

FEB 22 1999

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New Building Lori Bennick brought sets of a drawing of the future train station. We need to raise approximately \$140,000 for the construction of the building. It was suggested by Jim Trusley to establish partners such as Jack Rich, Seervice Electric T.V., Blashocks and other names in the area to ask for monetary donations. A plaque or some sort of recognition of their patronage will be on display in the train station.

A meeting for individuals who wish to work on the Memorial Day parade Float will meet on March 10, 1999 @ 6pm in the Mahanoy City Public Library.

The Monthly meeting will be March 29, 1999 @ 7pm in the Mahanoy City Public Library

Submitted by
Tina Teukman, Secretary

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MAR 29 1999

4-6-99

The MAHS met on MARCH 29, 1999 at 7pm in the Mahanoy City Public Library. An update of the committees are as follows:

Membership - need to circulate more applications and receive dues from this year's members.

Fund Raising - a hogie sale will take place. Larry Levy is having 600 tickets printed by Pic-A-Pac. Each ticket is \$3.00 the profit off each ticket to the society is \$1.40.

Public Relations - a rough draft of a flyer about the society was designed by Tina Teichman. Suggestion on improving the flyer were made -- use the Borough's Post Office Box number + add more information.

MARK Major, executive director of Sch. Co Business Bureau, was contacted by Lori Bennick, Borough Manager, to re-enact the Molly McGuire murders. This is supposedly to take place before the start of the Irish bazaar, the 3rd wk of June 1999.

Revitalization + Restoration - Thanks to the members of this committee (Michael Cheslock, Susan Zimmerman + Teresa McCord) American Cable moved their trailers away from the Welcome sign. Cleaning around the sign, maintaining the shrubs + possible repainting is under consideration.

New Building - No change. Jim Trusky suggested to have local contractor volunteer their time working on the train station to help defray costs.

Regarding a Memorial Day Float - Larry has access to a flat bed + the Good Am. Fire Company will allow work on the float at their Garage. It was suggested to have school children walk along the float as workers from Mahanoy AREA of the past (brewery workers, miners) + hand out Society flyers.

MAR 29 1999

The float meeting will take place April 6, 1999 6pm in the Library. The next meeting for the society will be April 26, 1999 7pm in the library.

MAR 29 1999

5-18-99

APR 27 1999

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The MAHS met on April 27, 1999 in the Mahanoy City public library. The minutes were read by the secretary and a financial update was given by the treasurer. An update of the committees are as follows:

Membership - a letter, flyer, copy of minutes & an application will be sent to people who have attended at least 1 meeting to ask for their continuing support.

Property & Artifacts - a box lid pertaining to Mahanoy City in the past was brought by Mary Wohnnaas

Fund Raising Committee - Hogie sale tickets are now available. Please see Larry Levy for tickets. Ticket money should be returned by next month's meeting. Larry is also trying to create a historical Mahanoy Area calendar for the 2000 year as a fund raiser.

Public Relations - The 1st Flyer of the Historical Society was handed to society member for any final corrections. The flyers will be placed in businesses and other communal places.

Revitalization & Restoration - a letter to the township supervisor will be written to Hillside Auto to request the removal of the cars in front of the "Welcome" sign. Lori Bennick stated she will contact PennDot or DEP to see if there is a breach of ordinance re: the placement & condition of the vehicles. It was also suggested that Michael Cheslock, Larry Levy, & Jim Trusley should attend the next township supervisor meeting to discuss the Hillside Auto vehicles.

Re: the repainting of the "welcome" sign which are sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, the society will ask Bill Paul the head of the Chamber about the repainting.

New Building - no change re: the depot; however, applying for another grant is in the process. It was also brought up about signing a 99 yr. lease w/ Reading Railroad for the land where the depot will be built.

Other information - Larry is in the process of filling out the non-profit forms.

The next float meeting for Memorial Day will be when Larry is able to have the float bed in the "Dutchies" Fire House. Reminders will be sent re: the float meeting & our next meeting on May 24, 1999.

