

Washington County Historical Society (WCHS)  
Board Meeting - Minutes for  
May 7, 2008 Meeting

Lynne Johnston was not at the meeting. She asked Trish Nelson to take the minutes of the May meeting. She would like to thank Trish for helping her out. The following are the notes Trish took.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM, by Connie Blake the President of WCHS.

A motion was made (Joyce Whittaker) and seconded (Lewana Hale) to approve the April 2008 minutes, with the corrections.

A motion was made (Lewana Hale) and seconded (Phyllis Lawton) to approve the Treasurer's Report. Connie Blake paid for the "Historical" name - will need to be reimbursed for \$7.00.

A suggestion was made to call the City of St. George to see who is over the website for the City. After that information is found out - call George Cannon and let him know who to get in touch with.

Joyce Whittaker stated that the old plaque in the County Court House had eight empty spaces - she took the plaque to have the names put on - she did not know how much it might cost. There was a motion (Phyllis Lawton) made and seconded (Yvonne Kendall) to approve the payment for the names engraved on the plaque.

Communities:

Website - George Cannon - George continues working on the WCHS website. He needs to know when things are taking place - meetings, lectures, etc. Anna Shaw wanted to know if there could be a link to list items for sale. George can scan pictures.

Cultural Affairs - Things are in the works.

Washington - Yvonne Kendall - The City of Washington was recognized for the finest parks from the State of Utah. All the events are taking place for the Washington Days. 500 Children went through the Museum. There will be "Free Movies in the Park" on the 3rd Friday of each month during the summer - start at 8:30 PM.

Virgin - Evonne Spendlove - There will be a "Big" 24th of July Celebration at the Park and in the Town Square. There will be hayrides, a Childrens' Play, Dinner and "150 Years" Anniversary Pins for sale. There will also be Quilts and homemade items for sale.

Santa Clara - There will be a dedication of the new Santa Clara City Hall on May 16th - with an Art Show.

St. George - Anna Shaw - The "Legacy Book" is on sale at the St. George Art Museum for \$20.00. There will be twelve paintings displayed in the Plaza - North of the Opera House.

Leeds - Andrew Hayslip - Final progress report - The Plaques that were made - of the School House in Silver Reef will be placed on rock pylons in front of Town Hall at Center Street and Main. Six more signs will be coming.  
They received \$39,000 from fundraising for the Pioneer Cemetery - for improvements. They will replace the pylons for the Fence and Gates.  
They are doing research on the Conservation Corp Camp - to help preserve it. There has been some wind damage. They are considering an "on-site" person.

LaVerkin - Lewana Hale - LaVerkin dedicated a new park. LaVerkin now has two neighborhoods and a park. They are building a new City Works Building.  
The "Princess and the Frog" will play in June.  
Lewana wondered what the possibility would be to give each community a "Lifetime Membership" Certificate when they become a Lifetime Member.

Ivins - Emma/Bill Fife - The first official "Ivins Historical Committee" meeting was held on Wednesday, April 23, 2008. They reviewed their By-Laws and signed them so that they will be able to send them to the IRS to become a "Non-Profit" organization. Emma Fife - the President - conducted the meeting. Please read the attached Report from the Fife's, for other news about the City of Ivins.

Hurricane - Phyllis Lawton - They are making progress as a Committee. They are collecting funds for old buildings and plaques. They will be having School tours (two teachers). Bart Anderson gives lectures the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Easter Seals - Barbara Howard - There are Easter Seals Programs that can help staff non-profit organizations.

A reminder that "St. George Live" starts on the 1st Wednesday of June at 8:30 AM. That would be June 4, 2008 - at the Opera House.

The next WCHS Board meeting is scheduled for September 3, 2008 - 8:30 AM at the Opera House. Who will be the speaker at the September Lecture meeting?

The meeting was adjourned.

## May: Ivins Report for Washington County Historical Board

Ivins Historical Society held their first official meeting on Wednesday, April 23, 2008 with President Emma H. Fife conducting. It was held at the home of Linda Elwell. 1<sup>st</sup> vice. Also present were: Marie Hansen, secretary and Jenny Johnson, Treasurer. Norene Mackley 2<sup>nd</sup> vice was excused. We reviewed our by-laws and signed them getting them ready to send to the IRS to become a non-profit organization. After this meeting, two other ladies joined us to discuss our Ivins Heritage Days which are held in the fall. Our next meeting is on May 14, 2008 at 9:15 A.M. Discussed dates: Art Festival to be September 26 and 27 and Ivins Historical Week to be September 29 - October 3, 2008.

As a result of this meeting, Linda Elwell attended the Ivins City Council May 1, 2008 where she presented our desire to sponsor the art festival (which was part of Harvest Moon Festival) with Ivins Heritage Day and gave them an outline of what we would like to include. She asked for their support. They asked us to work with Benny Sorenson.

At the Ivins City Council Marie Hansen was pleasantly surprised to receive a proclamation from Mayor Darin Barney for being a role model to preschool children for 28 years getting over 1000 students ready for kindergarten. Many of her former students were there to show their appreciation. She retired after 28 years of teaching.

Wade Carpenter, Ivins Public Safety Director, has accepted the position of Park City Police Chief. His last day in Ivins is June 15, 2008.

Landscaping improvements along Center Street in the trail buffer area are underway. Trees which were planted were dug up after property owners whose property backs up to Center Street petitioned the Ivins City Council to have the new trees removed. The landscaping will be "desert" and low growing plants as well as the large rocks which are already in place. The trees will be planted elsewhere in the city.

Miss Ivins Pageant was held May 3, 2008 at Tuacahn in the Orval and Ruth Hafen Theater. Theme: "Rhythm of the Night". Winners are: Princess: Jaycee Jolley; 1<sup>st</sup> Attendant; Abbey Valadez; 2<sup>nd</sup> Attendant: Cecilee Horlacher; Miss Photogenic: Cecilee Horlacher; and Miss Congeniality: Jade Boatright.

Charles Mannering, age 101, died May 3, 2008. He was the oldest resident living in Ivins.

*Mouse in park - in summer months - Friday .*