Fulton County Historical Society News

Spring 2005

A WONDERFUL MEAL STARTS THE EVENING

Women of the Sideling Hill Christian Church will host the annual spring dinner for members and friends of the Fulton County Historical Society on Saturday, April 9, 2005, at 6:30 p.m. daylight saving time. This historic church is located on Sipes Mill Road west of Harrisonville and 3.5 miles south of Route 30; turn at the Sipes Funeral Home. The meal will be stuffed chicken breast, roast beef, filling balls, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, green beans, dinner roll w/butter, coffee or punch, and homemade fruit pie with ice cream. Cost is \$12 for the meal and evening program. Reservations with payment are due by March 31 and may be given to Joyce Tucker, Monica Seville, or mailed to the Society at Box 115, McConnellsburg, PA 17233.

CIVIL WAR MUSIC

The 46th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry Regiment Band, a non-profit group of musicians from the Altoona area, will present an evening of music including military marches, field calls and folk songs following our meal on April 9 at the Sideling Hill Church. The program will include stories about the original men in this Civil War regiment. Band



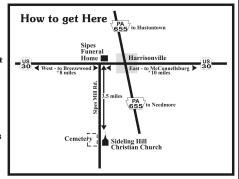
Saturday, April 9, 2005 at 6:30 Sideling Hill Christian Church

Tickets - \$12 each IN ADVANCE ONLY includes meal & entertainment

Reservations must be received by March 31st

For Reservations Contact: Monica Seville - 485-4454 Joyce Tucker - 485-4789 or mail to: Fulton County Historical Society Box 115 McConnellsburg, PA 17233

For more Information call: GLEN CORDELL 717/485-3172 or E-mail director@fultonhistory.org



All are Welcome - Mark Your Calendar



On a cold Friday evening, January 21, 2005, members and friends gathered in the Fulton Theater to hear stories of life in the past.

members were non-combatants but served as stretcherbearers and surgeon assistants when needed. They provided the music that kept men in step while on the march and maintained the morale of the troops. Samples of their music can be found on their new web page: www.geocities.com/cw46paband/index.html

President Ken Keebaugh will conduct a short business meeting, including election of new officers, between the dinner and program. Invite your friends and enjoy a pleasant evening of food, music and fellowship.

NEW LIFE MEMBER

Michael Powell of Winchester, VA, became a life member of the Fulton County Historical Society in January 2005. He is a direct descendant of Rev. Joseph Powell of Tonoloway. Mike retired from the Air Force in mid-2003 and would like to buy 10-15 acres of land in southern Fulton County for a home and a horse.

PUBLICATIONS CONTINUE

Bill Turner is undoubtedly one of our most devoted genealogists and is seen at the Courthouse and the Historical Society Library each week. After transcribing and publishing the 1880 Fulton County census, Bill donated his original copy for use as one of your Society's annual books. The Directors are pleased to send each of you a copy of Volume 26 in our publication series as a benefit of your membership dues. Additional copies are available for \$5 each plus \$2 mailing cost.

For future publication, Frank Walch of Florida has almost completed his narrative on Fulton County's 158th Regiment PA Infantry, Co. H, from October 1862 to November 1863. If your ancestor served in this regiment and you have photos, letters, diaries, etc which could be copied for use in the book, please notify the Society now.

Lindsay Mellott is willing to edit a series of short war-time stories from our local World War II veterans. These stories could be a few of the most interesting or memorable events which they remembered throughout their life. If the veteran is no longer living, family or friends can send stories which were told to them. Lindsay can be reached at 717 573-4221 or by e-mail at frogbott@frontiernet.net.

MORE GENEALOGY

A large database of 162,997 names of Fulton County people has been updated to March 3, 2005, and entered on the computer in the Historical Society room at the Fulton County Library and at http://worldconnect.rootsweb.com/cgibin/igm.cgi?db=rrrose2

The project is managed by Ron Rose of North Carolina who welcomes corrections and additions to the list. This is probably the largest single collection of research names for Fulton County families and includes major contributions from Mike Horton, Anita Bradford, Don McKee and others who spent years assembling this data. The file

was loaded locally by Bob McKinley who purchased and donated Family Tree Maker to the library.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY WEB PAGE

Dan Swain is redesigning the Society's web page at www.fultonhistory.org and has some exciting new ideas to make information more readily available to members and the general public. Check the site from time to time and send your suggestions how our page can help you and also gain additional members for the Fulton County Historical Society.

