

**MILLBRAE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
OFFICERS AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MILLBRAE MUSEUM, September 22, 2010**

Vice President Paul Larson called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm. Mary Vella Treseler led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Paul Larson presided over the meeting in the absence of President John Muniz who was on vacation.

Members Present: Vern Bruce, Tom and Faye Dawdy, Alicia Espinoza, Ann and Jack Gardner, Doris Golder, Walter Haag, Paul Larson, Alma Massolo, Dorothy Semke, Joe Teresi, Mary Vella Treseler, and Lois Way. No guests were present.

In Memory: The members observed a moment of silence in memory of Dora Bruno, a former member and Trustee, who had recently passed away.

The **Minutes of August 25, 2010**, were approved upon motion/second by Joe Teresi and Lois Way and unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report: \$296.26 income was reported for the period ending September 21, 2010. Vern said we had received a number of donations in honor of Mary Vella Treseler's 80th birthday. The report was received for audit.

Audit Committee: Tabled to the next meeting.

Correspondence From:

Kirby Wm. Brown, PHD, concerning his book *California Feance*.

Mary Vella Treseler thanking MHS for contributing to the Millbrae Man/Woman of the Year Dinner.

Tom Gorelangton on his Shaw research.

Gerald R. Morlidge, asking for information on joining (has since joined as a lifetime member).

Skyline Stables notified President Muniz they had no positive outcome.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Publicity: Vice President Paul Larson tabled the Business Flyer to the next meeting, saying he would like to include it in the next Chamber of Commerce newsletter.

There was discussion whether to invest in a banner for Broadway to advertise Historical Society events.

Membership: Joe Teresi announced new members, Dan and Stephanie Capodanno and Gerald Morlidge.

Curator: Alma Massolo thanked Dorothy Semke, who opened up the Museum every Saturday and took over all of her duties while Alma was under the weather.

Train Museum: Vern Bruce reported the completion of 20 hours work on the windows, with lots of preparation work, and painting. An idea was advanced to have sandwich boards set up to advertise on the day the museums were open.

New Idea: there was discussion on composing a letter with input from President John Muniz to send to the Elementary School District Superintendent, inviting teachers and students to visit the museums as a project.

Museum Facilitator: Jack Gardner is trying to negotiate a shingle from Hank Helmers or David Massolo, to replace dry rot on the right front stair railing, and he will replace a light next to the door.

Parliamentarian: No report, but Mary Vella Treseler reminded everyone that Man/Woman of the Year Dinner reservations needed to be in by October 1st. It was planned to have a Van to pick up folks at the Museum to drive to the dinner together.

UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS

Art and Wine Festival. Alma said four books were sold at the Festival, and one sold at the Museum during the month. Mary will organize an improved volunteer schedule including names and phone numbers, prior to the event for next year. Feedback this year was that the large photos attracted interest to the booth, and we can use more \$10.00 size photos, and three more hanging Velcro panels to hang up more of the larger pictures. Also, more cooperation is needed from the Board in staffing the Booth.

President John left word that he transcribed the **MHS Bylaws** to softcopy for ease of modification on a PC.

Joe Teresi reported we went through the first 500 **Historical Walk** brochures, and he ordered another 1,000.

Tom is working with Randy Sahae on the video program “**Growing up in Millbrae.**” It will be running on Channel 27 soon. Tom will play the program in December for AARP, Chadbourne Seniors, and at the Terrace Café.

MillbraePatch.com. Editor David Carini is introducing PATCH to our area. Each city will have a “Patch” on Carini’s website carrying news and stories pertinent to each city.

Museum Landscape Spruce up – John Espinoza offered to help with landscaping maintenance as needed.

ITEMS TABLED TO NEXT MEETING:

Report to improve profit margin of **4th July profit margin** – Chair Mary Vella Treseler, Vern Bruce and John Muniz.

Web site report, Revamp the look, Add to Face Book? Joe Teresi.

Docent Lunch, table to Spring

Buggy restoration.

Train station alarm. Vern Bruce

Basement Reorganization. Jack, Alma and Dorothy moved furniture around and will clean up when John returns from vacation. When complete, **Fire Marshal inspection** will be conducted.

New Museum Exhibit in the bedroom being planned, all the lace and props being completed next week.

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The meeting adjourned at 8:43 pm in memory of Trustee Dora Bruno.

The next meeting will be held October 27, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. at the Millbrae Historical Society Museum -- **SHOW UP IN COSTUME!**

Alicia Espinoza, Secretary