Arlington Historical Society Year in Review 2008-2009

June 2008

The Arlington Historical Society sponsored the showing of two movies starring Priscilla Lane, who is interred in Arlington National Cemetery.

July 2008

In July 2008, our board members visited the Fairfax Museum.

August 2008

The society maintained an exhibit booth at the Arlington County Fair from August 7–10, 2008; the theme was the Centennial Celebration of the Wright Brother's flights in Arlington.

September 2008

On September 6, 2008, we manned a booth at the Ft. Myer celebration of the centennial flights of the Wright Brothers.

At Central Library on September 11, 2008, author George W. Dodge presented a program on the Wright Brother's flights at Ft. Myer which were conducted in 1908 and 1909.

October 2008

We participated in Pioneer Day at Gulf Branch Nature Center on October 4, 2008 and a central Arlington History Tour-Walk on October 11, 2008.

On October 11, 2008, we held the make-your-own-scarecrow event at the Ball-Sellers house.

At the Arlington Historical Society Museum a "Fall Haul Away" was held on October 11 and October 13, 2008.

A textile survey was organized by Linda Gouaze and was conducted at the Museum by Julia M. Brennan.

On October 25, 2008, members of our society were at Arlington House with National Park Service members for celebration of Historic Arlington Days.

November 2008

On November 8, 2008 Corinne Butle, George Dodge and Linda Gouaze participated in the dedication of the historical marker at the site where the Saegmuller

School once stood near the current Madison Center. Saegmuller wedding items were placed into a display case for exhibit at the museum.

There was a joint membership meeting of the Arlington Historical Society and the Arlington Heritage Alliance at Central Library on November 13, 2008. It featured a presentation on the Lustron Home. Members went on a trip to New York City to see the Lustron Home exhibit.

December 2008

On December 6, 2008, we participated with the Aurora Hills Women's Club in a Holiday Boutique.

On December 16, 2008, we held our annual Holiday Reception for society members and friends at the Arlington Historical Society Museum. The Bell Ringer campaign was also conducted in December.

January 2009

On January 8, 2009, at Central Library our program was "Guarding the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier" by Tim Gerard, a former sentinel of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

March 2009

Eric and Linda Christiansen made a presentation on statesman and General George C. Marshall at Central Library on March 12, 2009.

April 2009

Our third annual cookout for museum docents and Ball-Seller docents was held at the Arlington Historical Society Museum on April 18, 2009.

May 2009

The membership meeting on May 14, 2009 at Central Library included a presentation by Matthew Gilmore, author of "Historic Photos of Arlington County." The Society's banquet was held at Cherrydale United Methodist Church on May 30, 2009. The program, "A Musical Walk Through Patriot Songs," featured pianist Virginia S. Dodge and George W. Dodge, who portrayed Iwo Jima flag raiser Sgt. Michael Strank.