

Final: Friends of the Chalet meeting, Thursday, September 13, 2018 @ 6:30 PM in the boardroom at the New Glarus Village Hall

Attending: Cheryl Bergum, Kim Tschudy, Mary Statz, Sandy Blum, Shaun Dow, Ruth Elmer

Minutes from our July meeting were read and approved with one minor correction.

Old Business: Inventory has progressed, even throughout the summer. We are now down to the breakfast nook in the kitchen! Thank you to Sandy and all who helped her.

Some of our lemon presses are selling.

“Waiting in the Gallery” has been restored and returned. Check it out. It is hung upstairs between the guest bedroom and the child’s room.

PBS’s “Around the Corner,” possibly featuring the Chalet of the Golden Fleece will potentially air in February 2019.

New Business: The New Glarus Wine Walk is fast approaching. It will be held, Thursday evening, October 11. Tickets go on sale on September 14 at <www.eventbrite.com> Participants will register at the Chalet of the Golden Fleece. New Glarus Vision is purchasing the glasses. Denise Anton-Wright is coordinating with Kaye Gmur for this event. We discussed what time to open the museum for browsers, when to begin handing out the glasses and providing door prizes.

Shaun Dow of the New Glarus Village Board attended the first part of the meeting. He is chairman of the Historic Preservation Commission. He has volunteered to help us get up to speed on social media: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram etc. We appreciate this!

Sandy Blum has put together an exhibit with information and items from the Chalet of the Golden Fleece, which is now on display at the Monticello Public Library.

Our revenue is up this year compared to September of 2017. Buses alone have brought in \$986! We have, yet another group coming on October 16.

We will be open both October 6 and 7 for Harvest Fest in New Glarus. We will be charging \$5 admission, as is the Historical Village.

Again, is anyone interested in learning the tour? Unfortunately, Cheryl Bergum announced that she will not be guiding next year. What a loss! She plans to remain involved, and on occasion act as a greeter.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Final: Friends of the Chalet meeting, Thursday, July 12, 2018 @ 6:30 PM in the Boardroom at the New Glarus Village Hall

Attending: Sandy Blum, Kim Tschudy, Shirley Lueschow, Ruth Elmer

Minutes from the May meeting were read and approved.

Old business: Shirley and Ruth have completed the drapes in the guest bedroom. Fabric has been purchased for additional replacement curtains, in the basement and possibly the bathroom.

Inventory is very close to completion! We are presently in the kitchen.

Lemon presses have been purchased and engraved. We are selling these as souvenirs. Mary donated \$120 of her own money for this. Thank you, Mary. A motion was made by Ruth Elmer and seconded by Shirley Lueschow to reimburse Mary for an additional \$138.00, the cost of engraving.

We will be involved with the village's wine walk, later this year. Denise Anton-Wright is working with Kaye Gmur in the organization of this event. So far, fourteen businesses plan to participate.

We are soon to get back three pieces, which have been out for restoration. (See agenda.) Chuck Bauer has graciously volunteered to pay half of the price of restoration and 100% of framing costs. Thank you. This is a wonderful gift.

New business: Revenue is slightly down for June, compared to last year. Foot traffic appears to be up. We attribute this to possibly several buses in June of last year.

PBS's "Around the Corner" visited New Glarus and specifically the Chalet of the Golden Fleece in the past weeks. We will announce when this might air.

There was some discussion as to using the remainder of our Community Grant money.

The guide schedule has been completed for July. Please contact Mary Statz with your availability for August. Several high school volunteers have not yet started, due to being involved in various other activities.

We discussed contacting someone from the Chamber of Commerce, to be a liaison for us, for their events. Since the Village pays the dues, we are members, and feel we are entitled to the benefits.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM.

Final: Friends of the Chalet meeting, May 10, 2018 @ 6:30 PM in the board room at the New Glarus Village Hall.

Final: The Friends of the Chalet Meeting was called to order at 6:35pm on May 10, 2018. Three members were in attendance: Sandy Blum, Cheri Bergum, and Mary Statz. The minutes were approved.

Old Business: The curtains for the upstairs bedroom were noticed. They are to be used as overlays to keep the sun off of the prints in the guest bedroom.

The inventory is close to being done. Noted that we are in the kitchen.

