GCPS Progress Report September, 2020 By Diane Sterne

Our AGM is scheduled for Thursday, October 15 at 1:00 at the Princeton Museum. We must do this before the end of December to keep our Society status. You will recall we cancelled our AGM in March (when we normally hold it) due to the pandemic outbreak. If you are planning to attend the AGM, please wear a mask if you have one. We will be social distancing at the meeting.

If you wish to put your name in for any of the Executive positions: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, and up to 6 Directors, please let Dawn Gardner know (dawngardner18@yahoo.ca) before the meeting. Dawn has agreed to put her name in for Chair (thank you Dawn!), I will be putting my name in again for Vice-Chair and Bob will put his name in for Treasurer. If you are already on the Executive and wish to continue but won't be at the meeting, please send Dawn an email to that effect. We cannot put your name on the list unless you are either there in person, or we have an email from you stating you wish to run again.

- Unfortunately no one was able to take the garbage from the Delprato dump site to the Princeton Dump using the waivers we obtained. They were only valid for August. If anyone thinks they might be able to do this job, let me know a few days in advance and I will see if I can get a new waiver. I don't want to obtain one if there is no one who can take it out. Thanks!
- Last year we asked a group of treasure hunters if they would check out the land near the Delprato cabin for artefacts. They came this year but were not successful as the ground was too dry for their machines to pick anything up. They did, however, find some old sardine cans and metal at the town site. The best find was an 1885 American dime. I have a photo of it attached to this Report.
- Welcome to our new members Doreen and Cliff Klages. They have connections to the area and have placed a new bench at the Cemetery. The bench has a lock on it and if, for any reason, it must be moved, the Klages kindly gave us a copy of the key. Thank you for joining our group Doreen and Cliff. Two photos of the beautiful bench in memory of Joyce Knudsen (nee Clotworthy) are attached.
- Thank you again Todd Lester for taking the last of the recycle bags for us. We greatly appreciate all your work with this!!
- Thank you Ole Juul for keeping the GCPS website updated!! We really appreciate your hard work with this. It is such an important part of our Society especially with the COVID-19 pandemic this year.
- We took another 100 maps to the Granite Creek Town Site. That is 800 for this year (not bad considering there is a pandemic going on. ☺). The total number of maps distributed so far is 2,500 (half of our inventory). It is pretty impressive to see so many people enjoying the site.

- <u>Volunteer(s) Needed</u>: Some of the graves at the Cemetery are in dire need of weed whacking. In particular is the Bryant grave and the one beside it, but there are others. The paths aren't too bad but some of the graves are looking a bit neglected. In the past, Bob has done this job but I don't want him doing it anymore. It is not good for his health and he isn't a spring chicken anymore ©.

The Cairn at the Town Site could also use some weed whacking as well as around the picnic table areas, etc.

If anyone is able to help out with this, please go ahead and do so. Let me know your name so I can thank you properly in an upcoming Progress Report. "Many hands make light work" and we definitely need some more hands on deck to help out with maintenance. Thank you in advance for your help.

- Bob and I popped into the Delprato Cabin a week ago just to check on things. There were no mice in the bucket trap and we could not smell pack rats near the porch (as we normally do). I did not go into the cellar as we had just popped in for a minute while Bob was grouse hunting, but neither of us could smell any rats. Hopefully we can get back there soon and I will go into the cellar to look for rats.
- Financial Report from Bob Sterne: Bank balance as of August 31 \$1163.59;
 General Funds \$1211.84; No outstanding bills; Paid Members 25;
 Volunteer Hours 122.5 which equates to \$2450.00.
- I hope to see you at the October AGM. It has been a very long time since we have been able to get together.