

## 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.

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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 Fells, 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 Fells (5)
  - August field trip will be to The Fells, 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 **5<sup>th</sup> 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 – Kevin 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