

FRANKLIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Regular Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2017

Venue: Webster-Tay House – 7 pm

Program: “**Mary Baker Eddy: An Extraordinary Life Told in Ordinary Terms**” presented by Evelyn Auger and Linda Saltiello of the Sanbornton Historical Society.

The Business Meeting was called to order by Leigh Webb, President

Salute to the Flag, led by Chris Lewis

Moment of Silence for Departed Members

Secretary's Report – May 4 minutes were circulated.

- “Draft minutes” are posted on website – read them there before the meeting.
- Motion to accept the minutes made by Annette Andreozzi; seconded by Elizabeth Jewell; *passed*.

Treasurer's Report – Circulated by Carlton Ham.

- Motion to accept was made by Linda Geiler; seconded by Joya Clark; *passed*.

Unfinished Business:

- **Committee Reports**
 - **Building**
 - Garden pruning/weeding/mulching this Sat. June 3, before the plant sale. Bring your own gloves and tools if preferred. Residents of Ray House may participate.
 - Mention was made of “Norma’s Iris” – a beautiful yellow iris from departed member Norma Bushman’s home, now at our back entrance.
 - **Education** – Chris Lewis received okay from Superintendent to survey teachers in Franklin schools to see what would be of interest, such as: visit to the Museum, visit from Historical Society to class, use of a “Traveling Museum Trunk”, etc. and list of topics.
 - **Cookbook** – no update.
- **Plant Sale** – Sunday, June 4, 10am-2pm. Volunteers are needed, as well as additional plants.
- **“Open Sundays”** continue each week through Labor Day, from 10am-2pm – docents welcome. Inventory work also being done some Wednesdays by a student, Logan Gauthier, with his aide Cheril Maynard, and Annette Cain.
- **Facebook Page update** – Joya Clark reported that we have 170 “Likes”, and been viewed by over 1,200 people.
- **Covered Bridge #62 sign** – now placed at foot of the Winnepesaukee River Trail on Central Street, as well as signs with arrows saying bridge is ¼ mile up trail. Much appreciation goes to Betty Meyers Pauwels, whose efforts along with those of the Society and the City of Franklin, made this happen.

- **Community Day** volunteers were thanked: Ken Ackerson, Elizabeth Jewell, Annette Andreozzi, Annette Cain, Dan Cerat and Rosemary Mellon.
- **Art Chair** – is displayed in Kathy Zink’s office window on Central Street. Thanks to Jim Wells who built and donated the wooden chair, and Leigh Webb who decorated it.
- **August Field Trip**
 - The previous list of 10 possible locations were discussed. A new location, The Fels, was suggested and added.
 - Three locations were nominated as of interest; a vote by show of hands was taken:
 - Wright Museum (3)
 - Wentworth/Coolidge (4)
 - The Fels (5)
 - August field trip will be to The Fels, tentatively Sat. August 26.

New/Other Business

- **Recent Donations, received from:**
 - David Palfrey – misc. Franklin-related baseball caps; signed card and book “F is for Franklin” from 2nd grade class, newspapers, and maps.
 - Norman Vashaw (Lancaster NH) – 1899 Orphans Home Report
 - “On loan” from John Gile, in memory of Robin Warren – Serving dish, c.1840 from the Gile Homestead
 - Daniel Webster College (which is closing) – three postcards of the Birthplace, one framed with the notation on the back “found in Iran Oct. 17, 1943”
- **July 6 Meeting Presentation:** Steve Morin from the **5th Regiment NH Civil War Re-Enactors**

Announcements

- **1895 Organ** -- on “permanent loan” to Andover Historical Society; Carlton Ham has donated another from H.L. Young to replace it.
- **Annual opening of Old Village Road in Hill:** this Saturday, June 3, 11am-4pm
- **Andover Historical Society:** June 15 at 7pm in the Grange Hall – Steven Gardner on “Stone Walls”, a program in which he actually builds a wall during his talk.

Next meeting: July 6, 2017

Adjournment: 9:12pm

Submitted by Karen Darling
Recording Secretary