

Malvern Historic Commission

Meeting December 1, 2008

Minutes

Members Present: Lynne Hockenbury, Barbara Leighton, Joan Stackhouse

Members Absent: Betty Burke, Kristin Thomas

Guests Present: Deb Collins, Nancy Schmitt

The meeting was called to order at 7:35pm.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the October 27, 2008 meeting will be approved via email.

New Business:

- A. Board positions – Lynne asked if anyone else would like to be the Chair of the Commission, and all present stated that they did not. Lynne will continue as the Co-Chair, along with Joan Stackhouse as the other Co-Chair. Lynne stated that there really should be a secretary position, someone who can take care of the minutes. Deb Collins volunteered to take that position, pending Borough Council's approval of her as a Commissioner in January.
- B. Victorian Christmas – The event is scheduled to happen on Friday, December 5, and we need to man a table at the National Bank of Malvern. Illustrator Michael Fernandez will attend from 6-7 to sign coloring books. Nancy will attend for the whole time. Deb will attend from 6-7, Barb will attend from 7-8, and Joan will attend from 8-9. Lynne will be a floater or extra person. Lynne will bring the books, the table, pens for signing, and cash for change. The bank is providing chairs. The price for the new coloring book will be a special price of \$5 for that evening. Regularly, it will sell for \$7. Nancy stated that she has sent press releases about the coloring book to the Suburban and Wayne Times, Suburban Advertiser, Main Line Life, Main Line Times, and Trend, but has not seen anything yet.
- C. 2009 Projects – The group spent some time brainstorming about possible projects for 2009. Some of the ideas presented were:
 - Note cards using the drawings from the coloring book to be ready for Malvern Blooms. Or magnets, note pads, or post cards.
 - History brochure / walking tour that would be 8 pages or less. If it needed to be more, it might need to have a nominal charge.
 - A book on women, using the information we have from various women's clubs, the library, and recipes. Other themes might include weather trends, military, or businesses.
 - Start to think about the 125th Anniversary (August 2014) and producing something special, like a scrapbook including memories of residents, or a video/dvd. The group also discussed the idea of hosting a family picnic at the Memorial Grounds or Burke Park.
 - Open houses in the spring and fall for the History Center, possibly using a Power Point presentation as part of it.

Old Business:

- A. **Coloring Book** – The Coloring Book is completed and ready for sale. It will sell for \$5 at the Victorian Christmas event, and \$7 thereafter. The group felt that notes should go to the various places in the book to let them know that they have been featured, and they should also receive the discounted price if they would like to purchase any. It was also discussed that the Commission should consider places to contact who might wish to purchase the book, like the Willistown Montessori school.
- B. **Historic Ordinances** – This is an item that continues to remain high on the priority list. Lynne will gather the necessary information and get back in touch with Chris Mongeau from the Planning Commission. It is hoped that a presentation can be developed for the Planning Commission and the Borough Council in the near future.
- C. **Historic Property Inventory Files** – The group set the next work date for this item as Saturday, January 17 from 9-12. It is hoped that only one more time after that will be necessary to complete the inventory. Following that, the group will need to meet to fill the files with the missing information.
- D. **Historical Resources Map** – Review of the typed descriptions for details is complete. Lynne is reviewing for details and hopes to have that completed by the end of 2008.
- E. **Cataloging Historical Items** – item on hold for time being. Tina England took home the cataloging information to see if we want to use it or not.
- F. **Creation of room** – item on hold for time being.
- G. **Update Action Log** – Lynne will update the log based on additional information from the meeting
- H. **Dates for next year's meetings** – The group discussed the dates for 2009 meetings. They will be January 26, February 23, March 23, April 27, May 18 (3rd Monday due to Memorial Day), June 22, July 27, August 24, September 28, October 26, and November 23.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, January 26, 2009 at 7:30pm.**

Respectfully submitted by:

Lynne Hockenbury
Co-Chair, Malvern Historic Commission