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Historical Society Working on Community Projects

By Ed De Gennaro, MPHS President

We've been busy:

From my point of view, there is always something going on with the Historical Society. There is no time to get bored. Since July, we attended National Night Out (hosted by The William Floyd Community Summit at the Library), The Nautical Sea-Fest and the Autumn Fright-Fest (hosted by the Cultural Arts Guild of Mastic Beach), The Harvest Festival (hosted by Pattersquash Creek Civic Association), and the Blue Claw Crab Festival (hosted by the MBPOA).

Some of us attended a lecture and book signing by our friend and local author Ken Spooner, and we toured the Havens House in east Moriches, courtesy of Burt Siedes of the Moriches Bay Historical Society. Gary and I also attended the Tri-Hamlet Beautification Program started by Legislator Kate Browning. It's a worthwhile project to improve our community.

Other projects still in works, are the Floyd-Murray-Petty House issue, where I met with Senator Zelden to find out why the house was never turned over to the Town of Brookhaven as was proposed. Also in works is an attempt by the MPHS and Mastic Park Civic Association to take stewardship of some property which includes a two story house (to be shared by the two groups as a headquarters), and open space to create a much needed park in Mastic.

Our oral history program is gaining momentum, as we now have a video camera, and a list of people anxious to talk to us. We picked up about six new members in the last couple of months, with more joining this month.

So, the Historical Society is on the move, hopefully with many more interesting projects and events to come in the future.

Ed



Art of Katherine Floyd Dana on display at Cultural Arts Center

By Mike Lubrano

Enlarged, full-color, hand-painted reproductions of ten samples of the artwork of Katherine Floyd Dana (Great-Granddaughter of William Floyd) were commissioned by the Historical Society through a grant sponsored by County Legislator Kate Browning. The reproductions were created by a local artist, and were donated to the Village of Mastic Beach by MPHS. Three of the works are currently on display at the Cultural Arts Center on Neighborhood Road as part of a standing exhibit of works by local artists.



Committee Reports

Collections Committee - Allison McGovern: Please contact the Historical Society if you have any documents, photos or artifacts that you would like to donate.

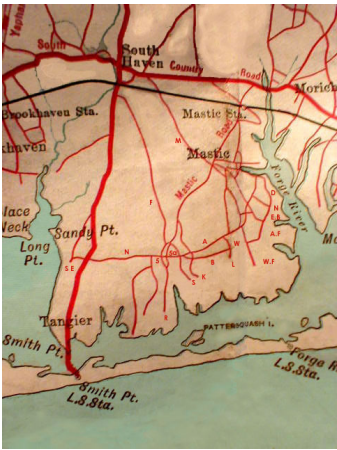
Publications Committee - Mike Lubrano: Check out our photo gallery on FaceBook. Check out our new history timeline, plus newsletters, membership applications, etc. on our website at www.mphistorical.org. The first two volumes of our local history booklets are now available. We are working on a new and improved history timeline for our website.

Program Committee - Mike Lubrano: The Historical Society participated in the Nautical Sea-Fest, CAG Fall Art Show, PCCA Harvest Festival and the Village Fright Fest. Visitors to our booth were able to flip through some of the Society's archive books and ask questions about local history. Murals reproducing the artwork of Katherine Floyd Dana (donated to the Village by MPHS) were on display at the Cultural Arts Center. Also, our committee chair, Mike, has been serving as a member of the Tri-Hamlet Renaissance Project Marketing Committee. Tri-Hamlet Community Day 2013 was a huge success and many people stopped by to do tombstone

rubbings at the Nathaniel Woodhull Cemetery on Neighborhood Road. The committee is hard at work planning Tri-Hamlet Community Day 2014, which is set for June 7, 2014.

Membership Committee - Rich Oldham: The membership committee has been active on several fronts. Flyers have been placed on community bulletin boards in several places in the community, supermarkets and the library. Applications have been handed out at events where we have had a display table. Announcements have been placed in the news media, Tri-Hamlet News and their Facebook page, as well as in The Long Island Advance. We have our own Facebook page, where membership has been encouraged, also on our website. Since June of this year, we have had six new members join our organization. There have been applications given out that we have had no response to as of this time. There are 35 paid up members at this time.

Fundraising Committee - The fundraising committee is currently seeking a new chairperson. We are planning another yard sale in October. The donation button on our website and on Facebook has not been very successful up to now.



