

## October 20, 2016 Bay Shore Historical Society Meeting Notes

Barry called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Kelly read the minutes of the September 15, 2016 meeting. Priscilla reported on some upcoming community events including: the Haunted Halloween Fest on October 22, the Boulton Center 13th Annual Gala on October 29, how to request High School students help seniors rake and bag leaves, the Warm Clothing and Coat Drive at Astoria Federal Bank (coats to be distributed November 5), the new Westfield South Shore Mall logo (Safe-Secure-Thriving) and the Lions Club 100th Anniversary. JoAnn reported that current membership is 317. Joe reported expenses were \$1,347 and income was \$1,110. The garage sale made \$240.

The guest speaker was Elaine Whitehouse. She is the author of the historical fiction book 'Hart's Tavern'. The book tells the tale of American women during the British occupation of Long Island leading up to the Revolutionary War. A sign marking Hart's Tavern is located in Lakeview Cemetery on Main Street in Patchogue. The sign states that George Washington dined at Hart's Tavern on his tour of Long Island. One of the stories in the book was of a young woman who fended off the British soldiers by mixing blue dye in the bread dough and hiding the good bread. Elaine concluded her presentation by reading an excerpt from the book.

Barry thanked Elaine for her presentation and invited everyone for refreshments.

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Zebro