

Saint Barnabas on the Desert
Memorial Acceptance and Fine Arts Committee

May 8, 2023

Members present: Peggy Iacobelli, Nancy Harvey, Irene Wood, Mary Lou Luvisa, Judee Morrison, Marga Fritze, Grace Chen, John Thornton, Marian Green, Joanne Berg and Tom Baker.

Call to order: Nancy read a psalter for Mondays from the *Sounds of the Eternal* book by J. Philip Newe.

Minutes of April 17, 2023: The minutes for the April 17, 2023 meeting were approved, with a correction to the spelling of Grace's last name.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tours: Judee had a tour on May 7th with 11 people. Judee will continue leading tours until the online tour is ready. Judee reported that people typically are most interested in the organ and carillon.

Buildings and Grounds: Peggy reported that Jack talked to Dan Colton on the B & G committee about the Learning Center doors. This committee walked out to the doors to see the proposed plan to remove and nickel plate the troforato steel designs and flip over the copper backing sheets so they can oxidize and provide a contrast to the steel. The committee would also like the B & G committee to consider replacing the threshold and kick plate and update the door mechanisms. Nancy asked if the B & G committee has plans for checking the seals around the Sarah Hall windows in the music building.

OLD BUSINESS

Chapel kneeler storage: No report.

Retired chapel kneeler needlepoint framing: Joanne said she would send her report to the committee. Quita received the kneeler needlepoints after the meeting.

Saint Barnabas History book: No report

Did You Know articles: Marga has two articles completed. One is on the Lee Porzio watercolor painting of the altar flower stands. Nancy remembered that the design in the metal of the flower stands was called "Symbols of the Apostles." Marga has also done an article that uses the 1950's picture of the sign for the future church site and is looking for a current picture taken from the same vantage point. Marga also has a picture of the first church school, which was in a neighborhood house.

Green set commission: Peggy received a response to her letter to the Savannah College of Art and Design and was directed to their web site to ask for a job applicant for the proposed project. Peggy also saw a display at Fashion Square by the ASU Fabric and Design department that might be worth further investigation. Judee reported that the green set has some new damage

Website tour: Peggy looked at two people that could create the tour: Jasper Welsh with Your Online Tour Guide, and Sean Boyle with Momentum 360. Peggy received a quote from Momentum 360. The shooting cost is \$1000 and there are various monthly service bundles that provide Google analytics reporting that might be of value in determining who is watching the online tour. The reporting starts at \$150/month and the complete packing would be \$5000. They use CloudPano360° virtual tour software. We would own the rights to the content and the tour, but it would be hosted on their server.

Ode to Joy disposition sub-committee: Nancy noted that unrolling the work would be the best way to inform us about which designs could be salvaged. She also noted that figuring out the method of selling the pieces would be an important part of the whole process.

Children's torchier: This is actually a Ditson prototype that he made in 1970 before making the finished design of the existing torchiers. John made a leather cover that prevented the bell from ringing.

Chapel torchier rack: Tom didn't think that the prototype torchier should be included in the group of 4 Ditson torchiers to be placed in the new torchier rack for the chapel. Nancy suggested that it could be preserved by hanging it on the wall above the retired framed banners.

Ditson processional cross reproduction: John showed the mahogany CNC cut design that he had made. He may make a reproduction of the metal Ditson design at ½ the size in aluminum and ask his brother-in-law to make the wood cross and staff to go with it.

NEW BUSINESS

Peggy reported that Jack asked Tammy's daughter Terry to join the committee, but she declined due to time constraints.

Mary Lou reported that Erin Fisher had a large box of thank you letters from military recipients of the boxes prepared by parishioners. Peggy will check with Rev. Suzie to see if some can be placed on a bulletin board in the Learning Center. Marga suggested that this might be a subject for another *Did You Know* article.

CHAIR REPORT

Peggy asked Joanne to be a seasonal associate member of the committee.

The next meeting is in September in The Other Cup, or, as needed, via Zoom during the summer.

Let it be known that these minutes are intended to convey the spirit of the meeting and are not meant to be a literal documentation of the proceedings.