

# Hartland Area Historical Society

Board Meeting • Monday February 12, 2012

Hartland Museum

## I. Attendance and Introductions

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Parshall 7:10.

**Board Members Present:** Tom Parshall, Hildy Foley, Janet Frick, Mike Forster, Kathie Horning, Diana Wells, Barbara Krueger

## II. Approval of minutes from January 9, 2012 meeting

The January 9 minutes were approved, in a motion by Kathie Horning, seconded by Mike Forster. Motion carried.

## III. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report will be given at our next meeting, at it is now to be given at alternate/every-other meetings

The necessary accounting computer programs and financial/banking accounts/records are in process of being transferred from Shyrl Cone, former treasurer, to new treasurer Barbara Krueger.

## IV. Collections Report

Transfer of collections and recording of items continues.

## V. Museum Status

The museum continues to be open on Sunday afternoons. Bill McDevitt is a faithful helper. Cleaning is being done when they are not busy with visitors. Positive reports on recent visits from the community were discussed, and the value of building these connections; how the particular historical interests of the docents adds diverse and interesting perspectives to the visits/tours of museum. Regrets were expressed about John Wiese's recent illness and how when able he is very interested in continuing his position on the board and particularly as a museum docent. A notice has been issued in the Community Life requesting sponsors.

A new walking tour map will be designed

Tom Parshall gave an update on the planned door restoration: It will cost a lot more than the \$4,000 donated to do the doors, because of work that needs to be done on the surroundings. The overhang/awning has sagged 3 in. or more during the last hundred or so years, The underlying front porch needs to be repaired. It will cost at least \$3,000 for the doors as they should be made of cypress which he stated would last forever. The door sill and surrounding door framework will have to be taken out and Tom is concerned that under the door sill it will be rotten/spongy and that if the door is just inserted the problem will be compounded. The \$4,000 will be held back, will be used for the doors, as the donors requested, after the other repairs are made; and a stopgap measure taken; probably this summer where Tom and Rich will investigate the door surroundings, look under the sill, then put down a temporary sill. If not ok they will use a hydraulic jack, take the front porch off and get materials from a sawmill to make repairs. The possibility of taking bids was discussed and Tom suggested that we truly needed someone who wanted to do "legacy w

VI. The person who did the windows is a possibility, as he works with cypress.

## Cabinet Installation done

Counter top done, donated by imi, materials by imc

## VII. Gala

### a. Deposit made, set guest minimum at 50

Concerns were expressed about the number of tickets which need to be sold in order to offset costs. Reservations have been made so we need to have 50 ticket sales. Some people have sent donations and regrets; others say they are coming, yet haven't gotten their tickets yet.

### b. Sign to go up on museum sign base this week

### c. Table decorations

Set up will take place starting at 10:00 the day of the event.

**d. Silent auction**

So far a flag has been donated. Other services and items to be donated were mentioned.

**e. Door prizes**

There will also be a 50/50

**f. Entertainment**

Mike Forster will provide a piano, music boxes, vintage record players and recordings.

**g. Presentation to guests**

Tom will give an overview/"paint picture" of museum and recognitions, Mike will speak about his musical items.

**VIII. Dearing thank you and condolences letter**

Janet Frick sent the thank you and condolence letter as requested by Barbara Krueger. Donors will be acknowledged in the next newsletter. Other individuals to be recognized were discussed.

**IX. Comments From the Board**

Kathie Horning spoke of write-up she was doing, concerning the donation of Son David's Uniform from when he was involved in Operation Enduring Freedom after 9/11; as well as in operations in Basra and Guantanamo Bay. Barbara Krueger spoke of an upcoming veteran's display for a museum showcase. Keeping track of dues paying members was discussed. Barbara spoke of upcoming museum tours and groups involved. She also spoke of WW1 diaries of Melvin Symington (had resided here-had been a substitute teacher in Hartland). that had been donated to an Ann Arbor Library. Came home in Aug. of 1919. Barbara has visited the library, and is wondering if we had any of his uniforms. Emma Winegarner said that we had 2 or 3 WW1s but didn't think any were his. Barbara has spoken to his 87 year-old wife residing in Nashville. We have an election coming up with our next pot-luck dinner. A discussion ensued about qualities we might look for in the next President. A discussion was started regarding the planning of the pot-luck/annual meeting and nominating committee. Dinner will be 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week of May. Barbara will call the United Methodist Church to plan a date.

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**Meeting Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 in a motion by Barbara Krueger, seconded by Kathie Horning. Motion carried.

Submitted by Janet Frick  
Recording Secretary

**Next Meeting: March 12, 2012 at the Hartland Museum**

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Agenda  
Minutes

