



# Oley Valley Business Association

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## *July Meeting*

Our next meeting will be **Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00am at the Oley Legion Diner.

## *Treasurer's Report*

### *Oley Valley Business Association*

#### *Treasurer's Report*

Beginning Balance	\$5,584.67
Interest (06/30/05)	1.43
Dues (3)	105.00
Donation	<u>5.00</u>
SubTotal	\$5,696.10
Expenses:	
Peripheral Systems Inv. # 10264	17.98
Bill Griffith – Yellow House Guest Meal	27.80
Katie Koszmetskie – Scholarship	500.00
Kevin Schaeffer – Scholarship	500.00
Oley Legion – Guest Breakfast	3.76
Berks Mont. Newspaper	260.00
Oley Valley Fair – Space	<u>120.00</u>
Expense Total	1,429.54
Ending Balance (06/30/05)	\$4,266.56

*Respectfully submitted,  
Minerva S. Hoppes, Treasurer*

**June 27, 2005**

*Call to Order*

The June meeting of the Oley Valley Business Association was held at the Oley Legion Diner at 7:00 AM. The meeting was called to order at 7:15 AM by President Bill Griffith.

*Minutes &  
Treasurer's Report*

Sharon Morrow reported that the newsletter had only been posted to the website the previous night (June 26). Because of the late timeframe, emails were not sent out to the membership. Members can, however, always view the current newsletter on the website and do not need an email to do so.

A motion to accept the minutes as published in the June newsletter was made by Lloyd Hopkins and seconded by Roxanne Stauffer. The motion carried.

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Doug Kramer and seconded by Lloyd Hopkins. The motion carried.

Minerva reported that several members had still not yet paid their dues for 2005. Since the Executive Board established July 1 as the cut-off, members who have not paid by that date would be removed from the member list both offline and online. Peripheral Systems will receive the final list from Minerva, and will provide that to Sharon for updating the website.

Bill Griffith added that the decision concerning the July 1 cut-off date was for this year only. Starting next year, the cut-off will be April 1.

Minerva also asked for permission to purchase a deposit stamp for the Association, and was given approval.

*Attendance*

The total attendance for the meeting was seven members and one non-member guest (speaker). Seven member businesses were represented.

*Program*

Our guest speaker was Dave Kessler, Oley Township Supervisor. Some items discussed include:

**Historic District Ordinance**

Dave reported that the ordinance was passed the prior week, and should result in an increase in property values as well as an increase in business by making the area more attractive to visitors from outside the area. New structures as well as those built prior to 1950 must use certain materials when being built or improved. All building and improvement requests will have to go to a Historic Architecture Review Board (HARB), then to the supervisors, who have the final say.

**Well Ordinance**

The intent of this ordinance is to help maintain water supply and quality. Hydro-studies are underway.

**New Post Office**

Dave reported that three location proposals had been received. One is on Lynx Drive (between Main Street and Route 73) and another is in the open area beyond the King's/Weis Market. It was not known where the third location was.

**Joint Zoning**

Discussions are underway to join with Alsace and Ruscombmanor Townships for purposes of zoning. This will prevent each township from having to individually zone for things like landfills, etc.

**Speed Limits**

Dave indicated that determination of speed zones are based on state requirements, and pretty much out of the control of the Township. The state mandates a given number of houses in order to post slower speeds. If no speed zone is posted, it defaults to 55 mph. Since this is too fast for many of our windy roads, the Township posts the 25 mph signs rather than accepting the default of 55 mph.

**Emergency Management Program**

Ron Kline has been designated the Emergency Management Coordinator for the Township. A plan is being produced, and is about halfway finished. He is contacting organizations and churches to get information from them for the plan.

*Committee Reports***Scholarship**

Doug Kramer passed around the scholarship applications that were received via the website, to show the quality of students applying for our scholarships. Two winners were chosen for \$500 each. They were presented with "letters of intent", and the checks are being mailed to them. Minerva Hoppes added that \$575 was gathered from the members. Doug will provide a write-up for the newsletter about the winners, as well as publish the list of the member businesses that donated money towards the scholarships.

**Oley Fair**

Doug Kramer reported that he would be setting up a meeting sometime after July 4 to discuss the booth and update the PowerPoint "slideshow" for the Fair.

*Old Business***Board of Directors**

Lloyd Hopkins again requested that the Executive Board meet to discuss and recommend ways to spend the money in our Treasury, preferably for Community projects.

*New Business*

No new business.

**OVBA  
Scholarship**

Many thanks to all who have contributed to the OVBA Scholarship.  
The response has been great.

*Applied Surveying Technologies*  
*Catagnus Funeral Home*  
*Cindy's Tails Groomery*  
*Golden Oaks Golf Club*  
*Hometown Dental Care*  
*Jay M. Roberts Associates*  
*Kent Surveyors/Engineers*  
*K-Wood, LLC*  
*Lehigh Cement Company*  
*Morrow Net Programming Services*  
*Peripheral Systems, Inc.*  
*Reppert's Candy*  
*Rhoads Electric & Refrigeration*  
*Sovereign Bank*  
*Yellow Book USA*  
*Yellow House Hotel*

**Mixer**

Thanks to those who donated doorprizes -

Applied Surveying Technologies  
Donna Rhoads & Co.  
Glicks  
Pennsurance  
Pikeville Equipment  
Repperts  
Sovereign Bank

Also, thanks to Union Jacks Inn on the Manatawny for hosting our summer mixer last week and providing complimentary hors d'oeuvres.

**Adjournment**

Wilma Leininger moved to adjourn the meeting; Roxanne Stauffer seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 AM.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Sharon Morrow, Secretary*

*Humor  
from  
Tom  
Mitchell*

**THIRTY LINES TO MAKE YOU SMILE**

1. My husband and I divorced over religious differences. He thought he was God and I didn't.
2. I don't suffer from insanity; I enjoy every minute of it.
3. I work hard because millions on welfare depend on me!
4. Some people are alive only because it's illegal to kill them.
5. I used to have a handle on life, but it broke.
6. Don't take life too seriously; no one gets out alive.
7. You're just jealous because the voices only talk to me.
8. Beauty is in the eye of the beer holder.
9. Earth is the insane asylum for the universe.
10. I'm not a complete idiot -- Some parts are missing.
11. Out of my mind. Back in five minutes.
12. NyQuil, the stuffy, sneezy, why-the-heck-is-the-room-spinning medicine.
13. God must love stupid people; he made so many.
14. The gene pool could use a little chlorine.
15. Consciousness: That annoying time between naps.
16. Ever stop to think, and forget to start again?
17. Being "over the hill" is much better than being under it!
18. "Wrinkled" was NOT one of the things I wanted to be when I grew up.
19. Procrastinate Now!
20. I have a degree in Liberal Arts; "Do you want fries with that"?
21. A hangover is the wrath of grapes.
22. A journey of a thousand miles begins with a cash advance
23. Stupidity is not a handicap. Park elsewhere!
24. They call it PMS because Mad Cow Disease was already taken.
25. He who dies with the most toys is nonetheless dead.
26. A picture is worth a thousand words, but it uses up three thousand times the memory.
27. Ham and eggs. A day's work for a chicken, a lifetime commitment for a pig.
28. The trouble with life is there's no background music.
29. The original point and click interface was a Smith and Wesson.
30. I smile because I don't know what the hell is going on.
31. Be thankful we're not getting all the government we're paying for.  
*Will Rogers*