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McEwensville School

In 1922 the Old Academy was no longer a High School, due to the small enrollment. From that time on to the present, only the first eight grades have been taught. High School students have their choice of attending Watontown or Milton Schools. In 1920 the little Red School House on Red Hill was closed, and the Delaware Township scholars from there have been attending McEwensville Schools ever since. Many fond memories are connected with the Old Academy, and quite a few romances date back to the old school. Many school-day scrapes were started, but all peacefully settled by the teachers. We always have had a very good Board of Directors for our schools, all members being men, excepting on one occasion, when three women served at the same time. They were Mrs. Carrie Seibert, Mrs. Curtis Gold and Mrs. William L. Stout.

At one time the Academy was financed by the pupils paying their own tuition. They had also to furnish their own chairs to sit upon. One of these chairs is now in the possession of Mrs. Edward Burrowes, it being her mother's, and the name Tillie is carved on the back as a means of identification. Later, lumber was purchased by the board from which tables and benches were made. At that time the teacher received a salary of \$26.00 per month, in 1881 it being raised to \$55.00 per month. The person cleaning the school house received \$5.00.

The following are a number of motions taken from the records:

That the teacher pay 10% of the cost of books used by pupils coming to school from outside the borough.

1883—Motion that Lizzie Watson have use of lower room for a summer term of school.

1883—Motion that there be no more cattle turned in the school ground for pasture, and that the gates be locked.

1883—Motion that E. Gold be granted the cleaning of school-house, to scrub and whitewash both rooms for \$9.00.

1883—Motion that the board sell the school lot and house adjoining the Lutheran Church for \$125.00.

1884—Motion that the teacher's salary be paid as soon as there is enough money in treasury to pay same.

In 1884 new desks were purchased—the double desk and seats.

In 1884 the pupils examined by Principal A. Baker to be admitted to school were Harry Gold, Jennie Kuhns, May Guinn, Rose Wagner, Sallie Mauser, Minnie Richard and Mame Rozell.

In 1885 the fence was removed from around the school house. The use of the school rooms was granted to the summer school teachers, on motion that the teachers pay for coal they used.

In 1928 the new single seats were purchased for the school by the Parent-Teacher Association. The same year the County

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McEwensville School

Nurse, visiting the schools, decided the children needed a talk on cleanliness, as two of the boys, Glen Shuman and Elwood Phillips, just emerging from cleaning the coal bin, presented two very dirty subjects to work on.

TEACHERS OF McEWENSVILLE BOROUGH SCHOOLS

School Year	High School	Primary
1907-08	William J. Dentler	G. B. Wesner
1908-09	William J. Dentler	G. B. Wesner
1909-10	A. L. Rummer	G. B. Wesner
1910-11	Howard Northrop	Rachel Oakes
1911-12	Howard Northrop and D. Forest Dunkle	Rachel Oakes
1912-13	Bruce W. Bloom	Carrie E. Nye
1913-14	William C. Gauger	Mary E. Heacock
1914-15	William C. Gauger	Mary E. Heacock
1915-16	C. Warren Brown	Mary E. Heacock
1916-17	George C. Stahl	Archie Smith
1917-18	George C. Stahl	Janet Bryson
1918-19	Olive M. Aucker	M. Ethal Shannon
1919-20	Olive M. Aucker	George Wesner
1920-21	Olive M. Aucker	Mary L. Callenberger
1921-22	Mary E. Fisher	Mary L. Callenberger

