

Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM
PRESIDENT DON RALSTON

Dear Members;

I hope that our membership had a very pleasant and enjoyable summer.

We started a new year with a lovely get together at "Little Grange", the home of Vicki and Lou McCall. Everyone seemed to enjoy the McCall's hospitality. The fellowship, refreshments and the socializing was just great. We thank Vicki and Lou for once again making their home available to us. At this September meeting we received applications for membership from Frank and Claire Magin and Paul and Joetta Eldridge.

I wish to reflect on the presentation of all the artifacts of the Wenonah Military Academy which were displayed on the Fourth of July. We had wonderful help from our members who arranged the display. The public appeared genuinely interested in all of the items we displayed and it helped focus attention on our Historical Society.

It is with sadness and regret that I must advise of the illness of Bradley Caraker, eight year old son of Bill and Eileen Caraker. He has been in the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia for treatment. I understand that he is coming along nicely and is even being tutored while there. Several of our members and his friends have been able to send him e-mails wishing him a speedy recovery. Anyone wishing to send best wishes via this medium can send them to www.caringbidge.org/about.htm

The October meeting will be held Friday, October 14th. The program will be presented by the Wenonah Environmental Commission. It will be conducted by Chairman Bob Bevilacqua, members Chuck Forsman, and Frank Eggert who was a founding member of the Natural Woodlands Council in 1965. They are called "Friends of the Wenonah Trails." It will deal with the Acquisition and Restoration of Historical Sites within our Conservation Lands, Streams, Lakes Ponds and Trails.

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Meetings second Friday of the month at the Wenonah Community Center except June, July and August

At our November Meeting, the Women's Club will present a sketch under the direction of Jenny McQuaide and Marge Lentz. More details will be given in the November letter.

In December we will have our Annual Christmas Party.

If any member has any suggestions for programs for 2006 please let me know.

At the Harvest Craft Fair on September 24th, under the direction of Betty MacLeod the Wenonah Historical Society had a very successful sale of caps, banners, large and small tote bags and postcards. Other members of the Historical Society assisted her.

Please plan to attend our meeting on October 14th, enjoy the socializing, the program and the refreshments

If any member has any news that they wish to be included in our newsletter please let me know.

PHOTOGRAPH ON PAGE 2

The picture on the next page is an enlarged section of an aerial shot centered around the Military Academy. It reveals a historical curiosity. The Weems medical center is at the center of the picture and in the center foreground is the "Senior House" of the military academy. The former Synnott mansion is at the upper right and at the top are the Synnott farm outbuildings. Please note the black arrow on the left pointing to a beautiful Victorian home with a domed tower. This building is no longer there and is now the site of the Wenonah Free Public Library that opened in 1927. Apparently the residence was acquired by Edward Farr (Little Grange) only to be torn down to provide the necessary space for the library. Anyone knowing anything about the origins of the house such as when it was built, who lived in it before it was torn down, or any other information please let us know.



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WENONAH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2005

Membership Benefits

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