

WASHINGTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
Board of Directors' Meeting  
April 30, 2014  
"Final"

The meeting started at 10:05 AM. Those present were George Cannon, Ron Cundick, Patricia Cundick, Elaine Tyler, LoAnne Barnes, Susan Crook, Dick Kohler, Lyman Platt, Karen Platt, Ken Hadley, Patricia Hadley, and Lynne Johnston.

**MINUTES – Lynne Johnston**

The Minutes from the March 26, 2014, meeting were read. Susan Crook made a Motion and Patricia Cundick seconded the Motion to approve the Minutes as read, with corrections. All in favor said "Aye". The voting was unanimous.

**TREASURER'S REPORT – Elaine Tyler**

The Treasurer's Report was posted to the Board members on the internet. Susan Crook made a Motion and LoAnne Barnes seconded the Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report dated March 1-March 31, 2014. All in favor said "Aye". The voting was unanimous.

**LYTLE RANCH PRESERVE - Elaine Tyler**

Dick asked Elaine to tell about the field trip to Lytle Ranch. It was purchased by BYU in 1986. It is established as a Nature Preserve for education and research purposes. The manager of the property is Heirberto Madrigal. It is located about 36 miles West of St. George, UT, in the Beaver Dam Wash. There are 462 acres which are home to plant and bird species found nowhere else in the United States. Students come from all over and stay in the dormitories to do their research. While the WCHS was there a couple of students from a University in Germany came to talk about their study – apparently there is a tobacco plant found only at the Lytle Ranch Preserve. Students can learn about farming, flood management, fruit orchards and just about anything else that happens on a working ranch.

Our thanks to Milt Hokanson for arranging and managing our field trip. There were a nice size group that spent most of the day at the Lytle Preserve.

Thanks too Elaine for sharing the information about Lytle Preserve with the WCHS committee.

**GEORGE CANNON – Computer**

- George mentioned that WCHS needs a phone monitor
- There are 95 people on the Distribution List on the WCHS site
- Before he sends out any messages he checks the information
- If someone sends him information, he checks it over before he posts the message
- If a message goes to one person, it goes to everyone on the Distribution List

## **SILVER REEF MUSEUM – LoAnne Barnes – Pat Cundick**

Dr. Robert Schuyler, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Anthropology at the University of Pennsylvania is returning to Silver Reef in May. He has studied the history of the Silver Reef Mines and history of the City of Silver Reef since 1980. He will present two walking tours and three lectures in regard to his findings from the excavations of sites in old Silver Reef.

The lectures will be presented at 10AM on Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup>, Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> of May, and at 5 PM on May 16<sup>th</sup>. The walking tours will be held on Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM. The events will be held at the Cosmopolitan Restaurant adjacent to the Museum. The address is 1903 Wells Fargo Rd., Leeds. Reservations are needed and can be made by calling the Museum at (435) 879-2254. If needs be, leave a message and your call will be returned.

- A suggestion was made that Greg Marshall (owns two hotels) may have chairs that he is willing to part with
- LoAnne will go look at them
- LoAnne/Pat will clear with the Washington County to see if they can use the Cosmopolitan Building for the lectures from Dr. Schuyler
- Washington County has agreed to provide crushed rock for the trails around the Museum
- A thank you ceremony for Dr. Schuyler has been planned by the Mayor of Leeds
- A potluck dinner will be held in his honor

Dick, LoAnne, and others talked about having a dinner for Silver Reef Foundation – to raise money for the Silver Reef Museum.

- Have it in May or June
- ½ of the local Leeds people would be interested
- Charge enough \$20.00-\$25.00 per plate
- Could have a program
- Don't ask for donations
- Easy to use PayPal once it is set up to make a donation
- Steve Basso – Santa Clara Commissioner – owns a Hotel
- Could have a program

## **FUNDRAISER FOR THE BOILERS – NIKKI WARNER**

The WCHS has been invited to a Fundraiser Event to be held on Friday, May 16, 2014, at the Outlier Labs. The address is 1071 E. 100 S. – St. George, UT 84770.

When the Pioneers settled Washington City, UT – they used the Boiler Springs. It is a 5' deep, natural warm spring that flows 30,000 gallons of water per hour. Nikki's group are trying to restore the spring to its natural beauty along with Millcreek Canyon which is nearby.

## **DR. NADAULD – PAST PRESIDENT OF DIXIE STATE COLLEGE – Dick Kohler and George Cannon**

- There will be a Retirement Party for Dr. Nadauld to be held on April 17, 2014 at 7:30PM
- It will be held at the Cox Auditorium at Dixie State College
- Everyone is invited

## **KAREN PLATT – (What is the Name of your Book Karen)**

- Karen asked for help in finding a Publisher for her new book
- Dick said he would talk to Lyman Hafen and Doug Alder
- Who named Kolob and Harmony and Why?
- Karen thinks it was William Phelps and Parley P. Pratt in 1849

## **SUSAN CROOK – SUNSET & BLUFF STREETS**

- Flyover on State Route 18
- “Jughead” at Sunset & Bluff
- Limited encroachment of the Golf Course
- Dick did a Traffic Count and sent the results to UDOT
- Dixie Red Hills Golf Course could be put on the National Register for Historic Places

## **SUSAN CROOK – CLG GRANTS**

- Susan pointed out that Hurricane City, Leeds, Rockville and St. George are all in compliance with their CLG Grants
- Enterprise, Washington City and Santa Clara are not in compliance with their CLG Grants
- Could use two more people to help campaign and talk to those towns not in compliance

## **SUP QUARRY TRAIL/CCC STATUE – Dick Kohler**

- Met with City Council – Joe Bowcutt is in favor of sponsoring this Trail
- Wayne Pace, President of Sons of Utah Pioneers is working on the Quarry Trail
- The quarry is located on the West side of the big red hill – Dixie Hill
- Stone from the quarry was used in building the Temple, Tabernacle, and other buildings in St. George
- They are trying to make a trail through the Sunstone Development at Sunset and Bluff Streets
- The trail would be up 7<sup>th</sup> West
- The CCC Camp was on that property
- Still need to raise money – it was suggested that Doug Alder on the Preservation Committee could raise money towards that project

**IAN CROWE – DOCUMENTARY’S ABOUT PLACES AROUND WASHINGTON COUNTY**

- Three videos in production about history subjects in Washington County
- One of those is about Silver Reef
- Hopefully there will be a draft for review before the film is released

**PHIL TUCKETT – LEO LYMAN**

- Film on the Virgin Gorge is about done
- Leo’s class will be done in June

**DICK KOHLER – TV HISTORY CHANNEL**

- Dick got clearance from the History Channel to show six or eight episodes
- One of those would be about the Arrowhead Highway –
- Could be as long as 22 minutes when finished

**SUSAN CROOK – UTAH HERITAGE FOUNDATION**

- The Utah Heritage Foundation yearly conference will be held in Salt Lake City
- The date is May 8-10, 2014
- Part of the conference will be a historic home tour in the Avenues

**DICK KOHLER – SHEM DAM**

- Dick met with Tara Hoffman

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon

Respectfully Submitted  
Lynne Johnston