THE WEBB SCHOOL
LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES
BOARD REPORT

Archives

Grant Project Status Report

Project Name: Preserving the “Son Will collection” for the community, but also for the education of students, and access for researchers.

Grantor Organization: Tennessee Historical Records Advisory Board (THRAB) State Board Programming Grants Regrant Program

Grantee Organization: The Webb School Library and Archives

Milestones accomplished to date

Slides are all clean using techniques that our archivist learned at the Tennessee Archives Institute. The slides were scanned with a flatbed scanner and stored as Tiffs of 1200dpi. We have used scans in presentation software [PowerPoint] to give Oral History speeches to local rotaries and to an audience at Tennessee State Park Sgt. Alvin C. York State Historic Park. Our Historian, L.R. Smith, dressed in 1918 period costume and delivered speeches exactly as they were scripted to three audiences to date. All the original slides have been safely stored in archival boxes. Additionally, we have purchased the software [Past Perfect Upgrade and Online Set-up] to provide access to the slides online.

See the magazine article - The Webb Magazine 2017-2018 Fall-Winter issue "History comes alive"

See the YouTube videos Part I -- https://youtu.be/JoSxWjgf6c4 Part II -- https://youtu.be/NzAWcQG5mLc

Issues to address

Because we do not have local servers we are working through the issue of the installation of the Past Perfect Upgrade and Online Set-up on multiple workstations. Once we overcome this hurdle we will begin the process of cataloging and captioning the slides.

Goals for the Near Future

Complete the purchase of items outlined in the grant application and work diligently to start the cataloging process. The hope is for the online and physical exhibition to launch in the Fall of 2018.
150th Anniversary activities

Ms. Hannah Byrd Little and Mrs. Susan Coop Howell will plan a “writing retreat” during AP exam weeks to execute the writing and compiling of the pictorial book.

We are communicating with UNC Press to work out a reprint of the *The Schoolmaker: Sawney Webb and the Bell Buckle Story*.

Reunion

Ms. Howell will have archival exhibits on display at the reunion. She will also host tours and conversations in the archives between 2 and 4pm on Saturday.