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MONTGOMERY HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
 Minutes of Meeting  
 Public Safety Building, Montgomery Center

Wednesday, November 20, 2013 @ 5:30 PM

THESE ARE THE UNOFFICIAL MINUTES UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

**Board Members and Members present:**

Board Members – Scott Perry, Bill McGroarty, Sue Wilson, Marijke Dollois, Pat Farmer, Tim Chapin, Elsie Saborowski, Jo Anne Bennett, Patty Perl

Scott called the Meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

1. **Recognition visitors/guests:**

None

2. **This Month In History:**

1812 – Vermont legislature raises two brigades for war. Border with Canada sealed.  
 1990 – Montgomery Veteran’s Memorial Monument dedicated.

3. **History Quiz:**

According to the Fall 1904 issue of “The Vermonter” magazine: What state other than Vermont had the largest population of native born Vermonters? **Massachusetts, New York was second.** What state had the fewest? **South Carolina.** (See map attached).

4. **Show and Tell:**

Photo of Savanard Jewett – see attached.

5. **The Main Event:**

**Minutes:**

Pat made a Motion, seconded by Sue to approve the Minutes of October 16, 2013 as written; Motion was unanimously approved.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

Treasurer’s Report – 11/20/13:

Checking balance..... \$ 2,892.54

Stained Glass - West Wall Savings Account ..... \$ 64,025.99

80 Affinity members

Marijke made a Motion, seconded by Bill to approve the Treasurer’s Report as presented; Motion was unanimously approved.

## **Membership:**

Membership unchanged: 208 members - \$12,441.00.

## **Old business:**

### A. West Wall Capital Campaign

- 1) Financial Report – see report attached; these are only working figures, no actual amounts. It is projected that we are on track to have ±\$110,000 in the fund by early 2014, if an anonymous donation comes through and we receive the State grant pending.

The next WWCC Committee meeting will be Friday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> – the solicitation of corporate donors will be the subject of the meeting. Pat is working is putting together a wild-game dinner at the Black Lantern; this is tentatively scheduled for January 2014.

### B. Town History Book update – Scott presented a printout of the “maroon” cover of the third edition which will have 320 pages and will possibly be ready before Christmas. A discussion took place on order number and selling price – pending final cost it was proposed to order 500 copies with a selling price of \$20/member and \$23/non-member; final decision to be made at next meeting.

### C. LLHS Annual Meeting Nov. 1 in Barre – Scott and Pat attended. The Vermont Historical Society Museum in the old Spalding Building was very interesting and well recommended.

### D. Christmas Member Social – December 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM; invitations have been sent to all current members. Set-up will be Wednesday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM.

### E. Carols & Candles – December 22<sup>nd</sup> – no further action.

### F. 2014 calendar – Scott presented a prototype; final print should be ready in a few days. It was decided to sell the calendar for \$15/each and \$12/each for orders of 10 or more.

### G. Former Baptist Church – a meeting will take place Saturday, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1:00 PM at the Church to:

1. To approve the change of name from Montgomery Community Church to Montgomery Town Association, and
2. To induct new members

A letter of invitation has been sent to former members of the Baptist Church and those who have attended previous meetings.

### Z. Reminders:

- 1) Heaton House Paint - Spring
- 2) Possible Beers Atlas and large Franklin County map acquisition – Scott to follow up.
- 3) Stanton Memorial Gift – no report
- 4) MHS Sign
- 5) June 21 – 22, 2014 VT History Expo

## 6. **New business:**

1. MHS Letter of Support to Shanna Deeds for Wild and Scenic Designation for Upper Missisquoi and Trout Rivers – Scott read a proposed letter. Sue made a Motion, seconded by Tim to approve the letter; Motion was unanimously approved.
2. Scott suggested a review of the By-Laws sometime next year.
3. The Barre Opera House has established an endowment fund – would this be a possibility for the MHS?
4. Pierre Home-Douglas wrote an articles on Vermont General Stores in the Nov./Dec. 2013 issue of Vermont Magazine – he contacted Scott about writing an article about Montgomery old- and newtimers. (His father, John Home-Douglas, lived and built a home in Montgomery in the 1980s).
5. It was proposed to remove and store the flags and use the space to display awards and plaques of recognition. Sue made a Motion, seconded by Pat to approve the proposal; Motion was unanimously approved.

