

Wenonah Historical Society Newsletter

Next Meeting at 7:30 P.M. on
Friday, October 11, 2013

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Charles Horan

Dear Members,

I hope everyone enjoyed our annual "Meet and Greet End of Summer Throwdown."

Jennie McQuaide's family recipe for Zucchini Cornbread Casserole is included in this newsletter. I know it was a favorite at the gathering. Thank you for sharing it with us, Jennie.

Robert Catando will be the speaker at our meeting on October 11th. He will provide a brief history of battleships and then talk specifically about the Battleship New Jersey, concluding with a virtual tour of the ship and "all of its parts."

Robert earned a bachelor's degree from Juniata College (History and Political Science) and a master's degree from Temple University (Secondary Education and Administration). His 38-year career in education included positions in Paulsboro, as High School Principal (1974-1983) and Elementary Principal (1984-1989), and in Alloway Township as Superintendent of Schools (1989-2001).

Since retiring in 2001, Robert has worked on Battleship New Jersey – both in restoration and as a tour guide. Robert serves on the speaker's bureau for the Battleship and works on the Cruiser Olympia in Penns Landing. Robert also works with homeless veterans and is chairman of a scholarship

fund at his church, which awards scholarships to worthy church members interested in pursuing a post-secondary education.

In his spare time, Robert is an avid bicyclist, having ridden 8,500 miles last year and 5,600 miles thus far in 2013.

I look forward to seeing you this Friday at the Train Station Community Center!

ZUCCHINI CORNBREAD CASSEROLE *from Jennie McQuaide*

3 c. grated zucchini (about 1 pound)
1 med. onion, diced
2 eggs, beaten
2 c. Pepperidge Farm Corn Bread Stuffing
1 stick melted butter/margarine
Grated Locatelli cheese

Mix first five ingredients together. Place in 1 ½ quart greased casserole. (I use Pam® olive oil cooking spray.) Top with grated cheese.

Bake at 350° for 45 minutes – until golden brown on top. If necessary, raise temperature to 375° for last 10 to 15 minutes to achieve nice color.

Notes:

For a double recipe, I use a 9" x 13" pan.

I've reduced the butter to 6 tbsps. with good results and fewer calories.

Sometimes I add a grated carrot for color.

Be sure to use a good quality cheese for best flavor. Kraft just doesn't measure up.

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Meetings are held on the second Friday of each month (except June, July and August) at the Train Station Community Center.

The following article was furnished by Jack C. Sheppard, Sr.

WENONAH 96 YEARS AGO – NOVEMBER 1917

The Biddle Men's Bible Class of the M.E. Church meets at 8:00 PM in the church. There was a debate by six men on "Resolved, that Palestine should be given over to the Jews to govern by themselves."

There will be a delightful lecture by Miss Mortie Stokes on "The beauties of Yellowstone Park" on Friday in the M.E. Church. Beautiful stereopticon pictures will be shown and as Miss Stokes has recently viewed this wonderful place, her talk on the subject will be worth hearing.

Offer of Mr. Geo. E. Fredrick to Automobile Owners. Starting November 26th and continuing the balance of 1917, all profits on gasoline will be turned over to the Wenonah Branch of the American Red Cross. Mr. Fredrick's new gasoline tank holding 500 gallons is now in operation, ready to serve you promptly.

A letter (to council) was received from the Home and School League, addressed to the Superintendent of the West Jersey and Seashore Railroad Company requesting that a foot bridge be placed over the railroad tracks at Elm Street and West Jersey Avenue, and the members requested that council approve of the letter and that they adopt a suitable resolution to that effect. While the council heartily agreed with the sentiments expressed in the letter, it was decided to have the borough engineer prepare plans and specifications for such a structure and to secure estimates of the probable cost so that the matter could be more intelligently taken up with the railroad officials. (It was finally erected in 1924).

The Fire Company was authorized to burn off vacant lots where it was deemed necessary for the prevention of fires. (This was a practice for many years.)

The Superintendent of the Water Works reported having experienced serious difficulty in obtaining sufficient coal to keep the water plant in operation, but that he had finally succeeded in getting in touch with a party in Pittsburgh who was able to fill the borough's requirements in this line, and that one car of the coal had arrived just about as the available supply in the bins had been almost exhausted.