School Year	Grammar School	Primary
1922-23	Frank C. Gill	Hazel Ranck
1923-24	Frank C. Gill	Alice Dye
1924-25	Alice Dye	Bernice Mills
1925-26	Alice Dye	Bernice Mills and Mrs. Blanche B. Kramm
1926-27	Alice Dye	Mrs. Blanche B. Kramm
1927-28	Alice Dye	Mrs. Blanche B. Kramm
1928-29	Alice Dye	Mrs. Blanche B. Kramm
1929-30	Erma C. Gold	Mrs. Blanche B. Kramm
1930-31	Erma C. Gold	Mrs. Blanche B. Kramm
1931-32	Erma C. Gold	Mrs. Blanche B. Kramm
1932-33	Erma C. Gold	Mrs. Blanche B. Kramm
1933-34	Erma C. Gold	Mrs. Blanche B. Kramm
1934-35	Erma C. Gold	Mrs. Blanche B. Kramm
1935-36	Erma C. Gold	Mrs. Blanche B. Kramm
1936-37	Mildred E. Auten	Mrs. Blanche B. Kramm
1937-38	Mildred E. Auten	Ruth A. Kramm
1938-39	Mildred E. Auten	Ruth A. Kramm
1939-40	M. Augusta Schnure	Mrs. Ruth Kramm Moser
1940-41	Paulyne T. Reigle and Florence Landback	Mrs. Ruth Kramm Moser
1941-42	Dorothy M. Duck	Mrs. Ruth Kramm Moser
1942-43	C. Neoska Fuller	Mrs. Lena S. Savidge
1943-44	C. Neoska Fuller	Mrs. Lena S. Savidge
1944-45	C. Neoska Fuller	Mrs. Lena S. Savidge

The history of the Academy is from the notes of LaRue Yost, who lived in McEwensville his entire life; submitted by the Brickmaker.

Cake and Pie Pans for Sale

The Society is selling cake and pie pans with the Warrior Run Church on the lids. If you would like to purchase them, please contact Sue Whitmoyer.

Prices are as follows:

9 x 13 Non-stick pan & cranberry lid	\$40.00
9 x 9 Traditional pan & green lid	\$32.00
9" Pie pan & blue lid	\$30.00

Sue Whitmoyer

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The Society would like to thank Sandy Hendricks and The McEwensville Garden Club for their monetary donation as well as their continuous care and maintenance of the Blue Star Memorial located at the entrance of the Warrior Run Church. This is such a beautiful and inviting entry to this Historic property.

Newsletter Articles

Please email articles to be included in the newsletter to kyhouser@windstream.net. You can simply write the report in the email or copy and paste from another document. The best format is a Word document or an Open Office document. PDF files cannot be used in the producing of the newsletter.. If you have a photo you want to share, you can send that to me, as well. Thank you for all the information you send making our newsletter very interesting and informative.

Karen Y. Houser



*Warrior Run Fort Freeland Heritage Society
Annual Picnic
At the Historic Warrior Run Church*

Sunday August 11th 2019

4:00pm

*Bring a covered dish, place settings,
a chair, your family and friends
And please join us!*

Students visit WR Church and Hower-Slote House

The last week in May the Warrior Run Fifth Graders visited the WR Church and the cemetery, where they learned about the history of the church and some of the people buried in the cemetery. They then went to the Hower-Slote House where they participated in numerous activities including making apple sauce, lemon aid, brick and rope making, and they were learned about the battle of Fort Freeland, buggy making in McEwensville, and toured the house. In all, about 150 students and teachers spent the day at the two sites.

Melissa Kilgus

This is our third newsletter for this year already. Can you believe how fast the time is flying by? I hope this newsletter finds you all in good health and having a great summer. We wanted to think everyone who helped with our Strawberry Festival and all who attended. We had beautiful weather and I think everyone had a great time. Just seeing people bringing their lawn chairs and visiting with friends they didn't see for a while and enjoying our good food and our homemade ice cream makes it worth all the hard work to make it possible.

Our next event is our annual picnic on August 11th at 4:00 p.m. It is for all members. Just bring a covered dish and your own place setting and we will supply the Hamburg's and hot dogs. Hope to see you all there.

Then we have our Heritage Days on October 5, 6. Stop by the membership tent and say hello; it's always nice to see you. Just a little reminder, please check your membership cards and make sure your dues are paid up to date.

