

February, 1939

The regular monthly meeting of the L. V. I. S. was held at the home of Mrs. Paul Nugent, December 5th, at 3:00 o'clock. There were twenty members present. The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Nelson Osborne, and minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. Receipts for the month - \$8.00 - disbursements ~~\$3.12~~ - balance on hand Dec. 10th, 1938 - 366.14

3/2.00

Mrs. John Hand read a report on the activities of the Tree Committee since the last regular meeting of the Society, at which meeting the Committee was instructed to go over the report of Mr. Coombs very carefully, and make any necessary corrections and recommendations which it thought wise.

The Committee met at Mrs. Lockwood's and sent a copy of their recommendations to the Village Board. The Board requested Mrs. Peters, Mrs. Lockwood, Mrs. Hand, and Mrs. Osborne to meet at the Clerk's office and discuss their report in detail with the members of the Board. They stressed the appointment of a Supervisor for the replanting, to be recommended by Mr. Coombs, one who would be impersonal in his decisions, thus accomplishing the best results for East Hampton.

To date, the following contributions have been received and deposited in the Special Tree fund:

\$500.00 from Mr. Sidney Fish in memory of his wife Olga Wiborg Fish.

100.00 from Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Murphy, in memory of their son, Patrick.

25.00 from Miss Marianna Dean

50.00 from Miss F. Stanhope Philips

2.00 from Miss Gertrude Clark

85.00 from Mrs. W. C. Hall in memory of her husband Mr. W. Chadbourne Hall. *ibone*

100.00 from Mrs. Frederick Hollister in memory of her husband Frederick K. Hollister

5.00 from Mrs. Theron Strong

10 .00 from Dr. Neergaard

Mr. Edward Gardiner is planting a tree in the Presbyterian Church Yard.

November 8th another Committee meeting was held, one in New York and one here. The Committee was unanimous in its wish to recommend to the Village Board that Norman Armstrong, Inc., be given the preference for the pruning and reshaping of the trees injured by the hurricane.

Regularly moved, seconded and carried, that a letter of appreciation for the cooperation received, be sent Mayor Banister and the Village Board.

Mrs. Schenck, Chairman of the Billboard Comm., told of the help the hurricane had been in destroying a great many signs. She feels the thing to do is to keep the advertisers from replacing them. Mrs. Schenck asked that letters be written to our Senators and Assembly men asking their support to the Anti-Billboard bill.

No Green Committee report.

Mrs. Vetault, Chairman of the Pond Committee, reported that the Village had removed all brush and debris from the Pond.

Mrs. Osborne asked Mrs. William Strong to be Chairman of the clean-up Committee.

The question of placing boxes in public places such as hotels, etc., for the tree fund was discussed. It was decided to do this, and Mrs. J. Edward Gay, Jr., was asked to see if appropriate boxes - perhaps resembling a piece of wood could be secured.

Mrs. Max Reutershan was asked to take charge of the pencil drive in East Hampton.

Mrs. George Hand told of the response from friends who had received copies of the East Hampton Star, containing the tree appeal. She asked that a vote of thanks be sent Mrs. Theron Pierce for \$5.00 received from her.

Mrs. Raymond Saar was proposed and accepted as a new member.

The January meeting of the Society will be omitted.

On motion meeting adjourned.

Helen S. Gay

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Secretary

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Mayor Banister, Mr. Elder, who has been supervising the replanting, and Mr. Faulk, who has been moving the trees, addressed the Society.

Mr. Elder discussed the variety of Elms found in East Hampton, and advised that the trees just planted should not be given any artificial feeding for at least two years. A thorough mulching should follow the planting, and watering should only be done to the extent of the ball encircling the roots, and soaked about once every 10 days.

Mr. Faulk said there is practically no risk in moving any size tree. He has had a great deal of experience recently at the World's Fair in Flushing.

Mrs. Nugent entertained at tea, assisted by Mrs. John Whitby, and Mrs. Louis Vetault.

FEBRUARY

March 1939

The regular monthly meeting of the L.V.I.S. was held at the home of Mrs. Nelson Osborne Feb. 6th at 3 o'clock. 20 members present. Meeting called to order by the President Mrs. Osborne. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Tres. reports for the month of Jan. and Feb read and accepted. Receipts for the month of Dec. \$5.00 Disbursements \$59.71. Balance on hand Jan 1st. 1939 \$311.43. Disbursements for the month of Jan \$48. Receipts \$5.00. Balance on Hand Feb. 1st \$268.43. Audited Feb. 6th by Mrs. James Mulford.

Mrs. John Hand co-chairman of the Tree Comm. and chairman of the special tree fund reported a total of \$1367 received to date. Since the last meeting donations have been received from the following

- \$100--Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Seaman
- 100--Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Murphy in memory of their son
Baath Wiborg
- 50--Mr. and Mrs. Jeffery
- 10--Mrs. Albert Herter
- 10--Mrs. Willard Bell
- 10--Mrs. MacLian
- 10--Miss Ruth Stratton
- 10--Mrs. Marcia Crowne
- 25--Mrs. S. S. Cummins
- 15--Miss Jean Stokes
- 150--The Garden Club

The following have given trees--John and Lester Mulford, L. Y. Halsey, Thomas Gilmartin, Mr. and Mrs. James DeGraff, S. C. Hedges Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith, Mr and Mrs. William Strong, Mr. and Mrs Clifford Edwards gave a beautiful tree which has been placed the library and Mrs. Theodore Weston's in memory of their daughter Elizabeth Edwards. These trees will be listed and the list filed with the Sec. of the L.V.I.S., at the Library and with the Village Clerk.

Mrs. N. H. Dayton asked if the memorial trees were to be marked-- discussion followed. It was felt by the majority that these trees should be marked when funds were available. The tree comm. purchased 2 elms from the Oak Park Nursery at Patchogue for \$85.00 a piece.

