

**MILLBRAE HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
OFFICERS AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
MILLBRAE MUSEUM, April 28, 2010  
MINUTES**

**President John Muniz** called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Member Walter Haag led the Pledge to the Flag.

**Members Present:** Vern Bruce, Alicia Espinoza, Doris Golder, Bob Gorran, Walter Haag, Helen and George Habeeb, Alma Massolo, John Muniz, Madelyn Richardson, Dorothy Semke, Joe Teresi and Mary Vella Treseler. Tom Dawdy arrived at 8:10 p.m.

**Minutes of March 24, 2010,** were approved with minor corrections, upon motion/second by George Habeeb/Mary Vella Treseler, and unanimous vote.

**Treasurers Report.** Vern Bruce reported a net operating loss of \$2,304. and a major expense of \$3,076 for our insurance policy.

**Correspondence:** President John Muniz received photographs of the Millbrae Depot when it was still in operation; a letter of thanks from Denis Fama, the Millbrae Community Youth Center (MCYC); a brochure announcing the start of a new television series on the KCSM public channel featuring Joyce Faulknor and Millbrae resident Guy Magallanes.

**Man/Woman of the Year Event:** An invitation was received from the City of Millbrae (Mayor's Civic Coordinating Committee) to the Man/Woman of the Year event to be held Friday, October 8, at the Westin Hotel. A letter from Mary Vella Treseler advised the deadline to submit nominees is August 1. A motion/second by Alicia Espinoza/Helen Habeeb to help sponsor the event with a donation of \$100 passed by unanimous vote. George Habeeb moved, Dorothy Semke seconded to nominate John Muniz, carried unanimously except for one vote of NO by John Muniz. A motion/second by Dorothy Semke/Doris Golder to nominate Faye Dawdy carried by unanimous vote.

**Membership:** Joe Teresi reported 23 new members, with \$205 in dues. Our total is now up to 152 members, and \$2,045 in dues. Input was given in designing a new card. It will feature larger print and will contain a line for an email address.

**Curator:** Alma Massolo said \$38 was collected at the Museum last Saturday; as well as a 1930's Singer sewing machine donated by Bob Dye. One boy volunteered service toward his Eagle Scout badge and brought in two of his friends. A family with a niece being treated for leukemia at the Lucille Packard Hospital visited the Museum. They had stayed at the Ronald McDonald House. Alma asked if the Museum could gift the facility with some of the children's toys packed away. The Board happily consented. The Rolandelli Family donated a book from 1862 entitled "Cyclopaedia". There are 14 volumes bound in leather, and the collection is featured in a book containing a picture of the books in the A. F. Green House.

**Train Museum:** Vern Bruce brought in a Daily Journal article featuring the Millbrae Railroad/Train Museum, written by Darrold Fredericks. Six new members joined as a result of reading the article. In a related matter, Vern said the window replacement will begin in about two weeks after the last seasonal rain.

**Sunshine:** Madelyn Richardson will be sending a card to Rocky Lombardi.

**Parliamentarian:** Mary Vella Treseler announced the Chamber of Commerce postponed their Mixer to June 2 at the Magnolia; a Cinco de Mayo will be celebrated at the First National Bank. The Mayor's State of the City event will be June 10 at the Dave Chetcuti Room. The Millbrae History Walk has been scheduled to May 16

**Other:** A Highlight from Denis Fama, MCYC, reports having received \$4,200 thus far. On May 31, Memorial Day, there will be an 11 am observance at the Golden Gate National Cemetery. There will be an American Cancer Society Relay for Life inaugural in Millbrae.

#### **Unfinished/New Business**

No additional **Millbrae books** sold, but received a \$76 royalty check.

The new **History Walk** brochure was presented, and new sidewalk medallions were shown to the Board.

**Field trip:** The Capitol Express train ride to Sacramento is planned for June 13. Car rides will be pooled to Emeryville to board the train. RSVP to Joe Teresi.

**Growing Up in Millbrae:** Tom Dawdy did it. April 2<sup>nd</sup>, and presented his media program to a packed house of 130 persons. He will be putting on other smaller shows, as well as playing on MCTV and at the Magnolia. His only expense was a \$57 charge from the County Historical Society.

**501 (3© tax report** has been taken care of. (Vern Bruce)

**Buggy Restoration:** Vern Bruce has a referral from Jack Gardner for someone who does restorations and will be contacting him. The freight truck is undergoing restorations now and it's possible the Buggy may be displayed on the bed of that truck

**Earthquake Automatic Gas Shutoff Valve.** President John Muniz will follow up on this after a cleanup of the attic and garage, then will have the Fire Inspector check it out.

**Insurance for the Train Museum.** Due to our experience with the Museum insurance costs, John Muniz checked into the matter for the Train Museum, and came up with the same results: Farmers cost is \$1,873, compared to Hartford's of over \$3,000. A motion/second by Habeeb/Vella Treseler to change over the insurance coverage to Farmers Insurance Group, effective May 17, carried by unanimous vote.

**Fourth of July Picnic,** Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, at the Chetcuti Room. President John said it was all set, and confirmed that the \$300 security deposit will be refunded.

**Rummage Sale** August 14, held this year in conjunction with the Library book sale.

**BSA Centennial.** Museum Exhibit runs through June.

**Adjournment:** in memory of Dan Thurston, co-owner of Millbrae Lumber Company.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, May 26, 2010, 7 pm, Millbrae Historical Society

.....Submitted by Alicia Espinoza, Secretary.....