# Western Allegheny Community Historical Society May 10, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.

In attendance were Cathy Scott, Cheryl Rinehart, and Doris Pichi.

## **Upcoming Summer/Fall Programs**

- Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Indoor-Outdoor Tour at the Walker-Ewing Log House
- Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. "First Ladies of Western PA" presented by the Heinz History Center
- Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. "The Class Struggle Comes to Western PA" featuring the railroad riots of 1877, the Homestead strike of 1892 and their legacy. Presented by the Heinz History Center
- Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10 a.m. Author Thomas White
- Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. "The Steel city in WWII" presented by the Heinz History Center
- Waiting on confirmation of Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> for ESPY Tour at the Andrew Carnegie Free Library and Music Hall in Carnegie. Doris thought that they did Civil War Re-enactments sometime during the year and will check on it.

<u>Oakdale History Room.</u> Will try to connect with Gary Lauderbaugh after the May 19<sup>th</sup> Centennial Anniversary Program. It was decided that we could our August 9<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Oakdale facility, if possible.

# Won't You Be My Neighbor?

After the Oakdale Centennial Program, the feature panel will be changed to Won't You Be My Neighbor emphasizing the Margaret McFarland/Mr. Rogers connection. Also the towns of Oakdale and Noblestown will be included. Coincidentally the Library's theme for the summer is also Won't You Be My Neighbor?

#### Feature Panel

It was discussed that local Farms (Scott, Lutz, Beyerbach, Walker and Argenta in North Fayette/Oakdale could be used on the feature panel.

### **Presentations**

Doris has received a request to have a program on the coal mines that were once predominant in our area.

<u>Centennial Anniversary of the Munition Plant Explosion in Oakdale</u> will be held on Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. at the gazebo on the bike trail in Oakdale. Also participating will be the American Legion Post 171 and VFW Post 7070, local clergymen and the Mayor of Oakdale. Dan Prevade will then give a presentation on the explosion at the Oakdale Community Center.

## **Summer Reading Kickoff**

Amanda Kirby suggested that our group have a table at their Summer Reading Kickoff Program on Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6-8 p.m. Suggestions for the table: Powerpoint slide show, program flyers, upcoming program flyers and membership applications.

## Lettering over existing panels and feature wall

Cathy Scott and Pam Perry replaced the lettering over the feature wall.

The meeting concluded around 2:00 p.m.