Planting around the Pond was discussed--it was hoped that some planting will be done there this Spring.

Letter read from Assemblymen Lupton in answer to a letter from us requesting him to support the Stagg-Todd bill for the regulation and control of billboards in N. Y. State.

Mrs. Max Reutershan reported \$71.85 received in the pencil drive. she was asked to return to the Treasurer the sock of the pencils amounting to \$17.85.

Mrs. George Roberts had accepted the chairmanship of the Farm Booth for the Fair.

Mrs. Andrew a Carson and Mrs. Howard Morris are co-chairman of the Household Booth. Mrs. Carson was at the meeting and asked for suggestions for the booth; it was decided to sew one afternoon a week. Mrs. Carson will make arrangements for this.

Mrs. Nat Smith was proposed and accepted as a new member.

On motion meeting adj.

Mrs. Osborne sentertained at tea-assisted by Mrs. James Mulford and Mrs. J. E. Gay, Jr.

August
Allen S. Gay
Sec.

April 1939

The reg monthly meeting of the L. V. I. S. was held at the home of Mrs. N. H. Dayton, March 6th at 3 o'clock. 28 members present. Meeting called to order by the President Mrs. Nelson Osborne. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Tres. report read and accepted. Receipts for the month \$24.00 Disbursements \$12.00 Balance on hand March 1st. \$280.43 Audited by Mrs. James Mulford. No report of the tree comm.

Mrs. Rattray read a letter from Olden Kimball in which he enclosed a check for \$50. for a tree in memory of his mother Mrs. Marie Kimball Mapes.

Letter read from Mrs. F. Stanhope Phillips, expressing her desire in giving 3 memorial trees, one in memory of her husband, one for Dr. R. Heber Newton and one for Dr. George Monroe. Mrs. Phillips ^{had} and previously given \$50.00 to the special tree fund. Her letter was acknowledged by the Sec. and turned over to Mrs. John Hand.

The subject of Marking the memorial trees was ~~given~~ again, discussed. Mrs. Geo. Hand and Mrs. Percy Schenck members of the tree comm. said that they felt the comm. intended to mark the trees as the other memorials are marked as soon as financially able.

Mrs. Osborne said that Mr. Fould^e has completed the planting he was to do. The remaining work will be done by Louis Veta^{nt} & Son.

Mrs. Schenck reported for the Billboard Comm. that very serious ⁿ work is being done to get the state law passed to eliminated billboards. It is hoped by the members that the Home Sweet Home signs at the entrance to our village will not be used this summer.

Mrs. Luke Thomas Ch. of the Grass Plots and Station announced that the Long Island Railrod has offered to build a sidewalk between the fence and the road at the station so that parking automobiles will not

knock down the fence and so that the people will have a place to walk, also the railroad will furnish paint to paint the station if the labor can be secured. They promise the work completely done by May 1st. Mrs. Thomas has interested some local men to try to get the labor also to have new post put in where the old ones have rotted. Mrs. Wallace Chauncey contacted Mr. John Appleton and executive of the R. R. last fall, for these improvements. Reg. moved seconded and carried that a note of thanks be sent Mrs. Chauncey. Mrs. Thomas was thanked at the meeting.

Mrs. Max. Reutershan reported net proceeds from pencils to date \$67.50

Mrs. Osborne said that Mrs. Lion Gardiner has accepted the chairmanship of the Members comm.

Mrs. S. Gardiner Osborne was proposed and accepted as a new member.

The L. V. I. S. cook books are about sold out. Mrs. N. H. Dayton will again head a comm. to plane a new cook book. It is planned to use the best of the old recipes and many new ones.

Letter received from the Principal of the Quogue High School asking for information as to organizing and financing a A V. I. S as they plan to start one in Quogue. This letter was acknowledged by the Sec.

Mrs. Osborne told of the school booth which will be a new feature at the fair this year. It will comprise of articles made by the school children.

The school is also planning to give an operetta at Guild Hall in May proceeds to be given to the I. V. I. S.

On motion meeting adj.

Mrs. N. H. Dayton entertained at tea assisted by Mrs. Mattson and Miss Hatch

May 1939

The reg. monthly meeting of the L. V. I. S. was held at the home of Mrs. Geo. Hand. April 3rd at 3 o'clock. 27 members present. Mrs. Nelson Osborne presided. Sec. report read and accepted. Tres. report read and approved. Receipts for the month of March \$4.38 disbursements \$6.00 balance on hand April 1st 1939 \$278.81.

Mrs. Geo. Hand read a written tree comm. report prepared by Mrs. John Hand who was absent. The special tree fund to date is \$1967 The Guild Hall Players contributed \$50. and Mrs. F. Stanhope Phillip \$500 for the planting around the pond. Several memorials are still to be planned. Mrs. William Gay in memory of her daughter Rita Miss Ruth Moran for her father Thomas Moran and one for Dr. Newton from his family.

Mrs. William Taylor reported for the Greens Comm. Namely that the hurricane had done some damage to the Greens. The village will give the top soil and Mrs. Taylor was granted permission to purchase seed and have the extra work done as reasonably as possible.

Mrs. Vetault reported for the Pond Comm. That Mrs. Lockwood is expected in East Hampton Easter week end and the planting at the pond will be planned at that time.

Mrs. Thomas reported that work would start in another week on the grass plots. Mrs. Thomas also reported that the Village Board find that they cannot furnish the labor to paint the R. R. station and express office out of the tax payers money. Therefore, at the moment the painting is at a standstill. Mrs. Thomas hoped to be able to finance it some other way

Mrs. N. H. Dayton said that the Cook book Comm. is to send out circulars letters asking people to donate two recipes for the new cook book and to indicate which of the old recipes they would like reprinted.

Letter read from the local American Legion Post asking for a small contribution toward sending and outstanding High School boy to the Empire Boy's State, this summer at Syracuse. Reg. moved and seconded and carried that the Society contribute \$3.00 to this cause and ask the Legion for particulars, method of selection etc.