The Park Committee (of council) reported that the park was in good condition and that the tulip bulbs had already been placed in the circular bed. (This was the original purpose of putting the concrete circle in the middle of the park)

Sealed proposals for a new motor driven fire apparatus: "The equipment should be first class in every detail and painted and lettered with the words "Wenonah Fire Company" all complete in good workmanlike manner. It must contain at least a complete chemical equipment and a body to carry at least 500 feet of water fire hose and also the usual accessories accompanying a fire apparatus above described. The chemical equipment must consist of two 35 gallon copper chemical tanks of standard thickness with necessary attachments together with 300 feet of chemical hose and basket or reel to carry same. The truck or chassis must be of at least 1 1/2 tons capacity and be of standard make. (The result was the purchase of a Ford Model "C" Auto Fire Truck, the first motorized apparatus in Wenonah.)

The Needlework Guild held an interesting exhibit of over 400 garments and bed linen donated by members in the recreation room of the M.E.Church. These 400 items have been sent to the Deaconess Home in Camden, The Children's Home in Trenton and the Seamen's Mission for Wrecked Sailors.

Sergeant M. Patton of Wenonah is not a deserter. He enlisted in the Quartermaster Department of the

Federal Government in May 1917 and is still with his company.

The regular midmonth meeting of the Women's Christian Temperance Union was held yesterday the home of Mrs. Ella Sargent, superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction, and a pleasant time was spent in the discussion of that subject. Mrs. Sargent conducted a "Quiz". Mrs. Poff read a paper and Mrs. Sarah Johnson read a portion of the State report on the subject. (Undoubtedly, the women had a ball.)

Mr. Conover's theme on Sunday in the union service in the Presbyterian Church will be "Putting Wenonah on the Map."

Offer of Mr. Walter Wentzell; On Saturday the entire profits of the ice cream, oyster and sandwich business will be turned over to the War Fund of the Y.M.C.A. Mr. Wentzell made this offer without any solicitation and in addition to his personal cash contribution. Our citizens should remember his generosity and give him due patronage.

AT IT AGAIN; Chicken thieving has become quite popular again in the vicinity of Wenonah and Sewell and some arrests will probably be made if the practice is continued, as it is said the authorities can place their hands on the guilty parties at short notice. About 50 were gently lifted from their roosts of Howard Hurff's hennery and 65 from a place near Wenonah. Six or seven places were visited last week and good hauls made. Chickens are not all that are being confiscated either, as a barrel of potatoes and a barrel of apples were taken from John Weimer's place near Tyler's Mill.

On an emergency call the Wenonah branch of the Red Cross sent to Woodbury headquarters: 2 dozen triangular bandages, 1 1/2 T bandages, 2 dozen many tailed bandages, 250 four tailed bandages, 36 muslin rolled bandages, 180 gauze compresses and 168 oakum pads.

Former President William Howard Taft will speak in the Court House (Woodbury) on Friday afternoon in support of the \$35,000 Y.M.C.A. campaign for work among the soldiers. Judge Starr will preside and Hon. J. Boyd Avis will also speak. Mr. Charles A. Whitall, who recently visited the battlefields of Europe will also tell of his experiences. All men and women of Gloucester County are invited to attend.

The Wenonah Military Academy has 100 fine young men enrolled this season.

The yearly community supper will be held in the M.E. Church dining room on Thursday evening.

A call has been sent out by the N.J.S.F. of Women's Clubs for musical instruments, sheet music, and Victrola records to be sent to the boys at Camp Dix. Music inspires the soldier, cheers the homesick and is a tremendous power for good in the camps.

The Camp Fire Girls held a masquerade party at the home of their guardian, Mrs. William Potter on Tuesday evening. A merry time was passed by the girls with all the games in keeping with the Halloween time.

WENONAH GARAGE; Allen Dealer

Store your car in a warm garage this winter, cheaper than non-freezing fluid. Two old cars \$100 each for sale

The United Church's' two week campaign closed Sunday evening with a large attendance in the Presbyterian Church. Rev. E.M. Conover preached one of his real gospel sermons, leaving no loophole for the sinner to escape, so plain he made the two roads; the narrow one leading up to life and the broad one leading to destruction. (He also built a house on the Northeast corner of South Marion Ave. and East Willow Street – the John Schad home)

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