

**Tontitown Historical Museum (THM) Report
for COW Meeting - 09/15/15**

The THM board met on 8/31/15 for the September meeting.

1. **AHC Grant Final Report** - The final reporting is complete to the Arkansas Humanities Council (AHC) for the small museums grant that THM received for our Amici membership/marketing drive. Amici membership forms, rack cards, brochures, banner, window clings, business membership frames, and postage were all covered with the grant money. Total reimbursement requested was \$2,497.89 for the \$2,500.00 grant. 114 active memberships including 8 business memberships were obtained during the membership drive. \$4,408.00 in membership dues were collected. The museum now has 134 memberships with the 20 lifetime members added to the new and renewed memberships.
2. **New Museum Sign** - Rachel obtained bids from 2 sign companies for the new Museum sign to be purchased with funds from Sunny Hinshaw memorials. On both bids, the marquee was beyond our budget. Many suggestions were made by board members and we are seeking revised bids, excluding the marquee, from 3 vendors: Ken's Signs, Sign Studio, and McGinnis Signs.
3. **School Library Project** - Rachel has created an invitation letter and order form to send to area schools inviting them to include our "So Big" and/or "Memories" books in their libraries. Some schools have our books but we want to make sure that every school in the area has easy access to Tontitown history.
4. **Polenta Smear** - Mark your calendar for Sunday, November 8, for the 14th Annual Tontitown Reunion and Old-fashioned Polenta Smear!

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 5.

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