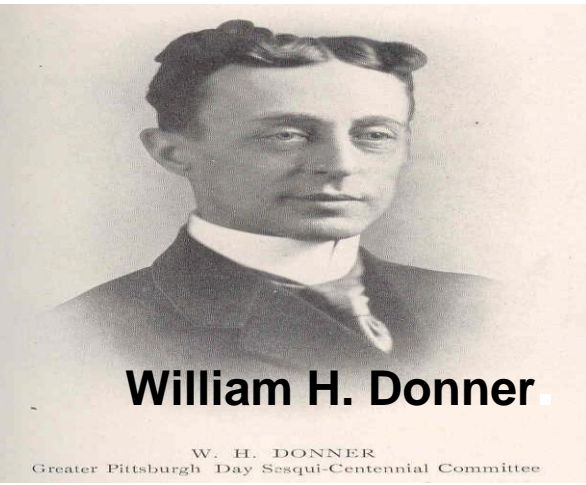


# VALLEY HISTORIAN



## Greater Monessen Historical Society

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**Karl von Habsburg, Heir to the Imperial and Royal thrones of the former Austro-Hungarian Empire, on a recent visit to Croatia, which was part of the old empire until late 1918.**

## Croatian Exhibit opens March 10 following Annual Public Meeting

The Greater Monessen Historical Society will hold their Annual Public Meeting on Sunday, March 10, 2013 at 1 PM. Society President, Daniel Zyglowicz will review the past year and discuss upcoming projects and events. Board members will comment on their respective assignments. Treasurer Vito Beneccio will present the yearly budget, which will be followed by comments and

suggestions from the audience. Light refreshments will be served.

Following the meeting, the grand opening of the Croatian Exhibit will be held. All are invited.



**Thanks for believing in us!**

In the past two years, the Historical Society has moved forward in renovating the former Milsom Store building for use as a Museum annex to house a permanent Monessen exhibit. New windows have been installed through the generosity of our friends and benefactors. The building was painted through a grant. The inside was gutted by Youth Works volunteers. One last problem remained before we could turn our attention to the interior renovations: the roof. One section was leaking and needed replaced. Unfortunately, the Society did not have the funds available to tackle such an expensive job. Stepping forward, Dr. Martin Dudas, one of our board members, took charge and personally donated \$5,000.00 to redo the roof. Through the years, Marty has proven he believes in preserving our heritage and has been one of our best supporters. Thanks again Marty! Previously, the Board of Directors had voted to rename the library

and archive areas on the second floor of the Heritage Museum in his honor.

### **Regular hours resume**

Beginning in March, the Heritage Museum schedule will return to our normal hours of Wednesday through Saturday from 10 AM until 3 PM, weather permitting. Evening hours by appointment.

### **Is your membership current?**

The annual Fund Campaign and membership renewal campaign will be ending soon. Have you renewed your membership in the Greater Monessen Historical Society? The organization belongs to all of us. It is a commitment to the future generations to preserve our heritage. Individual memberships are \$15 per year and \$20 for a family. Business memberships are available for \$50. Gift memberships are a wonderful idea, if looking for a gift for someone who has everything. Think of your relatives, neighbors, friends, and co-workers.



**Loretta Cunningham as Harriet Tubman.**

### **Black History Month celebrated**

In cooperation with Monessen Public Library and Cultural Center, GMHS sponsored a program on Saturday, February 9, that paid tribute to the rich African American heritage of the Mon Valley region. With 2013 being the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of President Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation, Emeritus Professor of History at California University of PA, Dr. John Kent Folmar spoke on the historical background of the document. In addition, Loretta Cunningham, of the NAACP, presented an historical dramatization in character of Harriet Tubman, who was a leader of the

Underground Railroad. It was standing room only at the Library! We hope to have an annual commemoration and that next year's program will be even bigger.

### **Monessen celebrates 115th anniversary**

This year, Monessen will celebrate its one hundred fifteenth anniversary. Although the town was begun in 1897 when the East Side Land Company began selling lots and grading roads, and William Henry Donner started construction of the National Tin Plate Company, the charter establishing the Borough of Monessen was not granted until September of 1898. There will be various events held throughout the year to celebrate.

