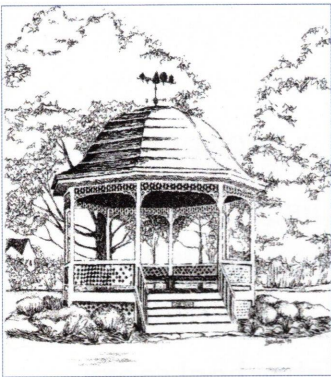


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## Annual Meeting



On January 14, 2018, The Terrace Park Historical Society held its annual meeting. Those present were Laurie Baird, President, Ogle Annett, Sandy Koehler, Suzi Ricketts, Susan Rogers, Sylvia Stirsman, Leslie Jones and Lee Hinton. Marcia Moyer, Treasurer, was unable to attend. Laurie Baird called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM. The Treasurer's Report was submitted by Marcia Moyer (in absentia). Total revenue was reported to be \$13,774 with total expenses of \$8,382 leaving net income of \$5,392. The total of all the bank accounts was \$52,594.52. The Minutes of the January, 2017 Annual Meeting were read by Secretary Sandy Koehler and were accepted.

Many TPHS activities were held during 2017. On June 14th, we gathered at The Birch to celebrate the opening of the restaurant and to hear a history of the building. Our thanks to Suzi Ricketts and her helpers who took all the Terrace Park Elementary School third graders for The Annual Walking Tour around the Village. We participated in the annual Labor Day event on the Village Green, and thanks to Marcia Moyer's tireless dedication, we were able

to sell copies of the updated Village directory. On September 16th, we went to the Waldschmidt House for a tour and light refreshment. Thanks to Marcia Moyer and her auction skills, the Society acquired three items from The Robinson Circus: a broadside circa 1920, an 1896 ledger book, and a photograph of The Robinson Circus clowns taken in 1928.

On December 10th, we met at The Log Cabin for our annual Holiday Party and to launch the sale of our first puzzle, a picture of Rosella Schundich's painting of The Log Cabin. Each guest was asked to bring a new, unwrapped toy for the Boy Scouts Annual toy drive.

Finally, the powder room was updated with new lighting, a new sink and two commodes (adult size!).

Sandy Koehler was the recipient of the 2017 "Thanks for the Memories Award" for her tireless efforts, contributions and good cheer for all our activities throughout the year. The annual TPHS scholarship awards of \$500 each were giving to two high school seniors.

We wish to thank Susan Rogers for her years of dedication as our president. Susan stepped down in spring of 2017 and Laurie Baird graciously accepted the position. Thank you Susan and Laurie.



## Spring Event at Stepping Stones

Come join us for a special event at Stepping Stones on **Saturday, April 29 at 4 PM**. For those of you who do not know, Stepping Stones was originally named Fresh Air Farm. Its mission was to provide "indigent women and children a respite from their daily life." From 1844 until 1897, the women and children were lodged in various homes in the area. In 1897, thanks to the generosity of an anonymous donor who bought the old Conklin farm on Given Road, lodging and camping were consolidated into one site.

The Fresh Air Society arranged day trips to Coney Island and the zoo. Needless to say, there was always a long waiting list to fill the 285 places per session. In the early days, the camp was a working farm. Gradually more attention was paid to fundraising and less to farming.

By the mid 20th Century, interest and applicants began to wane. In 1962, the camp was reformed to accommodate handicapped individuals. In 1963, the name was changed to Camp Stepping Stones, and in 1968, the name was changed again to Stepping Stones–Recreation for the Handicapped.

Today, Stepping Stones is a United Way partner agency providing year-round services for children, teens, and adults with a wide variety of disabilities including Autism Spectrum Disorders, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, intellectual disabilities, seizure disorders and physical and behavioral disorders. There are programs for people age five to 65-plus years.

You are invited to **meet at the pavilion** for a tour and light refreshment. We hope to see you there! \*

*\*(adapted from Carol C. Coal's report on the history of TPHS)*



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