The Electric Light Co. approach the society through Mrs. Osborne to permit thme to give a semonstration of illuminating gardens. This was flet to be of more interest to the Garden Club and was tabled for the present. Mrs. Walter Dipple and Mrs. Andrew Carson were propped and accepted as new members.

The last two weeks in April ahve designated as clean up week. Mrs. Frank Conklin, Mrs. Norman Gould assisted by Mrs. P. C. Schenck are the comm. Mrs. Rattray was asked to give some publicity to the Star.

Mrs. Osborne has not been able to secure a pernament chairman for the Clean up Comm. So if residents will report bad and unsightly places in the woods to her she will endeavor to have debris cleaned up.

ON motion meeting adj.

Walter S. Gray

Sec.

Mrs. Geo. H. Hand and Mrs. Geo. B. Hand entertained at tea.

Mrs. Schenck invited the society to her ^{one} ~~home~~ for the May meeting.

JUNE 1939

The reg, monthly meeting of the L. V. I. S. was held at the home of Mrs. Percy Schenck May 1st. at 3 o'clock. 30 members present. Meeting called to order by the President Mrs. Nelson C. Osborne. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Treas. report read and accepted. Mrs. Gay reported \$400 withdrawn from the interest Dept. of the Osborne Trust Co. making receipts for the month ^{278 81} \$459.53. Disbursements ~~509.59~~ leaving a balance of hand May 1st. 19³⁹ ^{788.34} \$228.75.

Mrs. John Hand reported for the tree com. to date \$2045.00 has been received for the special tree fund. \$1197 has been payed to the Village, \$170 to the Oak Park Nursey leaving a balance in the bank of \$778. Several new memorials have been given, Miss Moran for her mother Mrs. Thomas Moran, Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Newton, by their family, Mrs. Phillips has sent another \$50 for the memorial tree for Thomas Moran, Mrs. Clarence Edwards, in memory of her Mother Mrs. Young-~~la~~ willow to be planted between the pond and cemetry fence. The elm~~a~~ planted in the North east garden of Guild Hall will be marked in memory of Marjorie Woodhouse. Mrs. Wm. Gay's memorial to Rita is an elm planted in front of Mrs. Poor's home. An elm which withstood the hurricane will be marked for Mr. Phillips. Mrs. Seabury and Miss Edith Johnson have made a donation of \$28 which Mrs. Hand announced would be included in the reg. tree fund. The planting at the Pond was planned by Louis Vetault & Son. Mrs. Lockwood had Mr. Coombs come down to consult with the tree com. The plan is to have color the year round. The trees and shrubs around the pond include red oak, swamp, maple, plane trees, blueberries, ink berries, pepperidge, dogwood and iris. Mrs. Hand read a letter from Mr. Armstrong in which he outlined the

work necessary for the coming season-all elms should be sprayed, all new trees watered, which the village will do, and all trees feed.

Mrs. P. C. Schenck reported for the sign com. complimenting the merchants who have improved their store fronts.

Mrs. Luke Thomas reported grass plots seeded and roses at station will be trimmed and fertilized.

Three new members were proposed and accepted for membership, Mrs. Harry Steele, Mrs. John ^{W. N.} Hunting, and Mrs. Harry Cooke.

Mrs. Osborne reported on the double cards sent out by the L. V. I. S. to secure a vote on the Main St. gas station proposition - 300 cards sent out and 160 returned .

The proposition from the Lighting Co. to hold a meeting and allow them to have a lighting exhibit was again tabled.

The Village Board has asked the L. V. I. S. to enter a float in the Suffolk County Day Parade at The New York World's Fair June 14th. The East Hampton Fire Dept. has asked the Society to enter a float in the East Hampton Parade on Memorial Day. Reg. moved seconded and carried that Mrs. Osborne and Mrs. Maloney constitute a com. to arrange for a float that can be used for both occasions.

Mrs. E. T. Dayton read three resolution of respect she prepared upon the recent deaths of three charter members of the Society, Mrs. Hiram Sherrill, Mrs. Annie Homan and Mrs Melvina Edwards. A copy to be sent to the family and a copy to be spread upon the minutes

Mrs. Frank Conklin and Mrs. Norman Gould reported for the two weeks clean-up campaign. They felt that every one had co-operated very well and that in general the village looked very neat.

The sec. was asked to write a letter to Mr. Tuthill, County Engineer requesting that trees worth saving on Long Lane be moved back when work starts on the new road and to beautify the Lane when the

road is completed. Letter also to Mr. Duryea, Supervisor.

Mrs. N. H. Dayton reported 400 letters going out ot various people for recipies for the new cook book.

It was voted to have a Bingo party at Guild Hall May 19th to raise funds to pay for the labor of painting the R. R. station \$260 must be raised.

Mr. Arnold Bayley and Mrs. Robert Barns addressed the Society as members from the Civic Club explaining to the ladies the Publicity drive which they are sponsoring, The firm of Harry A. Bruno Associates, has been engaged to handle the campaign, which is supposed to start May 1st. and continue throughout the summer season. Mr. Barns did not ask for a donation from the socity but he did ask every member to mention the plan and to help to make the Village Publicity Conscio^us.

On motion meeting adj.

James S. Gay

Mrs. Schenk entertained at tea assisted by Mrs. Carl Reutershan and Mrs. Max Rentershan.

JUNE 1939

The reg. monthly meeting of the L. V. I. S. was held at "Windward" the home of Mrs. Harry Hamlin June 5th at 3 o'clock. 50 members present. Meeting called to order by the President Mrs. Nelson Osborne. Minutes of previous meeting read and correction made to read \$28 received from Mrs. Seabury and Miss Johnson to be applied to the special tree fund. Treas. report read and audited and found correct by Mrs. James Mulford. Receipts for the Month of May \$12.00 disbursements \$30. balance on hand June 1st. 1939 \$210.30.

