

Archives Minutes September 8, 2021

Via **Zoom conference** and attendance at the Museum due to Covid-19 Stay at home and social distancing

**Attendance:**

**Arden: Lisa Mullinax; chair, Sadie Somerville; secretary, Barbara Macklem, Maria Burslem, Elaine Hickey**

**Ardentown: Allan Kleban, Melissa Parsonson, Beverly Hawkins**

**Ardencroft: Mary Brent Whipple**

**Robin MacDonald; volunteer, Liz Jones-Minsinger ,Volunteer, Vicki Scott; Volunteer**

**Note: bold** names met on Zoom

Barbara read a lovely Thank you note from the kids at **ACRA who visited the Museum** this summer. She thanked Beverly and Mary Brent for their help with the groups that came (30 in total)

**The 113 th Arden Fair** was held on September 4 and all went well. The museum was closed for remodeling but had flyers with museum information available at the Information booth at the fair.

The Arden Fair T shirts we had for sale have been returned to the Arden Club for the Arden Fair this year. The T-shirt booth sold a lot of them!

**Arden Craft Shop Museum is closed for remodeling.**

In August, a sprinkler head in the apartment above the Museum malfunctioned, water moved into parts of the Museum. Fortunately, our curator and several volunteers were at the Museum and acted quickly to remove items in the collection out of danger. Thanks to their efforts, and that of other volunteers who arrived quickly to help, the entire collection is undamaged, safe and secure.

After this recent water issue caused damages to the walls ceiling and carpet we have to make up two **new emergency recovery kits**. Elaine volunteered to take on coordinating the list of what we need for the kits and who is donating items. She will work with Abby, Allan and Maria

**Update on the remodeling:** Jamie the house manager and is a ACSM board member is in charge of maintenance of the Craft Shop building. He met with the Adjusters two weeks ago and got the estimates to our insurance co. The insurance Co now has to get back to us with the claim amount. Prices, material and availability may affect the restoration.

**Our Annual Giving campaign** usually kicks off the opening of our annual exhibition. This year we may need to postpone the exhibition until the museum is ready to reopen. The Annual Giving letter will not have the date for the exhibition opening but will say when ready we will send out a postcard for the new opening date.

When might that be? We talked about various dates which see to be already filled on the calendar with other events.

**Work Day;** to fold stuff label and stamp the Annual Giving Letters to go out in the mail the first of October.

We will also need help to remove files from the two huge 1000 lbs file cabinets in the front gallery, so that the new flooring can be laid under them

**Abby Curator report:**

Art and Designs for the Arden Fair T-shirts by Rachael Brown and her sister. They ran the t-shirt booth for 10-12 years at the Fair. contemporary artists. Accepted

Leander Leitner paintings are now in the collection - accepted at our last meeting

A painting by Joan Zylkin of Bovard-Harcourt wedding (1996)

to de-accession back to the donor/artist Joan Zylkin. 2011.002.080 OK agreed to de-accession

Maria will get deed of gift back from David Burslem

Sadie will get Deed of gift for Forest patches from Forest committee Jill Althouse- Wood

The Snowman painting, which Maria remembers hanging at the Arden school when she was a child, will be in the new exhibition. It has been repaired and reframed.