

The Heritage Network
Board of Directors
September 16, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Joe Barreca at 9:45 AM in the SCHS Museum in Colville.

Present: Russ Larsen, Jo Nullet, Joe Barreca, Kathy Berrigan, Bill Sebright, Darlene Bitton, Judy Bitton, Don McLaughlin, and Janet Thomas.

Next meeting: Bill will check with Clayton about meeting there in October.

Minutes of the past meetings: Jo Nullet had a copy of the June minutes so they were routed around for people to mark. Bill made a motion and Sue seconded it to approve the June and August meetings as corrected. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Sue presented the financial report. She has received training on how to use Quick Books.

Ft. Colville to Ft. Walla Walla Military Road: Don reported on his activities on road research. He reviewed his plans for the next few months. He also reviewed the use of Google Earth. Sue demonstrated some aspects of how Google Earth and historic maps can be overlaid to help tell the historic story with modern landmarks and modern technology.

National Park Service Oral History: Parts of six videos have been filmed. It is hard to get some of the seniors filmed. Logistics and time frames are sometimes problematic. The project is on track and going well. The time frame for finishing is short.

Voyages of Rediscovery will be making a canoe at the Kettle Falls Interpretive Center in October.

Agency Cabin: The Ross Family donated some Sims Papers. SCHS is building a budget so they can ask for Grants. The archaeological digs are still pending. Two large limbs came down during the last storm. Thanks to THN for removing the partially downed tree earlier or it would certainly have gone down taking the cabin with it.

NEW Fair: Things went well. Beth Philpott one of the Pavilion Superintendents said people really enjoyed the booth. It is now in storage at the Fair Grounds. Gordon Dugan's model was on display and was an entry in the fair. Thanks again to Sherman Creek Orchards for donating apples and peaches for the public.

Crossroads Archive: Copies of the archive have been given to the people who had contributed to the project. The final Internet site still has some work to be done. October 23 is the final meeting with the Commissioners. The ongoing storage and protection of the Archive is still up in the air. The county's intent has not been articulated. A permanent location is needed other than or in addition to the county.

Around the Table

NEWS: They will have the military monument done by Veteran's Day.

Clayton: Someone called Bill from Omak to say she has a diary from a time that her grandmother lived in Deer Park. She will provide a copy of the transcribed and the Historical Society will share information with her.

Several Deer Park/Clayton people visited the Mica Brick Plant. It has a lot of features that were like those that were used in Clayton.

Kettle Falls: Historical Center: The center is closed for the season. The fund raising auction will be September 28th.

NPS Oral Histories: They are working on the 5th history. Moving along.

Don McLaughlin: Don's son Cory is being transferred to Kansas. His wife has a degree that Don hopes will help with road research at the military museum at Fort Leavenworth.

SCHS: Janet shared a post card of Kettle Falls and a painting of a building at Fort Colville. General Dodson's parents brought in his uniform (desert camo) that he wore in Desert Storm. It includes three stars on the collar. His father says consideration is being made about donating his dress uniform. The remodeling of Super One includes several photographs from the SCHS library collection. Also, Talk and Coffee will have historic photos of downtown as part of their new décor. The lack of Tour guides has reached the level of crisis. The museum will not open daily next year unless there is an infusion of volunteers. Money to hire someone for recruiting volunteer was put in a recent grant. This issue should be taken up by THN as an issue throughout the area. The equipment has been purchased for the County Building Sheets project. Sue will get things ready to go so volunteers can begin work. The entire collection of the Prestini paintings etc. were approved by the Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Colville as the first items to be placed on the Historic Art Register.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00