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FALL AND EARLY WINTER ACTIVITIES

SEPTEMBER 8, 7:30, DEWEY HALL

THE EXPERIENCE OF THE 250TH CELEBRATION OF TYRINGHAM WILL BE SHARED BY FOURTEEN OF OUR MEMBERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THEIR RECENT PARADE. (DID YOU CATCH THE PICTURE OF ROGER DRURY IN HIS OUTFIT, WHICH ACCOMPANIED A FRONT PAGE ARTICLE IN THE SUNDAY SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN?) EIGHTY-SEVEN YEAR OLD ARNOLD HALE, WHO SERVED AS GRAND MARSHALL AND ALICE HALE, FORMER TOWN CLERK AND ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE TYRINGHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY WILL BE OUR SPECIAL GUESTS. THE HALES ARE A FOUNDING FAMILY OF TYRINGHAM. PICTURES OF THE PARADE AND A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE TOWN WILL BE PART OF THE PROGRAM.

OCTOBER 13, 7:30, DEWEY HALL

JUNE SPRIGG, AUTHOR AND CURATOR OF COLLECTIONS AT HANCOCK SHAKER VILLAGE WILL DISCUSS THE SHAKER COLLECTION AND SHOW SLIDES AS PART OF HER PRESENTATION.

OCTOBER 29, 12:00 AND 1:30, AMERICAN LEGION

OUR ANNUAL TURKEY DINNER WILL BE HELD AT THE AMERICAN LEGION BUILDING ON ROUTE 7. SITTINGS WILL AGAIN BE AT NOON AND 1:30. THIS IS AN EXTREMELY POPULAR EVENT. BE READY TO BE CALLED ON TO HELP. MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS BY CALLING 229-2569. PROCEEDS FROM THIS EVENT FUND THE SOCIETY'S EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR AREA YOUNG PEOPLE.

NOVEMBER 10, 7:30, DEWEY HALL

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING. WHAT PROMISES TO BE AN UNUSUAL PRESENTATION IS STILL BEING PLANNED. WATCH FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

DECEMBER 8, 6:30, DEWEY HALL

OUR ANNUAL HOLIDAY AFFAIR WILL BE ORGANIZED BY VIRGINIA DRURY, WHO HAS AGREED TO REVIVE OUR HOLIDAY DINNER. SPECIAL MUSIC WILL BE PROVIDED. BRING YOUR OWN PLACE SETTING.

DECEMBER 10, 3:00 TO 6:00, D.R.H.  
ANNUAL HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE.

JANUARY 12, 7:30, DEWEY HALL  
MILTON BARNUM HAS ONCE AGAIN AGREED TO MC OUR POPULAR  
JANUARY REGULAR "SHOW AND TELL"--"WHAT'S IT" PROGRAM. START  
SEARCHING FOR A STUMPER.

#### COMMITTEE TO RECOMMEND BY-LAW REVISIONS

ROGER DRURY AND CATHERINE MILLER HAVE AGREED TO UNDERTAKE THE TASK OF COLLECTING AND WORKING WITH CHANGES IN THE SOCIETY BY-LAWS THAT ARE RECOMMENDED BY THE MEMBERSHIP. WHEN DID YOU LAST SEE THE BY-LAWS, AND WHAT'S IN THEM? WONDER NO LONGER. WE WANT EVERY MEMBER TO BE A PART OF THIS REVISION PROCESS, SO A COPY OF THE BY-LAWS IS INCLUDED FOR YOUR READING. AFTER CAREFUL CONSIDERATION, MAKE YOUR IDEAS KNOWN TO THE COMMITTEE, OR TO A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. ALL OF YOU SHOULD KNOW WHAT OUR BASIC GUIDELINES ARE AND BE A PART OF ANY CHANGES.

#### SHEFFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

1. PURPOSE. THE SHEFFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC. IS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, DESIGNED TO FOSTER INTEREST IN THE HISTORY OF THE TOWN OF SHEFFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS, AND THE REGION OF WHICH IT IS A PART, AND IN RELATED EDUCATIONAL, CHARITABLE, AND ANTIQUARIAN PURPOSES APPROVED BY THE MEMBERS OR THEIR BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
2. MEMBERSHIP IS OPEN TO ANY PERSON INTERESTED IN THE PURPOSES AND ACTIVITIES OF THE SOCIETY, UPON PAYMENT OF INDIVIDUAL OR JOINT DUES, THE AMOUNT OF WHICH WILL BE SET BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES (SEC. 4-E). A LIFE MEMBERSHIP DONATION, IN AN AMOUNT DETERMINED BY THE BOARD, WILL EXEMPT THE DONOR FROM PAYMENT OF ANNUAL DUES.
3. MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY WILL BE ON THE SECOND FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH, FROM SEPTEMBER THROUGH JUNE. ONLY MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE, AND TWENTY-FIVE (25) SUCH MEMBERS WILL CONSTITUTE A QUORUM.
  - A. THE ANNUAL MEETING WILL BE THE JUNE MEETING. THE SOCIETY WILL RECEIVE ANNUAL REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES, AND VOTE ON MATTERS OF GENERAL POLICY PREVIOUSLY PROPOSED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OR THE MEMBERSHIP. AFTER HEARING THE REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE (SEC. 7) AND ACCEPTING FURTHER NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR, THE SOCIETY WILL ELECT OFFICERS, TO SERVE FOR THREE (3) YEARS, AS FOLLOWS: IN YEAR A, THE PRESIDENT AND TWO TRUSTEES; IN YEAR B, THE VICE-PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, AND ONE TRUSTEE; IN YEAR C, THE TREASURER AND TWO TRUSTEES. THE SOCIETY WILL ALSO ELECT OFFICERS TO FINISH OUT TERMS IN OFFICES VACATED DURING THE YEAR.

- B. SPECIAL MEETINGS MAY BE CALLED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, EITHER AT THE PRESIDENT'S DIRECTION OR UPON PETITION TO THE BOARD BY TEN (10) MEMBERS, PROVIDED SEVEN (7) DAYS NOTICE IS GIVEN THE MEMBERS.
4. ELECTED OFFICERS; THE PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, TREASURER, AND TRUSTEES SHALL BE ELECTED AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 3-A, AND MAY NOT SERVE TWO TERMS CONSECUTIVELY IN THE SAME OFFICE.
- A. THE PRESIDENT SHALL PRESIDE AT ALL MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES; HAVE EXECUTIVE SUPERVISION OVER THE SOCIETY'S ACTIVITIES; APPOINT ANY COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN WHOSE APPOINTMENTS ARE NOT MADE UNDER THESE BY-LAWS, BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES; AND BE AN EX OFFICIO MEMBER OF ALL COMMITTEES.
- B. THE VICE-PRESIDENT SHALL ASSUME THE DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT IN THE EVENT OF THE LATTER'S ABSENCE, INCAPACITY, OR RESIGNATION; AND SHALL ACT AS CHAIRMAN OF ANY PROGRAM COMMITTEE AND APPOINT ITS MEMBERS.
- C. THE SECRETARY SHALL KEEP MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES; MAINTAIN A CURRENT LIST OF MEMBERS; CONDUCT THE SOCIETY'S CORRESPONDENCE; AND PERFORM THE CORPORATE FUNCTION OF CLERK.
- D. THE TREASURER SHALL COLLECT ANNUAL DUES, DEPOSITING THESE AND ALL OTHER FUNDS DESIGNATED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AS OPERATING FUNDS, IN THE NAME OF THE SOCIETY, IN A RELIABLE BANK; SEE THAT MEMBERS ARE NOTIFIED WHEN DUES ARE PAYABLE; PAY BILLS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT; AND PRESIDE AT MEETINGS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.
- E. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES SHALL CONSIST OF NINE (9) MEMBERS INCLUDING THE SOCIETY'S PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, AND TREASURER. THE INVESTMENT MANAGER AND CURATOR (SEC. 6-A AND 6-B) SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE BOARD AND SHALL MEET WITH IT WHEN REQUESTED, HAVING A VOICE BUT NO VOTE IN THE BOARD'S DECISIONS. THE BOARD SHALL MEET AT THE CALL OF THE PRESIDENT, AS OFTEN AS NEEDED TO CONDUCT ALL AFFAIRS OF THE SOCIETY WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP APPROVAL, OR WHICH CANNOT BE ACTED UPON AT A MEETING OF THE SOCIETY; FILL ANY VACANCIES IN OFFICE UNTIL THE NEXT ANNUAL MEETING; APPOINT THE CHAIRMEN OF STANDING COMMITTEES, AND HEAR AND ACT ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THOSE COMMITTEES; ARRANGE FOR ANNUAL AUDITS OF THE SOCIETY'S BOOKS; AND SET A SCHEDULE OF MEMBERSHIP DUES AND LIFE MEMBERSHIP. SPECIAL MEETINGS OF THE BOARD MAY BE CALLED AT THE REQUEST OF FOUR (4) TRUSTEES. A QUORUM SHALL BE FIVE (5) TRUSTEES.
5. SUCCESSION TO THE PRESIDENCY. IN CASE OF THE CONTINUED ABSENCE OR INCAPACITY, OR THE RESIGNATION, OF BOTH THE PRESIDENT AND THE VICE-PRESIDENT, THE SECRETARY, OR IN HIS ABSENCE, THE TREASURER, SHALL CALL A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO ELECT AN ACTING PRESIDENT, TO SERVE UNTIL THE RETURN TO DUTY OF THE PRESIDENT OR VICE-PRESIDENT, OR UNTIL