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MAY 24 1999

S-26-99

The MAHS met on 5-24-99 at 7pm in the Mahanoy City library. The minutes were read by the secretary and the treasurer gave the financial report in which we have a \$195.00 in the checking acct. An update of the committees are as follows:

Membership - letters are being sent to people who ~~have attended~~ ^{no longer attend} meetings but are on the roster asking for their continuing support. Enclosed was an application, flyer, & minutes. Applications that are not returned w/in 2 months will be eliminated from our roster. Letters also have been sent to members that are unable to attend our meetings to update them w/ our current activities.

Property & Artifacts - A 1913 picture book of Mah. City was donated by Mary Schbasser of Mahanoy City. A thank you card was sent to her. Re: a display of some of our artifacts, the society will look for window space in town.

Fund Raising - Tickets can still be sold by seeing Larry Levy. A possible fund raiser is a publication of a Mah. City historical book. In which Mary Wainhaus will provide additional information for our next meeting.

Revitalization & Restoration - a letter was sent by Jim Trusky & his 7th grade history class to the Rite Aid Real Estate person. The purpose was to possibly have the demolition stopped of the Dollar General Building, and/or have some space donated for storage of a history project. So far Jim has not had a response. A letter was also sent to the Rite Aid person from Nick Yurko & Micheal Chastack asking for re-consideration of the demolition of the building, so far no response. Nick suggested to start a petition against the demolition & he will have the society's support. Also suggested was to have media coverage of this issue.

Fleet - Jim's class will have the signs & wheel covers ready by Thursday. The Rainbow Ends director is helping to design the fleet which will be a train. Flyers & candy will be handed out during the parade by Jim's history class during the parade. At least 16 kids will be dressed in "historical Mah. City garb". Any members interested on being on the fleet need to sign up w/ Lori Benneck.

MAY 24 1999

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New Building A \$70,000 grant was approved for the Society toward the depot. The total amount of grant money so far for the depot is \$70,000.

Other Lenny Berlusky of Ellis Lokie Shop in Math. City is going to sell train cars related to the historical Mathanoy Area. Lenny informed Michael Chrostek & Tina Teichman that he will donate \$5.00 to our Society for every car he sells. A meeting was requested by Lenny to meet w/ Larry & Tina re: his layout.

A stand for Ethnic Day will be set up. Tina will organize the display & have application & flyers available.

Re: The Molly McGuire reenactment, any member interested in being a part (or extra) in this event needs to sign up w/ Lori

The next float meeting will take place on 5-27-99 at 5:30 pm at the "Dutches" fire house. The next meeting will be 6-28-99 7pm in the Mathanoy City library

MAY 24 1999

MAY 24 1999

7-20-99

JUN 28 1999

The MAHS met on 6-28-99 @ 7pm in the Mahanoy City Public Library. The treasurer, Edward Straszewski, reported that after he makes a deposit from what he was given tonight we will have \$275.⁷⁴ in our checking. Other committee reports are as follows:

Membership - membership is at 40+ paid members. Letters have been sent to people who attended the first few meetings and have not paid their dues. If no reply is sent back to the society their names will be removed from our mailing list.

Property & Artifacts - Emil Yenchick has some artifacts that he is willing to donate --- Jim Trusky has volunteered to see him. The Sewer Authority has donated their front window space located on Centre St. to our society to display artifacts.

Fund Raising - All hogie money is requested to be turned in by next week to Larry Levy so that he can figure our profit.

Lori Benwick suggested to sponsor a Christmas tour of some house/landmark in Mahanoy City. A sign up sheet was passed to interested members. Susan Zimmerman suggested a throw rug sale, she will gather more information for next meeting.

Public Relations - a report of the success of the Memorial Day parade & Ethnic Day celebration was commented by Tina Terchman. Revitalization & Restoration Mich I Cheslock has had contact with Borough, Champ Helman, and Sen. Jim Rhoades to assist in the clean up around the "Welcome" sign, minimal support was provided. It was stated by Lori Benwick if we get funds to restore the Bridge on Rt 54, the Chamber will provide new "welcome" signs.

