

DRAFT, SUBJECT TO REVIEW, CORRECTION AND APPROVAL

DUNBARTON HISTORICAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE

April 27, 2015, John Stark Day, 6:30 Meeting – Town Offices

Members Present: Laraine Allen, Tiffany Dodd, Donna Dunn, Les Hammond, Gail & Leo Martel,
Ken Swayze, Alison Vallieres, Bill Zeller (Members Absent: Lynn Aramini, Ted Vallieres)

Bill made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting on 3/23/15, Les seconded.

DHAC Funds: Donna had requested the usual copies of the bank statements but they weren't provided. No review.

WTWBF Book: The NH Historical Society can't sell 'Where Settlers' Feet Have Trod' due to space issues. Dunbarton Library has sold a few copies. 1,000 Books were printed in 2004; approximately 350 remain. Current price is \$10.

Rebecca & Bills Archives: All minutes since Committee formation have been collected, copied and placed in a 3-ring binder thanks to Rebecca. The binder will be brought to the Town Clerk per procedure.

Remainder of items are of "Bud" origin so will be incorporated into the 'Bud Noyes' Historical Reference Library".

All items in R & B's Archives have now been assimilated into appropriate locations. This project is finished.

DHS: Although the DHAC previously sent an email of the DES K-6 Curriculum to Alison and Ted, we'll also provide a hard copy for the DHS members to review.

At Alison's request, the DHAC will provide her a copy of Bud's letter to the selectmen regarding cellar sites.

Alison reported that the Schoolhouse has serious carpenter ant problems. The roof needs to be opened up, examined and a plan of repair devised. In the meantime, historical records are still being kept in the schoolhouse (in plastic tubs?)

Bud's Historical Reference Library: These materials will be reviewed at the next meeting. It *may* be possible to put the organizational work out to bid since Bud & Betty Ann provided funds for the care of this material.

DES K-6:

1) The DES needs historical "Story Tellers" for the 2015 artist-in-residence program on Tuesday, May 5, for two time slots: 11:00-12:00 Fifth Grade; 1:30-2:20 Fourth Grade. Arline Little talk about being Dunbarton Phone Operator (props will be provided); Lee Martel will take on the persona of "Charlie Flett" an orphan who spent his formative years on the Noyes Farm. Gail & Donna will explain "housework" and bring in props (wringer washer, etc.). Bill Zeller will talk about "what kids did back then" i.e. swimming holes, ice skating, barefooting through 'stuff'. All should meet with coordinator Kim Belanger at the DES prior to presentations.

2) Draft of the one-page Education calendar: Each month lists 'theme' *i.e.* March is Women's History Month and the DHAC provided a colorful "**Teachers Tidbits**" page to educators about the life of Dunbarton's Marianne Parker Dascomb. *i.e.* October is National Fire Prevention Month and Chief Jon Wiggin has agreed to incorporate vintage fire-fighting equipment and photographs if provided. To complete the calendar, Bill Zeller will plug in the month each grade concentrates on local history. *i.e.* In December, the 3rd graders make historic gingerbread houses.

Les made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46; Ken seconded.

Next Meeting Monday, May 18. (*3rd Monday of the month; not the 4th Monday which is Memorial Day*)

Respectfully Submitted, Donna Dunn, Chair & Secretary

**Addendums:*

- 1) Donna found a Stark Mill photo at the NHHS, purchased digital rights & printed a donation copy for the DHS's 4/28 mtg.*
- 2) DES teachers have requested an after-school tour of the Molly Stark House combined with general town history information on Wednesday, June 3. Laraine Allen has graciously agreed to host.*