**Historical Society**

Meeting Minutes: Tuesday, June 28, 2016, 7pm – 8pm

**Meeting Location:** St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Sunday School Classroom

Attendees: Bonnie Leins, Chris Leins, George Evans, Jonathan Newman, Anna Newman, Kathryn Nicodemus, Charlie Nicodemus, Florence Schell, Marianne Urban, Robert Hellmuth, Leah Fleming, Suzie Clark

**Old Business**

* Kathryn requested Bonnie re-send the meeting minutes from May 31, 2016. She received the e-mail but no attachment or content in the body of the e-mail.
* Suzie borrowed the book *“Tales of the Iron Road”*, from the society library.
* Walkersville on Display at Homewood
* The event was successful and well received.
* Charlie ran an advertisement in the FNP at a cost of $20. Charlie was not happy with the placement of the ad in the newspaper, the ad was very small and buried.
* Received $20 in the donation jar.
* Sold one CD ($12)
* Florence had several memorable conversations with guest that were not from the Walkersville area.
* Nice mix of people. Families visiting residents toured the display.
* Bonnie reported set-up took 45 minutes and breakdown took 25 minutes.
* Leah is in the process of creating a typed transcript of the oral histories video, (20 hours).
* Bonnie requested Leah give Kathryn Nicodemus the external hard drive of the oral videos when done. Leah agreed.

**New Business**

**Potential Events for Club Members**

* Charlie suggested we work with town leaders on the 125th Celebration (2017). Present Walkersville on Display.
* Bob would like to present to the society, Hobo History, at his home. All agreed. No date selected.
* Marianne reported the following:
* Will look into train rides for society members as a group activity.
* Can rent the caboose for a private party. Caboose holds 22 people. Price to rent is more than $300.
* No discounts for a group activity for the dinner train. Each ticket is $75.
* Bonnie will send an e-mail to Walker House. See if we can hold our October meeting in the house.
* Bob will call Jay Wolfe, President of the Woodsboro Historical Society, to see if we can present Walkersville history at one of their meetings and vice versa. A great way to share and learn from each other.

**Woodsboro Walkersville Times**

* Charlie will provide Joel with the picture of the Sewing Factory roof that displays postal aerial directions, for the article he proposed to publish.

**Concerns**

* Marianne is concerned that the society has no appointed archivist. She proposed a member volunteer to archive published articles and history of events.
* Charlie volunteered to archive published articles.
* Bonnie volunteered to archive information that pertains to society events.

**Treasurer Report**

* Marianne reported the checking account balance $3,346.20.

**Walkersville Southern Railroad**

* Nothing new.

**Frederick & Pennsylvania Line Railroad Museum:** (Ray was not present)

**Monocacy Archeological Society**

* George reported, the dig last month in Anne Arundel County at Big Point was successful. Discovered a ritual burial site between 8 and 9 thousand years old that was used by tribes from different locations.

**Website**

* Jonathan Newman, Grand-Son-in law of Charlie and Kathryn Nicodemus, offered to help build the website.
* Bonnie will send Jonathan content for the webpages, as soon as possible.
* Jonathan will instruct two members with maintaining the website. These members will instruct the other members who wish to learn.
* Jonathan suggested we back our files up to a free internet archive devoted to saving old files.

**Wrap Up**

* Bob requested members think of ideas for society logo. Bring ideas to September meeting.
* No meeting during July and August
* Charlie moved to hold our September meeting at St. Paul’s Church. All agreed.
* Next Meeting, Tuesday, September 27, 2016, 7pm, St. Paul’s Church.