### **Schoonmaker Family thanks**

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Schoonmaker II send their thanks to everyone who participated in the various activities held in 2012 to honor the legacy of Monessen Founder, Colonel James M. Schoonmaker. The Schoonmakers enjoyed seeing the many photographs and are happy that the Greater Monessen Historical Society is preserving the Colonel's name.

### **GMHS changes**

The year 2013 brought a change to the board of directors of the Historical society. Susanna Swade, longtime Corresponding Secretary, retired. Happily, Virginia Mussano Fisis stepped forward and became the new secretary to the board. Come visit Ginny on Fridays at the Museum.

### **Memorials**

In memory of Louis Alesiani given by Cathey Sluss.

In memory of Louis Alesiani given by Julia Bilski.

In memory of Louis Alesiani given by John and Maria Del Vecchio.

In memory of Louis Alesiani given by the Pennsylvania Club.

In memory of Louis Alesiani given by Cynthia Alesiani.

In memory of Louis Alesiani given by sister, Ida Barch and Family.

**Greater Monessen Historical Society**  
**January-December 2012 Financial Report**

**Income**

Building Fund 2011 Balance	\$8,097.16
Day of Giving	\$5,316.14
Events/Exhibits	\$11,255.73
Façade Grant	\$8,281.48
Fundraising	\$5,801.00
Interest Earned	\$30.67
Membership Dues	\$4,815.00
Memorials	\$150.00
Misc. Donations	\$1,059.94
Museum Shoppe	\$3,066.45
Other Income	\$1,141.95
Tourism Grant	\$5,000.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$54,015.52</b>

**Expenses**

Advertising	\$1,047.03
Copiers	\$414.00
Dumpsters	\$850.00
Electric	\$2,032.89
Equipment/Software	\$446.79
Events/Exhibits	\$5,634.65
Gas	\$604.56
General Administrative Costs	\$567.95
Insurance	\$1,876.25

Library Archives	\$691.26
Loan Payments	\$1,920.00
Maintenance/Renovations	\$711.71
Museum Shoppe	\$1,148.50
Office Supplies/Printing	\$3,236.33
Pest Control	\$217.13
Phone and Internet	\$1,295.88
Pierre Luti Advertising Co.	\$1,228.10
Postage	\$986.20
Professional Dues	\$163.00
Roof (Annex)	\$17,000.00
Royalties	\$27.00
Security System	\$300.00
Sewage and Garbage	\$1,023.20
Sunshield Distributors (Windows)	\$1,490.00
Trans-First Credit Card	\$1,427.72
Water	\$671.34
Wall Repairs (Annex)	\$2,000.00
Website	\$199.86
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$49,211.35</b>

Note-The entire 2011 Building Fund Balance was used to pay for part of the Annex Roof.

**In-Kind Donations**

Goods	\$1,470.27
Services	\$5,382.45
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,122.72</b>

Thank you for your continued support of the Greater Monessen Historical Society and Monessen Heritage Museum.

Vito C. Beneccio,

Board Member and Treasurer

### **Remember the Museum when Spring cleaning**

Please remember the historical society and heritage Museum when cleaning out the cellar and attic. Your trash may be our treasure. We hear such sad stories of pieces of Monessen history tossed into the trash, because someone thought no one would want that. Before throwing something out, bring it to the Museum. Spread the word. Tell your friends, neighbors and relatives too.

### **Recent Donations to the Museum**

Valentine cards of the 1920's and 1930's, Reprinted "antique" Valentine and "Victorian" Christmas and birthday cards, and a 1930's birthday card / Virginia Fisfis.

### **One Hundred Years ago in the newspapers February - April, 1913**

Superintendent George Nash, President of the Peoples National Bank, gave a banquet for the directors and employees of the institution at the Kilroy Hotel. (02-01-1913) Daily Independent

Blackhanders set off two explosions that caused a fire at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Monongahela, which destroyed the building along with four other dwellings. The priest has previously received threatening letters demanding large sums of money. (02-03-1913) Daily Independent

A library of one thousand volumes housed in the McKinley School building was made available for loan to the public on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings, as well as Saturday afternoons. (02-07-1913) Monessen News

J. G. Staudenmayer, the local baker, was injured when his delivery truck lost its brakes and went over the embankment on Ninth Street and landed in front of the Park Hotel. (02-14-13) Monessen News

