

THE HANDICRAFT CLUB

HOUSE REPORT

SUMMER 2019

Chris the Lamp Repair person came to install the Kitchen light fixture that Henry broke the globe on. He also installed new undercounter lights that are LED and whose bulbs do not generate heat as did the Halogen ones. These bulbs will probably never need replacing.

Rent a son sent two people over to move the files in the Decorative Painting Studio to the positions recommended by the Structural Engineer. They totally knocked down the large wooden cabinet and took it out to the garbage area as well as removing the cubbies from the new file location area in the Prep Room. The third metal cabinet was assembled.

Kathy Cutler and Patsy Blackburn were heroic in clearing out the Decoupage Room so that the work could be done on the asbestos removal. They worked 3 hours one day and Patsy was able and willing to come back and finish. Rent sons moved the boxes to the Doll House Room and took the trash from Decoupage out to the trash area. Decoupage will share the space with the Decorative Painting Students but will have to move their class to Monday.

A new table and bench have been ordered for the lunch room and will be delivered in September mid-month a light weight ladder was ordered and placed for use in Main House SW and NW studios for access to the high shelves.

The front garden and back gardens have been weeded. Over the years the back garden has had material die out that was not replaced and border plantings overgrown. This area will get an evaluation of what can be done to restore it to the garden that Mrs. Raleigh donated the money for and was designed by Lala Searle in 2002.

The Double Parlor rug as well as the entrance rug have been cleaned and put back in place.

An additional video monitor has been installed at the door to the Library area and Rebecca and Jackie's monitors now have split screen capability. This allows the painting studio students to enter this door.

Banner Environmental has removed the asbestos covering on the heating pipes. We will get someone in to reinsulate the pipes that are in use with an environmentally safe product. The pipes that are abandoned could be removed in the future.

The wainscot in the Coat Room whose paint was peeling has been stripped and repainted, the stop on the window adjacent to this is being replaced.

New non slip coat hangers are installed in the coat area and the plastic ones removed.

Fran and Margaret came in and did a purge of junk that had accumulated in various areas.

We welcome Angela Bay, architect and member of the HC as the Assistant House Chairman, she is a wonderful addition.

Angela and her husband, Lance Bay have done a beautiful job of restoring their house at 92 Prospect Street.

Respectfully submitted,

Kit Barnum

House Chairman