

Malvern Historic Commission

Meeting March 28, 2011

Minutes

Members Present: Deb Collins, Lynne Hockenbury, Barb Leighton, Barb Rutz

Members Absent: Tina England, Joan Stackhouse

Guests Present: Nancy Schmitt

The meeting was called to order at 7:41 pm

Approval of Minutes: The minutes for the November 2010 and February 2011 meeting were approved with corrections. **November 2010 Minutes:** corrected Lynne Hockenbury's name to the correct spelling. **February 2011 Minutes:** under NEW BUSINESS, item A, correct date for the Paoli Battlefield Illumination is September 24, 2011. Under OLD BUSINESS, item E, correct location of marker from North Warren to South Warren.

New Business:

- A. **Historic Preservation Award:** Commission members agreed that this would be a good idea. Guidelines would need to be developed. How should the commission handle the selection process? Should community feedback be a part of the selection process? When and where would the award be given? How often or how many times per year should it be given out? What are the criteria for being given this award? What should the award look like? What is the size and scope of the award? Should there be categories for this award such as Business, residential, historical, adaptive reuse? This item will be discussed further at April's meeting.
- B. **Books Sold:** Nancy sold 1 Malvern Items.

Old Business:

- A. **EBay Sale of MHC Items:** Lynne is still looking into this. Shipping cost is a concern.
- B. **Location of MHC Books:** A chart was created. The commission felt it would be best to call businesses that are selling the books to see if they need additional items for their inventory.
- C. **Mugs:** The commission members decided that no mugs would be created/sold this year.
- D. **PA Historical Marker:** Lynne was unable to get a rubbing of the marker on South Warren, but did make out that it used to be a mileage sign, indicating 7 miles to Norristown and 3 miles to West Chester. Lynne will be sending pictures to Keystone Marker Trust.
- E. **Malvern Blooms:** The Historical Commission will have a booth this spring at the Malvern Blooms Festival.

- F. **Historic Ordinances:** Historic ordinances are on the agenda for the April 7 council meeting.
- G. **Book Update:** The title of the book: **Malvern Treasures: In the Company of Malvern Borough Women 1835 – 2011.** Nancy logged 77 hours since last month's meeting. The Malvern Borough gave the commission a loan to print the book. Nancy shared the first proof with the commission and distributed a proposed marketing plan and press release. Nancy requested addresses, both email and snail mail, for local newspapers, local colleges and Main Line magazines. She anticipates having the final book by the end of April. Nancy also suggested that the commission have postcards printed with the cover of the book.

Nancy placed 25 additional walking tour brochures outside of the Malvern Borough office and outside the Library.

Nancy pulled photographs of the Malvern Pizza building for an interested party who walked in.

Nancy received a box from Betty Burke's house of items related to the borough of Malvern. Included in this box were recipes, Malvern Historical Commission items and an article printed by The Bulletin. There were also VHS tapes. Barb R. will try to convert the tapes to DVD.

The widow of the late police chief, Charlene Cockerham, submitted a rug to the History Center.

- H. **Action Log:** Items were updated.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm.

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, April 25 at 7:30pm.**

Respectfully submitted by:

Deb Collins
Secretary, Malvern Historic Commission