W. P. Kirk, proprietor of the Kirk Drug Store at the corner of Fourth and Donner, will erect a buff brick building at the corner of Sixth and Reed, which will become a branch store. The store will be ready as he celebrates his tenth

anniversary on May 15 in the drug business. (02-25-1913) Monessen News

Miss Loretta Schone, the daughter of Peter J. Schone and a model, is now connected with a large moving picture studio at Cleveland, Ohio. (02-25-1913) Monessen News

Cleo Economy, of the Economy Brothers Fruit Stand on Sixth Street, and George Bacaras, who volunteered to join their Greek countrymen in fighting the Ottoman Turks, have been seriously wounded at Adrianople. (03-04-1913) Monessen News

Lieutenant Michael Entinger, of the local police force, was shot and killed during a raid on a disorderly house in Wireton. Hundreds paid their respects to the dead officer, who was buried in Grandview Cemetery. (03-11-1913) Monessen News

The school board is considering a site on McKee Avenue directly opposite the Jefferson High School building as the location of the new high school. The basement would have a swimming pool and gymnasium. It would be a three story building. (03-13-1913) Daily Independent

The Monongahela House Hotel has been sold by E. L. Cunningham to August Karlowsky, who previously was in charge of the Duquesne Hotel. (03-31-1913) Daily Independent

J. Howard Kelly has sold his residence at the corner of McKee and Fourth Street to E. C. Sattley, the Manager of the Page Woven Wire Fence Co. (04-01-1913) Daily Independent

Monessen School Board met and selected a site for the new high school at the corner of Sixth and Knox after receiving many complaints about the proposed McKee Avenue site. They also plan to erect an eight room school building at the corner of Ninth and Summit. (04-11-1913) Daily Independent

Colonel James M. Schoonmaker has been appointed by the state as chairman of the commission to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg in July. (04-18-1913) Monessen News

John B. McLaughlin, Monessen constable and former policeman, died of chronic asthma. He came from Scotland thirty seven years ago and is survived by his widow and eight children. (04-21-1913) Daily Independent

Noel Jean Bissiere, well known Monessen Frenchman, died on April 22, 1913. He was a man endowed with good ability, energetic in all undertakings and never slow to voice his sentiments on the side of right, active in the questions of the day and keen as to the political conditions. He leaves a clean character and an untainted name along with the knowledge that he and his wife

fought a good fight in life's battles and were victorious. (04-25-1913) Monessen News

### **Late winter and early spring weddings and engagements of 1913**

Thomas V. Wallace, of Belle Vernon, and Miss Minnie Leaver, of Monongahela, were united in marriage last week. They will live in Belle Vernon. (02-03-1913) Daily Independent

Miss Rosanna Gee, of Monongahela, and Walter Harvey Schoonover, of Pittsburgh, were married on November 9, 1912, at Wheeling, West Virginia. The groom works for the office of the general manager of the Pennsylvania Railroad. They will live in Wilksburg. (02-03-1913) Daily Independent

Walter Urben, of Charleroi, and Miss Sarah Murphy, of Belle Vernon, were married February 4, 1913. The groom is a member of the Charleroi Independents baseball team. (02-06-1913) Daily Independent

Walter Urben, of Charleroi, and Miss Sarah Murphy, of Belle Vernon, were married February 4, 1913 at St. Jerome's Church. They will live in Charleroi. The groom is employed in the clerical department of the Pittsburgh Steel Company. "Hooks" is also a well-known local baseball player. (02-07-1913) Monessen News

Miss Mary Reibly, of Oakland Avenue, announced her engagement to Lawrence Hughes on February 3, 1913. (02-08-1913) Daily Independent

Miss Rosa Danieli and David Perrotti were married on February 12, 1913 at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. N. Vangoni, of 389 Fourth Street, Monongahela. They will live in Monessen. (02-13-1913) Daily Independent

Miss Francia Paul, of Monessen, and Paul Gallagher, of Charleroi, were united in marriage on February 15, 1913. The bride was formerly employed by the A. R. Ney Store and currently with the S & H Stamp parlor. They will live in Charleroi. (02-15-1913) Daily Independent

William K. Price, of Monessen, and Mabelle Soles, of Belle Vernon were married on February 19, 1913. The groom is employed by Pittsburgh Steel as an engineer. (02-20-1913) Daily Independent

