

Pana Pioneer Heritage Guild met Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> at E-Revel with Tim DeSherlia, co-chairman, presiding. Also present were John Broux, Paul Meyerholz, Austin Shride, David Nance, Jay Denton, Judy Green, Malinda McClure, Bill and Millie Meyerholz Outis, Keith and Marilea Cearlock, and Steve Fry. Betty Nance, David's mother, was guest.

A potluck meal preceded the meeting. However, there was a mix up regarding the starting time of the dinner, causing members' arrivals to be scattered.

The minutes of the October meeting were approved as presented/distributed among membership.

\*Financial report, October: Beginning checking account balance, \$2,058.27. No income. Expenses, \$12.30, Millie Meyerholz, postage stamps; Rose City Printing, \$128.05; water use, \$42.62; insurance, \$55.99=\$226.66. Ending, \$1,808.81, Outstanding bills: \$42.62, TC Fair Assn, one year electrical use, \$120=\$162.62. Actual Balance=\$1,808.81. Buildings/maintenance account, \$5,415.59. No income. Expenses, Keith, paint, stencils, etc., \$55.27; Bill, epoxy, roof item, \$28.55, and Tim, latch cement, etc., \$105.66=\$189.48. Ending balance, \$5,226.11. Outstanding: Tim, oil, thinner \$241.11; B & B Sawmill, \$248.00=\$489.41. (Actual: \$4,736.70).

Tim reported that the trio of Shride, Broux and himself worked on the Foster house south side, jacked it upward to take weight off the logs, put in a new eight-pane window and new framework on that and the back door. A new door was fashioned, and Tim created an authentic type of closure. The latter replaced the former 2X4 board being set into steel braces. Chinking of vacant places between many logs in the building followed.

"A lot was accomplished. There's more to do," Tim concluded.

Millie's report ~ Videotape project by Mike Choatie of Pana Historical Society of Millie dressed as pioneer woman to do prelude to DVD of Old Pana. Her part was to tell about Stone Coal settlement and precinct and how Ill. Central RR was factor in Pana's formation, and Stone Coal village phasing out. DVD to be featured in December at Roseland Theater for the public. Sales of DVDs to follow at some point.

Mike would like to rent village buildings to make other videos.

Millie portrayed Mary Little Kitchell Nov. 12 at banquet fundraiser by Pana Park Revitalization at Pana History Museum.

PHS has offered to help the guild Dec. 3 and 10 at Christmas at the Cabins.

Another reminder: PTCFA wants the guild to coordinate with tiling project to create ample drainage from fairgrounds field directly west of village under roadway east through village, to drain into Fairgrounds road ditch. It will prevent flooding on both sites and benefit both organizations regarding rainstorm problems. President Jim Dixon Jr. recommended representatives from both groups set a date, time and place that everyone needing to be involved can meet.

#### *Old Business*

Malinda, chairman of the By Laws Committee, handed out copies of the proposed By Laws which have not been changed since accepted in 1999. She told members to take the documents home, read through, and if something that needs to be changed or added, write it down and bring back to the December meeting. There was lively discussion referring to some of the subjects, and Austin gave written proposal to adopt By Laws as presented: *I, Austin Shride, propose to adopt new bylaws presented with this proposal on this day, the 21<sup>st</sup> of November 2022, in their fullest.* (Signature follows beneath narrative.).

Steve Fry, in reference to that proposal, offered to try to combine recommendations in both text and emails to members.

The Fund-Raising Committee—Malinda, chairman, Jay, John B, and Gerald (not present, has been ill) had gathered many interesting ideas for fund-raising events, which were expressed at length. Among

them were a T-shirt design contest, Trivia Night, a joint event with other organizations, 1880 Base Ball, and Bug Fest.

It was mentioned that a raffle started years ago involving items such as a handmade quilt and perhaps something else remains unfinished.

Clean-up of the two buildings to be used for Christmas at the Cabins was set for Tuesday, Dec. 29 to begin at 9 a.m. Carpentry work to finish the Foster house project was also on the list. The next meeting was set for Dec. 19 at E-Revel at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.