

**Heritage Network Meeting Minutes  
September 15, 2008**

**I. Call to Order**

President De Pelan called the meeting to order at the Colville Learning Center at 9:30 a.m. Meeting began with introduction of Jeanne Law, artistic director for the Cutter Theater.

**II. Roll Call and Minutes**

Board members present: De Pelan, Janet Thomas, Kathy Berrigan, Susan Dechant, Joe Barreca, Jackie Franks, Bill Sebright, Karen Meyer, Scott Hirsch, Dianne Eppler, Ted Eppler, Joan Nullet. Members and guests present: Elaine Clough, Grady Knight, Harold Ingram, Erica Breien, Glendine Leonard

**Minutes:** Karen made a motion to accept the August minutes as corrected, seconded by Bill; motion passed.

**Correspondence:** A thank you card was received from Lorinda Travis, who is slowly improving.

**III. Treasurer's Report**

Susan's printed report of the last month's HN cash flow and account balances as of 9/15/08 shows income for the past month of \$2,796.17 including one new \$20 membership and \$1,700 from the Libraries of Stevens County and \$1,076.17 from Lake Roosevelt NRA, the latter two for Elaine's services. Total expenses for the past month came to \$110, including \$69 for advertising, \$26.97 for credit card processing and \$14.03 telephone. Total of all accounts was \$4,905.95 with no change in the Prestini fund. Treasurer's report initialed by president for secretary's records. Susan, now back from traveling, will check on credit card fees and alternatives for non-profits. No certification charge yet.

**IV. Committee Reports**

**Publicity:** De and Loyce are working on a newsletter to put on the Website. Joe said the Fair booth was in an out-of-the-way location. Something entertaining or interactive, or a drawing would better than a static display. It might be worth trying to share a booth with another related group, such as Genealogical Society.

Tourism coordinator Erica Breien's home/office phone number is (509) 684-5915 and Web address: [newatourism@Colville.com](mailto:newatourism@Colville.com). Links can be added to THN and to individual museums. Photos and blurbs can be added.

**Mud maps:** Money came in to produce 100,000 free maps, 11 x 17 inches, on a tear-off pad or foldable. Colors will be lighter this time around. It is important that people not confuse the name "mud map" with 4-wheeling in mud.

**Preserve America:** Joe took pictures of some local museum signs for figuring out placement of additional signs for Preserve America. Most museums are not on County roads but State highways. In the process he noted where improvements in signage could be made to benefit particular museums.

**Columbia Crossroads Grant:** Joe is to talk to more people and have the grant written before the end-of-November deadline.

**Prestini project:** Glendine reported that the committee is still looking for more information. A good starting point will be the "Attic Show" of all 67 of Prestini's pieces. Comments on Prestini's work by art critics, teachers and students would be of interest and could be recorded on video. In planning for the exhibition of Prestini's artwork, arrange months in advance with the MAC for a smaller exhibition to precede the complete showing of his work in Colville.

Another development of considerable impact is the result of Grady's appeal to *the Spokesman-Review* for financial support for the video he is making for KSPS. In exchange for *the Spokesman-Review's* name to appear as a sponsor of the video, the newspaper would pay for the editing and getting the program on KSPS. (Grady has not yet asked for such support for the book to be published on Leno.)

**Service Learning Project:** Elaine's report: Progress is being made with WSU students in a writing class to do research for store histories. Some buildings on the list: the Apple Warehouse in KF, RE Lee's, AIA Insurance (formerly Fonks), Park Place. Determine space requirements. A sign on each building would call attention to the heritage display inside. These would be permanent displays and could be prototypes for other towns.

**Rural Heritage Digitizing Project:** Elaine reported that Hunters and Northport images were mixed and need to be re-sorted. 75 images have been scanned so far with more to be added. There is more work to invoice the grant for. Getting the photos done gives them the right to put their photos on our Website. Elaine is still working on doing Onion Creek School once she gets a teacher response.

## V. Open Issues

**Community Server:** The program is being under-used by members. Plan time in the computer lab for those who want to learn how to use this resource. Training sessions are needed for organization members as well as the public. This could be done after a regular meeting (or during). Bring pictures in digital file. Could meet in December at the college if available, or hold meeting at the Learning Center or Park Place and then go to the community college. Arrangements would need to be made to get us on the schedule. The question came up: Are photos backed up by the community server? There is a back-up on the data base, according to Scott.

**Save the Pictures Workshop Sept. 20:** 29 have signed up for the workshop, and we'll put together 40 folders and have food for 50 participants, instructors and helpers. Helpers can come at 8 a.m. Check with Heather's Bakery on quiche. Plan on a fruit tray, muffins/rolls, a veggie tray, possibly cheese/meat depending on cost. We can bring cookies, too. Let Elaine know who needs tables. THN should cover the cost of gas for presenters. Some presenters will get an honorarium if this work not part of their job. The original photo restoration person will not be available, so we'll try to get a last-minute replacement. In the folders we can place any event flyers for member organizations.

**Hunters Museum:** Dianne and Ted say that the Hunters Museum will probably close due to a lack of money and people to run it. A decision will be made soon. As a non-profit, upon dissolving, it is obligated to transfer its items to other non-profits.

**History Dollar:** Joe recounted the story of an arrogant leader bringing a boat in at Astoria who was undone by his self-defeating strategy with the Native Americans.

**Next meeting Monday, October 20 at Loon Lake Historical Society at 9:30.** Elaine may demonstrate the camera she has been using for the digitizing project. She will bring job qualifications/requirements for VISTA persons. Remember that the goals can be redone (can go up to 3 years on a project with a monthly stipend). Meet at Springdale Senior Center on November 17. Meeting adjourned.

*Recorded by secretary Kathy Berrigan*

