

## Minutes for HATT September 12, 2018 Annual Dinner

At 6:30 PM, Rick Bodenschatz, Immediate Past-President of HATT, welcomed the 56 members and guests to HATT's Annual Dinner held the Lake Naomi Club. He then led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

As dinner was being served, Rick made a few announcements:

- Next month's meeting, Thursday, October 11, 5:30 at Clymer Library: *Pocono Propulsion of the Past*  
More than just *Trains and Boats and Planes*. Unique innovations of the past can be surprising. And the past was more than just the days of horse and buggy. Find out how we got around, after the invention of the wheel and before the jet engine.
- November's Meeting: "*Pennsylvanians in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Continental Congress*"  
Thursday, November 8, 5:30 PM at Clymer Library. Presented by Dr. Brian Alnutt.
- Volunteers were enlisted to distribute next month's meeting posters throughout the community.

We then paused to have a delicious meal together, selections being prime rib, salmon, chicken florentine and wild mushroom ravioli. This was followed by delicious, seasonal apple pie.

After dinner, Kris Avery reviewed the tentative plans for HATT's programs for 2019.

Next, Rick shared with the group the new promotional video for the internet, of the Historical Roadside Markers of Tobyhanna Township, and introduced Charles de Bourbon who produce it.

Then Rick Bodenschatz introduced the speaker, Kim de Bourbon, for tonight's presentation of "*A History of Monroe County Newspapers*". In introduction, it noted that Kim is the past Executive Editor of the Pocono Record, an instructor in journalism at Northampton Community College and has her own company performing editorial layouts for publications while operating her own web site design and support services. She originally designed and currently maintains HATT's award-winning web site for over seven years.

Kim's presentation was informative, educational and entertaining. She traced the history of newspapers in the from colonial days to today's age of the internet. Many interesting accounts were told, and discussed how changes in format, production, delivery, shifting political scenes and ownership have affected news coverage over the years, and the importance of news to the life of the community.

Followed by several questions from the attendees, Kim was presented with HATT's Certificate of Appreciation. The dinner meeting concluded at approximately 9:30 PM.

Submitted by Rick Bodenschatz