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B.W.A.H.S. Received Grant For Myers Inn Maintenance

Del-Co Water Community Fund of the Delaware County Foundation awarded Big Walnut Area Historical Society \$500 towards the painting of the Myers Inn.

Maintaining a 200 year old structure is not easy or cheap. Last winter when the Trustees hired Integrity Painting to prepare and paint the exterior of the Myers Inn, we agreed to apply for a grant to assist with the cost so we could replace the money in our savings for future expansion. We applied to the Delaware County Foundation in August.

Although we were in the painter's que, it was August before they could start and then we were visited by rain so often, the task was not finished



until November and the painters were paid from our savings. In December we were awarded the money and repaid our Savings account. Thanks, Del-Co and Delaware County Foundation!

January 14

Fun & Frolics, a New Year Party

Alice Chapan has planned a unique approach to our January program. She is mixing the history of the New Year Party with the vintage food, games and traditions from around the world. She will provide sandwiches and small snack-like foods for a light supper for those who come to the meeting at 7:00.

Tables with vintage games will be set up for people to try. These were family activities before the age of technology. If you have a favorite you still play, bring it with you to share.

How did famous people celebrate New Year? What are popular New Year traditions? What are your family New Year traditions? Do you keep New Year resolutions?

“This program is to be a fun time as well a learning experience,” noted Chapan.

If Big Walnut Schools are closed for bad weather that day, there will be no meeting.

Year-End Donations

As of December 24th, the historical society has received 22 checks totaling \$1,155 in the Year-End Donation Drive. Many thanks to all of you who thought of us when saving on your taxes.

Docent Training

Start off the New Year right by completing training to be a docent or guide in the Myers Inn Museum. Each time the museum is open a trained docent is on hand to take visitors through the museum and tell those special stories which make visitors want to come back time and time again. Training is scheduled for 9:00 January 4th. Call Polly 740-965-3582 to register for training.

Looking Back at BWAHS in 2019

As a non-profit organization, we feel blessed to be able to share our local history with you. A variety of programs are presented each month on facets of history. Special events such as the 5 Open Houses throughout the year give us the opportunity to share our heritage.

On January 5 we had our first wedding in Myers Inn.

We were awarded a joint Delaware Community Foundation Grant with Community Library to secure funding for Lenny Lepola to transfer his photos to archival files for us and the library. Plus the recent grant towards painting the Myers Inn.

BWAHS sponsored a trip to the National Veterans Museum and to the Portsmouth Flood Wall Mural.

We did programs for 37 sixth graders, 205 high school American history students, and both a school visit and museum visit for 283 third graders.

BWAHS worked with Community Library to read historic books to children in the library.

We sponsored Valentine luncheon, a Mother's Day Tea, and co-sponsored Sunbury Fall Heritage Day where June Campbell became our Honoree.

Our building and much of the garage got painted.

We honored 24 new veterans in Sunbury Memorial Park.

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Calendar of Events

January 4 at 9:00 a.m. Docent and Guide Training

January 14 at 6:00 p.m. BWAHS Board Meeting

January 14 at 7:00 p.m. Program Meeting - "Fun and Frolics - New Year Party" with Alice Chapan

February 11 at 6:00 p.m. BWAHS Board Meeting

February 11 at 7:30 p.m. Program Meeting - "Valentines: An Affair of the Heart" with Polly Horn

February 14 -Valentine Luncheon

Myers Inn Museum & Gift Shop

OPEN

12-3 Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays

10-3 on Saturdays

facing southwest corner of Sunbury Square

740-965-1154



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