

**Oxford Historical Society
General Meeting Minutes
Monday, July 23, 2012
The Homestead**

Please bring a copy of these minutes with you to our next meeting on Monday, August 27, 2012.

REPORTS

Secretary's Report – Cindy Joy moved that the Secretary's Report be approved; second by Barbara Robinson. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report – Marilyn Serus moved that the Treasurer's Report be approved; second by Jane Hulbert. All in favor.

Homestead Report – Dorothy DeBisschop

- a. Front Door Replacement Report – Marilyn Stebar – The front door has been primed. We are waiting for a latch and a color decision.
- b. Front Door Color Choice: Architectural Historian's Report – Dorothy DeBisschop – Dorothy DeBisschop has not received a reply from the State Architectural Historian.
- c. Uneven Floorboard Issue – No report.
- d. Conservation Committee Report – Nancy Farnum and Cindy Joy – Due to the absence of 2 members of the committee, little has been accomplished in accessioning our collection. However, we have received several new donations including 2 drawings by H. Reinholdt Lewis, a secretary desk, a pastel of the Indian Boundary Oak, a flax wheel and a ladderback chair.

Membership Report – Marilyn Serus – In September and October we will begin reminding people that membership renewal is coming up. We have had 1 recent membership renewal.

Any Other Reports – There were no other reports.

OLD BUSINESS

Videotape Interviews of Long Time Oxford Residents – Marilyn Stebar – Marilyn Stebar had contacted Marcia Wrogg about this project. Marcia feels she cannot conduct the interviews at this time. Marilyn Serus asked who was on the list to be taped: Mary Kennedy, Ray Pope, Alphonse Niestemski, Bob Stanton. Cindy Joy explained that Dorothy DeBisschop will do the actual videotaping. Marilyn Serus will talk to Dorothy about continuing the interviews.

Open Museum Days Docent Schedule – Nancy Farnum – One docent volunteered for August 5.

Raffle – Nancy Farnum – Nancy Farnum asked for a volunteer to run the next raffle. No one offered to take on this fundraiser.

Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social Report – Nancy Farnum – Nancy Farnum thanked everyone who helped and participated in our recent Ice Cream Social. We received \$32 in donations, and sold 1 jar of jam.

Peach Festival – Saturday, August 25, from 4-7 p.m. at St. Peter's Church – Nancy Farnum – The signup sheets were circulated again. The theme for this year's festival is the Stevenson Dam. Dorothy DeBisschop has located a speaker who will offer a program on the Dam in the Sanctuary of St. Peter's Church at 2:30 p.m. We hope that in lieu of a speaker's fee, this person

will accept copies of our never published photos of the building of the Dam. We also hope that the talk will be a draw for the Festival and that those who attend the first event will move on to the Church Hall for the displays and the food.

“Museum Open” Sign – Marilyn Stebar –The sign came out well and is very visible. It is bringing in people who are driving by who otherwise wouldn’t have known of our Sunday open hours.

New Folding Chairs – Louise Burr – Louse Burr thanked Marcia Wrogg for being in charge of soliciting donations for the new folding chairs and purchasing them. Marcia will take a sample chair to the Peach Festival to see if we can sell more. Marilyn Stebar stated that we will have little signs on the backs to acknowledge those who donated money to buy them.

Any Other Old Business – There was no other Old Business

NEW BUSINESS

Volunteer for Refreshments for Next Meeting on Monday, August 27 – It was decided to serve the leftovers from the Peach Festival as refreshments at our next meeting.

Any Other New Business – There was no other New Business.

ADJOURNMENT – Nancy Farnum moved that the meeting be adjourned; second by Marilyn Serus. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

After refreshments, the group shared summer memories.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Farnum
Acting Secretary