Other information

Rite Aid Project - Nick Yutko is planning to have a town meeting in order to have residents boycott or lessen their purchases @ Rite Aid. Nick drafted a letter to the councilmen asking for their support in stopping the demolishing of the Dollar General buildings. The letter was read to the body and signed by the 4 officers. The letter was given to George Krall to present to the councilmen @ their next meeting.

The next meeting will take place on July 26, 1999 @ 7pm in the Mahanoy City Library

JUN 28 1999

JUN 28 1999

JUL 26 1999

8-15-99

The MAHS met on 7-26-99 @ 7pm in the Mahanoy City library. Secretary Tina Teichman gave the secretary report concerning the collectable train cars fund RAISER offered by Ellis Lokie Ship of Mahanoy City. A certificate of non-profit is needed A.S.A.P. Our society has an EIN number and Tina will talk with Mr. Berlesky regarding this idea. Tina suggested that the people on our roster who did not respond to the June letter, be removed from the mailing list.

Edward Straszynski, Treasurer, reported that we, after tonight's deposit, will have "3810" in our checking. Ed also reported that our society checks had arrived. A report of the committees are as follows:

Property & Antiquities - some of our historic artifacts are on display in the front window of the sewer authority. A committee will change the display, so often. Memorabilia was donated by Mary Louise Brennan and a Thankyou card was sent.

Public Relations - Tina is working on the 2nd society news letter.

Revitalization & Restoration - Michael Cheslock is still working on the "Welcome" signs on West & East Centre St. A lone car is parked for a number of days and Michael is seeking help for its removal. On West Centre, the trailer from American Cable are back; however, it was reported that they will be moving to Delano.

The Rite Aide project by Nick Yutko is as follows;

Rite Aide will sell the two Buildings to our society for \$300,000. Nick believes we could raise the money by seeking outside help, he will proceed with this project with the society's support. If Nick is unsuccessful, he will see if Rite Aid will donate a portion of the new Building to our society.

Christmas Tour project by Lori Brumick. Lori and a committee is organizing a Christmas tour of some historical homes and other well decorated building in Mahanoy City. An Admission fee is undecided; however a tentative date is 10-4-99

JUL 26 1999

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Next meeting is on 8-30-99 7pm in the library

8-14-49

AUG 30 1999

The MAHS met on Aug. 30, 1999 @ 7pm in the Mahanoy City library. 1st order of business, Pres. Larry Levy motioned to have a check in the amount of \$150.00 for lawyer's fee in processing the 501 C3 form. Lori Bennick agreed to pass the motion and MARY Wohnhaus seconded the motion. Treasurer Edward Strassavage Reported that the balance in the checking acct. is \$381.11. A Report of the committees are as follows:

Membership - Tina Teichman stated that some people are still not payed members. A list will be presented @ next meeting.

Property; Artifacts - Donations from Mary Louise Brennan were presented Susan Zimmerman & Micheal Cheslock will work on the display window @ the Sewer Authority. Currently they are trying to create a sign for the front window.

Fund Raising - Larry has circulated some more hoagie tickets in the High Rise. A total from the sale has not yet been determined.

Public Relations - Tina is working on the next newsletter, to be presented @ next meeting.

Revitalization; Restoration. Michael is still working on the removal of the trailers from the "Welcome Sign" on West Centre St. Service Electric has improved the sign on East Centre St. by re-painting & clean-up. American Cable will be moving their trailers to Delano but the date is unknown.

Other issues:

Christmas Tour - Lori Bennick reported the plans for the tour are going well. A date for the tour is set for December 11th. Other details such as; ticket fee, transportation; entertainment, and other are being discussed with the X-mas Tour committee.

Rite Aide Project

Rite Aide officials gave verbal consent to Nick Yutko that they will sell the Dollar General Buildings to our society for \$300,000.00. The deal would have to be finalized by the end of the year. Nick requested that the deal be in writing, he is still waiting for a reply. Nick presented a computer image of the future of the buildings if we bought them. The image included a coffee shop & museum.

