

Berlin Historical Society

Notice

The June meeting of the Berlin Historical Society will be held on Tuesday, June 28, 2011 at 7:00 PM at the town office building.

Here are a few of the topics that are on Norb's agenda for the meeting :

- Summarization of the exhibits that we will have at the Washington County History Fair at the Pavilion in Montpelier on July 16.
- Recap of our potluck dinner presentation.
- Looking for ideas for next year's potluck dinner presentation.
- Do we want to spend money on the Veterans Memorial? The railing needs to be refurbished and the cedar trees need pruning or possible replacement.
- Dodge memorabilia – Meredith Dodge has left off some more material.

Richard Turner

Secretary

Following are the minutes of our May potluck dinner meeting:

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May 24, 2011

The May meeting of the Berlin Historical Society, our annual potluck dinner meeting, was held at the Berlin Congregational Church Parish Hall. About 30 members and friends attended the dinner which was a complete success thanks to Cheryl Poor, who was in charge, and other members that helped.



The Cottage
on Erhardt Hill

Many more came after the dinner with over 55 on hand to view Sylvia Parker's presentation: "The Cottage on Erhardt Hill". Sylvia, with help from Jim Sumner, told us all about the "Cottage" and its owners and friends. It was built by Justus and Fannie Doane Erhardt in about 1904 at the top of the steep portion of Erhardt Hill on the south side of what is now Crosstown Road. Sylvia's presentation included many pictures of the house and guests including Bela Bartok the famous Hungarian composer who summered there in 1941.

For those that are interested in the complete story as told by Sylvia and Jim, there is a copy with pictures in our file under Berlin Families/Erhardt. Sylvia's story can also be found in the Winter/Spring – 2010 edition of the Journal of the Vermont Historical Society.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Turner, Secretary