7. **Adjourn:**

Bill made a Motion, seconded by Pat to adjourn at 6:40 P.M. Said Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marijke M. Dollois

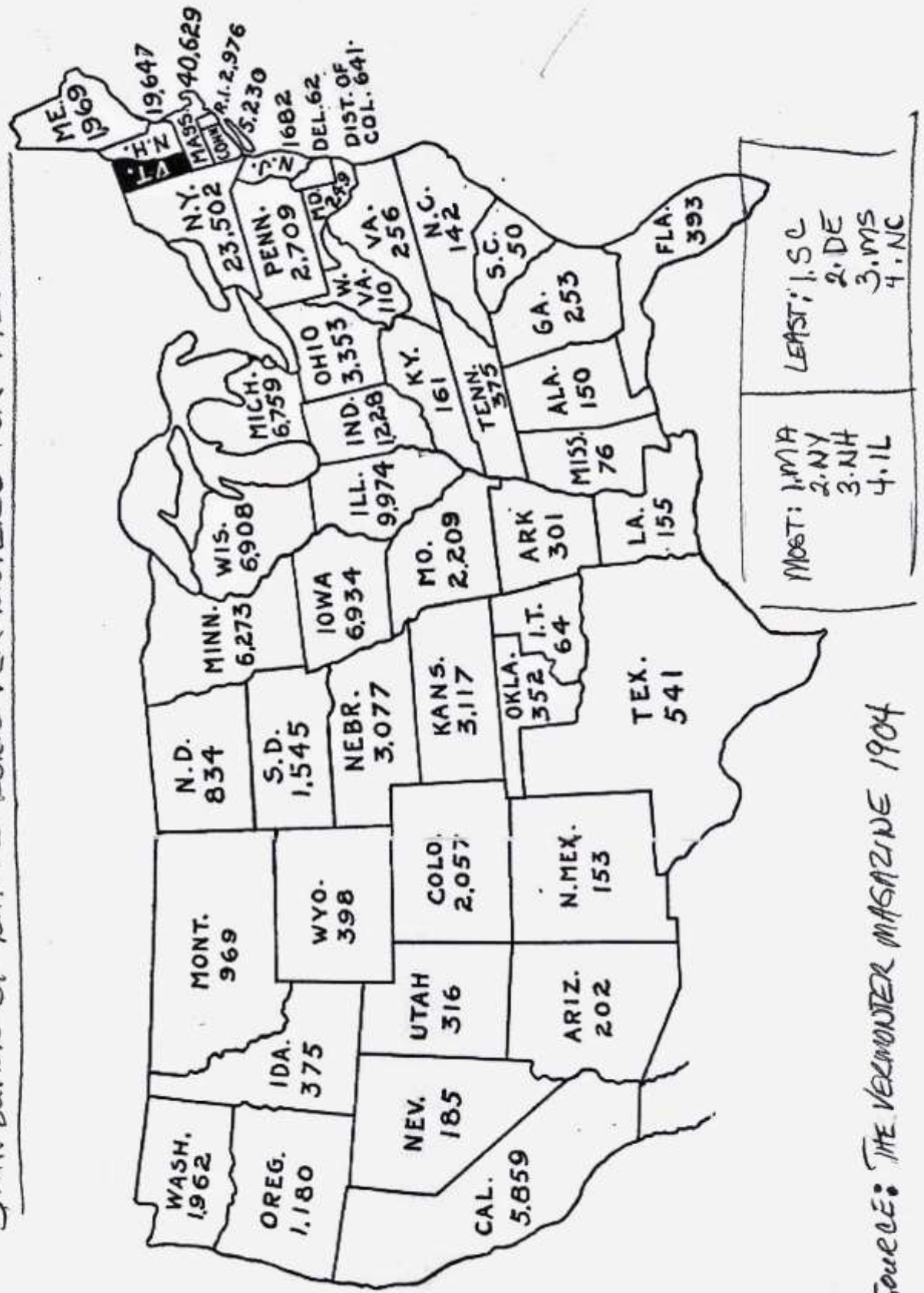
Back of photo reads; "Uncle Savanard Jewett". Also has the name "Jeanie Jewett"