Sidney Ware, who served twenty-two years in the penitentiary for killing two men in a barroom brawl, before being pardoned, will marry Mrs. Ella M. Hershey, a nurse, who he met in Monessen. He is employed by Pittsburgh Steel. (02-21-1913) Monessen News

Dr. Lou M. Mitchell, a physician of Belle Vernon, obtained a marriage license in Philadelphia on March 7, 1913. He will wed Miss Harriet H. Sayers, of Waynesburg. The groom is thirty-one, and the bride is

twenty-three. They will reside in Belle Vernon. (03-11-1913) Monessen News

John M. Hawk, Clerk of Courts, of Greensburg, and Miss Ophelio O. Clifford, of Ligonier, were granted a marriage license in Pittsburgh on March 6, 1913. (03-11-1913) Monessen News

Fred Frazier and Miss Janet Morrison, of Monessen, were granted a marriage license in Pittsburgh on March 10, 1913.. (03-11-1913) Monessen News

Miss Alice Elizabeth Choffiel, of Meadville, and Walter Laird Elway, of McKees Rocks and formerly of Monessen, were united in marriage on March 13, 1913. (03-18-1913) Monessen News

Fred Frazier, the engineer of the No.2 engine in the Tin Mill, and Miss Jeannette Merrison, of Belle Vernon, were married on March 12, 1913. (03-15-1913) Daily Independent

John Gibson, of Monessen, and Miss Mina Alberta Gallatin, of Donora, were married on March 20, 1913 at Sheridan. They will live at 222 McKee Avenue. (03-21-1913) Monessen News

John L. Gibson, of Monessen, and Miss Mina Alberta Gallatin, of Donora, were united in wedlock on March 20, 1913. (03-21-1913) Daily Independent

Rev. B. F. Bungard, pastor of the U. B. Church, will marry Miss Christine Muir, of Owensdale, in a private ceremony on April 2, 1913. (03-24-1913) Daily Independent

Dr. L. M. Mitchell, of Belle Vernon, and Miss Harriet Sayers, of Waynesburg, were married with the assistance of his frat house. They honeymooned in Atlantic City and were photographed by the Pittsburgh Post on the hotel veranda after escaping through a window. Gossip has it they eloped. (03-25-1913) Monessen News

George E. Smith, of Monessen, and Miss Myrtle G. Bedsworth, of Elizabeth, were granted a marriage license on March 27, 1913 in Allegheny County. The groom is a carpenter with the Motz Lumber Company. (03-28-1913) Daily Independent

Miss Catherine Crow, of Lock Four, and Thomas O'Toole, of Monessen, were married on April 1, 1913 in Charleroi. They will live at 117 McKee Avenue, Monessen. The groom is an assistant roller for the Page Company. (04-01-1913) Daily Independent

Thomas O'Toole, of Monessen, and Miss Katherine Crow, of North Charleroi, were married at St. Jerome's Catholic Church on April 1, 1913. They will live in Monessen, where the groom is employed at the Page Plant and is on the Catholic baseball team. (04-01-1913) Monessen News

Laury Hughes, of Monessen, and Mary Riley, of Sharon, were married on April 2, 1913. They will reside in Monessen, where the groom is employed by Pittsburgh Steel. (04-03-1913) Daily Independent

Franklin B. Bowers, assistant order clerk at the Tin Mill, married Miss Hazel Kyle of Coatland, Ohio on April 6, 1913. They will reside on Reed Avenue. (04-08-1913) Monessen News

Miss Christine H. Muir and Rev. Benjamin Finkel Bungard were married April 3, 1913. The bridegroom is the pastor of the United Brethren Church of Monessen. (04-08-1913) Monessen News

Mr. and Mrs. John Gaull, of Gibsonton, celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on April 4, 1913. (04-08-1913) Monessen News

Miss Minnie W. Brown, of 842 Donner Avenue, married R. Walter Kidwell, of Glassport on April 8, 1913. They will live in Glassport. (04-09-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. & Mrs. J. F. McKenzie celebrated their sixth wedding anniversary on April 14, 1913. (04-15-1913) Daily Independent

George James, of Monessen, wed Mrs. Mary Wells, of Pittsburgh, on April 12, 1913. (04-18-1913) Daily Independent

