

## **Vienna Historical Society Meeting Minutes**

### **January 27, 2009 Meeting**

Meeting on January 27, the members of the Vienna Historical Society devoted their attention to the Society's proposed constitution.

### **February 24, 2009 Meeting**

To commemorate the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial, on February 24, 2009, Ms. Christina Fischer of Vienna presented "Lincoln's Springfield," a slide lecture followed by discussion and light refreshments. Ms. Fischer's well-received discussion of the sixteenth president's early life was based on her research conducted in Springfield, Illinois.

Society members also approved a membership form and discussed the Society's constitution and by-laws.

### **March 31, 2009 Meeting**

Meeting on the last day of the month, the Vienna Historical Society welcomed Ms. Lois Werner of the Brookfield (Ohio) Historical Society. In an engaging presentation, Ms. Werner discussed the Brookfield Historical Society's cemetery restoration/preservation project, and provided a concise checklist of the steps necessary to a successful project. She encouraged attendees to help in Brookfield's work on May 23, 2009. A lively question-and-answer period followed Ms. Werner's remarks.

Plans were made to document Vienna's three cemeteries this summer. The Society will plan this process at its April 28 meeting.

Ms. Mary Sheridan presented the Society with a large reproduction of a demolished Vienna landmark, and received the Society's deepest thanks.

Announcements included the plans for a free tent for Trumbull County's historical societies at the Packard Car Show, July 21-25, and the regional Ohio Association of Historical Societies and Museums meeting in Warren on May 2.

Note: The Warren Tribune-Chronicle printed an article on the Society's meeting and plans.

### **April 28, 2009 Meeting - No minutes**

### **May 26, 2009 Meeting - No minutes**

### **June 30, 2009 Meeting - No minutes**

## **July 28, 2009 Meeting - No minutes**

## **August 25, 2009 Meeting**

Vienna Historical Society Meeting – August 25, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.

Present: Vicki Anzur, Helen Clower, Pam Clower, Warren Clower, Michele Garman, Pam Klinger, Ruth Miller, Donna Jean Schieffer, Shirley Wajda, Dallas Woodall and Lauren Worona

Agenda and discussions:

- Dunlap Cemetery is almost done. Lauren Worona, A Youngstown State University intern, has been working on this.
- Need to set date to work on old section of Vienna Cemetery.
- Future meetings that have been scheduled are:
  - September 9, 2009: at township hall at 7:00 p.m. Pamela L. Speis, Archivist, Mahoning Valley Historical Society will present, “Keeping Your Family’s Past.”
  - October 27, 2009 in the township hall at 7:00 p.m. David G. Cover, Fowler Historical Society/David & Melissa Butts Museum in Fowler.
  - November 24, 2009 at the Barnhisel House, 1011 North State Street, Girard, at 7:00 p.m. Ray and Carley O’Neil, Girard Historical Society, will conduct a “Tour of the Barnhisel House”.
- Records archiving will continue on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

The following slate to serve as Members of the Board of Directors was unanimously approved:

- Pam Clower
- Pam Klinger
- Ruth Miller
- Phil Pegg
- Donna Jean Schieffer

The following slate of officers was unanimously approved by the Board and presented to the Society:

- President – Shirley Wajda
- Vice President – Michele Garman
- Treasurer – Dallas Woodall
- Secretary – Vicki Anzur

Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Submitted by Vicki Anzur, Secretary

## **September 29, 2009 Meeting**

Some twenty-two hardy individuals from Vienna and neighboring townships braved a rainstorm to attend an excellent and thorough presentation on document, photograph, and artifact

presentation by Pamela Speis, Archivist, Mahoning Valley Historical Society. Society business was tabled until the October meeting to accommodate the speaker and to ensure the attendance of key members.

#### **October 27, 2009 Meeting – No minutes**

#### **November 24, 2009 Meeting**

Ray and Carley O'Neill led VHS members on a merry tour of the Barnhisel House in Girard, Ohio, in November. A hearth fire was crackled invitingly as members gathered inside the house for an insider's look at the restored building. Gingerbread and coffee, stories and jokes, and great laughter topped off the evening. Visitors were greatly interested in the many historic photographs of Girard and its citizens.