Greensboro Historical Society Meeting Minutes - Thursday, September 14, 2017

Members in attendance:

Nancy Hill, Clive Gray, Erika Karp, Martha Niemi, BJ Gray, Paula Harmon, Barbara Brooke

Nancy called the meeting to order. She circulated her copy of the Orleans County Historical Societies contact list for attendees to correct or update. We surmised that this list was created based on the information from last year’s fall meeting of historical societies.

There was no history moment but Nancy passed around a copy of the book, Slab City, S. Glover, by Joan Alexander, Connie Ashe and Jack Sumberg.

The main purpose of today’s meeting was to make plans for our October 10th meeting.

But first there was a review of the summer events:

Martha reported that in total the Historical Society museum hosted 450 visitors, that number including the approximately 50 visitors at Old China Hands reception, and 30 visitors after the 4th of July parade.

The exhibit will remain for the October meeting attendees and for school groups.

Janet took in about $500 from the book sale. BJ and Kyle helped with the book sale recycling, which was in Lyndonville.

The ice cream social did well, despite weather. Maple Walnut was the most popular flavor.

It was noted that GHS tee shirts are now on sale for half price.

Treasurers Report:

Clive gave the treasurer’s report and reported that he had received over $200.00 in donations. We also have 14 new GHS members.

BJ mentioned that she would like a subscription to the Hardwick Gazette for purposes of documentation.

The Treasurer’s report was accepted.

Secretary’s Report:

Copies of the June and August Secretary’s report were reviewed and accepted.
Business:

Nancy thanked Martha for her correspondence.

She reported that the dehumidifier in the GHS building is working well.

Nancy asked members, on Jenny’s behalf, that they be thinking about the newsletter. BJ mentioned that she has some great photos from the ice cream social. If anyone else has photos, consider the submitting them for the newsletter.

Gail did not sell as many copies of the HRD as she has in the past.

Acquisitions:

Nancy reported that the Bascom’s have given us some artifacts from their dig site, including a rock.

We did receive the traverse sled from Betty Rogers.

Pat Collins has contacted the GHS with an offer of old photos from the Bend as well as a butter churn and trunk. She will be visiting the area in October and will bring the artifacts with her. Nancy and Barbara will plan on meeting with her.

New Business:

The League of Local Historical Societies and Museums Annual Meeting will be held at Lyndon State College on Saturday, October 28. Nancy will look into nominating Pat Haslam to the VHS for recognition of her work on The Greensboro Blockhouse Project.

As for the GHS October 10 meeting scheduled to begin at 9:30am at Fellowship Hall, the first half hour is a meet and greet. Nancy, BJ and Martha volunteered to make coffee cake. Nancy will ask Janet to make coffee.

Willie will do introductions.

Drinks: lemonade

Since this is a bag lunch event, we will supply desserts. Paula, Lise and Barbara will furnish these.

Nancy will ask June about the background of the Old China Hands exhibit and see if she could attend the event.
There was an idea of asking each historical society if they would be interested in setting up a table with historical publications or items pertaining to their local towns. Nancy will inquire.

There was a brief discussion about topics for the winter meeting including the topic of logging, trades, hunting - pros and cons.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30.