



Bay Shore Historical Society

Gibson-Mack-Holt House c.1820

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Meeting Notes

Barry called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and all stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Barry mentioned that last month's meeting was heartwarming and touching. He then reminded everyone that the next meeting is October 18, 2018.

Kelly read the minutes of the August 16, 2018 meeting. Priscilla provided an update on community events including: (1) the next Chamber of Commerce meeting is September 22. The meeting will include an update on the meter program. (2) Phil Boyle is hosting a Senior Seminar on September 27 in conjunction with the Suffolk County Sheriff's office. All seniors can get a wallet size card with their photo and pertinent information on it. (3) The Beautification Society is sponsoring the Pumpkin People contest during the month of October. (4) The Budweiser Clydesdale horses will be in Bay Shore on October 11. (5) The Beautification Society is hosting a Haunted Halloween Festival on October 20 starting at 4:00 PM. And (6) Sagtikos Manor is hosting a Fall Festival on October 7. It will include a Victorian wake with funeral procession and the 'Eat Me Drink Me' food truck. Joanne reported there are 367 paid members. Joe report income was \$505 and expenses were \$641.

The speaker for the evening was composer, pianist and historian – John Hodge. He presented "American History of the Early 1900's as seen in Silent Film". John spoke about some of Buster Keaton's silent films from the 1920's. He then showed the silent film 'One Week'. In 'One Week' Buster Keaton stars as a newlywed who receives a portable house as a wedding gift. When he tries to construct it, things go awry. John then showed, and played the score to, the silent film 'The Goat'. In 'The Goat' a series of misadventures begin when a man is inadvertently mistaken for notorious outlaw Dead Shot Dan. Finally, John discussed the silent film 'The Playhouse'. 'The Playhouse' is most famous for an opening sequence in which Buster Keaton plays every role.

Barry thank John for his presentation and invited everyone for refreshments.

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Zebro

The mission of the Bay Shore Historical Society is to collect, preserve and share the rich history of our community and to maintain the c. 1820 Gibson-Mack-Holt House which is located at 22 Maple Ave, Bay Shore, NY. The Society's collection of photographs, memorabilia, and historic documents is open to the public free of charge on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 1pm to 4pm. For further information contact 631-665-1707 or visit the Society's website > www.bayshorehistoricalsociety.org. The Bay Shore Historical Society is an all-volunteer, tax exempt not-for-profit corporation as described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.