



Over 20 Tri-County Tourism Alliance members attended the annual meeting on Jan.11 at the White Maid Restaurant and Bar in Napoleon.

Tri-County Alliance holds election of officers at meeting

By Nicole Vander Vorst

The Tri-County Tourism Alliance held their annual meeting on Fri., Jan., 11, 2019, at the White Maid Restaurant in Napoleon.

At the meeting, two officers were elected to another one year term for the ninth consecutive year. President of the Alliance, Carmen Rath-Wald, North Dakota State University, Logan County Extension agent and Secretary Acacia Stuckle, NDSU Emmons County Extension agent, were nominated and elected. The two women have been serving on the board since the group began in 2010. Other officers elected were Clarence Herz, treasurer, Brenda Vossler Nolz, treasurer and Sue Balcom, historian.

Several topics were discussed among the 20 plus members attending the meeting.

President Rath-Wald mentioned that there is a student who is interested in completing a map project, showing sites in the Tri-County (Emmons, Logan and McIntosh), that people may be interested in visiting. The map would be a tear off sheet, that visitors could pick up at any convenience station, restaurant, or other place they would typically stop.

Carmen also said that a University of North Dakota student, Daniel Pawlak, who is interested in Community Development has assisted in completing several parts of a grant proposal to the Heritage Fund for a nature



Tri-County Tourism President Carmen Rath-Wald, left, NDSU Logan County Extension agent and Secretary Acacia Stuckle, NDSU Emmons County Extension agent were elected to serve on the board for the ninth consecutive year.

or recreational walking trail in Napoleon. He will be continuing this project through this coming school semester. The trail would go along the Dinosaurs of the Prairie near Napoleon along North Dakota Highway 34.

The group voted on putting into place a set speaking fee for the alliance. The group has been asked on several occasions to speak at events and the executive board recommended a fee schedule of \$100 plus mileage payable to the Tri-County Tourism Alliance for the service. Whom-ever speaks will keep \$75 and the alliance will receive \$25. While some members thought that the fee was too low, others said that a higher fee would detour some groups from hiring a speaker. The group agreed that the \$100

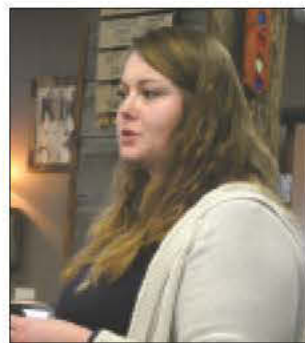
fee was a fair price.

Michael Miller, Director & Bibliographer of the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection (GRHC) at The Libraries of North Dakota State University announced that NDSU Libraries along with the GRHC will host an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. on Wed., July 31 in celebration of the new documentary of Women Behind the Plow. The Women Behind the Plow will be premiering that same evening at 7 at the Historic Fargo Theatre.

Torie Jones, Collections Assistant at the GRHC Library at NDSU, gave a report on the north central North Dakota tourism meeting in November in Rugby. She said that attendees were from towns from all along highways 2, 3 and 52. She



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mentioned that the group has created "catch phrases" that will help visitors remember what sites are along the routes and will help people search for things to do along the highways.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, Feb.8, 2019, at Spring Creek Coffee in Linton.



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