

## EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

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### Lectures

- Robert gave his lecture on the oral history project at Parish Hall Trinity Church on April 25. It was very interesting and well received. There were around 50 people there! This was a joint venture with New Hope Historical Society, heavily dominated by New Hope.

### School Scholarships

- Reviewed applications from New Hope-Solebury and discussed with others. I decided to award to Patrick Toohey. The award ceremony is **Tuesday May 17 at 7**. I am unable to make it. If someone is available to present the award, please let me know. The principal will do it if none of us can attend.
- We received one application from Solebury School. While his caliber is below all three we received last year, I am inclined to award it. I feel we should honor his enthusiasm as well as the fact that he took the time to complete the application.

### School Program

- **Monday May 23** we will be hosting 100 2<sup>nd</sup> graders at the schoolhouse. Thanks to those of you who agreed to help out. We will be developing the program soon; if you can't help on the 23<sup>rd</sup> but are interested in planning the event, please let me know.

### 192 Day

- **Thursday May 26** Robert has graciously agreed to present his oral history lecture to the New Hope high school and middle school social studies teachers. THANK YOU ROBERT.

### Walking Tour

- A fourth grade teacher reached out to me about doing something in New Hope this spring. I connected him with the New Hope Historical Society and Roy Ziegler. On **May 31**, two fourth grade classes from New Hope-Solebury Elementary School (about 50 kids) will be led on a 30-minute walking tour and with another 30 minutes in the Parry Mansion. This is a great opportunity to create enthusiasm for history (and future historical society members!).

### Fall Event?

- Solebury Township land preservation tour. I think this is a very interesting idea. I am more than happy to chair this event but will need help. When I suggested a planning meeting, I only received one response. If this is something we want to do, please let's figure out a time to meet.

### Board required action items

- Anyone available May 17 to present the scholarship award to the NH-S senior Patrick Toohey?
- Solebury School student application is attached. Please review and vote on whether to award.
- If anyone is interested in serving on the education program committee and/or working with kids on May 23, please let me know.
- Land preservation tour?