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We had a great turnout at our June picnic despite the cool, drizzly weather. The indoor venue at Town Hall ended up being ideal for the event. Many thanks to Sue Surdyka for coordinating the food and set-up and to all who prepared and shared their favorite dishes. We would love to collect some of the casserole and dessert recipes and distribute them to the group via future issues of this newsletter. Simply mail your recipe, in any format, to GPS at PO Box 276, Galway NY 12074. If there is an interesting backstory to the recipe, please include that as well!

Our annual auction during the picnic was a great success. Thanks to everyone who contributed personal and historical items. Ron Surdyka did an excellent job auctioning off items which included wooden spool candlesticks, a carved wood puzzle, a framed historical map, wood burning art, local honey, a stained glass sun catcher, and several other interesting items. We raised \$90 from the auction, which will be deposited into our general fund. All in all, a fun way to support our group.

Thanks to everyone who volunteered to water the flower barrels throughout the village this summer. Regular rainfall made the job easier than in past, drier years. The flower barrels add a lovely touch of color to our village and we are proud to help maintain them after the Glen-

Hills Garden Club does such an excellent job preparing and planting the barrels.

Our Board of Trustees met in July and advanced several items of business. A circulating copy of the photographic history book was provided to the Galway Public Library. A formal request for GPS archival space in the new library was made to the Library Board. A general business liability policy was obtained to protect GPS when activities are conducted outside of Town Hall. And the annual budget was reviewed and approved pending a membership vote at the September meeting. Board meetings are held quarterly and are open to all members. The next board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 14th, at 7:00 pm at Town Hall.

We have a great welcome-back program planned for our next monthly meeting on Monday, September 14th. Kay Olan from the Iroquois Indian Museum will be presenting a topic entitled "The Iroquois Confederacy." Her talk will be supplemented with a display of artifacts. In addition to the program, our business meeting will include a vote on the 2015/2016 budget, which will be distributed and discussed prior to the vote. We will also observe a moment of silence for Barbara Wilson, a former GPS member who passed away on June 29th.

Calendar

September 12

GPS Meeting

Galway Town Hall

7-7 :30 Social Half Hour

7 :30 Business Meeting

8 :00 Program

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September GPS
Update

Finally, just a reminder that annual membership dues must be paid by October 15th to remain in good standing. Dues remain \$10 per household as in prior years. For those of you receiving a paper copy of this newsletter, you will find a membership renewal form attached to it. For those of you receiving an electronic copy, please go to <http://galwaypubliclibrary.org/gps> to download the renewal form. Simply remit the renewal form with your payment via US mail to PO Box 276 or bring it to the September or October meeting to check this item off of your to-do list.



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