Alexander Reed, of Glassport, married Miss Jane McWaters, of Chestnut Ridge, on April 28, 1913. They are both former residents of Monessen. The groom is employed by Pittsburgh Steel Co. in Glassport, and the couple will reside in Glassport. (04-28-1913) Daily Independent

Clara Zimmerman and James Whitlatch were married on April 26, 1913. The bride is postmistress of Monessen, and the groom is a tinner with the firm of Mr. Hall. (04-30-1913) Daily Independent

### **Late Winter and early Spring Births and Birthdays of 1913**

At a surprise party on February 5, 1913, Miss Anna Williams, of Reed Avenue, celebrated her eighteenth birthday. (02-05-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Paul, of Schoonmaker Avenue, had a baby boy on February 6, 1913. (02-07-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Nutt, of West Monessen, had an eight pound baby girl on February 5, 1913. The child was named Martha. (02-10-13) Daily Independent

Thomas Jenkins, of West Monessen, celebrated his fortieth birthday on February 4, 1913. (02-10-13) Daily Independent

Joe Crotty, of the Monessen Laundry, had a twelve pound baby boy on February 8, 1913. (02-11-13) Daily Independent

Miss Olive Ferguson, who resides at the R. V. Smock residence, was surprised with red carnations and a party on February 13, 1913, in honor of her nineteenth birthday. (02-14-1913) Daily Independent

Arthur Meyers, of Knox Avenue, celebrated his fourth birthday, on February 22, 1913. (02-24-1913) Daily Independent

Ben Hughes, of 118 Knox Avenue, has a new baby daughter, who was born February 22, 1913. (02-26-1913) Daily Independent

Gertrude Daugherty, of 44 Reed Avenue, celebrated her eleventh birthday on February 25, 1913. (02-26-1913) Daily Independent

Louise Francis Kremer celebrated her ninth birthday on February 27, 1913 with a surprise party. (02-28-1913) Daily Independent

Frank Shutterly, of Knox Avenue, had a party in honor of his fourth birthday on March 3, 1913. (03-03-1913) Daily Independent

Miss Lottie Sherwin, of Essen, celebrated her eleventh birthday on March 1, 1913. (03-03-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. William Welber, of Sunburry, Ohio, had a baby boy on March 7, 1913. The father was formerly the manager of the Peoples Store. (03-08-1913) Daily Independent

Herbert Davies, of 209 McKee Avenue, had a party for his birthday on March 8, 1913. (03-11-1913) Daily Independent

Agnes Jacobs celebrated her eighth birthday on March 8, 1913. (03-11-1913) Daily Independent

J.S. Martz, had a baby daughter. (03-13-1913) Daily Independent

Elizabeth Jones, of McMahan Avenue, celebrated her fifteenth birthday on St. Patrick's Day. (03-18-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. J. Turney, of Belle Vernon, had a baby daughter. (03-18-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Reeves, of Belle Vernon, had a son. (03-18-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tuesche, of New Eagle, are the parents of a baby girl, Rose Irene. (03-18-1913) Monessen News

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leoni, of Dutchtown, had a baby boy on March 17, 1913. (03-21-1913) Monessen News

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leone had a nine pound boy. (03-21-1913) Daily Independent

Miss Mylove Thompson, of 404 Donner Avenue, celebrated her tenth birthday on March 21, 1913 with a celebration and yellow and white decorations. (03-22-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. Ruthersky, of Wireton, had a baby boy. (03-24-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Bergstresser, of Reed Avenue, had an eleven pound boy. (03-24-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. William Laird, of Morgan Avenue, had an eleven pound daughter on March 25, 1913. (03-26-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Craig, of Reed Avenue, threw a party for their daughter Mildred's ninth birthday on March 26, 1913. (03-27-1913) Daily Independent

Miss Marcella McGinley, of the Merchants Hotel, celebrated her sixteenth birthday with a party on March 26, 1913. (03-28-1913) Monessen News

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Lloyd, of 134 Schoonmaker Avenue, had a baby girl on March 26, 1913. (04-01-1913) Monessen News