Mrs. John Hand co-Chairman of the tree comm. reported that Mr. Armstrong's men are in E. H. and are planning to do considerable pruning and spraying- the trees in general do not look very good.

Special tree fund to date \$2105 a little more has been promised. Two memorial trees are to be planted for Mr. and Mrs. E. Clifford Potter. Louis Vetault & son were paid \$478 for planting at the pond. These is to date a balance of about \$110. Mrs. Lockwood personally has contributed about \$40 a little extra planting at the pond and she had Mr. Coombs make a trip to E.H. relative to the pond.

Mrs. Taylor reported for the Greens com. and requested that something be done about the muskrates in the pond as they are now eating the lilly bulbs. The pond com. was asked to approach the V.B. and ask them to try to eliminate the muskrats.

Complaints were heard regarding children swinging from the branches of the trees around the pond. Reg. moved and seconded and carried, that the Principal of the school be asked to speak to the children about this matter.

Mrs. Luke Thomas reported that the grass plots were doing as well as can be expected due to the dry weather. The painting at the station is about completed \$140 was raised at the first Bingo

party, which is a little over half of what is needed to pay the paint bill.

The replica of Home Sweet Home was reconditioned and entered as a float in the Memorial day parade, if a truck can be secured it will be sent to the Worlds Fair on Suffolk Day. *County*

Letter read from Principal Brooks included therein a check of \$50. which was raised by the Junior *Class* Crafts and The Girls Glee Club by giving an operarre at The Guild Hall. The proceeds are for the tree fund.

Checks of \$100 each received from Mr and Mrs. Edward Gardner to be included in the tree fund for the coming year. Motion of letter of thanks be sent Mr Brooks and Mr. and Mrs. Gardner.

Mrs. Osbonre appointed Mrs. Harry Hamlin, Mrs. William Edwards and Mrs. Hamilton King the nominating Comm. for next year officers.

A letter read from Miss Edith Johnson ~~read~~ protesting the proposed change in zoning. Discussion followed, all *present were* opposed to any change in the Village zoning laws.

Mrs. Ramee suggested that all further petitions be treated in a definite way--by sending double post cards to all members asking their opinion. This was put in the form of a motion, seconded and carried. It was also asked that no name be read at the public meeting.

Mrs. Wm. Helmuth, Mrs. Geo. Scott and Mrs. Levi Bass were proposed and accepted for memberships.

Some time ago the Society requested the maple trees on Long Lane be saved, when the new county read is laid. Letter read from Mr. Tuthill, County Engineer, and Perry Duryea, Supervisor of E.H. Town assuring the Society that 6 of the Norway maples will be moved back 15 feet when the

back when work starts to widen the road.

The Village Board had been invited to attend the meeting at 4 o'clock. Mayor Bannister and C. Louis Edwards, Trustee came. Mrs. Osbonne thanked them on behalf of the Society for the wonderful work done in restoring the appearance of the village following the hurrican of last Sept.

A resolution of appreciation was read by the Sec. which was adopted. The mayor replied by thanking the L. V. I. S. saying that nothing could have been accomplished without the full cooperation of all organizations and the High School boys who cut the first path thro' the streets

Mayor Bannister explained the two petitions that were to come before the public June loth. Reg moved, seconded and carried that the Village be asked to buy the old sheep pound otherwise known as the Gardner traingle and preserve it as a park, if it can be purchased at a reasonable price.

On motion meeting adj.

signed
Beem S. Gay Sec.

Mrs. Hamlin entertained at tea.

Whereas, it hath pleased the Almighty to take
from our midst our dear friend and co-worker,
Mrs. Miriam Shovell, therefore be it resolved:-

That in the death of Mrs. Shovell the
Society has lost another of its charter members,
a member who was loyal in every way to the
work of the organization through all the years
and one who was always willing to do
whatever she could to further the good of the
Society.

She was quiet and unassuming in her
manner and the memory of her friendships
will always be ~~and~~ cherished by the members
of the Society.

Be it further resolved that this resolution
be spread upon the minutes of this meeting
and a copy be sent to the members of her
family and that our Heavenly Father comfort
and sustain them.

Wesley T. Dayton
Clerk.

Whereas Almighty God has called from our midst Mrs. Annie Homan, our dear friend and co-worker, therefore be it resolved:—

That in the passing of Mrs. Homan the Society has lost another of its charter members, one who was the first secretary of the Society when it was founded December 6, 1895. Through all the years, as long as health permitted, she took an active part in the work of the organization; for many years Mrs. Homan has tenderly cared for the village flag, keeping it mended and in good condition.

Her presence among us will be greatly missed as her wise council, her genial smile and her kindly spirit were an inspiration to all with whom she came in contact.

Be it further resolved that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy be sent to those who have so lovingly cared for her during her last days and that Our Heavenly Father may comfort and bless all those who mourn.

Mary T. Dayton, Com.

Whereas it hath pleased Almighty God to take from our midst our dear friend and co-worker, Mrs. Melvina Edwards, therefore be it resolved:—

That in the death of Mrs. Edwards the Society has lost another of its charter members, a member who was loyal in every way to the work of the organization through all the years, and one who was always willing to undertake whatever she was called upon to do and to carry on cheerfully and to the best of her ability.

She will be greatly missed at our meetings, as she was most faithful in her attendance.

She was quiet and unassuming in her manner, but always ready to voice her opinion when necessary.

Be it further resolved that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy be sent to the members of the family and that our Heavenly Father comfort and sustain them.

Mary T. Dayton
Committee.

