

Malvern Historic Commission

Meeting February 26, 2007

Minutes

Members Present: Lynne Hockenbury, Joan Stackhouse, Barbara Leighton

Members Absent: Betty Burke, Sofia McNellis, Kristen Thomas

Invited Guests: Nancy Schmitt

Prior to our meeting beginning, Deb Collins of Green Street came and brought us a piece of a plate and an early 1900's vacuum cleaner that she found on her premises. She was also kind enough to have done some research on both, and provided us with that information as well. Lynne will send a thank you letter to her.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm.

Old Business:

The four projects that are currently in process were reviewed:

- A. **Historical Resources Map** – The map was completed and picked up last week by Lynne. Mark made 3 copies, one was left at the Parks and Recreation Department, and 2 were given to the Historic Commission. Mark made a recommendation that the Commission send him the Historic Resources list and include text from Jane Davidson's architectural descriptions. He will then print a second volume to go along with the map.
- B. **Cataloging Historical Items** – Work dates TBD. Lynne and Janice have been trying to meet to get the information we need back to the Commission. We will get back to this job as soon as we have the information from her.
- C. **Book** – We are also looking for additional places in and around Malvern to sell the book for us. Lynne asked Kristen to make some phone calls back in December, and will follow up with her later this week. Some of the places suggested were Kohlerman's Pharmacy, Paoli Pharmacy, Father and Sons Restaurant, and Alba. Lynne will follow up with Joy from Milestone Café regarding returning the books and display that they had since they have left the borough.
Nancy will look into the cost of reprinting the 1989 book with the publisher she used for Malvern Items. We are hoping to have a limited printing available for sale by the Victorian Christmas date in December.
- D. **Front Room** – All cabinets and the display case have been delivered! We need to set up a time to plan displays for the case and also hang some of the pictures. This job can be done in conjunction with the cataloging.
- E. **Historic Property Inventory Files** – We need volunteers to do this and are looking at Girl or Boy Scouts, high school students with community service requirements, retired persons, etc. Lynne will try to get Great Valley High School to add this to their list of volunteer positions that is given to the students.

- F. **Contest Update** – We have had a number of submissions for the contest. Nancy will ask the people who reviewed her book to read the submissions and determine “winners.” Joan has asked some friends who are and were residents of Malvern to write in memories even though the contest is officially over so that they can still be used for future publications.
- G. **Historic Ordinances** – Lynne and Joan attended the Planning Commission meeting on February 15, who seem to be receptive to the idea of an Historic Overlay Zoning Ordinance. Following a brief presentation by Lynne and some discussion, it was decided that in order to proceed, we should really have Borough Council agree that we should continue our discussions to see where they lead. That would allow us some use of the Borough solicitor, which it was felt was necessary so that we can be sure that what we are working on will be legal. We are scheduled to talk at the Borough Council meeting on March 6. Lynne and Joan will attend with Jim Vike from the Planning Commission.

New Business:

- A. **Malvern Blooms** – The Business and Professional Organization has set Sunday, April 29 for the annual Malvern Blooms festival. We will have a booth there to sell books and answer questions about the Historic Commission. Anyone who can help between the hours of 10:00 am and 5:00 pm would be greatly appreciated.
- B. **Memorial Day Parade** – We would also like to set up a booth near the cake walk at the Memorial Day Parade. That will be held on Sunday, June 3. The times for the booth will be determined as we get more information. We will need people to help man that booth as well.

Updates:

- A. **Computer for History Center** – Lynne has been working on getting a usable printer and internet access for the computer.
- B. **May Historic Commission Meeting Date** – We will need to make an adjustment to our regular meeting schedule in May due to the 4th Monday being Memorial Day. Lynne suggested either the 3rd Monday (May 21st) or the 4th Tuesday (May 29th) for the meeting. The attendees thought the 3rd Monday would be better. A final determination will be made at the meeting in March.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Our next meeting will be held on **Monday, March 26, 2007 at 7:30pm.**

Respectfully submitted by:

Lynne Hockenbury
Co-Chair Malvern Historic Commission