

DARRTOWN REUNION COMMITTEE
March 20, 2015 – 10:30 AM – Pater residence

In attendance:

Committee members: Betty Daniels, Jack Daniels, Joe Pater, Paul Gillespie, Fred Lindley, and Duane Clark (Ron Wiley attended part of the session via Oovoo video conferencing).

Guest: Don Beckett

SUMMARY

1. FALL FESTIVAL – VISION

- a. We began our meeting by clarifying what the Fall Festival will look like. To help focus our discussion, Fred distributed copies of an organizational chart that illustrated the various components of the event – based on conversations and/or agreements at past meetings. The organizational chart appears at the end of this summary.
- b. Discussion ensued regarding the following 13 components of the Reunion:
 - i. BUDGET: Joe moved, Paul seconded, and the members voted unanimously in favor of a motion that we establish two accounts within our budget:
 1. One account will include existing funds that were accumulated from the Darrtown Bicentennial. The Bicentennial funds will be used to help maintain the Milford Township Memorial Park in the Darrtown village square.
 2. A second account will include future funds that are accumulated for the Darrtown Reunion.
 3. The Reunion Committee may borrow funds from the Bicentennial account; however, the Reunion must be self-sustaining. Thus, the Reunion Committee must return all borrowed money to the Bicentennial account, after the Reunion.
 4. Ron Wiley agreed to be our fiscal officer in charge of keeping records related to the budget.
 5. We agreed that coordinators for the various components of the Reunion must submit all requests for money to the Reunion Committee and must receive approval for such requests before committing Reunion funds for any expenditure. Without such prior approval, payment may be denied.
 6. We agreed that all foreseeable requests for funds related to the 2015 Reunion must be submitted to the Reunion Committee by Friday, May 1, 2015.
 - ii. FACILITIES: Coordinator – Paul Gillespie: Paul will coordinate items related to electricity, trash collection, port-a-johns, tables, chairs, and tents.
 - iii. FOOD AND DRINKS: Coordinators – Joe Pater, Betty Daniels, and Jack Daniels.

- iv. PARADE: Coordinator – Joe Pater - with assistance from Marvin Gillespie. (*NOTE: We discussed the idea that the Reunion Committee should select a Parade Grand Marshall OR several Parade Marshalls – rather than one “Grand Marshall.” The details of this task are to be determined.*)
- v. MUSIC: Coordinator – Joe Pater (with Earl Hendricks providing recorded music and Bill Clark providing live music).
- vi. VENDORS: Coordinator – Joe Pater (*NOTE: We agreed to assess a \$15 “electrical fee” to each vendor that requires electricity. The electrical fee is in addition to the \$50 “site fee” charged to each vendor.*)
- vii. ACTIVITIES: Coordinator – Fred Lindley (with assistance from Deborah Lindley and Don Beckett)
- viii. PUBLICITY: Coordinator – Fred Lindley
- ix. CLASSIC CARS: Coordinator – Jack Daniels (with assistance from Marvin Russell)
- x. ANTIQUE TRACTORS: Coordinator – Paul Gillespie (with assistance from Nathan Gillespie)
- xi. VOLUNTEERS: Coordinator – Don Beckett
- xii. FUNDRAISER: Coordinator – TBD
- xiii. DECORATIONS/THEME: Coordinator – Joe Pater

2. FALL FESTIVAL – PROGRESS REPORT

- a. Theme: Pumpkins and corn stalks (Joe): Joe will handle this.
- b. Vendors: (Joe): Joe has distributed letters to past vendors and is collecting info from interested parties.
- c. Electrical service (Paul): Paul is in contact with Rick Gann regarding projected cost of installing a permanent electrical source.
- d. Beer at E-Dot (Duane will handle the paperwork).
- e. Map/diagram of E-Dot Park (Fred will develop this, based on conversation from today’s meeting.)

3. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

- a. We invited Don Beckett to become a member of the Reunion Committee. Don agreed.
- b. Members now include: Don Beckett, Tasha Cain, Duane Clark, Betty Daniels, Jack Daniels, Paul Gillespie, Fred Lindley, Joe Pater, Reid Shoker, and Ron Wiley.

4. CARRY-OVER ITEMS FROM THE POSTPONED DECEMBER 5TH MEETING:

- a. Village square lawn service – Build a budget for beyond the 2015 season? (Ron has this covered for this summer; Don suggested that we check with Pat Cain about maintenance beyond this season.
- b. Stone marker for the Milford Twp. Memorial Park – progress report (Paul, Ron, Betty, and Jack); waiting for supplier to process our order.
- c. Benches in the village square – progress report (Ron): TBA.
- d. Medallions for those who served in military – progress report (Betty): A few names remain on our list of possible recipients. Betty will share the list with Fred, so that he may include it in a future Darrrtown newsletter.
- e. Bicentennial display case – stored at Milford Twp. Community Center; addition of glass shelf? What items are to be displayed? Who decides? TBA.
- f. Financial report – Bicentennial (Ron) TBA

5. FUTURE MEETINGS – DATES, TIMES, LOCATIONS

- a. We discussed the idea of establishing a consistent date/occurrence; but we did not decide to do so.
- b. We decided that our next meeting would be held in the shelter at E-Dot Park – beginning at 10:30 AM, Friday, May 1, 2015.