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NEWSLETTER

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ere's The Latest: Be sure to come to the meeting on March 18th. Our program will be about "Fruitlands Museums" which are located in Harvard, Mass. Richard J. Reed, Director, will tell the fascinating history of the Shaker House, the Farmhouse and its first community-Con-Sociate Family, the Picture Gallery and the American Indian Museum.

n Memoriam:

Earl Pithie Vice President 1978-1980 President 1980-82

Storage Space: Cleanup Day.

We rent space for storage now and Candy has scheduled a Cleanup Day for Saturday March 28th. She needs men and women volunteers. Our scattered books and artifacts not presently on display will be gathered together in one spot. Call Candy at 331-2459 for details.

hank You One And All: The Bakeless Bake Sale was a huge success! Our thanks go to all who participated: Dorothea and Herbert Scott, Frances Eckberg, Edward and Doris Hanchay, Evelyn and Ray Walker, Carolyn Morse, Eleanor Kolb, Jane Holbrook Jewell, Robert and Rita Martin, Marion Carpenter, Helen McIntosh, Jennie and Harry Belcher, Elizabeth Clark, William and Alva Seach, Irene and Elmer Mitchell, Carl and Joanne Schuler, Josephine Ray, Vera Freeman, Minnie Slayter, the Severy family, Christine and Wilbur Stanton, Eleanor Smith, Gordon Teague, Ruth Tirrell, Emilie Browning, Betty and Chet Kevitt, Elizabeth Hollis, Shirley Wood, Muriel Pithie, Kathleen McGrath, James and Joanne Palmieri, Mary McKenzie, Russell and Beverly Oliver, Norma and Wilbur Tirrell, Martha Robitaille, Helen Bicknell, Don and Eleanor Cormack, Douglas and Doris Welsh, Eleanor Murphy, Bill and Carol Donovan, Miriam Delahunt, Gail Montgomery and Louise and Harold Olson. The grand total was \$380.

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Order In The Workplace: Ed Walker and Candy Wright have been working in the museum taking photographs and descriptions of artifacts to line up with previous inventories. The lighting is bright again and damaged locks have been changed. A grant will be sought to cover preservation expenses and funds will be needed for storage rental.

Tally To The Cause: We owe Cynthia Hyland and Don Cormack thanks for more Brownie tours and now he's planned a fundraiser as a Ways and Means project. Here's a note from him.

"The committee plans to buy a table at the Tri Town Rotary Flea Market at Marshfield in early May to raise money for our activities.

We are asking members for donations of dishes, bric a brac, picture frames, tools or any other small items to make the venture a success.

Please look around your cellar, attic or storage area for something we can sell. Don't forget that it's a fine line between trash and treasure and most anything will sell.

Please call Don Cormack at 335-7542 or Candy Wright at 331-2459

and we will pick up."

You Missed It? Too Bad! About 60 people were in attendance at the January meeting and had a wonderful time. The Pot Luck supper turned out to be a sumptuous buffet and delightfully decorated tables added a happy note. The audience interacted with the speaker and all had a "learning experience."

ew Members: It's a pleasure to have them join us.

Dorothy A. Cole

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ver Helpful: In addition to help in other ways Eleanor and Don Cormack have presented to the society a large framed reproduction of Susan T. Merritt's painting and collage "A Fourth of July Picnic". The original is in the Chicago Art Institute and is considered a fine example of primitive art in the Grandma Moses tradition. Susan came long before Grandma Moses and the nomenclature and lived on Front Street. She depicted the annual picnic in Weston Park.

Other helpful members are those who will serve on the nominating committee: Mary MacKay, Wilbur Stanton and Norma Tirrell.

Even our speakers have been good to us. Mr. Remondini has given the society two clear cup plates of John Adams. If anyis interested in purchasing one, please call Candy at 331-2459.

Will You Come? Last year's MAYFAIR at South High School was a great success and we have been asked to participate again. It will take place on Friday evening, May 8, from 6 to 10 pm. and on Saturday, May 9, from 9am to 6pm.

There will be a need for volunteers in three hour shifts, 3 for Friday and 9 for Saturday. You will enjoy all the activities and the wealth of talent on display. Please call Candy so that she can set up a schedule. We are sure you will want to attend in any event and your reward for helping out will be free admission.

We will be selling books and encouraging visitors to join us as members. The Susan Merritt painting will be exhibited along with shoe industry memorabilia and <u>Museum in the School</u> art and artifacts.

Super Special: Turn the page for all the information about the delicious food available at our Annual Dinner. Many have asked for dinner at a restaurant and we have found that Le Biftheque is flexible and will serve small and large groups. Let's make ours a large one!

This will be held on Monday, April 27 at 6:30pm.

Our speaker will be William P. Quinn of the Orleans Historical Society. He is a specialist on New England shipwrecks and the author of several shipwreck books. He is also a freelance photographer for tekvision news. In November 1986 he was a speaker at the Sixth Annual Symposium on Southern New England Maritime History at Mystic Seaport Museum.

Le Biftheque in Braintree is reached easily from surrounding areas so we'll see you all there!

ANNUAL DINNER

Le Biftheque 6:30pm.

Braintree, Ma. April 27, 1987

MENU

Soup du Jour

Garden Salad

Choice of Dressings

Oven Roasted Potatoes

Vegetable

Rolls

CHOICS OF:

10 oz. Prime Rib Steak

Broiled Boston Scrod (with buttered crumbs)

\$13.75

\$11.50

Dessert: Millefeuille

Coffee

Tea

Sanka

This is inclusive of tip. Tax is exempted.