

Minutes of the Herndon Historical Society Meeting
Wednesday 24 September 2014
Herndon Depot
Herndon, Virginia

Business Meeting: The meeting was called to order by President Charlie Waddell with 13 people in attendance. Minutes from the 28 May 2014 meeting were read and approved with corrections.

Treasurers Report: The Treasurer's report was given; checking account balance: \$3,749.13. Two donations to the HHS of \$90 each were received in honor of Alma Mankin's 90th birthday. The donations were from Alma's sisters; Virginia Moffett Bernstorf and Beverly Moffett Landymore. Thank you notes will be sent to each of them. The balance of HHS investments as of 30 June 2014 was \$5,164.39.

Old Business: President Waddell thanked the many volunteers who have given so generously of their time to serve as docents at the Depot on Sunday afternoons. The Depot and Caboose will be kept open from 10AM – 5PM on Saturday, 13 December 2014, and 11AM – 4PM on Sunday, 14 December 2014, in conjunction with the Model Train Show. Repairs and painting to the Depot were completed after the Herndon Festival.

President Waddell reported no real progress has been made on the Coleman Cemetery. Charlie had received an email from a Coleman relative, Kathy Wilson, residing in Alabama. Ms. Wilson was hoping to identify Coleman relatives living in MD. These relatives are descendants of the folks buried in the Coleman Cemetery and they could pursue a claim to the cemetery thru the Town of Herndon. Carol Bruce reminded HHS that Richard Kaufmann, Town of Herndon Attorney, is planning to retire in 2015. It is in the public interest to preserve this family cemetery.

New Business: Beverly Harris, President of the Herndon Fortnightly Club, presented a copy of the booklet, *The Herndon Fortnightly Club 1889-2014 A HISTORY* to the Herndon Historical Society.

Photos of the past Mayors of Herndon has been donated to Herndon Historical Society.

Announcements: President Waddell provided information about a workshop the Virginia Department of Historic Resources will be giving on Civil War Battlefields Preservation and Stewardship 23-24 October 2014 in Petersburg, VA.

Nancy Rose, Director of Herndon Community Television (HCTV), announced HCTV is doing a series titled, Herndon Voices, and would be interested in doing segments with members of the Herndon Historical Society.

Program: Eric Buckland presented the program on Mosby's Men. Eric is the noted author of several books on the men of the 43rd Battalion of Virginia Cavalry; Col. John Mosby's Rangers. Mosby's Rangers were one of the more famous (notorious?) units of the Confederate Army during the Civil War. This unit did not formally surrender at the conclusion of the war and many of the members of the 43rd Va Cavalry went on to successful and interesting careers after the war. Mr. Buckland maintains a web site: www.mobyheritagearea.org. Copies of Mr. Buckland's books were available for purchase after the meeting.

After the meeting, Melissa Highley gave a presentation on Facebook of Herndon History. Most of the HHS members have NOT been able to access the presentation. Melissa also demonstrated software which would automate signing up to volunteer at the Depot.

The next HHS meeting will be held, Wednesday, 28 January 2015 at 7:30 PM at the Depot.