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Application for Membership

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NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS: (Street) _____
(City) _____
(State) _____ (Zip) _____

PHONE: (Area Code) _____ (Number) _____

EMAIL: _____

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP REQUESTED (Please Check One)

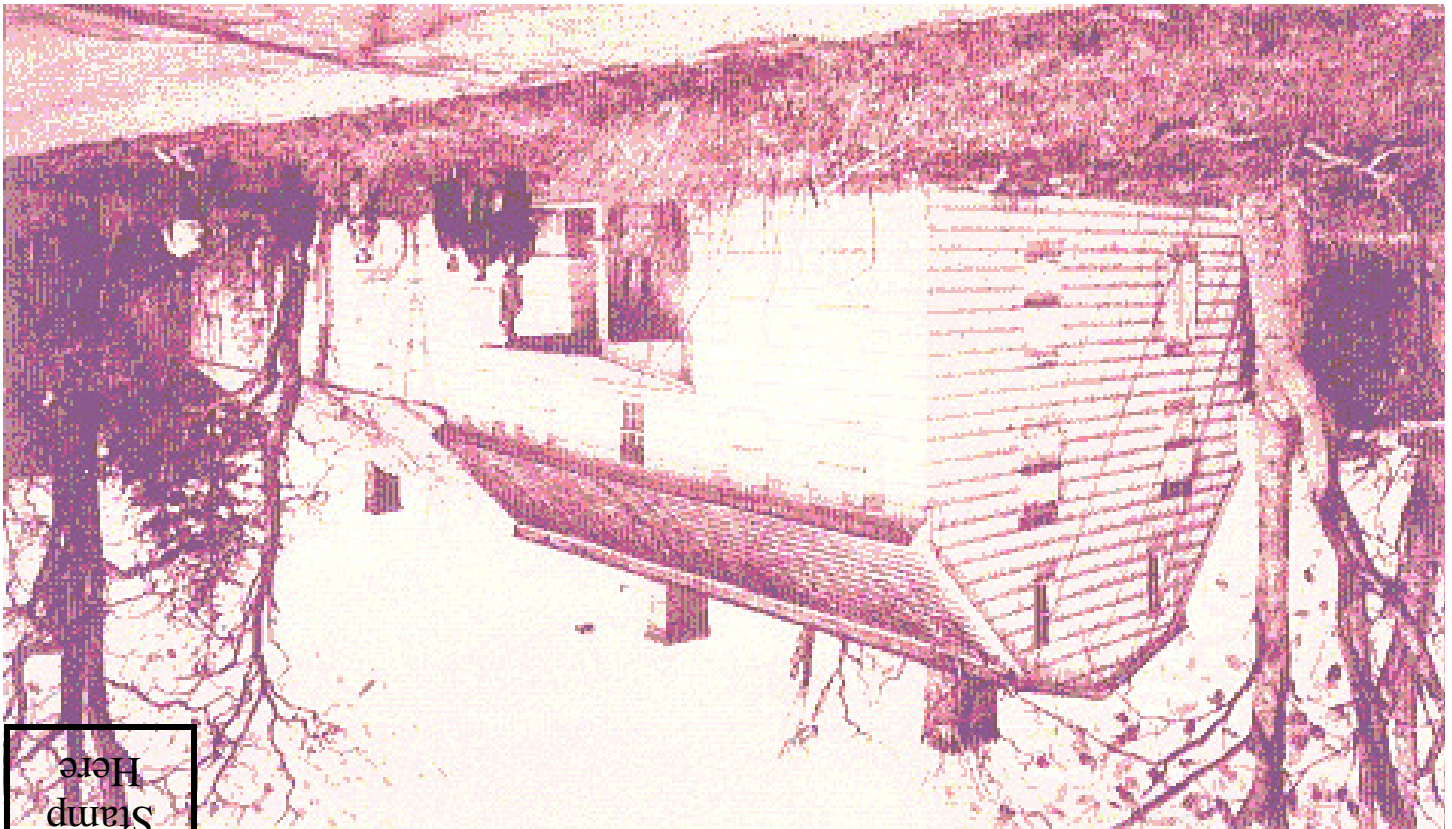
- Standard Adult member \$20.00
- Senior Adult Member (62 or over) \$10.00
- Institutional Member - Representative _____ \$50.00
- Life Membership \$150.00

Please submit this application and a check for the appropriate fee to a board member or mail to:

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2013 Meeting Schedule

October 16	Monthly Meeting
November 20	Monthly Meeting
December 18	Monthly Meeting

2014 Meeting Schedule

January 15	Annual Dues Collection
February 19	Monthly Meeting
March 19	Monthly Meeting
April 16	Officer/Trustee Nominations
May 21	Annual Elections
June 18	Monthly Meeting

Additional 2014 meetings to be announced

Regular monthly meetings are held at the Mastic Fire Dept. unless otherwise noted.

Meetings begin at 7:30PM EST

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