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January Update

It took a committee working together to fill the shoes of our deceased president, Barbara McLaughlin. This committee met, talked about possibilities and came up with some solutions. Many of them had been considered earlier by Barb.

By-laws revisions

Principally, the by-laws revisions reduced our number of meetings and the number on the board.

First meeting of the 2016 year

Our first meeting of the year will be a potluck supper at the Sturgeon House on Wednesday, March 16 beginning at 6 p.m. That evening we will vote for our new board, although several members already serving will remain. Kay Lynne Picheco, our secretary, stepped right up to fill in until this election could be held.

Second meeting of the 2016 year

The next meeting, **Wednesday**, **April 20 at 7:30 p.m.** is a trip to St. Peter's Cathedral that includes a tour of this exquisite building, some organ music and some history. Details later on caravanning.

Memorial Weekend

Open Hours on Sunday for this annual event will be Noon to 4 p.m. The Sturgeon House will open on Monday following the Dedication Ceremonies at Buseck Park for the updated monument that includes Barbara McLaughlin's name – about Noon

to 4 p.m. The Chapel also will be open on Monday, immediately after the Memorial Services at the Cemetery. Hosts/hostesses will be needed.

Summer Exhibit

Our Memorial Day Weekend Exhibit will remain through June, although it will only be open to the public again (except by appointment) on June 25 – 26. That weekend a Civil War re-enactment group will encamp at the house. Open hours for this will be Saturday – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sunday, Noon to 4 p.m. Hosts/hostesses will be needed.

Other summer exhibits

Other exhibits will be for a single weekends only. A fun one in the planning stages for July is a member-owned quilt show. These treasured quilts will be displayed throughout the Sturgeon House. Our Spring Newsletter will carry more detail. However, if you would like more information now, call Mike Gallagher, 833-4524.

Watch our website for news about other events. http://www.fairviewhistoryeriecountypa.org. Also, we now have a monthly column in the *West County News Journal*, usually appearing the Friday before the third Wednesday. It will include details of all our activities.

Memberships are due now

Our membership year is January 1 through December 31 and dues are now due. Please see the enclosed form. Thank you if you have already renewed!