

**44<sup>th</sup> MEETING ~ OLIVE TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
NOVEMBER 27, 2007 ~ 7:00 p.m.  
11768 POLK STREET ~ HOLLAND, MI 49424**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kathryn Headley, Beverly Jaarsma, Kit and Sandra Karsten, Jim and Sandra Poppema, Glen Ten Brink, Dean Timmer, and Deb Wolters.

- 1) Kathryn Headley called the meeting to order and extended a warm welcome and a special thanks to each one who has so diligently for the up-coming Christmas Home Tour ...this will make our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year complete and memorable.
- 2) **Special Thanks** goes out to Paul and Shirley Vegt for the repair and cleaning of the ceiling lights in the museum. The hall certainly has a brighter outlook!! Also, a thank you will be sent to Consumers Power for their efforts in hanging and taking down the 150th Banner.
- 3) **Christmas Tour Event:**
  - a. To be held Friday, December 7 from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, December 8 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
  - b. Cost is \$10 per person, children 12 and under \$5. Members half price. Tickets can be purchased from Sandy K. 875-8036 or Bev 399-6939 in advance or at the township office, or at the museum on the day of the tours.
  - c. Homes in the tour ~ Dale and Dee Veldheer, Eric and Irene Kroll, Mike and Kim Mulder, Jack and Sue Nienhuis and Ron and Arloa Nienhuis.
  - d. Vintage Ornaments and decorated Christmas trees will be on display at the museum.
  - e. An after hours hostess/worker tour will be held at 5 p.m. on Saturday. Refreshments will be served at the Karsten home following the tour.
  - f. Museum set up ~ Wednesday, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. for ornamental display set up.
  - g. David Eppelheimer is charging \$100 for the use of his display.
  - h. Christmas Trees for display: Bev & Gary Jaarsma ~ John Deere; Jim and Sandy Poppema ~  
Lighthouse, Kit & Sandy Karsten ~ Teacher, Kathryn ~ Patriotic, and Deb and Todd Wolters ~  
Americana.
  - i. Additional props ~ Kit and Sandy Kartsen ~ Fireplace and stand-up Santa ~ others to be in display ~ ornaments/decorations/battery candles/nativity scene/garland/wreaths.
- 4) **Saturday ~ Museum Hours ~**
  - a. The Museum will be open on Saturday's from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for viewing of the Christmas Display, allowing a time for the community and friends to view that display, if they were unable to attend the Tour. A donation box will be set out!!  
Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup> – Jim and Sandy Poppema ~ hosting  
Saturday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> – Kathryn Headley ~ hosting  
Saturday, December 29<sup>th</sup> – Sandy Karsten ~ hosting  
Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> – Bev Jaarsma ~ hosting

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1) Remodeling ~ of the museum will be done in February.
- 2) Pheasant Monument work will be handled in the spring.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) **January 12<sup>th</sup> Social Night** (snow date – January 19<sup>th</sup>) ~ munchies at 6:45 p.m. and Kit Karsten sharing his pictures and presentation of the Veneklasen Brick at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome!!!!
  - a. Sandra K. and Deb will work on special invitations!
  - b. Other social dates will be announced!
  - c. Survey sheets will be handed out for members to indicate their special interest in the Society and/or areas of expertise where they can lend a hand!
- 5) It was reported by the Treasurer that the Society is required to fill out the IRS form 990 EN ending December 31<sup>st</sup>.

- 6) Many styles **pens** were presented from vendors ~ as ideas for purchase with the Olive Township Historical Society name/address imprinted on them. At this time there is no need for this type of advertisement.
- 7) A motion was made by Beverly Jaarsma, supported by Dean Timmer **to appoint Kit Karsten, President, Sandra Karsten, Vice President, Bev Jaarsma, Secretary/Treasurer, Deb Wolters Assistant Secretary/Treasurer for the 2008 term of office.** Motion Carried.
- 8) A motion was made by Kit Karsten, supported by Dean Timmer **to amend the by-laws by adding five (5) Trustees to the board.** Motion Carried.
- 9) A motion was made by Sandra Karsten, supported by Kit Karsten to appoint Kathryn Headley for a one year term; Glenn Ten Brink and Dean Timmer to a two year term; and Sandra Poppema and Wayne Vander Zwaag for a three year term as Trustee. Motion Carried.
- 10) A **special thanks** is extended to the following retiring officers for their time of service to the society. Kathryn Headley President, Wayne Vander Zwaag, Vice President; and Dean Timmer Assistant Secretary/Treasurer.
- 11) **Annual Membership** letters will be sent out the first of January. Also, a letter to encourage others to become members will be sent out.
- 12) **Membership Perks for 2008** will remain the same as 2007.
- 13) There will be **no meeting in December!!!**
- 14) Our next meeting will be held January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

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BEVERLY JAARSMA, SECRETARY/TREASURER

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