Greensboro Historical Society Meeting Minutes - Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Members in attendance:

Willie Smith, Clive Gray, Lise Armstrong, Erika Karp, Janet Long, Jenny Stoner, Nancy Hill, Martha Niemi, Kyle Gray, Barbara Brooke

Willie called the meeting to order. She spoke about Cathy Wilkerson's recent passing and the many contributions she had made to this group: archiving, filing, researching. A moment of silence was observed.

She also thanked various members for their work:

Nancy for holding down the fort while she has been traveling.

Jenny for another excellent newsletter.

The newsletter stuffing team.

Gina's scanning of the Memorial Books which Janet has been keeping up to date.

Erika for updating the annual accession list.

Clive for writing another GA grant.

The cleaning team for the Old China Hands exhibit.

Pat Haslam for her new index for the latest HRD.

Kyle for bringing us into the 21st century.

Treasurers Report:

Clive gave the treasurer's report and reported that he had received donations and deposited a check in the amount of \$1438.00 for the Hazen Dispatch. So far we have 9 new members.

Kyle reported on a problem with PayPal not identifying the name of donors. Barbara will check her email for any notifications that may have gone to her spam folder.

The treasurer's report was accepted.

Secretary's Report:

Corrections to name spellings were noted on the secretary's report, which was accepted.

History Moment:

Willie provided a colorful accounting of her life and her travels from Holland to Texas, to Maine, Burlington and Greensboro.

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Business:

Gail has finished the HRD; Erika and Martha will help distribute copies.

Acquisitions:

Two paintings by Kenneth Condit have been donated to the GHS by Terry and Keith Kelly in memory of his parents Grace and Royden Kelly. It was noted that we should add a label on the back of the paintings noting the donation source.

Betty Rogers has offered to donate a traverse sled which we will receive in July. Ms. Rogers is the daughter of Chester Willey. Her grandfather owned the McGrath place.

Willie announced that we need a volunteer to be the new historian to research requests about the town and families. Lise said she will attempt to fill this role.

GHS needs volunteers to make event posters and distribute them. Willie said that she can do electronic advertising from anywhere. Nancy said she'd ask Wendy about posters.

Calendar of upcoming events:

June 27 - 10:00 - 11:00am Library - Chinese paper folding workshop with Scott Bascom

July 1 - Greensboro July 4th parade. Museum opens. Homeschoolers will help carry the Chinese dragon. Who can decorate the buggy?

July 2 - 3 -5:30 - Reception for Old China Hands exhibit at GHS. Nancy will organize.

August 5 - 4:00 - Ice Cream Social, GHS building lawn. Need scoopers.

August 7 - 7:30 Annual Meeting with "Old China Hands" families, at Fellowship Hall.

September 2 - 10:00 - 2:00 Book sale at Janet Long's garage

Summer Museum Hours: 10:30 - 2:30 - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10:00 - 2:00 - Saturday

Willie has sent the calendar to the Association for the Green Sheet.

Other Business:

Nominating Committee: we need two trustees and all the officers. Clay and Janet expire this year. Nancy and Willie will be co-presidents.

We need to spruce up the Hill exhibit, need volunteers.

Martha and Marion will coordinate docents for the museum this summer.

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We need a date for the fall meeting. Nancy will check with the Stone House. Possible dates could be Tuesday, October 10th or Wednesday, October 11th. A suggested topic for the Winter meeting could be the evolution of the trades in Greensboro.

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 12, 2017, at the library