AUG 30 1999

AUG 30 1999 The next meeting will be Sept. 27 @ 7pm in the Mahanoy City library

10-15-99

The MAHS met on 9-27-99 at 7pm in the Mahanoy City public library. Reports of the committees are as follows: Time Treasurer, secretary, stated a \$50 donation was received from Mr. Melvyn Fried and a thank you notice will be sent. Edward Stroumge presented Pres. Gary Devy with a \$100 check for a lawyer to process paperwork for our 501C3 form (non-profit status). After depositing money received from tonight's meeting @ total of 381.51 will be in the checking account.

Membership - a list of all paid members was distributed and a few corrections have been noted. An updated list will be provided for the next meeting.

Property & Artifact - donations received from Richard Boyle & Robert Dewie was presented

Fund Raising - Gary reported we sold 136 tickets from our hoag sale and made a profit of 194.00.

Public Relations - the Oct. 1999 flyers are completed and were distributed to present members and in local businesses. More copies are being printed for distribution.

New Building - we need more money from private donations. A meeting will take place the first Tuesday of the month of October 7pm at the Good American Home Fire Company.

Other Business

Christmas Tour - Lorie Bennish handed out an update sheet of the tour. It was reported that all activities are going well.

An election committee was formed that will consist of Michael Cheslock, Teresa McClord, and Susan Zimmerman to assist the nominating process in Nov 1999. New officers will take office in Jan. of 2000.

There is the possibility of a Molly McGwire monument placed in Mahanoy. Terri will ask Marc Major to be present at our next meeting for more information.

Paperwork for the 501C3 should be processed in about one week. Gary will meet w/ Ellen Lohio Sharp regarding the Historical Train Car set for Christmas. More information will be provided at the next meeting.

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Minutes for October

OCT 25 1999

~~Nov. 24, 1999~~

The MAHS met on Oct. 25, 1999 at 7pm in the Mahanoy City public library.

Edward Strasavage, treasurer, was not in attendance; however, he provided Larry Levy, president, with the following report. As of Sept. 29 1999 the treasure has a balance of \$386.11. A deposit of \$245.40 was made on Sept. 30th for a total balance of \$635.51. A \$100.00 withdrawal was made for Kris Pitts (lawyer fee) and a \$100.00 withdrawal for (PA Dept. State). After those deductions, it leaves us with a total of \$435.51.

Reports of the committees are as follows:

Membership lists of paid members were prepared by secretary, Tina Teichman, and were made available for the society. One new member, Travis Kromer, will be added for next meeting.

Restoration & Revitalization as far as the Welcome sign on West Centre St, Service Electric will provide paint for the sign if the Chamber also will donate paint.

Public Relations our current flyer is still being passed out/mailed to people on our mailing list that cannot attend meetings.

Teresa McCord, Susan Zimmerman, Michael Cheslock, and Tina will change the window display at the Sewer Authority to reflect a Christmas Scene.

Fund Raising Larry suggested having a tee shirt or sweatshirt sale. Lorrie Bennick and Francis Sengler will look into this project. More information will be provided at the next meeting.

Business for the Good of the Society

The Christmas Tour Lorrie reported that with the sponsor fees we raised it will cover rental for 3 buses from Ed's U-Save and 100 15*17 advertising posters. Tickets are \$5 per person, children under 6 are free. Members are asked to volunteer throughout the tour as tour guides, assistants at the Elks, and to help with refreshments at the Elks. Tickets are going to be wooden Christmas figures made by Leslie Richardson's father.

Ellis Lokie Shop will have one Christmas car ready for the holiday. Kaier's will be the first car of the set. The society will make a profit of \$5 per each car sold.

Next meeting will be nominations for new officers. Michael, Teresa, and Susan are on the nominating committee.

Mark Major will try to be available at our next meeting to explain the Molly McGwire monument for Mahanoy City.

Next meeting will take place on Nov. 29, 1999 at 7pm in the Mahanoy City public library.

Tina Teichman
Secretary

OCT 25 1999

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Minutes for November

NOV 29 1999

The MAHS met on 11-29-99 at 7pm in the Mahanoy City public library. The minutes were handed out and accepted by the society. Edward Strasavage, treasurer, reported a balance of \$431.51 as per our last meeting. Today, Ed has received a large sum of money. He will be depositing money received from the Christmas Tour, membership and donations. He stated that we would have over \$1,000.00 in our checking after the deposit.

