

The meeting of the Luxembourg Heritage Society of Northwest Iowa was held on Saturday, November 2nd, 2019, in the meeting room of the Remsen Public Library. Any corrections or additions to the agenda was asked for. Agenda stood as written. Vice President Judy Stokesberry opened the meeting at 9:35 a.m. Introductions were made by nine members and guests.

Pres. Dennis Wolf was contacted with a conference call.

The minutes were read and approved as read. Mary Riedemann gave the treasurer's report. A new account was opened for donations which will be used for the Lux Fest, including brochures and tee shirts. Opening balance in the regular account was \$4,692.74, deposits totaled \$50 for memberships, subtracting the \$750 donation money (into new account), balance in account is \$3,992.74. The new donation account beginning balance was \$750.00, donations from American State Bank of Hospers, Alton and Granville was \$300, Oktoberfest sales of tee shirts was \$220, other donations was \$38, making the ending balance \$1,308.

Oktoberfest was a success with the display and meeting our Luxembourg friends. Jim Wiltgen, Tom Hansen, Ethel Heidesch, Germaine Konz, Mary Riedemann and Jean Nilles helped. Brochures were passed out as well as the sale of tee shirts. People were interested in Ethel's extensive files of Luxembourg ancestors, as well. She can make copies for 20 cents each.

Tom Hansen will be contacting Orville Biever for **Biever** and Pauline Von Arb on the **Remacle** family tree. People contacted in Dell Rapids, S.D., by Dennis were the families of **Nemmers, Ginsbach** and **Franzen**.

Reed Plathe, working on the parade, has contacted Mick Even from the Tri-State Cruisers. Jean gave Tom information from Allan Willett for the VFW leading the parade. He also will be contacting the NW Iowa American Legion Riders.

Compliments were given to Joni who designed the brochures and also worked with the logo on the tee-shirts. Anyone wishing to order a tee shirt for themselves or as gifts go to: **GetBranded360.com** A good way to promote the event. They are \$20 plus postage if having to be mailed. Eleven were sold at Oktoberfest and 4 sold at the meeting today. If you are local, we have a few left. Contact the secretary.

People to work on the Sunday tour in Le Mars will be Dick Ahlers and J. Majeres at the churches, Dennis at the cemetery and the museum will be open for picking up information. In Granville Connie Christiansen, sect. at St. Joseph's, has tour information on the church.

Judy will be working on the curriculum for the art students in the various schools to make posters in regard to our celebration. They will be displayed during the event.

Tom talked to the Home Plate to make sure we were on their schedule for the dinner. A menu has to be chosen and price which will be on our website, nwialux.org, as soon as the information can be gotten.

Other items were Ansay needing a liquor license for the day, Kevin Wester being contacted about dual citizens to invite to **Lux Fest**.

The meeting was adjourned. Next meeting will be **Saturday, December 14th, 2019, in the Remsen Public Library beginning at 9:30 a.m.** Bring Luxembourg friends or anyone who would like to assist in the **Lux Fest!**

Secretary, Jean Nilles