

**MILLBRAE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
OFFICERS AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MILLBRAE MUSEUM, June 23, 2010
MINUTES**

President John Muniz called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm. Walter Haag led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members Present: Tom and Faye Dawdy, Alicia Espinoza, Ann and Jack Gardner, Doris Golder, Bob Gorran, Walter Haag, George Habeeb, Alma Massolo, John Muniz, Dorothy Semke, Joe Teresi, and Mary Vella Treseler.

Guests: President John welcomed Councilwoman Marge Colapietro, and Board Members from Skyline Stables: President Christine Hanson, Treasurer Carole Bottarini, Secretary Doreen Caychi, and Steve Flahaven, and Bill Clark.

Skyline Stables representatives brought forward a serious problem they are trying to resolve with the San Francisco PUC, concerning plans to take over the property in use by the Stables for over 60 years. They requested a letter of support from the Millbrae Museum attesting to the history and cultural values of the Stables, to support them in their pursuit of saving and keeping the property in its current use. The PUC intends to place a large water tower there. A motion/second by Massolo/Vella Treseler, to direct a letter of support for the Skyline Stables be written and sent to the San Francisco Planning Department. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Councilwoman Colapietro gave the group a list of officials to be contacted for more resource information and assistance.

Councilwoman Colapietro presented a framed resolution of the Bill of Rights for Children and Youth of San Mateo County to President Muniz and the Historical Society in grateful appreciation for our support in the program.

Minutes of May 26, 2010, were approved with minor corrections upon motion/second by Vella Treseler/Golder and unanimous vote.

Correspondence: A letter from the Hakl Trust was received along with a certified check for \$735.95 as the final disposition of the Trust.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Joe Teresi said he is publishing a new directory and will be bringing it at next meeting.

Curator Alma Massolo thanked Madelyn Richardson and Dorothy Semke for taking the last three Saturdays as docents and working the whole shift. Thanks, ladies! A letter was received from Kirby Brown who was doing research on the West Coast Porcelain Factory. He sent us a book and said he'd like to visit the museum to see the vases from the factory he'd never seen before. The book was filed for the members' use. Alma said she needs help with the news articles, she and Dorothy are working on the dresses. She reported a dress manikin was taken away inadvertently.

Sunshine: Madelyn was not present but it was reported that she sent get well wishes to Margaret Ruggles and Kay Runkle.

Museum Facilitator: Jack Gardner said after the 4th of July celebration, he had a number of things to take care of.

Parliamentarian Vella Treseler said there was nothing new to report on.

Unfinished/New Business:

Attic/Basement Clean up – John Muniz wants to clean the attic first, plans this the week of July 4th. Following the Garage Sale he'll have the fire inspector come and inspect the attic and basement.

Historical Bronze Plaques: Joe Teresi will be restocking the History Walk pamphlets, as they are quickly being picked up at the Library, City Hall, and Rec Center.

June 13 Field Trip: Joe also reported on the June 13 Train Trip to Old Town Sacramento, where it was 95 degrees. A visit to the Train Museum, a ride on an old Steam Train, and a delicious lunch was included along with the Amtrak train ride to our destination. Fifteen members signed on and agreed it was a wonderful day. A field trip will be planned for next year, to Playland Not At the Beach in Emeryville.

Web Site: Joe Teresi said he'd like to see our web site polished up, and suggested we hire a professional website person. A motion/second by Vella Treseler/Massolo to research the costs and bring back a proposal for a website carried unanimously.

Growing Up in Millbrae: Tom Dawdy said the show would soon be played on MCTV. John Wilms told him he will reserve the Terrace Café for one night for another public showing of the video program. Tom showed the Board duplicates of photos for use at the Art and Wine Festival and the 4th of July Luncheon.

Museum Landscape/Spruce Up: John Muniz will do some weeding around the Museum.

4th of July Celebration: Set up details were finalized, Mary sent out letters regarding raffle prizes (she has 14 to date), and reported 26 reservations.

Scout House Update: Nothing new to report.

Man/Woman of the Year: Mary Vella Treseler is still waiting for information on the nominee.

Special Announcements: President John Muniz was very happy to report that one of our members won the award of *Millbrae Lion of the Year* -- George **Habeeb!** Congratulations George, so richly deserved.

Mary Vella Treseler was pleased to report that another one of our members was this year's *Friend of Soroptimists* awardee – **Alma Massolo!** Way to go, Alma!

Good of the Order: Congratulations to the Millbrae Lions for 73 years of service. They recently celebrated Lions Week. Bob Gorran said visitors to the Train Station Museum in walkers were not happy. There was a glitch in the ability to board and view the interior of the train. Frank Catania is retiring from the Farmers Market. He had only agreed to work there a short while! How long ago was that? Cake will be served at Noon on Saturday at the Farmers Market. Best wishes to Frank for a well-earned retirement.

Adjournment: 9:05 pm

Alicia Espinoza, Secretary