

Franklin Historical Society Meeting
4 August 2022

Program: “**The 200th Anniversary of the Congregational Church**” Glenn Morrill gave an excellent talk and Leigh Webb showed relevant slides from the Society’s collection.

Refreshments were provided by Frank Genus and family

Business meeting:

Salute to the Flag was led by Annette Cain.
There was a Moment of Silence for departed members
Members had reviewed Secretary’s Report online. Motion to approve by Linda Pauwels, seconded by Annette Andreozzi.
Treasurer’s Report will be next month since Dan Darling was unable to attend. There is a \$2600 insurance bill coming.

Old and/or Continuing Business:

Committee Reports:

Building —Mildew abatement was done by Leigh on the north side of building. Some clapboards and lower trim board to be replaced, & some painting is needed.
FaceBook update— Donor Carla Puffinburger, contacted the Society through the Facebook page and donated photos from the FHS class of 1939
Education Comm— Leigh gave a talk to the newly reformed Franklin Rotary Club.

Curator—The Society received a bag full of vintage newspapers (one as old as 1842!) and magazines, saved because of the momentous world events chronicled within their pages. The donor was **Claudette Welch** through Kathy Fuller at the Clothes Closet Thrift Store, for whose thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated; **Kathy Fuller** (through the Clothes Closet Thrift Store) a wonderful “art deco” 5x7 photo frame (with a 1948 view of downtown Franklin), a 1918 booklet of Patriotic songs from a “Liberty Loan Dinner”, and (from the library book sale) to mention but a few, a 1909 “Who’s Who in NH”, Civil War regimental histories, NH Registers for 1947-1951, and a 1916 four volume set of “A History of NH” with a photo of the Rumford House in its original Concord location (see below); from **Annette Cain** two Water Department Frisbees to celebrate Franklin’s (2nd) centennial in 1995; and from **Bob Lucas** a typed copy of the “History of the Peabody Home for the Aged”; and two lidded bowls made on a lathe from wood salvaged from the Republican Bridge in 1931 donated by Melanie Russell.

Printing of (30) Webster Lake maps is being done at a 6th generation printer in Concord, RP Hale

Lisa Martin donations on going and being displayed in the Military room, a work in progress.

Projects update

Karen Darling's project for historical marker- an application was made for a state-funded marker. There is a backlog of 400 marker signs, because one maker does most of the signs for the whole country.

Joya Clark was not available to present her calendar ideas.

The Society is open Saturdays though there are only a few visitors, it is still worthwhile, and will be open all weekend long for Labor Day

New/Other Business:

Announcements:

Sanbornton Historical Society August 11, talk will be about suffrage in NH.

Farmers Market continues where pies are sold to benefit the
Congregational-Christian Church Steeple Fund
Andover Old Time Faire Sunday, August 7th

Next meeting: September 1, 2022, "The history of the Webster Lake Association" with Sheila Rainford

Meeting was adjourned by the President.

Minutes submitted by Annette Andreozzi, filling in for Secretary Karen