August 1939

The reg. monthly meeting of the L. V. I. S. was held at the home of Mrs. L. F. Bishop, Jr. July 3rd at 3 o'clock. 50 members present. Meeting called to order by the President Mrs. Nelson C. Osborne, minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Receipts for the month \$253.00. Disbursements \$57.82. Balance on hand July 1st \$155.48. Audited and found correct by Mrs. James Mulford;

Reports of various committees followed. Mrs. Luke Thomas was not present, but the suggestion was made that the plots on Newtown Lane needed attention.

Mrs. Hand reported for the tree com. over \$2400.00 has been received in the special tree fund for memorial trees and restoration work. The spraying by Armstrong's men has been completed. The feeding is being done now, pruning to follow. Mrs. Osborne reported that the Japanese beetle has reached East Hampton and that experts say arsenate of lead is the proper spray, they attack any tree.

Mrs. N. H. Dayton reported that the advertisements have been secured for the cook books, the receipts are filed and everything in order for an estimate on the cost of printing. A rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. Dayton and her committee.

Eight new members were proposed and accepted for membership. Mrs. E. Ritzema Perry, Mrs. James A. Edwards, Mrs. B. G. Chapman, Jr., Mrs. Caroline Herter Bridge, Mrs. Leslie Thorn Pierce, Miss Margaret McCarthy, Miss Irene Gay and Mrs. Sturtevant Erdmann.

Mrs. Hamlin, chairman of the nominating com. submitted the following to serve as directors of the society for the coming year. Mrs. Nelson Osborne, Mrs. Wallace Chauncey, Mrs. Wm. Tod Helmuth, Jr., Mrs. Raymond Dominy, Mrs. Wm. Gay, Mrs. J. E. Gay, Jr., Mrs. L. F. Bishop, Jr., Mrs. Edward Gardner, Mrs. Victor Harris, Mrs. Wm. Maloney and Mrs. James Mulford. There being no other nominations the Sec. was authorized to

cast one vote for the ballot as read.

A rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. Luke Thomas and Mrs. Frank Conklin for the Bingo parties given for the station painting fund.

Mrs. Wm. Maloney spoke about the luncheon of the Roadside Com. of the Long Island Association to be held at the Sea ^{Sw}Spray July 6th thicketts \$1.00, and the wish was expressed that as many as possible attend.

Mrs. Max Reutershan reported that \$89.60 has been made to date on L. V. I. S. pencils being sold for the tree fund.

The meeting was then turned over to plans for the Fair. The Treas. asked all chairman to have \$10.00 worth of change- chairman asked for donations for their booth- everyone seemed most enthusiastic. The East Hampton Golf and Country Club have donated their orchestra- the Rummage and Farm booths will open at 10 A.M. for sales

On motion meeting adj.

signed
William S. Gay Sec.

Mrs. Earle Sinclair and Mrs. Bishop entertained at tea.

~~September~~
OCTOBER 1939

The annual meeting of the L. V. I. S. was held at the home of Mrs. Lion Gardiner Sept. 10th at 3 o'clock. 58 members present. Meeting called to order by the President, Mrs. Nelson Osborne. Sec. annual report read and accepted with thanks. Treas. annual report read and accepted with thanks. Receipts for the year \$3547.83. Disbursements \$3402.57 leaving a balance on hand at the close of the year Sept. 10th of \$145.28. Audited and found correct by Mrs. James Mulford.

No annual tree report

Mrs. Taylor reported as chairman of the Green comm. that Mr. Mattson had attended to the greens in his usual conscientious way and was very much pleased with the appearance of the Village Green.

Mrs. Luke Thomas reported for the Plots com. that in spite of the dry weather the grassplots and rosebushes at the station were in good condition.

On motion the annual meeting was adj.

Mrs. Osborne called the regular meeting. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Treas. report read and accepted. Receipts for the month \$382.72 Disbursements for the month \$600.13. Leaving a balance on hand Sept. 1st \$145.28.

No report from the tree com.

Mrs. Taylor reported that Mr. Mattson will include the care of the banks of the Pond in his budget this year.

Mrs. N. H. Dayton reported that the cook books are awaiting Mr. Rattrays estimate for publication.

Mrs. Seabury Chairman of the Finance com. reported the findings of the com namely

Reg moved and seconded and carried that \$25 be appropriated to

replace the cedars at the War Memorial. Mrs. Seabury was asked to attend to this.

Mrs. Max Reuterhan reported \$97.60 cleared on the sale of pencils to date. A new shipment has just been received, which the com. would like to dispose of.

Six new members were proposed and accepted for membership; Mrs. Ben Johnson, Mrs. Francis H. Cook, Mrs. Harrison Mylford, Mrs. Thomas Beardsley, Mrs. H. J. Robertson and Mrs. Juan Trippe.

Mrs. Osborne reminded the members of the car the Civic Club is raffling off and suggested that we help them as they had very generously assumed the expense of the Xmas tree last year and had assisted with the Bingo parties.

Check of \$5.00 received from the pupils of the Anita Zahn School for the work done by the society.

Letter read from Mr. Hasselberger commander of the Halsey post of the American Legion telling us of Emmanuel Bonos attendance at the Boy's State, a citizenship training Camp at Syracuse this summer and suggesting that Mr. Bono appear at one of the meetings. It was decided to invite Mr. Bono to our next meeting. The L. V. I. S contributed money as did other civic organizations, to make it possible for one of our junior school boys to attend the camp.

Mrs. Nugent said she had a few articles left from the school booth at the Fair, which she would like to sell. Mrs. James Edwards said that she would try to interest the Garden Club to purchase the bird houses.

On motion meeting adj.

Helen S. Gay Sec.

Mrs. Gardiner entertained at tea with Mrs. Nugent pouring.

