

48th MEETING ~ MINUTES
OLIVE TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY
APRIL 22, 2008 ~ 7:00 P.M.
11768 POLK STREET ~ HOLLAND, MI 49424

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sandra Karsten, Deborah Wolters, Glenn Ten Brink

- 1) Treasurer's reports handed out! Fund Balance: \$6,800.31. \$2,500 was placed in the Olive Township 2008-2009 Budget for our use! We will tap into this when we have stationary, stamps, envelopes or other main stay expenses.
- 2) Finalized information for the Dandelion Parade – plan to line up at #13 and wear older style clothing.
- 3) **Cemetery up dates:**
 - a. Bruce got a price for the round cement blocks for flags - .68 cents each.
 - b. Glenn Ten Brink and Chet Bartels looked over the West Olive Cemetery on 136th Avenue – it needs a lot of work. Glenn proposed a couple ideas on how to brace up the head stones, including ready mix underneath them. Chet was not present so it was decided that Kit would touch base with Chet. Clean up day is Tuesday, May 6, 2008. We will invite volunteers and just have some materials ready and do what we can.
- 4) **Memorial Day:**
 - a. The Olive Township sponsored Memorial Day Service is held at the Olive Township Cemetery at the intersection of 116th Avenue and Taylor Street beginning at 10:30 a.m. The service will be held rain or shine.
 - b. Following the Service we will be hosting a “Memory Walk” from the Cemetery to the Museum, which is a replica of a “1908 Walk” taken from the Ottawa School to the Cemetery. The Children placed flag's on the Veteran's graves.
 - c. We are asking people to decorate bikes, strollers, carry flags, banners, etc and wear patriotic clothing.
 - d. The museum will be open from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to show our collection of school, church, and township history.
 - e. The Ottawa Youth Group will provide lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (50's style)
 - f. We did inform them that we cannot guarantee a set amount of people.....but they still want to do it.
 - g. If it rains they will move to the Grace Center at Ottawa Reformed Church.
 - h. We talked about a need for a medical personal and traffic control on duty.
 - i. Sandy will talk with Dwight Vander Zwaag about having a wagon to transport people back and forth, and will check if he has some steps for people to get on and off the wagon. That will start at the south west corner of the Cemetery at 11:15 a.m. and return people after the walk.
 - j. Kit and Sandy will take care of the press releases, and getting the information to local schools and churches.
 - k. Sandy will check into purchasing flags for handing out to those participating.
- 5) The next meeting will be held Tuesday, June 17, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Wolters

Deborah Wolters, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

