

MCHS June Quarterly Meeting

The Historical Society will meet Saturday, June 9th at 2:00 p.m. in Ames Clair Hall, Union, one block east of Main Street in Union on Route 3. Sidney Mitchell will talk to us on the Society's Omnibus, which dates from the late 19th Century, and was built by John Stephenson of New York City. Sidney writes, "We have in the Stephenson omnibus a nearly unique survival from the world's transportation history. Hundreds of thousands once existed. We now know of only four. Do we realize the historical significance of the one we are fortunate enough to possess?"

Sidney Mitchell is a long-term life member of the MCHS and is a retired teacher of English from the University of Mary Washington, in Fredericksburg, VA. He is a 20 year tender of sheep on Pyne Mountain in Monroe County and is currently retired yet again.

Please note that this meeting, and meetings in the future, will be on Saturday afternoons. This is a departure from previous quarterly meetings which have been held on Sunday afternoons.

Museum Opens on Farmer's Day

The Museum, as usual, will be open from Farmer's Day on through the summer. Our museum volunteers may expect to be contacted by phone to serve morning or afternoon shifts from Tuesday through Saturday. Karen Mitchell has taken the responsibility to do the scheduling for June, Betty Dransfield for July, Jean Ellis for August and Lucille Lemons for September. If you are new to volunteering and wish to place your name on our general list, please call Judy Wagner at 304-772-4468. The job is really quite relaxing as we generally receive just one or two parties of visitors per 3-hour shift. So, you will have time to read, pay your bills, or even peruse and organize the Museum's many records, photographs and exhibits.



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