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STEPHENTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
NEWSLETTER  
1978

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK:

Upper most in our mind as of this first newsletter for 1978 are sentiments of gratitude for the splendid spirit shown here at the Historical Society Meetings and among the members during the past year. The goodwill and fraternity shown will continue to be evidenced, I am sure, in all our activities during the coming year.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my personal gratitude to all for the thoughtfull and generous assistance that I recieved in the past. It would be quite impossible for me to respond individually to all the wonderful people.

Please know that we are most grateful for your time to the society also. These are the things that improve the organization.

My good wishes for the NEW YEAR are that 1978 willbe a memorable year for the HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

A BLESSED AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL.

ANNA BAYBA

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT BY ELIZABETH (BETTY) McCLAVE: Membership Chairman

We are privileged to have 82 members for 1977. Of these- there are 4 contributing members and 6 minor members. So far 28 members have paid for 1978.

We have seven new members since I have taken charge of the membership list as the chairman.

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CHARTER

An ABSOLUTE CHARTER has been granted to the STEPHENTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY, by the BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE STATE EDUCATION DEPT.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY is to maintain an interest of EDUCATIONAL INTEREST AND USEFULNESS.

BY-LAWS: which have been adopted by the society. Each society has the power to adopt these by-laws. There is no requirement that such be submitted to Regents for approval, as they are part of the internal operation of society.

If society desires that it's by-laws be on record, however, they may be made a part of Society's file in the STATE EDUCATION DEP'T.

Reports are to be filed, at least an annual report, setting forth their principle activities and financial status.

All Officers and Trustees shall be elected by plurality of votes, cast by secret ballot at annual meeting. A candidate shall be an active member of the society.

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PROGRAMS FOR 1978:

The STEPHENTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY meets the first MONDAY of the MONTH, at the TOWN HALL on GRANGE HALL ROAD in STEPHENTOWN.

If the first Monday happens to be a holiday, then we will meet on the second Monday. The meetings start at 8E.m. and all are welcome including the Public.

The following programs have been scheduled so far;

JAN..3; "ALASKA" by BETTY and ROLAND McCLAVE JR. OF STEPHENTOWN, N.Y.

FEB. 6;" THE HUDSON-MOHAWK INDUSTRIAL GATEWAY" by TOM McGUIRE of TROY,N.Y.

MAR. 6: "SHAKER CHAIR TAPEING" by ROBERT AUSTEN of VALATIE,N.Y.

APRIL 3: Annual Meeting and Covered dish supper and election of new officers.

TENTATIVELY PLANNED:

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JUNE 5;"More on ANTIQUE BOTTLES " by ART DELL AND ROBERT LATHAM OF TROY,N.Y.

JULY 10: "SHAKER COOKING".

AUG 7 ; "History or Early Days of STEPHENTOWN"

SEPT. II: "QUILTS"

OCT. 2: "STAMP COLLECTING"

NOV.13: " OLD BARNs"

DEC. 4; MORE ON THE "HISTORY OF STEPHENTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEP'T."

Meetings are always announced in advance in the "ECHO",THE"BERKSHIRE EAGLE",and the "TIMES RECORD".ALSO OTHER PAPERS WHERE POSSIBLE. So keep an eye open on your regular newspaper for details of future meetings.

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COMING EVENTS:

FLEA MARKET; to be held by the Society sometime in July, a date has not been set as of this newsletter.It was such a great success last year.

FIREMENS MUSTER: another "SWEETS SHOPPE" will be planned for this great affair.

BAKE SALE: All home baked goods to be sold, watch for our announcement in the newspapers and Posters placed in town for this fund raising project.

TALVAC BAZAAR: To be held in New Lebanon, we may have a booth for this occasion.

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A new slate of officers will be voted upon at the annual meeting in APRIL  
The current officers are; Trustees; are

*resigning*  
PRES.-- ANNA BAYBA 1978 LEWIS GRIFFIN-1978-  
VICE PRES.-----1978 JACOB BAKKER-1979  
REC. SEC.-----1978 SALLY FOX -1979 - *resigned*  
CORES.SEC.---GEORGIANA BEEBE 1978 BERTHA RATHBUN-1980  
TREAS.: LYNN GOODHUE (3 yr.term expires 1979) JAYNE SAWIN -1980  
ALBERT SILVERNAIL -EX-OFFICIO- TOWN HISTORIAN

Send all nominations to; BERTHA RATHBUN, GARFIELD RD. STEPHENTOWN, N.Y. 12168  
or call 733-5081.

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MEMBERSHIP:

1977 has been a year of growth for the STEPHENTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
There are still some of you who have not paid your dues. Why not take a  
minute and send in the form below right now. dues are only \$1. a year. If you  
are not sure whether you have paid, call BETTY McCLAVE at 733 - 5064, and she  
will verify it for you. If you are paid up why not tear off the form below  
and give it to a friend. New members are always welcome.

MAIL TO : STEPHENTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
P.O.39 STEPHENTOWN, N.Y. 12168

CATEGORY:  
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ANNUAL DUES  
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-----INDIVIDUAL MEMBER -ADULT	\$1.00
-----INDIVIDUAL "MEMBER" -MINOR (age 17 & under)	.50
-----CONTRIBUTING MEMBER	\$5.00
-----SUSTAINING MEMBER	\$15.00
-----LIFE MEMBER (one time payment)	\$100.00
-----BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION	\$15.00

Name - \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

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