

# COLTS NECK HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2014  
5:30 PM, COLTS NECK LIBRARY

**In Attendance:** Lillian G. Burry, Chairperson  
Ellen Terry, Secretary  
Susan Baker  
Jane Davis  
Cindy Feury  
Harold Kilbride  
Maggie Osmulski  
Connie Wilson

**Absent:** Jim Schatzle, Township Committee Liaison (excused)  
Patricia Eastman  
Jennifer Engel (excused)  
Mary Fournier  
Laura Kolnoski (excused)  
Toni Morello (excused)  
Patricia Mitchell  
Ann Rippa  
Frank Rizzuto  
Louise Whitney (excused)

1. Mrs. Burry called the meeting to order at 5:47 PM, stating “The notice requirements of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law have been satisfied by forwarding a news release to the Asbury Park Press on January 4, 2014, stating that a meeting of the Colts Neck Historical Preservation Committee would be held on June 11, 2014 at 5:30 PM, at the Colts Neck Library. The notice requirements have been posted on the Township bulletin board and a copy is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk.” Mrs. Burry then led the Salute to the Flag.
2. On a motion by Mrs. Feury and seconded by Mr. Kilbride, the minutes of the May 6, 2014 meeting were accepted as submitted.
3. Mrs. Burry reported that all the arrangements have been made for an historic re-enactor portraying Molly Pitcher to appear at the Conover Road Primary School on Tuesday, October 21. Mrs. Burry remarked that a group of students commented to her that they believe re-enactors are a good teaching tool, as they engage students. Mrs. Burry remarked that she attended the Monmouth County Historic Commission awards and was very impressed by the students who won the essay contest.

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Mrs. Burry reported that the Spring Reception was a great success, and thanked Jennifer and Jarrett Engel for opening their home and for their gracious hospitality. The turnout, food and wine were excellent and the garden was an especially big hit.

Mrs. Burry reported that the bronze plaque for The Grange has been installed. Garrett Thompson, the last remaining member of The Grange, Mr. Kilbride, Mrs. Kolnoski and Thom Hennessy attended the installation. Mrs. Kolnoski took photos and will write an article for the Journal. Historic Footnote: during the Battle of the Bulge in WW II, Mr. Kilbride flew **Sixteen** Missions, including delivery of paratroopers and gliders from Britain. We applaud him and thank him for his bravery in protecting our freedom.

Mrs. Burry remarked that the Bike Tour for June 21 will start at Bucks Mill Park.

Mrs. Burry reported that she has met with Ed Brock, and toured Brock's with Ms. Terry to determine what to plant at the Montrose School. This will include two specimen trees, one as a memorial to Mr. Brock's grandson, and, around the foundation, both evergreen and flowering compact shrubs. Mrs. Burry reported that insurance paid \$1,658 for the fence. A new PVC fence around the entire property will cost \$9,500. Mr. Schatzle will ask the Township Committee to finance the remaining \$7,842 from the dedicated tax. Mrs. Burry reported that the school's window frames are rotting and shutters are coming apart. Ms. Terry will call Lori Bratone of Monmouth County Historical Association to locate a suitable carpenter.

Mrs. Burry reported that she attended a meeting of the Central New Jersey Historical Societies at the Taylor-Butler House in Middletown, where the Weekend in Old Monmouth pamphlet was given an award.

4. Mrs. Burry initiated a discussion of possible homes to include on the 2014 House Tour, which will be held on October 18. Mrs. Burry reported that Mrs. Kolnoski will chair the publicity subcommittee. Mrs. Osmulski and Mrs. Wilson offered their assistance for the Tour. Mrs. Burry requested that Mrs. Feury chair the hostess subcommittee. Mrs. Burry noted that Monmouth County Archives and History Day will be held on October 11. Mrs. Burry suggested a possible need for a July meeting. The meeting would focus exclusively on the October House Tour.
5. On a motion by Mrs. Osmulski and seconded by Mrs. Feury, the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 PM. The next meeting will be on August 5, 2014, at 5:30 PM at Township Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Terry  
Secretary