From my (John and Susie Roberts) research, I've learned that **Savanard** was born December 12, 1848, the son of **Samuel D. and Margaret (O'Connell) Jewett**. I found him in the 1900 Franklin County, Montgomery, Vermont census, age 52, single, listed as **Jewett, Savanard G.**, a lumber manufacturer. Working back in time, he first appeared in the 1850 Franklin County, Montgomery, Vermont census in the household of **Samuel and Margaret Jewett** at the age of two as **Glanville** --likely his middle name. He was still there in 1860, but appeared in the 1870 Rockingham County, Salem, New Hampshire census, listed as **S. G. Jewett**, age 22, boarding at a local hotel and working for a shoe manufacturer.

I was unable to find him in the 1880 census, but found him listed as **Lavanard [sic] Jewett** in the 1882-1883 Child's Gazetteer for Franklin County. According to the Gazetteer, he was employed by the **S. B. Jewett & Co.**, with his brother, **Sheldon B. Jewett**. The business was sited in Montgomery, Vermont, as "saw log and shingle-mill, manuf. of lumber, &c"

# DISTRIBUTION OF NATIVE BORN VERMONTERS PER 1900 CENSUS



Source: THE VERMONT MAGAZINE 1904



<b>As Of: November 20, 2013</b>			
	<b>Cash/</b>	<b>Cash+</b>	
	<b>Actual +/-</b>	<b>Pledged or Projected</b>	
<b>Source</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Remark</b>
<b>Starting Amount June 2013</b>	<b>\$37,210.00</b>	<b>\$37,210.00</b>	
<b>Individual Donations</b>			
Matched Donations	\$12,870.00	\$13,370.00	cash+pledged
Unmatched Donations	\$8,778.00	\$34,778.00	cash+pledged
Sub Total	\$21,648.00	\$48,148.00	
<b>Fundraisers</b>			
T-Shirts Profit	\$240.00	\$743.00	if 72 sold
Ball Caps Profit	\$60.00	\$180.00	if 24 sold
Bricks Profit (60)	\$4,800.00	\$8,000.00	if 100 sold
Jelly Jars	\$275.00	\$500.00	
Oktoberfest Dinner Profit	\$2,200.00	\$1,000.00	
Poker Tournament 1	\$444.00	\$500.00	
Poker Tournament 2	\$0.00	\$400.00	
Concert Profit	\$0.00	\$500.00	
Silent Auction Profit	\$0.00	\$500.00	
Quilt Raffle Profit	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	
Yard Sale Profit	\$0.00	\$500.00	
Game Dinner Profit	\$0.00	\$500.00	
Canada Night Profit	\$0.00	\$500.00	
Progressive Dinner Profit	\$0.00	\$500.00	
Sub Total	\$8,019.00	\$16,323.00	
<b>Institutional/Gov't &amp; Private</b>			
Vt Div for Historic Pres. Grant	\$0.00	\$20,000.00	Limit
Eastman Charitable Trust	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	over 3 Years?
VCF - Walter Cerf	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	Limit
VCF - Small and Inspiring	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	Limit
Other Institutional	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Sub Total	\$0.00	\$37,500.00	
<b>Corporate/Regional Business</b>			
TD Bank Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Other	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	
Sub Total	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	
<b>Local Businesses</b>			
	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	
Sub Total	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	
<b>Other Sources of Funds</b>			
2014 TD Bank Affinity Grant	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	
Sub Total	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$66,877.00</b>	<b>\$159,181.00</b>	