Reports of the committees are as follows:

Membership 3 new members were recognized: Jo Anne Mroczka, Charlotte Maurey, and Rose Flamini (they represent the Homecoming Committee). The Homecoming Committee would like to work with and help us in our affairs. A completed application was received from Mary Anne Adams and the membership fee was included.

Property & Artifacts hatboxes and hats were donated by the Kazmarczyk family. Newspaper articles were also donated from Dan Lewis.

Public Relations Tina Teichman is currently working on the new flyer.

Revitalization & Restoration the idea of historical markers being placed in the Mahanoy Area at their respected sites is going to be looked into.

Business for the good of the society

Christmas Tour so far 136 people have registered and \$775.00 has been received. Wooden mitten tickets have been decided to be used as admission. Friday December 10th at 7pm will be a tour of some sites for all helping the day of the tour.

Molly McGwire Monument Mark Major (Executive Director of the Visitors Bureau) was present at the meeting to discuss building a monument in Mahanoy City. Various sites were discussed along with some historical facts tying Mahanoy City and the Molly's together. If this project is accepted by the society an anticipated date for completion of this project should be the year 2001. This date marks the 125th anniversary ten Molly's were hung. Various ways to build this monument were discussed.

New officers for the year 2000 are as follows: President, Larry Levy; Vice President, Teresa McCord; Secretary, Lorrie Bennick; and Treasurer, Edward Strasavage. These officers will take office January 1st and remain in office for 2 consecutive years.

Our next meeting will be 12-27-99 at 7pm in the Mahanoy City public library.

Tina Teichman
Secretary

NOV 29 1999

DEC 27 1999

Minutes for December

The Mahanoy Area Historical Society met on December 27th at 7pm in the Mahanoy City public library. Vice President, Jim Trusky, and Treasurer, Edward Strasavage, were not present. Tina Teichman handed out copies of last month's minutes. Lorrie Bennick gave the treasurer report. She stated that we currently have a balance of \$2,288.52. Two letters were received addressed to the society. A letter from Anna Anezin supporting us in trying to save the old Dollar General buildings from demolition. Also included was a \$25.00 donation from Anna. Tina sent a thank you note to her. The second letter was from Nevin Clemmer regarding setting up a railroad car display in a building in town. This display he valued at \$55,000. There were some questions raised regarding his letter. Lorrie said that she would contact him for further information.

Reports from the committees are as follows:

Membership membership dues will soon be collected. It was suggested to send a quarterly letter to members. This will be a reminder to members that have joined the society at different times of the year when they will need to pay their annual dues.

Property & Artifacts a Centennial watch cover was donated by Larry Souchack.

Fund-Raising having tee shirts as a fundraiser was declined.

Public Relations the newsletter is still being printed by Tina. It was suggested to ask Jim's grade school class for some historical facts about the area. Jim has them research the area for a school project.

Revitalization & Restoration Michael Cheslock was not present at the meeting; however, he relayed a message that he has received information from Penn Dot regarding historical markers.

New Building a tentative meeting is scheduled for January 13th (Wednesday) at 7pm in the library to discuss the building. We are going to break ground this summer and add the infrastructure until more money can be raised. Lorrie had applied for another grant toward this project.

Business for the Good

Christmas Tour. We received a lot of good feedback from visitors. Next year we need to have a liability. It was stated the two people fell at Kaier's Mansion. The total profit made from the tour was \$2,500.00. After expenses were paid out a deposit of \$1,798.26 was added to our checking.

It was suggested by Lorrie to start planning for another project. She suggested re-enacting the Molly Maguier Murder.

Other Business

Francis Sengular reported the check for \$14 from our society to the Homecoming Committee had bounced. The check required two signatures and it only had one. A penalty fee of \$10 was assessed and the historical will pay. A new check will be issued in the amount of \$24.

Tina Teichman
Secretary

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