

January 9, 2023 Historical Advisory Committee Meeting

Members Present: Monica Zuba, Carolyn Gant, Dee Simkins, Diane Stockinger, Henry Kobik
Kathryn Saxton-Granato, Carol Coulbourn

Members Absent: Joe Darminio, Frank Pfrommer, Joe Bilinski, Colin McLain

Guest Present: Mike Marsh-Liaison from Twp. Committee

The Historical Advisory committee met at 7:00 p.m. in the History Center.

Members introduced themselves to Mr. Marsh, Liaison from the Township Committee. Heather Flaim is the second Liaison from the Township Committee, but was unable to attend the meeting.

Mr. Marsh noted that it was his first time visiting the History Center and was surprised at the amount of things on display.

Mrs. Coulbourn pointed out several items including the bricks from the Franklinville School that had been located at the site, the school bell, the Indian artifacts located during the construction of Rt. 55 and a complete collection of Delsea Yearbooks.

Mr. Marsh looked up his yearbook and shared his high school picture. Mrs. Gant worked with Mr. Marsh when he was a police officer for the Township and enjoyed a laugh seeing Mr. Marsh with hair.

Members noted how hair styles had changed over the years for both males and females, curly, long, straight, teased, Afros, buzzed and wild colors.

Mrs. Coulbourn informed members of the following scheduled events to date for the Historical Advisory Committee:

- January 24th S. Jersey Historical Round Table Zoom meeting 7:00 p.m.
to discuss proposed plans for the Country's 250th anniversary.
Mrs. Coulbourn will send out the link for the meeting.
- April 22nd Library Book Sale – History Center to be open.
- June 10th South Jersey History Fair at the Gabreil Davies Tavern Museum House
- July & August No meetings
- September 24th Community Day
- October 14th Library Book Sale – History
- December 2nd Christmas at the Center

The History Center is open most Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Closed December 20 & 27.
Mrs. Coulbourn also noted she opens it up upon request by appointment by calling 856-694-0654.

The Railroad Station is open the first Saturday of the month from noon until 3:00 p.m. Closed July, August & September due to the fact it is extremely hot inside the building. Also opens upon request by appointment by calling Carol Coulbourn at 856-694-0654.

Mr. Kobik reported that Bonnie (Manton) Zuccarini, former Township teacher, was visiting from Florida. She presented him with several items related to the time her Father, Albert Manton, worked for the Township. Albert Manton was a former Mayor, Treasurer and Township Administrator and also very involved in local politics for the Republican party. Mr. Kobik passed around photos and news related items. Members reminisced and enjoyed sharing stories as they looked through the items.

Mrs. Coulbourn displayed a Black Knights Football Jacket and shoulder pads donated by Tom Brozosky, a local resident. The Black Knights was a youth football organization whose colors were black and gold. The group would later change the name to the Delsea Knights and the colors would become red and white to match Delsea High School. The change took place sometime in the 1970's.

New business:

Mrs. Granato questioned the number of cemeteries located in the Township. She noted some towns give cemetery tours in October and highlight local former residents buried at the site. She thought it would be an interesting activity for our Historical group to plan.

Members noted that there were cemeteries located at:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Porchtown Methodist Church Malaga Cemetery	Porchtown Rd., Iona
The African Episcopal Church	Fries Mill Rd. & Williamstown Rd.
Buffalo Soldiers Cemetery	Tuckahoe Road & Sheridan Ave.
Lake Cemetery	Lake Rd.
Piney Hollow Methodist Church Cemetery	Dutch Mill Rd. & Piney Hollow Rd.
Plainville Methodist Church Cemetery	Tuckahoe Rd.
Pieta Cemetery	Villa Rosello
Janvier Cemetery	Coles Mill Rd.
All Saints Cemetery	Tuckahoe Rd. & Lake Rd.
Malaga Cemetery	entrance off of Delsea Dr. across from 303 Dollar Store

Joan Wokeck former employee of the local Tax Assessor's Office, will be contacted to make sure we didn't miss any cemeteries.

Mrs. Stockinger asked what year she was appointed to the Historical Committee.

Mrs. Coulbourn stated she would check back in the records and let her know.

The next meeting was scheduled for February 6, 2023.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Coulbourn