

MINUTES OF ST. LUKE'S HISTORICAL SOCIETY, APRIL 10, 2016

The committee met in the Parish House at 10:00 A.M. Those in attendance were:

Suzanne Day	Betty Handy
Pauline Mitchell	Kathy Theado
Connie Harriss	Steve Larrick
Dan Jones	

Additions to the minutes of February 9, 2016:

Steve Larrick reported that his research determined that the printed layout of the churchyard indicating all of the 277 burial sites was not accurate. He intends to update the chart using any new information he can obtain before the next meeting.

The society was founded in May 2015 by Suzanne Day, Pauline Mitchell, and Betty Handy when they noted that on several occasions information regarding the history of St. Luke's was not readily available nor verifiable and that some pertinent information had been voice recorded by William Jervey in but was not preserved at the church. The history of the church and its cemetery had not been maintained, catalogued nor preserved.

Joyce Evans was sent a check in the amount of \$35 to cover the cost of small American flags to be placed on the graves of those who served our country in foreign wars.

Addition to the minutes of March 10, 2016:

Joyce Evans has not received any funds from the Society to purchase flags for grave-sites for those in cemetery who served in our country's foreign wars. It was suggested that the society purchase Confederate flags to be placed on the graves of those in the cemetery who served in the War Between the States. It was also suggested that those who served our country during all wars be encoded as to which war to make it easier in placing these flags.

A discussion followed concerning written histories of St. Luke's provided by various parishioners over the years and the need to correct and update some of this information.

The brochure was not ready for our final review. Connie and Pauline will continue to work on this project until completion satisfactory to the committee.

Steve presented the history of the cemetery "personality" to be used in the next

newsletter; Stephen Decatur Whittle.

The request to the vestry for a loan from the Churchyard Fund to purchase granite section markers was not made at the March vestry meeting, but Steve has received a quote from Simmons Monument Co. for 65 markers sized at 6x6x6 inches with polished tops engraved and installed @ \$35 per marker for a total of \$2,275 representing a 23% discount. A request from this committee for a loan from the Churchyard Fund in this amount will go to the vestry at its April 21, 2016 meeting.

It was suggested that the committee might be able to obtain information from other historical societies, i.e., Society of The Cincinnati, Robert E. Lee Society, to locate those who might be interested in joining our society.

It was determined that there is a need to identify, photograph, and record information regarding any and all plaques in or on the church building, parish hall, and churchyard wall.

The committee requested that Steve set up a separate email account for the society.

Kathy will see that notice is placed in bulletins and the May newsletter regarding requests for flowers for grave sites for Father's Day to be placed by members of the society.

The next meeting of the society will be at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 in the parish hall.