Whereas, It has pleased
our Father to remove from
our midst our respected and
dearly beloved member, Mrs.
Daniel W. Talmage, who was
a very active worker in the
early years of the Ladies
Village Improvement Society,
having joined the society
shortly after the ^{its} organization,
Therefore

Resolved, That in the
passing of Mrs. Talmage to
her reward we have sus-
tained the loss of a friend
it was a pleasure to enjoy;
that we bear witness to
her many fine traits of
character, - her honesty, sincerity,
faithfulness in the discharge
of duties, ^{keen sense of humor} and steadfastness

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of purpose; that we offer to her dear husband, with whom she lived for over fifty years, our heartfelt sympathy and pray that our Father may comfort him and help him to bear with fortitude the loss of this companionship so dear to him.

Resolved, That ~~a copy of these~~ resolutions be spread on the minutes of our society and a copy sent to the husband of our beloved friend. ~~and~~

Committee:

Mary C. Hand

President

Secretary

Mrs. Nelson Osborne

Mrs. S. Gay

September 1939

The reg. monthly meeting of the L. V. I. S. was held in the Playhouse of Mrs. Lorenzo Woodhouse Aug. 7th at 3 o'clock. 60 members present. Meeting called to order by the President Mrs. Osborne, minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Treasurers report read and accepted. Receipts for the month \$1671.13 disbursements \$1463.92 balance on hand Aug. 1st, 1939 \$362.69. Audited and found correct by Mrs. James Mulford.

Mrs. John Hand reported for the tree com. that to date bills for the tree work amounts to \$1033.27. The spraying, feeding and some of the pruning is done. Some thing has attacke~~d~~ the maple trees--it is not known just what it is or how serious it might be.

There are quite a few fall web worms, they do no damage, altho they are very unsightly.

No report from the Pond Com.

Mrs. Taylor for the greens com. reported very little damage done by the Fair, a few spots have had to be resodded and considerable watering but the majority of the brown spots are from they dry weather.

Mrs. Thomas reported 5 extra grass plots being taken care of by Joe La Porte without extra charge, one in front of the Masonic Temple, and 4 on Newtown lane.

Mrs. N. H. Dayton reported 200 cook books sold at the Fair and 25 since that date.

Four names were proposed and accepted for memberships: Mrs. Chas. Potter, Mrs. Wallace Benjamin, Mrs. John Northrup and Mrs. James Yates.

A resolution of respect was prepared by Mrs. Seabury on the death of Mrs. Ruger Honoho. Copy to be sent to her family and copy to be spread upon the minutes.

Mrs. Taylor asked that a letter of thanks be sent the Village Board for water^{ing} the trees.

Reg. moved and seconded and carried that the Village Board be requested to install and appropriate light in the Street at Guild Hall which can be used when necessary or to take any other necessary precautions to safeguard that area at night.

Mrs. Woodhouse stressed the point that it was equally dangerous in the daytime and suggested that the Village Board place a lane for pedestrians there and at other busy spots such as the Post Office, Masonic Temple, etc.

Mrs. A. W. Chauncey suggested a campaign for safe driving be inaugurated here and asked that the Village Board publish rules regarding the newly painted traffic lines.

Mrs. Osborne thanked everyone who worked and came to the Fair, cards of appreciation will be mailed to all who contributed.

A rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. Osborne and Mrs. Chauncey co-chairman of the Fair. Gross proceeds to date \$5069.03.

A Check of \$200 was received from Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson as proceeds from the staff ball. Red. moved seconded and carried that a letter of thanks be sent Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and their com.

On motion meeting adj.

*signed
Helen S. Gay Sec.*

Mrs. Woodhouse entertained at tea on the terrace.

Oct 2, 1939
November 1, 1939

The regular monthly meeting of the L. V. I. S. was held at the home of Mrs. Victor Harris, October 2nd, at 3:00 o'clock. Forty members were present. The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Nelson C. Osborne. Minutes of the meeting were read and approved. Treasurer's report read and accepted. Receipts for the month \$4852.68 - Disbursements \$192.70 - \$4000.00 deposited in the interest department of the Osborne Trust Company, leaving a checking balance on hand of \$659.98.

Mrs. Hand gave the annual Tree Report: Nineteen streets have been covered by Mr. Armstrong's men - 813 elms sprayed - 44 willows and 64 horsechestnuts - 40 trees fed, 10 pruned, - 3 braced and 7 raised. Mr. Armstrong says the trees in general are in good condition, with the exception of some of the horsechestnuts. The others have kept their leaves and color very well considering the drought we have had this summer. Mrs. Hand also reported on the special tree fund of \$2420.00. All of this amount has either been turned over to the village, or paid out for tree planting. There remains a small balance of \$41.00. Mrs. Hand gave a listing of 32 Memorial Trees and their location. She reported that markers can be secured for \$2.60 F.O.B. Washington.

Mrs. Louis Vetault, Jr., co-chairman of the Pond Committee, reported that the motor has been removed from the Pond, and she asked that a note of thanks be sent Mayor Banister and the Village Board for assuming the expense and care of the Pond last year.

Mrs. Wm. Taylor reported Mr. Mattson very appreciative of his increase in salary, and will care for the banks of the Pond. At present the grass is a little long, but on account of it being new sod, it cannot be cut very short.

The Pencil proceeds were \$106.30. They are on sale at the Old Barn Bookshop.

Miss Hope Kingsley was proposed and accepted as a new member.

A letter was read from Mrs. Seabury stating that she and Mrs. Jewett had selected the new planting for the Memorial, and in as much as it exceeded the \$25.00 allowed, she asked that Vetault & Son be thanked for their contribution.

Mrs. Chauncey suggested that a letter be sent Mrs. Hamlin who is in London, telling her the final figures on the result of the Fair, and how well the Green looks, and that the trees are in fine condition.

Motion by Mrs. Taylor, duly seconded and carried, that the Society resume the lighting of the Christmas tree on Memorial Green again this year.

A Resolution of Respect was prepared and read by Mrs. John Hand on the death of Mrs. Daniel W. Talmadge. The Resolution was adopted. A copy will be spread upon the minutes and one sent to her bereaved husband.