FULTON HOUSE GRANTS PROGRESSING

The \$125,000 grant from the Transportation Enhancement Program (TEP) for repointing the limestone walls and other exterior repairs on the Fulton House is on hold until the Society can find funds to hire a qualified architect/

engineer to submit our Plans, Specifications and Estimates to PennDOT. County grant writer Bob McKinley has identified a source and received preliminary approval. We may have an agreement in place by early summer.

A separate application is now underway to study how the Fulton House can be better utilized and become financially viable if the Historical Society were to gain ownership at some future time. Bob is working through the Lincoln Highway Heritage Corridor with matching funds from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development. Grant writing requires great patience but can be financially rewarding.

Glenn Cordell, Administrator

FULTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY Box 115, McConnellsburg, PA 17233

Please reserve meal/s at \$12 for Saturday, April 9, 2005, at 6:30 p.m. at Sideling Hill Christian Church.
Membership renewal (see your mailing label for expiration date): \$15 Adult/family; \$25 Institution;\$250 Individual Life
Name:
Mailing address:
E-Mail address:
Family names or other interest:

Annual memberships expire in April. Mailings are sent by bulk mail and are only forwarded by the postal service for an additional charge. Please notify the Historical Society promptly for a change of address.

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Fulton County Historical Society

Treasurers Report 12/31/04

Beginning Balance \$2,413.96

Receipts 10/1/03 to 12/31/03

Dues	\$185.00
Books	\$1,018.00
Donations	\$110.26
Postage	\$39.50
Interest - checking	\$1.79
Calendars	\$35.00
Cemetery Disks	\$199.00
House Tour	\$1,685.00
Fall Meeting	\$220.00
Total Receipts	\$3,493.55

Disbursements Mowing Big Spring

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Postage & Box Rent	\$209.31
Fulton House	\$140.51
Sales Tax	\$54.30
Winegardner School	\$107.00
Misc	\$62.35
House Tour	\$300.00
Administrator	\$632.04
Insurance	\$1.702.00

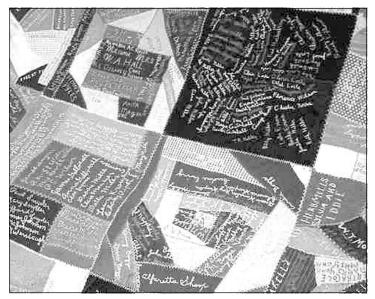
\$400.00

Fall Meeting \$325.36 FFFF \$65.52 Total Disbursements \$3,998.39

Net Gain (\$504.84) Balance \$1,909.12

Jane MacDonald, Treasurer

Crazy Quilt of Names



A QUILT OF NAMES FROM 1930

In 1930 the Ladies Aid Society of the Mt. Pleasant Hill Church, located between Burnt Cabins and Shade Gap, wanted to raise money for their church. They designed a "crazy quilt" and invited members and friends from northern Fulton and southern Huntingdon counties to embroider a name on the quilt for each donation to their fund.

Today this 75-year-old quilt is in the collection of the Fulton County Historical Society museum. It was donated October 14, 2004, by Richard Foreman who had purchased it at the Guy Glunt household sale in 2002 because his grandparents' and great-grandmother's names are sewn on the quilt. In addition to its attractive pattern, people enjoy looking at the quilt to find names of relatives no longer living and names of others they recognize.

A QUILT OF NAMES FROM 2005

The Fulton County Historical Society is looking for living supporters (this is not to be a memorial quilt) who would like to record their name on an heirloom velvet and corduroy crazy quilt during 2005. When completed, this quilt will be displayed as part of the permanent collection of the Historical Society museum. This is your opportunity to help the Society financially and also receive recognition for your generosity.

The original quilt to be used for this project is likely 50 years old and was purchased in Fulton County by Jessie Dean. A retired public school teacher, Jessie moved to Needmore to help with the administration of a new Christian school. In 2003 she reproduced the museum's Civil War era "Flying Geese" quilt for a fund-raising raffle. Jessie has offered to apply names to this quilt similiar to the one from 1930. She will arrange them at her discretion unless a family wants to purchase a block for a number of related family names. This is NOT limited to Historical Society members but will be promoted throughout the wider Fulton County community.



Crazy Quilt of Names to benefit the FULTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Box 115, McConnellsburg, PA 17233 (Non-profit organization #23-7453773)

\$10 donation per name as a tax-deductible contribution.

Deadline to be December 2005 - or whenever the quilt is filled!

Print names clearly:	
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