

## FRANKLIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Regular Meeting Minutes

**3 October 2019**

Venue: Webster-Tay House– 7 pm

**Program:** “A Tribute to Andy Nadeau” presented respectfully by Leigh Webb, president. A video of Andy giving a tour of the Franklin Firefighter’s Museum, which was greatly appreciated by all in attendance, which included several of the late Mr. Nadeau’s family members.

### Refreshments

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8:25pm -- Business Meeting called to order by Leigh Webb, President, with definitions from the “Foolish Dictionary” for “devil” and “diamond”

**Salute to the Flag** led by Dan Darling

**Moment of Silence for Departed Members**, especially remembering Melvin Piper, who passed away recently

**Secretary's Report** – September 5 minutes were posted on-line as draft, and link was sent by e-mail.

**Motion** made by Linda Pauwels, seconded by Annette Cain to accept the minutes as written; *passed*.

**Treasurer's Report** – Treasurer was again absent; Leigh did talk with Carlton, and reviewed paper statements for June, July and August (the latest available) and they look okay.

### **Unfinished/Continuing Business:**

- **Committee Reports:**

- Building** — Painting *may* be done before snowfall (Leigh had to commit some time to his own house)

- Facebook** – Karen Darling: recent old news clipping shared via Facebook, telling of threat to mill manager if he hired Polish workers – interesting!

- Education** — Leigh has contacted Franklin Middle School regarding scheduling 4th grade Daniel Webster presentation he does every year

- **Christmas Dinner in December**—confirmed the date for Thompson Hall: Sunday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> -- start thinking of dishes to bring! Set-up at 4pm, social period 4:30, dinner at 5:00pm

### **New/Other Business:**

**THANK YOU** to Jack Tobey—13 years of weekends at the Webster Birthplace welcoming visitors with a wealth of information and stories. Is anyone interested in taking on this important position? This is a paid position (through the State); commitment of every weekend May to October.

**THANK YOU**—to all those who provided refreshments this year: Mary Foley (Committee Chair), Chris Lewis, Linda Pauwels, Yvonne Weglarz, Dan & Karen Darling, Rita Norander, Annette

Andreozzi, Elizabeth Jewell, Jack & Betty Tobey, Cyndy Campbell, Sandra Burney, Annette Cain, Karen Grzelak and Maureen Aube.

**Recent Donations:** Beverly Oram: a xeroxed copy of Nov 1902 Granite Monthly article “A Day on Webster Lake”; Adam St. Jacques: “History of Andover 1751-1906” by John R. Eastman, 1910, and “Andover NH 1900-1965” Selectmen, 1966 (would the Andover Historical Society like this? Rita Norander: “Thank you, but we have them and have a few copies for sale”); Wanda Hebert: James J. Hebert’s navy ribbons, certificates, awards, medals, caps, pins, commemorating 22 years of military service, American flag, 1970 FHS ring, Eagle Scout medal and certificate, other memorabilia, Wanda’s FHS Class of 1946 reunion poster of graduation pictures, and Marcel Hebert’s navy uniform along with a shadow box display of his ribbons, medals and navy insignia; Chris Lewis: two more O.A. Towne glass negatives; Rita Norander: Glass piggy bank souvenir, Burleigh optic Co. glasses box with two covers—one for Alvirna LaPlante and one for Hector LaPlante 75 School St., photo of Old Peppersass 1929 and Webster Lake RR station with wonderful written commentary; Linda Pauwels: newspaper obits and articles; Annette Cain: four 1964 wedding snapshots and her wedding dress; Deb Brown: tintypes of men in uniform, young woman with bicycle (circa late 1800s), and encased ambrotype (on glass) possibly of either Perry Clark or Alonzo J. Sargent (interesting story here! To be a subject of the next e-newsletter)

**Announcements:** Tues. Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm, Gibson’s Book Store in Concord, “Preserving Old Barns” with John Porter

**Next Month, Nov. 7** [Note the change] “The Films of Red Young”

*Adjournment: 8:45pm*

Submitted by Karen Darling  
Recording Secretary