Cathy Metzger
Treasurer/Membership



Warrior Run Fort Freeland Heritage Society
Board Meetings - 2019

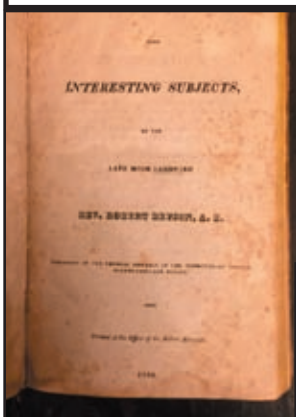
<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
August 12	Board Meeting	7:00 p. m.	WR Church
September 9	Board Meeting	7:00 p. m.	Hower Slote House
October 14	Board Meeting	7:00 p. m.	HS Faculty Lounge
November 11	Board Meeting	7:00 p. m.	HS Faculty Lounge
December 9	Board Meeting	7:00 p. m.	HS Faculty Lounge

Calendar of Events - 2019

August 11	Annual Picnic (second Sun. in August)	4:00 p.m.	WR Church
October 5 - 6	Heritage Days (first weekend in Oct., Board meeting not to immediately follow)		Hower Slote Grounds
November 11	Membership Meeting Election/Regular Board Mtg.	7:00 p. m.	HS Library
December 14	Candlelite Service (second Sat. in Dec.)	7:00 p. m.	WR Church

Strawberry Festival

The festival was very successful, with beautiful weather and a lot of people in attendance. A lot of the food sold out, but people found other food to satisfy there taste buds. We couldn't have asked for a better day.



This book was donated to the society by Jerry Vidosh. It contains 15 sermons of Rev. Bryson, and is on display in the Warrior Run Church.



Warrior Run Fort Freeland Heritage Society

Board of Directors

(Terms run from January 1 to December 31)

2017 - 2019

Leon Hagenbuch
Jane Koch
Bradd Mertz
Doug Ertel
Sue Whitmoyer

2018 - 2020

Traci Pawling
Ruth Webb
Scott Pawling
Cathy Metzger
Landon Koch
Wayne Greiner

(Student Members)

Maris Kilgus / Ethan Whitmoyer

2019-2021

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Randy Watts
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Nominating Committee - Randy Watts, Steve Moser (570-437-4048)

Historian - Vacant

Newsletter - Karen Houser (570-538-2557)

Committee Leadership

Church -Jane Koch, Landon Koch, Doug Ertel (570-538-1756)

Church Grounds - Mark Keithan (570-538-5610)

Weddings - Traci Pawling (570-490-9895)

Strawberry Festival - Wayne Greiner (570-604-7451)

Heritage Days - Betsy Watts, Jane Koch

Candlelight Service - Al Reeves

House/Property - Leon Hagenbuch, Steve Moser, Rich Nornhold

Honorary Board Members

Janet Hause *

Jane Shuman *

Betty Miller *

Virginia Hartman *

Donna Meyer

Ruth Moser *

Preston Webb *

Mike Slease *

Hall Williams *

Bob Franks

Rich Nornhold

Al Reeves

* denotes deceased member

CHECK THE YEAR ON YOUR CARD AND MAKE SURE YOUR MEMBERSHIP IS CURRENT

Bringing our history to life....

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KEEP your membership current

****Note your membership status on the mailing label ****

Membership is key to our group's mission. It's an important step towards funding our projects and goals. Your membership allows you to receive four annual newsletters which inform you of the calendar of events, our organization's achievements and ways to become an active member.

Please register me/us as:

- ☐ LIFE MEMBER (\$200 per person in one payment)
☐ CONTRIBUTING MEMBER (\$20.00 per adult person per year)
☐ STUDENT MEMBER (\$1.00 per year – having student status)
☐ SUSTAINING MEMBER (\$50.00 or more per year as a special support member)

Name (s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email address: _____

To update your WR/FFHS membership status, please mail this form with the proper amount to:

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