

## Greater Dover Historical Society

October 15, 2009

The regular meeting of the Greater Dover Historical Society was called to order by President Madelyn Shermeyer at 7:00 p.m. at the Calvary Lutheran Church. Members present were the following: Lori Koch, Grace Trimmer, Gayle Heagy, Jo Ott, Jeff Koch, Cindy Snyder, Carol Leathery, Norma Botterbusch, Larry Law, Harriet Langione, Ramon Langione, Kay Stitley, Harry Shermeyer, Bill & Chris Coleman, Lucia Hrinyak, Ted Ziegler, Zita Smith, Randy & Judy Worley, Melanie Green and Madelyn Shermeyer.

President Shermeyer noted that Ron Botterbusch could not attend the meeting tonight due to a prior commitment; therefore, his presentation on the agenda will be rescheduled after the first of the year. The September 2009 minutes were presented, and President Shermeyer asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Jeff Koch and seconded by Kay Stitley. All voted in favor and motion passed.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report for September 2009 was presented:

Balance as of September 1, 2009	\$13,107.39
Deposits for September	238.57
Expenses for September	183.77
Balance as of September 30, 2009	\$13,162.19

President Shermeyer asked if anyone remembered the percentage of fundraiser dollars that the membership agreed to post to the Cash Reserve Account. Lori Koch said she can make the transfer of funds at anytime and it was agreed the amount would be 75%. There was a motion by Jeff Koch to approve the treasurer's report as presented and seconded by Jo Ott. All voted in favor and motion passed.

Vice President Stitley reported on a walking tour she conducted on October 3<sup>rd</sup> for the Dover Class of 1959 who celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> reunion. The class indicated their interest in making a donation to the GDHS and collected cash donations from the attendees. Vice President Stitley presented 2 checks to the Society in the amounts of \$150 and \$20.

Assistant Archivist report – Gayle Heagy reported the Landmarks Committee met yesterday and revised the wording of plaques to the following: “GDHS, Inc. designated historic structure.” All members present agreed this would be satisfactory wording for the bronze plaques. The committee also discussed setting criteria

choosing the homes to receive the plaques, paying for professional installation or doing the installation in-house, and Gayle is preparing a statement for homeowners to sign. Gayle reported she received a photo album from the Reba Gross estate which Jo Ott acquired at the sale.

President Shermeyer reported that Sam Herman and Wayne Crone spoke to her before the meeting about a quilt frame. According to Kay Stitley, it has been at the church as long as she has been a member. The membership discussed the quilt frame and agreed to accept it as a donation to our archives by the Calvary Lutheran Church.

Gayle Heagy reported she received a phone call from Becky Roberts, a volunteer with the York Heritage Trust, who advised Gayle that the Trust is holding a coverlet registry on October 29. Anyone who has a coverlet is encouraged to attend and have it registered at the Historic Trust. Gayle said she had a family coverlet dated 1852 registered. Lucia Hrinyak asked what the definition of a coverlet is and Cindy Snyder stated a jacquard coverlet is woven in 2 or 3 colors.

Gayle Heagy reported that Becky Roberts also talked to her about the “Then and Now” photograph program at the YHT. The Trust was asking historical societies to participate by submitting photos at least 50 years old. Gayle said for some reason the GDHS decided not to participate and now the YHT is asking again for societies north of the city to submit photos. It was agreed to submit photos of Main Street and Brookside Park. Randy Worley will also submit photos of his parent’s home on Park Street.

Historian report – Cindy Snyder did not have a report.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Blood Root – no report

Adopt-a-Highway – Melanie Green reported the next pick-up date has been rescheduled from October 17 to October 24 due to the bad weather reports.

Landscaping committee report – Lucia Hrinyak had no report and said she will not have anything to report until the spring.

Board of Directors’ report – no report.

### OLD BUSINESS

Blacksmith Shop – Jo Ott reported the October open house was very slow; the weather was windy and chilly; there were 8 visitors and \$40 collected in items sold and donations.

Website – President Shermeyer said she had not heard anything from Brett Pfleiger.

Jeff Koch said Ron Botterbusch had talked to Brett and his wife at the Dover Fair. Mrs. Pfleiger said she would send an invoice. The website needs to be updated.

Fall Fest – President Shermeyer asked if the treasurer knows how much profit we made at the Fall Fest. Mrs. Koch reported it was approximately \$540 but she does not have the final report prepared yet. President Shermeyer gave a brief report on the Fall Fest and stated we will volunteer again next year if asked to do so. She thanked all the volunteers for their hard work.

### NEW BUSINESS

Budget meeting – President Shermeyer said the Board must choose a date for the annual budget meeting. It was decided to hold the meeting on Tuesday, November 17 at 7:00 p.m.

President Shermeyer reminded members to pick up job descriptions for the officers and Board of Directors on the table and notify a member of the nominating committee if they are interested in running for one of the positions. President Shermeyer also reminded committee chairs to submit their budget requests for 2010 to the treasurer at this meeting. Members should also turn in their volunteer hours for 2009 in November since we do not have a meeting in December. President Shermeyer asked the following if they will serve again in 2010: Jo Ott as photographer, Lucia Hrinjak as chair of Landscaping Committee and Gayle Heagy as Assistant Archivist. All agreed to serve again.

President Shermeyer reported that New Hope Ministries will host a holiday tour on December 6. New Hope has requested the Blacksmith Shop be open that day from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. President Shermeyer talked to Ted, and he agreed to be open as long as weather permits.

President Shermeyer reported she spoke to Glenn Enders on October 6 and made arrangements to meet him at his house on October 8 to get some photos of the exposed logs and rabbit foot painting inside. Jo Ott reported she took some photos also and will submit one for the newsletter as well as give a CD of photos to the Enders. Mr. Enders removed a piece of the ceiling with the wood lathe attached. Ramon Langione brought in the piece of plaster showing the rabbit foot painting on it. He is very interested in 18<sup>th</sup> century architecture; he said the original structure of the Ender's home is 20' 4" x 22' 4" and the wood lathe is white oak or hickory; the new addition was added after the kitchen fire; Ramon also suggested the society should acquire a photocopy of the old deed for the archives. Vice President Kay Stitley stated when the celebration was held for Maryville, she thought Louella Deardorff had some information on the Enders' property; Kay will contact Mrs. Deardorff.

### QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Gayle Heagy asked if the GDHS is charging a fee for the copies of the photos of the Dover Coronet Band. It was decided a \$10 fee per photo will be charged. The

individuals who asked for copies at the Dover Fair were told there would be a fee for the photos.

Jo Ott reported the estate of Reba Gross had Drovers Bank replicas, not Dover National Bank replicas for sale at the auction. Norma Botterbusch reported the light at the Blacksmith Shop has been replaced.

There being no further questions or suggestions from the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Koch

GDHS secretary