

Canaan Historical Society Meeting of July 22, 2013 ACCEPTED

The meeting was called to order at the Canaan Historical Museum by President Dan Fleetham, Sr. at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Pres. Dan Fleetham, Sr., Treas. Reg Barney, Sec. Carol Bergeron, Corr. Sec & Hist. Donna Zani-Dunkerton, Dan Fleetham Jr., John Bergeron, Ann Wadsworth, Carolyn Barney, Patsy Carter, Lorna & Bob Terhune.

Minutes of May 23, 2013 were accepted:

Treasurer's Report: for May 28, 2013 through June 22, 2013 was accepted. Cash on hand \$4816.70, Historical Trust Fund \$3,225.83; \$5,000 is in the Noyes Study Group Fund. Accepted.

Correspondence Notice was received from the State that we will have to continue filling an annual tax report.

Old Business

It was reported that Mike Samson said three sides of the Museum building will be painted and repair of a corner board will be done this year.

Donna reported on the Museum visit by people from the Senior Center. They enjoyed the exhibits and asked numerous questions. The Center supplied lunch for them on the porch.

Donna, Carol, Ann and Carolyn continue to work on the inventory twice a week. Currently, books are being examined and their condition noted. Mold is a problem. Carolyn has sought advice on the handling of two books dating from 1771 and 1774.

Carolyn is working on the CAP application

New Business

A lovely four foot square Amish style quilt has been donated by Melissa Allen to be raffled for the benefit of the Museum. As of the meeting, \$225 has been raised. The drawing will be held August 4th at the Museum.

While selling raffle tickets at the Canaan Farmers' Market, Carol met Lance Cummins and his wife. Lance is the son of Pete and Betty Cummings, and sent his regards to the membership and especially to Dan Fleetham, Sr. Also Winnie Shattuck Howe introduced herself and recalled working at the Cobb House in the summer of 1943 when she was 15 years old. She said Mrs. Cobb provided her with the best training for life.

Carol will open the Museum Saturday, July 27th as Donna will be attending her son Tom's wedding at that time.

The Old North Church will hold its annual service on the first Sunday in August, the 4th. @ 4 p.m. The change from the last Sunday in July was done to accommodate Cardigan Mountain School.

Dan Billins will present a program on the History of Noyes Academy and Abolitionism in NH on Sunday the 28th at the Meeting House. The Society will provide refreshments.

Bob Terhune spoke about the paper he has written on the medical care available in Canaan and NH during the 18th and 19th centuries. He spoke about some of the local doctors including Drs. Tilton, Bogardus and Dinerman. Carol has offered to take photographs of the medical objects in the Museum's collection. The photographs could be used to illustrate a program given by Bob and a display in the Museum.

Ann reminded us that the oral history of Dan Fleetham Sr. is available on the town website.

Meeting was adjourned

Next meeting will be the Annual Meeting, September 23, 2013 at the Senior Center.