Emmanuel Bono, East Hampton High School Senior, addressed this Society reporting on his ten day stay at Boy's State, the citizenship camp for the youth at Syracuse, N. Y. Boys attend from all over the state - 672 were there this year. They are housed in dormitories on the State Fairgrounds, 13 were sent from Suffolk County. The boys had lessons in practical government, formed parties, held caucuses, used voting machines to elect their own governor, and in various ways were taught good citizenship.

An elm planted between McCann's and the Guild Hall is being given and marked by the Old East Hampton Group in memory of Mrs. ~~Ryan~~ Donoho.

On motion, meeting adjourned. Mrs. Harris entertained at tea.

Helen S. Gay,
Secretary

East Hampton, L. I.

Whereas, It has pleased the Almighty to remove from our midst our beloved friend and faithful worker, Mrs. Jennie Conklin, who has been a member of the Ladies Village Improvement Society for many years and has served on important committees, Therefore,

Resolved, That in the passing of Mrs. Conklin to her reward we have sustained the loss of a friend whose friendship it was a pleasure to enjoy; that we bear testimony to her many virtues, - her bright, cheerful character, her willingness to assume duties and responsibilities, her faithfulness to the best interests of the

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society, and thoroughness and efficiency in the discharge of the duties and tasks assigned her; that we offer to her bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy and pray that our Father may comfort them and help them to carry on for her the interests and work that were dear to her.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the society and a copy be sent to the family of our deceased friend.

Committee:

Mary C. Hand

November

The reg. monthly meeting of the L. V. I. S. was held at the home of Mrs. Roosevelt Carleton Nov. 7th at 3 o'clock. 28 members present. Meeting called to order by the President Mrs. Nelson Osborne. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Treas. report read and accepted. Receipts for the month \$19.25. Disbursements \$52.00. Checking balance on hand Nov. 1st, 1939 \$627.27. Audited and found correct by Mrs. James Mulford.

Mrs. Hand reported for the tree com. saying she had written Mrs. F. Stanhope Phillips regarding the planing at the Pond and the marking of the trees which had been requested by Mrs. Phillips. The new oak south end of pond is marked for Mr. Phillips, the sycamore 2nd from south end for Dr. George Monroe and 3rd for Dr. Herbert Newton, the fourth tree for the Guild Hall Players, the fifth tree from Dunmere Lane on Main St. is marked for the Maidstone Club.

No report from the sign committee. Other chairmen not present. Mrs. Osborne requested when chairmen could not be present that they please send their report.

Mrs. Samuel Wallace and Mrs. Charles S. Geiger were proposed and accepted as new members.

Report read by Sec. from Miss Hoguet on meeting and luncheon held at Garden City in Oct. which was attended by Members of the Society ~~and~~ from East Hampton and New York City.

Mrs. Hand spoke before the Garden Club in Riverhead in Oct. telling them of the work accomplished in East Hampton and how it was handled. The Garden club has planted 19 trees on the Main Street in Riverhead.

After some discussion it was felt the Society should have a standing Roadsie com. The President appointed Mrs. Carleton chairman of this com.

Mrs. N. H. Dayton will make arrangements regarding the lighting of the Christmas tree. Length of time for the lighting was left with Mrs. Dayton. On motion meeting adj.

Mrs. Carleton entertained at tea and Mrs. L. Thomas poured.

Respectfully
Allen S. Gay Sec.

Annual report of the L. V. I. S.

September 1938 to September 1939

Total memberships 314

Active 179

Associate 8

Life 127

Officers of the year

President--Mrs. Nelson C. Osborne

1st Vice President--Mrs. Frank Conklin

2nd Vice President--Mrs. Wallace Chauncey

3rd Vice President--Mrs. F. Raymond Dominy

Secretary--Mrs. J. E. Gay, Jr.

Treasurer--Mrs. William Gay

Auditor--Mrs. James Mulford

Directors--Mrs. Victor Harris, Mrs. L. F. Bishop, Jr., Mrs. William Maloney and Mrs. Edward Gardner.

Another year in history making for the L. V. I. S. and a year long to be remembered. Sept 21st our beautiful Village was ravished by a hurricane, you all know to what extent our beautiful trees were destroyed. Mr. Armstrong happened to be in East Hampton that day and immediately sent for his men and equipment and placed them at the disposal of the Village. A committee including the officers of various organizations was formed to work with the Village Board, to determine the financing and the best means of restoring the Village as near as possible to its beauty before the storm. Mrs. Osborne, Mrs. John Hand, Mrs. Peters, and Mrs. Lockwood were members of this com. Mr. Coombs, landscape architect of the Long Island State Park was engaged to make a survey, and map a program for the planting of new trees, many trees which had been blown over, were replaced and guyed, with the hope that they could be saved. The question of securing trees to replace those lost was quite a problem, as no trees could be brought into the Village farther west than Patchogue on account of the Dutch elm disease, so the country side was scoured for trees, elms, worth while transplanting. Many trees were given by private individuals and a special tree fund was created for those who wished to give trees in memory of dear ones of aid

financially in the restoration work. This fund was reported at the July meeting of having exceeded \$2400.00. The names of those contributing to the fund and giving trees will be listed by Mrs. John Hand who has had charge of this fund, and the list filed with the Sec. of the L. V. I. S. at the library and with the Village Clerk. The tree com. intends as soon as they are financially able to mark all memorial tree?

The budget for this past year was considerably less than the previous year--estimated disbursement for the year as compiled by the finance com. amounted to \$3093.60. The tree com. was allowed \$1200.00. The com. employed Mr. Armstrong to care for the trees and his men have done the usual spraying and pruning during the Spring and summer.

Mrs. William Taylor is active chairman of the Greens com. Mrs. Jenny Conklin honorary chairman, Mr. Matson has had care of the Greens and accepted a cut of \$100. in view of the Society's reduced budget. He received \$1400.00.

