

COLTS NECK HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2011
5:30 PM, TOWNSHIP HALL

In Attendance: Lillian G. Burry, Chairperson
Ellen Terry, Secretary
Jane Davis
Patricia Eastman
Jennifer Engel
Mary Fournier
Harold Kilbride
Laura Kolnoski
Lucy Lennox
Patricia Mitchell
Toni Morello
Maggie Osmulski
Ann Rippa
Frank Rizzuto

Absent: Ed Eastman, Township Committee Liaison (excused)
Louise Whitney (excused)

1. Mrs. Burry called the meeting to order at 5:30 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 September 8, 2011, stating that a meeting of the Colts Neck Historical Preservation Committee would be held on September 13, 2011 at 5:30 PM, at Town Hall. 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. Osmulski and seconded by Mrs. Davis, the minutes of the August 2, 2011 meeting were accepted.
3. Mrs. Burry announced that the Thomas Jefferson and Alexander Hamilton re-enactors will appear for a debate at the Middle School at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 3, 2011. Mrs. Burry reminded the Committee that Monmouth County Archives and History Day will be held at the County Library Headquarters in Manalapan on Saturday, October 15, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Mrs. Burry read a letter of resignation from David Engebretson, who moved to Yardville after his recent marriage.

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4. Mrs. Burry reported that the Colts Neck Historical Society has donated funds for repair and replacement of the Welcome to Colts Neck signs. Activity has been held up temporarily, as the check was made out incorrectly.
5. Mrs. Kolnoski reported that she has received corrections to the Historic Colts Neck brochure from Mrs. Burry and Mr. Kilbride, and should be ready to go to press in about two weeks.
6. Mrs. Burry reported that she has engaged Robert Gleason, an actor from the former American Historical Theater in Philadelphia, to read, as Edgar Allan Poe, from Poe's works, at the Halloween event. His fee is \$450.00. It was agreed that the ticket price would be \$20.00. The performance will be staged at the Montrose School on Sunday, October 23. There will be two one-hour performances at 6 PM and at 8 PM. Mrs. Burry suggested that separate tickets be issued for each performance. Mr. Rizzuto reported that he met with the Fire Marshal, who advised that the school will safely hold 50 people, but Mr. Rizzuto believes it would comfortably hold about 30 to 35 people for the performance. There are benches that will hold 21 people, and he will get additional chairs from the Fire Department. Parking will be on Holland Drive, and Fire Department police will take responsibility for traffic safety. Mrs. Burry offered to send courtesy notes to residents of Holland Drive to alert them in advance. Ms. Lennox will design the tickets and have them printed. Mrs. Engel and Mrs. Morello will decorate the schoolhouse in a spooky theme on the previous day. Ms. Rippa will assist on the evening of the performance. Mrs. Burry invited Mrs. Engel and Mrs. Morello to join her at Mulberry Market to get ideas and inspiration for décor.

On the same evening, the Colts Neck Halloween Festival will be held at Bucks Mill Park from 4:30 to 9:30 PM. There will be a bonfire, a haunted hayride, and other activities. The building will be closed except for access to restrooms. Activities will be held under the pavilion. Mr. Rizzuto will organize the hayride. He will invite Scouts, church youth groups, and the school's Leo Club to provide haunting along the ride. Each group will have its own station and theme, eg., ghosts, pirates, vampires, etc.. The hay wagon has a covered roof in case of rain. Attendees will be encouraged to wear costumes, and bring decorated pumpkins for display on bleachers. Ms. Lennox will obtain tea lights for the pumpkins. Ms. Lennox will also obtain orange glow sticks, to sell for \$1.00 each. Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Osmulski will be in charge of refreshments. Mrs. Burry advised that the tickets should advertize the activities, including pumpkins and costumes. Posters and fliers can be enlarged copies of the tickets. Tickets will be \$10.00 per adult, with children under 15 free. Mrs. Burry stressed that advertising must begin immediately.

7. On a motion by Mr. Rizzuto and seconded by Mrs. Mitchell, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 2, 2011, at 5:30 PM at Township Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Terry
Secretary