

WASHINGTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Board of Directors' Meeting
MINUTES – Wednesday – May 6, 2009

Connie Childs, our President, called the meeting to order at 8:40 AM.

Those in attendance were: George Cannon, Connie Childs, L. Karen Platt, Lyman Platt, Yvonne Spendlove, LoAnne Larson, Elaine Tyler, Joyce Whittaker, Becky Shields, Phyllis Lawton, Bob Olsen, and Lynne Johnston, and Terrill Parish.

The Minutes of the April meeting were approved with corrections.

Jeannie Bates was ill. Joyce Whittaker gave the Treasurer's Report. The balance in the Checking Account is \$7,710.14. The Certificates of Deposit are at

Sun First	\$11,156.96 @ 2.48 %	Renewal Date 10/11/09
Village Bank	\$ 5,723.07 @ 3.31 %	Renewal Date 1/10/10

Elaine Tyler asked about getting an Interest Bearing Checking Account. The existing Checking Account may have to be closed and a new account opened in order to facilitate this. Connie said she would check on the possibilities. Joyce Whittaker made a motion and Phyllis Lawton seconded the motion, to try and get a better interest rate for the Checking Account. It was suggested that Lyman Platt be a signer on the account.

Thanks to George Staheli and the Washington City Historical Committee for the GREAT Field Trip. Brian Passey and Roger Simister took pictures of the event. George took us to quite a few Historical places and told us about them. He shared stories about the School House/Museum, the Statues in front of the Museum, the Monuments to the Armed Services, the Town Hall, the Covington House, Adair Springs, the new Library, the new Community Center/Recreation area and the list goes on. We toured the City in old wagons pulled by "vintage tractors". We finished up the tour with a lunch at the Relief Society Building. Yvonne Kendall told us the history of the building. It was well attended.

It was suggested that WCHS be in charge of making available the CD's of Rogers movies. We would need to get a signed Permission Slip from the owners' of the places that are filmed. Karen Platt made \$1200 on CD's last year.

The Field Trip to Pine Valley, Sawmill and Pinto will be held on May 16th. President Cannon will assign someone to help with the tour at the Church and take us to the Sawmill. Then we will go on to Pinto. The Platt's are in charge of this tour. Bring sturdy shoes, a light lunch, and plenty of water. Meet at the Pine Valley Church at 10AM and plan for approximately 3 to 4 hours.

There was "much discussion" on the Library of Books, etc. which belonged to Bart Anderson. Some of the "highlights" of the discussion were:

- It was suggested that Doug Alder could go visit Delorice Anderson and find out what her plans were for Bart's collection.
- Southern Utah University has state of the art preservation equipment and techniques for preserving his collection.
- Becky Shields said she has information about the collection.
- Connie Childs said WCHS can not say what happens to Bart's collection.
- Heritage Choir could do a benefit concert to raise money for the Anderson family.
- Talk to someone in the Special Collections Department at Dixie College.
- Suggest to Brian Passey that he write an article in the Spectrum for donations for the family.

What can the WCHS do to honor Bart Anderson? It was suggested that an article could be written about Bart. Put copies of the article in the St. George Chamber of Commerce and the Bureau of Land Management for the public. Karen Platt has an Application "_____ " which needs to be turned in on May 7, 2009, which would honor Bart for all the work and service he gave to the community. Phyllis Lawton moved and LoAnne Barnes seconded that this Application be filled out and turned in to the _____.

Connie will check to see if the State Renewal for WCHS was completed.

Elaine Tyler turned in a statement for the posting of the WCHS Web Site. She needs two checks – one for Washington City for \$1000 and one for Fort Harmony Historical Society for \$1000.

Lynne Johnston mailed approximately 80 WCHS Newsletters. She had the Newsletters printed at Steamroller Copies. She will have to "hunt" for the receipts.

Would it be possible for Brian Passey (The Spectrum) and Leo Lyman (Old Spanish Trail Association) to join our Historical Society?

George Cannon has done excellent work with the WCHS Website. He adds things daily. He has a Webpage for each Community, pages for activities and projects, pictures, histories of early settlers, chronological order of events and the list goes on! Thank you George!

Connie thought it might be interesting to have an Indian come talk to the Committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Washington – Yvonne Kendall

Lynne Johnston met with Yvonne over this past summer. Yvonne gave her a Thank You card to give to the WCHS Committee. The members of the Washington City Historical Society are grateful for the Grant money they received from WCHS to use on their Museum. She gave Lynne a Booklet “Highlights of Early Education in Washington” to show WCHS. They used some of the Grant money to publish the Booklet.

Fort Harmony – Lyman Platt

Lyman Platt is working on a project – the 1860 Census – he is trying to identify each person who lived in Fort Harmony - with a history. They are having a “Fort Harmony Day” sponsored by the Fort Harmony Historical Society. It is to be on May 23, 2009 at 1:30PM. A special tour of Fort Harmony will be given. Meet at the site at 5:00 PM.

Springdale – Terrill Parish

Springdale is having an activity on Saturday, May ??, 2009.

Toquerville – Bob Olsen

In November we will be going to Toquerville for the Field Trip.

Santa Clara – Joyce Whittaker

The Mural representing the Swiss Immigrants, which was painted by Julie Rogers, was dedicated on May 1, 2009. It is on the second floor of the new Santa Clara Town Hall.

New Harmony – Rolaine King

There will be a “New Harmony Founders Day” Celebration on May 23.

Leeds – LoAnne Barnes

They have a family with a prospective Eagle Scout who wants to photograph the headstones at the _____ cemetery.

Hurricane – Phyllis Lawton

They are anticipating major road problems when the construction starts on the new highway.

The meeting time was cut short for the Committees, because so much time was spent talking about Bart Anderson.

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 AM.