The restoration projects/matching funds project were listed as:

“The Church House at Salisbury, by WW Bosworth. Treatment time: approximately 12-14 weeks upon your approval. Treatment price: \$490.00. (Hangs in the basement above the scarf cabinet)

“Painting in the Gallery”, Treatment time: 12-14 weeks. Treatment price: \$430.00. (Hangs between the guest and children’s bedroom)

“1823 Needlework Sampler” (Barlow family), Treatment Time: approximately 12-14 weeks. Treatment price: \$640.00 (In the guest bedroom)

Chuck Bauer is willing to match our funds in order to pay for restoration.

A Motion was made by Mary S and seconded by Sandy B., to have the “Painting in the Gallery” restored. Our cost would be \$215.00.

Mary S. ordered lemon presses. She is checking on the cost of engraving them at Monroe Engraving. Mary paid for the presses as a gift.

New Business: Grant expenditures of serpent heads, windows, and porch stairs were discussed. The serpent heads are in place except for two. Brian is working with the Postville Blacksmith shop on getting a bucket truck from the Village and a representative from the blacksmith shop to place the final two. Many positive remarks from the Friends and others in the community have been made about the serpent heads. Windows have been completed and look great in the front of the museum. Porch stairs project has been put on hold. There were volunteers, lead by Kim Tschudy, to complete the repairs needed. However, after further investigation, Kim T. determined that more needed to be done in order to complete the project.

Denise and Kaye are leading the Wine Walk, hosted by the Chalet. There are 10 businesses interested at this time. It will be held on Oct. 11th (a Thursday). The cost is \$25 per person. The check-in will be at the Chalet. Each person will be receiving a wine glass and a map.

It was reported that 12 guests came to the Chalet during Memorial Day weekend (Saturday).

Two high school students are interested in volunteering at the Chalet this summer. Mary is in contact with the girls and trying to find time to meet with them.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 pm. Next meeting is on Thursday, July 12th at 6:30 at the Village Hall Board Room.

Final: Friends of the Chalet meeting, March 8, 2018 @ 6:30 PM in the board room at the New Glarus Village Hall.

Attending: Sandy Blum, Amy Budsberg, Ruth Elmer, Cheryl Bergum, Kim Tschudy

Minutes from our November meeting were approved as read, for posting onto the Village website.

Old business: Our brochures have been printed and picked up.

Inventory is progressing nicely. We have only a handful of items yet to be documented in the dining room. Only the kitchen remains! Wonderful!

Shirley and Ruth have set a date to complete the curtains.

As mentioned before, we received \$4300 from our grant request from the Community fund, \$460 of which is allotted for the repair of the porch, steps and hand railing. It appears that the porch requires more repairs than originally thought, and we are looking to accommodate all needed repairs with one project. That project will cost more than the grant monies allow. Kim Tschudy is contacting local carpenters to determine if we can get a volunteer or discounted labor. Larry Stuessy, will, in addition, contribute volunteer hours, on the porch. The blacksmith in Postville has begun work on the serpent tips on our eaves. Jason Higbie will start repair of our west windows, once the weather warms up. Amy Budsberg made a motion, seconded by Ruth Elmer to, if necessary, supplement payment from the Village, with \$250, which we have received as donations. This motion passed. Kim Tschudy plans to request of the Village, that sideboards for the front porch be purchased soon, in order that they be treated and dried.

We plan to order the lemon presses as a souvenir item, but will wait until later this spring.

New business: New Glarus Vision has reduced our annual dues to be under their umbrella from \$150/year to \$80/year.

We already have several buses scheduled for the coming season.

Chuck Bauer has, with proper documentation, taken three pieces from the museum to obtain estimates for restoration. These pieces are: the sampler from guest bedroom, the painting from between guest bedroom and child's room, and the watercolor from the basement.

We are happy to be involved in one of the two Wine Walks in New Glarus this year, put on by the village of New Glarus and the New Glarus Chamber of Commerce. Denise Anton-Wright asked, via e-mail, that we choose a date for this. We want more input from the organizers of this event, but suggested, October 11 or 18 if a Thursday evening, or October 13 or 20 if Saturday is preferred. Participants would come to the Chalet to purchase their tickets and receive their wine glass.

Mary Statz hosted her hospitality class at New Glarus Schools, at the chalet, earlier this year. We are hoping for student volunteers this summer to act as guides or to assist us. Cheryl Bergum suggested asking Mr. Mim, the Industrial Arts teacher at the High School to assist in recruiting student volunteers. We are hoping to attract anyone in the community, interested in learning the tour and being a guide.

Our opening weekend is May 26-27.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 PM.