The Society was forced to relinquish several pet projects namely (1) the lighting of the Christmans tree on Memorial Green, this the Civic Club very generously did (2) The Village Board was asked to take over the care of the pump at Town Pond and to keep the water at a proper level during the months the pump can be used.

Mrs. Louis Vetault, Jr. and Mrs. L. F. Bishop, Jr. are co-chairman of the Pond Com. and members of the tree com. On advice of Mr. Coombs. A check of \$500. was received from Mrs. F. Stanhope Phillips to be used for this project.

Mrs. P. C. Schenck accepted the chiarmanship of the Sign Com. and at that time, Sept 1st it looked as tho' she had undertaken quite an assignement--however the storm destroyed a large number of billboards and Mrs. Schenck and her com. have endeavored ever since to prevail upon

the advertisers not to replace the signs.

Letters were written by members, and petitions signed, which were sent to Albany asking the ^{Pa}wers that be to pass legislature ^{INC7} prohibiting the erection of billboards, and signs along the country side.

Mrs. Luke Thomas was again chairman of the grass plots and station. Joe La Porte was employed to do the work. Last Sept. Mrs. Chauncey interviewed Mr. John Appleton, Vice-President of the Long Island Railroad relative to the railroad laying a concrete walk by the fence at the station. Mr. Appleton replied that the improvement could not be made at that time. At the March meeting Mrs. Thomas announced that the L. I. R. R. has agreed to build a sidewalk between the fence and the road and that they would furnish paint to paint the station if the labor could be secured. Estimates for painting were secured from various contractors, \$260. was the lowest bid. The members voted at the May meeting to raise the money by holding Bingo Parties. Two parties were held at the Guild Hall, the amount was raised, and East Hampton has the distinction of having the only white station in the world.

The President designated the last 2 weeks in April as "Spring Clean-up" time. Mrs. Frank Conklin y Mrs. Norman Gould assisted by Mrs. P. C. Schenck were the com.

At the suggestion of Mrs. Chauncey pencils ~~were~~ marked "L. V. I. S. tree fund" have been sold all year. Mrs. Max Reutershan has had charge of this and reported at the July meeting net proceeds \$89.60

Mayor Bannister requested the Society to enter a float in the Suffolk County Day Parade at the World's Fair June 14th. The East Hampton Fire Dept. asked for a float in the local Memorial Day Parade Mrs. Osborne and Mrs. Taylor had the replica of "Home Sweet Home", which was made for a parade held several years ago, reconditioned and it was entered in the both parades and was ~~se~~ also on view at our annual Fair in July.

Two different times this past year petitions were filed with the Village Board by individuals requesting a change in the zoning laws to permit residential property in the business area. Mrs. Osborne had double post cards sent to all members asking their opinion and from replies received the feeling was unanimous that there be no change in the present Village Zoning laws.

The Junior class and the Girls Glee Club of the public school held an operetta at the Guild Hall in May and sent a check of \$50 to the Society as their donation toward the tree fund.

The Home making dept., and Manual Training class of the school worked all spring making articles that could be sold at the Fair. They had a school booth and made \$138 for the Society.

Six members were lost to the Society thro' death: Mrs. Frank Stratton Mrs. Hiram Sherrill, Mrs. Annie Homan, Mrs. Melvina Edwards, Mrs. Wheelock Fairfax and Mrs. Ruger Donoho. Mrs. Sherrill, Mrs., Homan and Mrs. Edwards were charter members of the Society.

A change in the by-laws of the Society was unanimously voted at the Sept. meeting. Namely: (1) that the Board of Directors be increased by 2 members, making an executive com. of ten members that the retiring president automatically becomes a member of the Board, so that the incoming officers may have the benefit of her experience. (2) that a president can only succeed herself for ² years, making a three year term.

Members present at the Sept. meeting voted unanimously to return the Annual Fair to the Village Green. Hence this July saw a beautiful sight with the Fair on the Green. Mrs. Osborne and Mrs. W. Chauncey were co-chairman of the Fair and deserve a tremendous amount of credit for its success. Gross receipts to date \$5069.03. \$200 of this amount was received as proceeds from the Staff Ball.

Mrs. N. H. Dayton is chairman of a com. compiling a new edition of the L. V. I. S. East Hampton Cook Book.

ESTIMATED BUDGET L. V. I. S. 1939 - 1940

RECEIPTS

Balance 1938-1939	\$ 145.28
Interest	140.00
Dues	175.00
Gifts to Tree Fund-Mr. & Mrs. E. Gardner and school.	250.00
Sale of Pencils	80.85
Net Fair proceeds	4540.03
Total Receipts	<u>\$5331.16</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Long Island Chamber of Commerce	5.00
Secretary	50.00
Treasurer	50.00
Expenses for Secretary & Treasurer	25.00
Trees	2500.00
Greens	1500.00
Insurance	
Fair goods	
Silver	20.00
Storage & Care	
Silver & china (Mrs. Hand's)	40.00
Fair equipment	50.00
Flag	
Raising of flag	32.00
Mending of flag-Mrs. H. Mulford	30.00
Pond	
East Hampton Water Co.	
East Hampton Electric Co.	
Bell	
Grimshaw	
Parsons	
Emergency	200.00
Safety Deposit Box	2.20
Plots	150.00
Stakes	18.00
Station	35.00
Emergency Fund	<u>150.00</u>
Total Disbursements	4857.20
Estimated Receipts for the Year.	\$5331.16
Estimated Disbursements for the Year.	4857.20
Balance	<u>\$ 473.96</u>

The officers for the ensuing year remain the same except Mrs. Wallace Chauncey will serve as 1st Vice President and Mrs., William Tod Helmuth, Jr. as 2nd Vice President. Mrs. Frank Conklin having resigned as an officer.

Report respectfully submitted

Sept 11, 1939

Wm. C. Gray
Sec.