

**SPRAGUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2015**

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm.

Members present: Pam Matthews, Judy Synnett, Mary Delaney, Cathy Osten, Deb Froio, Reg Patchell, and Colette Hoffman.

**1. Minutes**

The minutes of May 26, 2015 were approved. June 23, 2015 meeting was cancelled due to power outage.

**2. Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's reports of May 27, 2015 to June 23, 2015 and June 24, 2015 to September 22, 2015 were approved.

**3. Museum Clerk**

Mary's report included the following:

- On June 3, 2015, two Kindergarten classes from Sayles School came to visit the museum.
- On June 9, 2015, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade classes from St. Joseph's School came to visit.
- On June 10, 2015, two 1<sup>st</sup> grade classes from Sayles School came to visit.
- Purchased a laminator, laminator paper, three flash drives, four binders, protective paper and a staple remover.
- Received thank you cards from St. Joseph School and Sayles School for the field trips, from Mabel Saccomanno from Windham School for the SHS award and Jack Allen from Sayles School for the SHS award.
- In the month of June, Mary took pictures of every cemetery stone in all four cemeteries in town and downloaded them to the computer.
- Pam and Mary went to the Baltic Methodist Church and took pictures.
- Jeannette and Mary changed some of the display windows, added new items and moved around some old ones, also changed the display case on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor landing

Donations:

- Tom Coletti – His first three books he wrote: *Special Delivery*, *Dishonorably Interred*, *Liam's Story*, his book *A Journey to the Gallows*
- Leona Benson – A carpet beater and a wash board
- Roy Hoffman – Disc of Memorial Days past
- Tom Girard – Six old Newspapers and a picture and negative of the building of the Memorial, box of newspaper articles, pictures and papers for us to scan and return
- Mrs. Lorraine Allen – Six pictures of Cecile and Donald Allen
- Barbara Baldino – Norwich Magazine with articles of Cecile Allen and Fred Turcotte
- Norma Sewart Morgan – Two old pictures of town for us to scan, 1938 hurricane; 1980 Town Annual Report, Book-Corn Milling; a video of the show at the School
- Jan Settje – Framed picture of the Memorial
- Dolores Arpin – Quelque Chose Program 1973, 1966 graduating picture from Sayles School, St. Joseph's School 1969 Graduating program, five pictures of story time at the Library in 1980
- Sr. Michele – Disc with pictures from Academy of the Holy Family, 2015 4<sup>th</sup> grade class picture from St. Joseph's School
- Fred Turcotte – RCA Victor 1948 Radio
- Karen Sabrowski – Elastic thread

- David Mollen – A paper dated 1886 about the school district children between the ages of 4-16
- Rene Houle – Two class pictures from St. Joseph School in 1936 and 1937 with names, one picture from the Duration Club with names, one Centennial paper, five newspapers from 1984
- Mary Delaney – St. Joseph School 10<sup>th</sup> annual 3 mile road race T-shirt, eleven binders
- Sprague Public Library – Twelve binders
- Mary Husband – Three pictures of Hanover, Parks House, School, and 1946 class picture with names of students
- Lynn Settje Alperin – Three newspaper articles, obituaries of the Lee Family from 1896, 1900, and 1904

#### **4. Old Business**

Continued discussion on the school exhibit. Workshop on Tuesday, Oct. 13 to work on school exhibit.

#### **5. New Business**

Judy donated 1972 Sprague Teachers League Charter, 1974 Primary Phonics Book from Sayles School, 2014-15 yearbook, EB News on Tom Coletti, Federal Paper Board and Cascades books and information donated by Bobby Gilot, and old bottles donated by Lisa Giroux.

Discussed the 2016 Historical Society Calendar.

Historical Society Museum hours to stay the same.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Colette Hoffman, Secretary

**Minutes subject to approval at the next meeting.**

June 23, 2015 monthly meeting was cancelled due to power outage.