

November Society Meeting to be Held One Week Earlier

General Interest

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The Roane County Historical Society, Inc. met at 7 p.m. on Thursday, October 23, 2014 at the Roane County Library for their regular monthly meeting. The meeting was called to order by President, Rick Greathouse, an opening prayer was led by Carol Board-Westfall and the pledge to the flag was recited by all.

Minutes from the September 2014 meeting were read by the Recording Secretary, Susan Tucker and approved as read.

Treasurer, Carol Board-Westfall, reported all bills were paid, leaving a balance of \$13,883.09. The main expenditure was new shelving additions for the society's genealogy library.

Corresponding & Membership Secretary, Linda Cottrell Liss, reported that cards had been sent where needed and that the membership now stands at 207. That total includes five new members received during the recent genealogy fair.

We note that the Fall "Vol. 22, Issue One of "The Journal" newsletter of the Society is delayed due a recent surgery and recuperation of our Editor Carol Cronin. The newsletter will be completed and mailed to you soon.

Other Reports & Business:

Carol reported that the 20th Annual Roane County Genealogy Fair on September 27th was well-attended, that everything went smoothly, fair-goers enjoyed the fellowship and maybe found new family connections, and new members were received. Next year's 21st Annual Roane County Genealogy is scheduled for Saturday, September 26th. Put that on your calendar now!

Interviews for the "Journey into the Wild and Wonderful" county documentary videos are scheduled for October and November. Mr. Wayne Worth of Clarksburg, West Virginia is making documentary history CD's of each county in West Virginia. When the project is completed those recordings will be made available and donated to each 8th Grade teacher for use in their West Virginia History studies. Roane County's first interview was with Roane County historian, Mr. Denver Gandee. Other interviews are scheduled with persons knowledgeable of specific areas of Roane County history.

The Roane County Historical Society is happy to announce that it will continue to present a \$1,000 scholarship to a deserving Senior student at Roane County High School. The application and guidelines for the 5th Annual Essay Scholarship will be available soon with the school's guidance counselor.

Lastly, the Society has voted to make their genealogy library located on the lower level of the Roane County Library open during the Roane County Farmer's Market Winter Hours days. Schedule: 2nd Fri of November, 2 & 3rd Fri. of December 2014 and 2nd Fri. of Jan., Feb. Mar. & Apr. 2015. The Winter Farmer's Market will also be held on the lower level of the library.

Mark your calendars, the November meeting of the Roane County Historical Society will be held one week earlier due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. Thursday, November 20th will be an important meeting since society business is winding up for the year. Members are urged to attend and as always guests are welcome.

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