THE NEXT ANNUAL MEETING.

6. APPOINTED OFFICERS. AN INVESTMENT MANAGER AND A CURATOR, WHO MAY NOT ALSO BE ELECTED OFFICERS, SHALL BE APPOINTED OR REAPPOINTED ANNUALLY BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.
  - A. THE INVESTMENT MANAGER SHALL HAVE CARE OF THE SOCIETY'S CAPITAL FUNDS, INVESTING THEM ACCORDING TO POLICIES APPROVED BY THE BOARD; MAINTAIN DETAILED ACCOUNTS OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST; AND RENDER A MONTHLY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT TO THE PRESIDENT AND AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE SOCIETY. CHECKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500 OR MORE, DRAWN ON ANY CAPITAL FUND ACCOUNT SHALL BE COUNTERSIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT OR VICE-PRESIDENT.
  - B. THE CURATOR SHALL HAVE CHARGE OF THE SAFEKEEPING, PRESERVATION, AND EXHIBIT OF ALL MOVABLE ANTIQUITIES OWNED BY, OR ON LOAN TO, THE SOCIETY; AND SHALL KEEP A RECORD OF ACQUISITIONS, OF OBJECTS LOANED TO OR BY THE SOCIETY, AND OF PROPERTY DONATED OR SOLD. THE CURATOR SHALL REPORT AT LEAST ANNUALLY TO THE MEMBERSHIP.
  
7. A NOMINATING COMMITTEE OF THREE SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT AT THE MAY MEETING, AND SHALL BE FURNISHED AT THAT TIME WITH A LIST OF OFFICES DUE TO BECOME VACANT IN JUNE ACCORDING TO THE ROTATION DESCRIBED IN SECTION 3-A (BEGINNING WITH "YEAR C" IN 1983), AND ANY OTHER OFFICES WHICH HAVE FALLEN VACANT DURING THE CURRENT YEAR. THE COMMITTEE SHALL BRING A COMPLETE SLATE OF NOMINEES FOR THESE OFFICES TO THE ANNUAL MEETING IN JUNE.
  
8. STANDING COMMITTEES.
  - A. FINANCE. THE TREASURER SHALL BE CHAIRMAN OF A FIVE-MEMBER FINANCE COMMITTEE, TO RECOMMEND FINANCIAL POLICY TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. THE INVESTMENT MANAGER SHALL BE A MEMBER OF THIS COMMITTEE, AND THE REMAINING THREE MEMBERS SHALL BE APPOINTED, ONE BY THE PRESIDENT AND TWO BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.
  - B. A DAN RAYMOND HOUSE COMMITTEE OF SEVEN MEMBERS WILL ARRANGE FOR SPECIAL EXHIBITS AND FUNCTIONS AT THE SOCIETY'S HEADQUARTERS; AND OVERSEE THE MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE GROUNDS, AND OF THE BUILDINGS EXCLUSIVE OF THEIR CONTENTS. THE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, APPOINTED OR REAPPOINTED ANNUALLY BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, WILL SELECT SIX ADDITIONAL MEMBERS, ONE OF WHOM SHALL BE THE CURATOR.
  - C. AN ACCESSIONS COMMITTEE OF FIVE MEMBERS SHALL ADMINISTER THE ACCESSIONS POLICY APPROVED BY THE SOCIETY. THE COMMITTEE SHALL INCLUDE THE CURATOR, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SOCIETY, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE DAN RAYMOND HOUSE COMMITTEE AND TWO MEMBERS AT LARGE APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND SHALL ELECT ITS OWN CHAIRMAN.

9. ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER SHALL BE THE BASIS OF PROCEDURE AT ALL MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY AND ITS BOARD OF TRUSTEES.
10. IF THE SOCIETY SHALL BE DISSOLVED BY ITS OWN ACTION OR ANY LEGAL PROCEDURE, ALL ASSETS THEN IN ITS POSSESSION, AFTER SATISFACTION OF ALL OBLIGATIONS, SHALL BE TRANSFERRED OR PAID OVER TO ONE OR MORE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WHICH THEN APPEAR BEST ABLE TO CARRY FORWARD THE AIMS AND PROGRAMS OF THE SHEFFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY, AND WHICH QUALIFY UNDER SECTION 501(C)3 OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1954 AND AMENDMENTS THERETO. IF, AFTER REASONABLE DELIBERATION, THE SOCIETY IS UNABLE TO REACH MAJORITY AGREEMENT UPON SUCH BENEFICIARY OR BENEFICIARIES, THEN ALL SUCH ASSETS SHALL BE TRANSFERRED AND/OR PAID OVER TO THE TOWN OF SHEFFIELD.
11. AMENDMENTS TO THESE BY-LAWS WILL TAKE EFFECT IF APPROVED BY TWO THIRDS OF THOSE MEMBERS PRESENT AND VOTING AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SOCIETY. THE TEXT OF A PROPOSED AMENDMENT MUST BE MAILED TO ALL MEMBERS AT LEAST FOURTEEN (14) DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AT WHICH A VOTE THEREON WILL BE TAKEN.

#### OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR 1989-90

PRESIDENT, JAMES MILLER  
 VICE PRESIDENT, VACANT  
 SECRETARY, NANCY LECAKIS  
 TREASURER, MORTON LEVIN

TRUSTEES, CHRISTOPHER COENEN, JOAN SAWYER, MARION WHITMAN,  
 VIRGINIA DRURY, SANDIE CUOCO  
 FINANCE COMMITTEE, MORTON LEVIN (TREASURER) CHM., CARL SCHUMANN  
 (INVESTMENT MANAGER), ROGER DRURY, JOHN  
 CARMICHAEL, NEAL HARDY

CURATOR, VIRGINIA MOSKOWITZ  
 DAN RAYMOND HOUSE, PENNY BROWNE, CHM.  
 ACCESSIONS, CATHERINE MILLER, CHM.  
 EDUCATION, MARION WHITMAN, CHM.  
 REFRESHMENTS, MARION WILLCOX, CHM.  
 PROGRAM, SALLEE HARDY, CHM.  
 TURKEY DINNER, MILTON BARNUM  
 LIAISON WITH BERKSHIRE SCHOOL, CHRISTOPHER COENEN  
 NEWSLETTER, VACANT  
 BY-LAW REVISION, ROGER DRURY AND CATHERINE MILLER  
 MEMBERSHIP, MARION WHITMAN  
 CHRISTMAS MEETING, VIRGINIA DRURY  
 ANNUAL MEETING, DOROTHY MAROSY

THE VARIOUS CHAIRMEN WILL APPOINT MEMBERS OF THEIR RESPECTIVE COMMITTEES. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A SPECIFIC COMMITTEE, CONTACT THE CHAIRMAN. THERE IS WORK FOR ALL PEOPLE, AT ALL LEVELS OF ACTIVITY.

ARZT AFGHAN ENHANCES EDUCATION FUND

AN AFGHAN, HAND MADE AND DONATED BY SOCIETY MEMBER GRACE ARZT, HAS NETTED \$176.50 TO BE ADDED TO THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE FUND. CHANCES WERE SOLD AT THE SOCIETY'S ANTIQUES SHOW AND DURING THE D.R.H. OPEN HOUSE HELD IN AUGUST, GOOD WORK GRACE, AND "THANK YOU" TO THE MEMBERS WHO GAVE THEIR TIME TOWARD THE SALE OF TICKETS.

VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED

DURING THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WILL BE MAKING MAJOR DECISIONS FOR THE DIRECTION THE SOCIETY WILL TAKE NEXT YEAR. AMONG THOSE DECISIONS WILL BE "IF AND HOW" TO RUN THE ANTIQUES SHOW FOR 1990. A MAJOR PROBLEM WE FACE IS A FOOD CHAIRMAN FOR THE SHOW, A JOB SO ABLY HANDLED BY VIRGINIA DRURY THE PAST FIVE YEARS. SHE HAS RETIRED. ARE THERE ANY VOLUNTEERS OUT THERE?

ANNUAL DUES ARE DUE

PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO SEND IN YOUR DUES IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO. MARION WHITMAN IS THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN, MAIL TO SHEFFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY, MARION WHITMAN, BOX 1733, SHEFFIELD, MA 01257

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