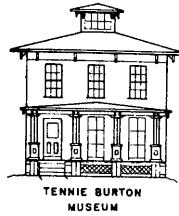


LIMA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

1850 ROCHESTER ST.
LIMA, NEW YORK 14485



December 27, 2025

Dear Members of the Lima Town Board and the Lima Village Board:

Once again, thank you to the Town of Lima for the financial support provided this year (see attached report), and to the Village of Lima for water and snow removal at the Tennie Burton Museum. This assistance provides much needed support for the museum—and for preservation of the materials that tell the story of Lima's past.

During 2025, we presented four public history programs: "The Livingston County Poorhouse by Holly Watson; "Music of the Civil War" by Don Dwyer; "Flight 93: Response to 911" by Air Controller Rick Kettell; and finally, "Two Young Civil War heroes from Genesee Wesleyan Seminary" by Dennis Bielwiscz. Our hardworking museum committee mounted a new exhibit on the impact of the Civil War on Lima and its residents, and processed a huge body of local records, artifacts and photos that had come into our care. Volunteer members opened the museum to the public every Sunday afternoon from June 1st to September 30th.

We also met two essential objectives that had been identified at the end of last year. First, the installation of a spectacular new Tennie Burton Museum sign after months of sign committee design planning and negotiation. The sign appears to be attracting a good deal of attention and positive remarks—some from Lima residents who had been previously unaware of the museum's existence on Rochester St. Second, the LHS membership campaign has drawn a significant number of newcomers to our member rosters. In addition, other LHS members and volunteers worked on a remarkable cleanup of the cemetery behind the Presbyterian Church. And we, of course, participated in Lima Crossroads Days and the Pumpkin Festival, as part of fostering our community involvement.

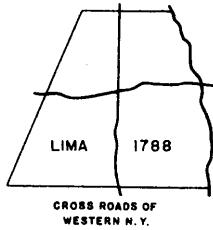
Not unexpectedly, museum costs (insurance, maintenance of the almost 200-year museum building and surrounding trees, lawn care, heat, electricity, security, internet, and archival supplies for storage of Lima's historic materials) continue to escalate each year. Furthermore, in 2026, we anticipate storage of more materials that have come in this year, plus help in scanning an enormous number of historic Lima photos to make them more available to the public; repainting of interior museum woodwork and the stairway to the second floor; and the considerable cost of retrofitting the museum storage garage in order to eliminate the ongoing problem of squirrel intrusion.

Sincerely,

Martha L. Sempowski

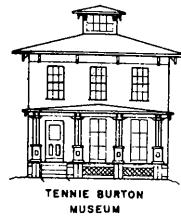
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INCOME						
Town of Lima Payment 2025				\$5,000.00		
EXPENSES						
Utilities (gas, electric, internet)						\$1,989.49
Property Maintenance						\$1,293.53
Insurance and security system						\$1,454.81
Collections Care						\$631.72
Total						\$5,369.55

Frances Gotcsik
Treasurer
Lima Historical Society