**Old Mission Peninsula Historical Society**

**Omphistoricalsociety.org**

Committee Reports & Significant Dates

November, 2020

**Executive Board/Committee** John Scarbrough **john.scarbrough123@gmail.com**

Executive Committee

Fundraising proposals: Paid sponsorships of our monthly presentations and audio tour. Bowers Harbor and Bonobo proposals for a fundraiser will be in soon We have listed OMPHS as a charity on [Smile.amazon.com](http://Smile.amazon.com).  Drop and Flop, a horse-based donation of two types. One by the horse and one by our members. Giving Tuesday.

**Should we have a Fundraising Committee?**We currently need to raise about $2,200 a year just to pay expenses. If we'd like to increase our historical services to OM Peninsula residents, we'll need to raise more.  If we do this, we'll need a chair.

**Peter Dougherty Society**  - Chris Rieser**crieser99@icloud.com**

WiFi became part of the Historic Dougherty Homestead as of this past Fall. This enhancement will allow visitors to go on-line using a guest network in addition to taking the virtual home tour found on our website (doughertyoldmission.com) or Facebook page (Dougherty Old Mission House). When at the Homestead go to Network: Dougherty House, Password: visitors. On a sad note, Bill Cole, retired president of the Peter Dougherty Society, passed away in September. A celebration of life was held at the Jolly Pumpkin on September 27. Family, friends and supporters gathered to say a final farewell. Over the last 14 years, Bill’s contributions to the property include its purchase, creation of the Society, fundraising for its restoration, assisting in its construction, and the early development of the museum. His efforts cannot be overstated. In the Spring in conjunction with his family, we are planning to hold a community event to honor Bill at the Dougherty Homestead. Details will be forthcoming. The current Dougherty Board members are Chris Rieser-President, Connie SargentVice-President, Jim McWilliams-Treasurer, Jim Brammer-Director and Rob Manigold- Ex-Officio. If you or someone you know is intrigued by Peninsula history and would like to look into becoming a board member, please contact Chris or Connie through our email: doughertyoldmission@yahoo.com Our hiking trail (½ mile) has been getting a lot of use this past year providing people time to experience nature. Tim Quinn and his grandchildren as well as the Dougherty work crew have worked hard to keep it clear and walkable. In the Fall dead ash trees were removed as part of managing the woods. When you visit the trail see if you can spot the two champion American Chestnut trees on the neighboring private properties north and south of the Dougherty property

**Membership Committee** – Judith Weaver **weavmusic@aol.com**

No report

**Lighthouse Committee (ad hoc)** – Laura Johnson **ljohnson@acegroup.cc** & Chris Rieser **crieser99@icloud.com**

We have finished the historic shutter project! Take a look. They are beautiful. A celebration of the Lighthouse as well as us handing over the check will happen at 10 am Monday November 9. See the Lighthouse website for details.

**Log Church Committee**-

No report. Chair needed.

**Hessler Log Cabin Committee**- Phyllis Cooley **Phyllis.cooley49@gmail.com**

On Oct 13 Chris & John presented Henry Hidalgo's (repairs) proposal to Township Board. Quoting Chris, "They liked it, said the repairs were necessary and approved it!"

**Program Committee**- JudyWeaver **weavmusic@aol.com** & AnnSwaney **aswaney@nmc.edu**

Just to remind us of past good times with in person meetings and activities, we'll be showing photos of us all in action, and giving special recognition to those we've lost in the past decade via a special  Holiday Zoom meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, December 3. This will be accompanied by a sound track of holiday music worldwide.

If anyone who's lost a spouse, family member or a friend who was active in OMPHS, please send us one or more digital photos of that individual via e mail. If you have a photo which is not digital, please call Judy Weaver (231-944-6458) and I'll make arrangements to borrow it to scan.

**Archives and Newsletter Committee**- Ann Swaney **aswaney@nmc.edu**

Will provide archival pictures for Holiday Zoom meeting.

**Memorial Committee**-No Report

**Website Committee**-Barb Berthelson **bbrthlson@gmail.com**

No report.

**Log Cabin Day Committee**- Amy Lyman **alyman999@gmail.com**

No Report.

**Hospitality Committee** - Karen Rieser **krieser19@att.net**

No report

**Tree Committee**-Jim Hall **halljr@aol.com**and Laura Johnson **ljohnson@acegroup.cc** Brian Brooks

No report.