

Administrator's Report for October 2023

(Lawre Bonekemper)

Finances & Taxes: All bills were paid, and the checking & savings accounts were reconciled.

Historical Item Sales: There were 9 copies of *From Camargo to Indian Hill*, 7 *Treasured Landmarks*, 1 *Hither & Yon*, 3 Schoolhouse Puzzles, and 1 Village Vignette Note Card pack.

Membership: Monthly dues letters were mailed. Compiled TU list for new / upgraded members.

Rentals: In the October, there were 20 inquiries, 3 showings, and 2 rentals.

Programs / Activities:

- Authors Series:
 - Printed IHHS membership materials to pass out at the Guelzo evening.
 - Attended to the details to enable a successful evening at CCDS.
 - Created bookplates for author signing.
 - Attended the events at each school.
- 150th Anniversary
 - Mailed 356 invitations on 10/12/23.
 - Pulled photos, items, etc. for use with "museum"; met with Barb Hauck and various Trustee helpers.
 - Scanned, photoshopped, typed verbiage, etc. to create images for enlarged pictures and / or posters.
- Village Christmas Party
 - Created invitations and sent to the printer.
 - Contacted vendors & participants for the event (magician, face painter, tent rental, etc.)

Publicity:

- Email blast sent out for the Guelzo presentation.
- Created and submitted the Society's page for the 10/22/23 IH Bulletin.
- The October eNewsletter was sent to 477 emails on 10/18/23. 78% of the recipients opened it.

MISC:

- Met with Ken Mahler to discuss his mother's home on Given Rd. and his Taft family history.
- Ordered house plaque for Jacob Shepherd who lives at 8475 Indian Hill Rd., the "Site of Walter Finch Home, c. 1900".
- Schoolhouse lawn was aerated and seeded.
- Attended Village Dialogue Lunch.
- Trish Krehbiel and I submitted Lindsay McLean's name (and support materials) for the Individual Award presented by the Ohio Local History Alliance (OLHA) to individuals who have made outstanding contributions to Ohio's historical societies or to the understanding and appreciation of state or local history. Lindsay and I attended the award ceremony where she received the award.

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Images: September's Bulletin article was *Corn: Wonder Crop of Now and Then*, and October's is *The Story of the Indian Hill Veteran's Memorial*.

Inquiries: (1) Julie Fitzpatrick about Mary Bennet Gerard genealogy, (2) Barry Bayer about 9440 Cunningham Road history, (3) Shannon Compton about Burley Hills Drive and the Camargo Hunt Club, kennels and the subdivision of Burley Hills Dr., and (4) Whitley Schoeny about Indian Hill's Reforest the Hill program.

Miscellaneous: (1) Provided information to IH School Chief Communications Officer, Heather Higdon, about chronological school timeline, (2) Assisted with Dr. Allen Guelzo program, (3) Worked on preparations for the Little Red Schoolhouse 150th Anniversary Program, (4) Attended Village Dialogue Luncheon at Steppingstones, (5) Attended OLHA Annual Meeting in Columbus and was recipient of Outstanding Individual Achievement Award in Local History, and (6) Continued archiving the *Cincinnati Business Courier* and clipping obituaries and articles from the *Cincinnati Enquirer* and other local publications.

Lindsay McLean