

## **German Settlement History, Inc** **July 31, 2005 Board Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by President Michael Meier.

Present were Marilyn Erickson, Karen Johnson, Luann Lind, Maryalice McHugh, Dawn Meier, Gene Meier, Marvin Meier, Michael Meier, Ron Meier, Toni Meier. Tuffy Marheine and Patricia Mueller were absent and excused.

The minutes of the May 1, 2005 meeting were approved.

The Treasurer's report was approved with the correction of some spelling errors.

Oral/video history: Ed Scheller interviewed his father Max Scheller and he taped himself reading a history that Max wrote. Dawn and Pam tried to video tape at the Town hall on Memorial Day but there was too much interference from wind and noise. Kathy did do some audio recording that day.

The Barn Dance was a great success. Everyone had a lot of fun and \$300 was donated to GSHI. Luann and Darrel are willing to make this an annual event and the DJ's would like to come back also. The Sunday night of Memorial Day weekend worked well, so it was decided that we would hold the next Barn Dance on Sunday night of Memorial Day weekend 2006.

Gene suggested and it was approved to send Roger and Nancy Crager \$250 toward CD replacement after their accident.

A committee will be set up in the spring to help Luann and Darrel work on the Barn Dance. They will work with the suggestions about refreshments and incorporating some other group dance ideas, such as the Flying Dutchman, Bunny Hop etc., since the Macarena was so much fun.

It was decided that the Yesterday House Open House would be held Labor Day weekend from 1-5 on Sunday and on Monday 10-5. Dawn will take care of signage for the old site and new site. Refreshments will be drinks and board donated cookies. Karen will take care of refreshments on Sunday and Marilyn will take care of them on Monday. Marilyn will do the advertising in the community. The Yesterday House to do list includes cleaning floors, walls, ceilings, windows, filling and caulking holes, replacing mop boards and placing the loom and a few other artifacts back in the building. Luann will get the aluminum flashing that needs to be put under the mop boards. We will all work on the to do list as we have time in August.

Toni will order the covers so we can bind some of the unbound "Never Miss a Sunset" books in time for sale at the Open House. Kathy has sent some post cards with German Settlement scenes for sale.

The Board thanked LaVonne for installing the locks in the doors of the Yesterday House and volunteering to repair the broken stove top.

Board members will receive a key to a lockbox that will have the large Yesterday House key in it. In the mean time Luann, Ron and the Schoolhouse have Yesterday House keys. A note will be posted on the Yesterday House with information on how to contact Luann or Ron if Toni and

Michael are gone from the Schoolhouse. Michael will look for a lockbox.

Toni with Ron's help watering is still working on the flower beds.

Luann will set up a booth for GSHI at the Spirit Fair. Marvin will have 100 more brochures printed before the fair.

Ron told us that Dixie Zastrow will be at the schoolhouse on August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 PM to interview some of the board members about the German Settlement. She is doing a series of articles to promote the Tomahawk Historical Societies October Fest on October 22, 2005.

Ron and LaVonne told us about the progress with the double arch stone bridge. LaVonne and Mike Riegert have gotten the stones on both sides of the bridge painted white and numbered. The demolishing crew will set them aside. It is hoped that the Town will set aside a park for the bridge to be reassemble at as a memorial.

GSHI wants to go on record as recommending that a memorial park be established so that the double arch stone bridge can be reassembled and preserved as a memorial.

Marcie reminded us of the Knox Creek History Center's "Country Afternoon" event to be held on September 10<sup>th</sup> from 1 - 4 and she left us a flyer.

It was mentioned that the passing of Alice Garlow, Bertha Hollifield and Johnny Siroin be put in the next Liberty School News.

Luann asked that we all bring a picture of ourselves or have her take one at our next meeting which will be 2:00 PM, January 15, 2006 at the schoolhouse.