Mr. and Mrs. Anton Comet, of Ninth Street, had a baby boy on March 28, 1913. The baby weighed ten pounds. (03-28-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Renouf, had a six and a half pound baby girl on March 27, 1913. (03-29-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Beistel, of McMahan, had a son on April 7, 1913. (04-08-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. O'Rourke, Jr., of 113 McKee Avenue, had a nine pound boy on April 5, 1913. (04-08-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Newcomer, of Reed Avenue, had a baby boy on April 13, 1913. (04-14-1913) Daily Independent

Miss Margaret Wheatley, of Monessen, celebrated her nineteenth birthday at a surprise party on April 15, 1913. (04-18-1913) Monessen News

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Marple had a baby daughter on April 12, 1913. (04-15-1913) Daily Independent

Mrs. Earl Shepler, of Reed Avenue, celebrated her twenty-ninth birthday on April 14, 1913. (04-15-1913) Daily Independent

Miss Susanna Kirsch celebrated her birthday on April 19, 1913 at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. James Kirsch, of McKee Avenue. (04-21-1913)

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Kiebler, had a nine pound daughter on April 16, 1913 in West Monessen. (04-21-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Billy, of Forest Street, had a baby daughter on April 25, 1913. (04-26-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. Anson Crabb, of West Monessen, had a baby girl on April 22, 1913. Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. George Irons, of Belle Vernon, had a baby boy on April 27, 1913. (04-28-1913) Daily Independent

Basil Henry, of The Daily Independent, had a baby daughter on April 29, 1913. (04-29-1913) Daily Independent

As a result of the birth of the Irons Baby, of Belle Vernon, Mrs. Irons was presented a diamond ring by her husband, and her father-in-law, for whom the baby was named, paid for a new Cadillac for the family. (04-29-1913) Daily Independent

## **Museum Shoppe News**

**We have a new cookbook, "Violet's Kitchen", written by Violet Koscica, a Croatian author. We have also received beautiful Orthodox Easter Basket covers just in time for the holiday. Stop down!**

**Is your membership current? Don't risk missing an issue of the Valley Historian**

**Admittance to the Heritage Museum is FREE!**

From the Museum's collection of ethnic recipes, we share:

### **Pinca – Croatian Easter bread**

This sweet bread is traditionally baked in Croatia during the Easter holidays. It takes a lot of time to prepare, but the result is sweet, rich, soft, foamy, light and beautifully flavored dough that will satisfy any palate!

#### **Ingredients**

- **For the dough**
  - 26.4 oz (750 g) all purpose flour
  - 2 sachets (14 g) dry yeast
  - 6 oz (175 g) sugar
  - pinch of salt
  - 1 sachet (1 tbsp) vanilla sugar
  - 2.6 oz (75 g) butter
  - 2.6 oz (75 g) lard
  - 0.6 cups (150 ml) warm milk
  - 3.1 oz (90 g) sour cream
  - 3 eggs
  - 1 egg yolk
  - 2 3/4 tbsp (40 ml) rum
  - 1.4 oz (40 g) raisins
  - 1.7 oz (50 g) mixed candied fruit
  - finely grated zest of 1 orange
  - finely grated zest of 1/2 lemon
- **Egg wash**
  - 1 egg
  - sugar

#### **Instructions**

1. Soak raisins in rum.
2. Sift flour into a bowl. Add salt, sugar and vanilla sugar.
3. Dissolve yeast in warm milk and add to the flour mixture. Add eggs, yolk, sour cream and citrus zest. Then add candied fruit and raisins together with rum. Knead until soft dough forms. Make sure to knead it for about 10 minutes. Cover with clean kitchen towel and let rise in warm place until doubled in size (about 1 hour).
4. Punch the dough and knead it again, adding melted and cooled butter and lard. Cover with clean kitchen towel and let rise in warm place until again doubled in size.
5. Shape the dough into 5 round loafs and place them onto baking sheet covered with parchment paper. Let them rest for 30 minutes. Using kitchen scissors, cut a cross into the surface of each bun. Brush the surface with whisked egg and let stand for 10 minutes.
6. Preheat oven to 356 F (180 C).

7. Bake for 30-35 minutes. While still hot, brush again with whisked egg and sprinkle with sugar.



We look forward to welcoming you at the Croatian Exhibit! Available for viewing March – July, 2013. ☺

We also are on **Facebook** under Greater Monessen Historical Society. Log in and look at many photos of our events and of old Monessen. Tell your friends and help spread the word about GMHS!

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