

DARRTOWN REUNION COMMITTEE
June 18, 2015 – 10:00 AM – E-Dot Park

In attendance: Committee members: Betty Daniels, Jack Daniels, Joe Pater, Duane Clark, Fred Lindley, Ron Wiley, and Don Beckett.

SUMMARY

1. FALL FESTIVAL

a. Reports:

i. Ron - Financial: Ron distributed copies of our finances.

1. The Bicentennial Fund balance is: \$11,163.65
2. The Reunion Fund balance is: \$187.00
3. The Milford Twp. Trustees hold \$1000 donated by Dick Bunger for the Memorial Park marker and they will hold \$1000 in grant money that the Oxford Community Foundation recently awarded to the Reunion Fund.
4. Outstanding debts include \$475 for a village square summer-lawn-care contract and approximately \$2,400 for the Memorial Park marker.

ii. Ron – High School Band music for the Reunion: Ron introduced Mike Marston, director of the Talawanda High School band. Mike confirmed that the THS band would participate in the September 12 Fall Festival. Options include:

1. The band MAY march in the parade and perform at the 10 AM opening ceremony.
2. The band MAY only perform at the 10 AM opening ceremony.

iii. Jack – Reunion details: Jack reported that he and Betty had accomplished the following:

1. Pat Pawling agreed to donate \$3,000 for the Reunion Fund – on behalf of McDonalds restaurant of Oxford.
2. The Kroger store in Hamilton agreed to donate four \$25 gift cards to the Fall Festival, which will be used as Skillet Toss prizes.
3. For a donation, the Isaac Walton organization will loan us wagons for transporting people at the Fall Festival. Fred made, and Joe seconded, a motion that passed unanimously to donate \$50 for one wagon or \$100 for two.
4. Four individuals (George Leugers, Claudia Brehm, Alvin Bolser, and Lance Broshear) have agreed to loan us golf carts – primarily to transport handicapped persons.
5. The Koenig John Deere dealership of Oxford agreed to loan us a John Deere Gator to transport larger items during the Fall Festival – and they may display a larger tractor.
6. Jacob Taylor agreed to allow parking in his field at the end of Oxford Street.
7. The city of Hamilton will rent a portable stage for \$750; the fee must be paid by August 12.

8. Faye Thome agreed to allow use of her lot that is located across the street from E-Dot Park.
 9. Leslie Botts, wife of the minister at the Darrtown Baptist church, confirmed that we may use the church parking lot.
 10. Greg Elam agreed to loan his 20x40 foot tent.
 11. Tim Roemer agreed to loan his two 20x20 foot tents.
 12. Rumpke quoted \$345 for four port-a-johns and ten trash containers.
 13. Pete Magolda agreed to serve as one of our photographers at the event.
- iv. Joe - Vendors: Joe reported that 26 vendors have expressed interest (although, only a handful have paid their fees).
- v. Paul – Electricity: In anticipation of his absence from today’s meeting, Paul informed us via email that he told Rick Gann that the Reunion Committee and the Milford Township Trustees accepted his bid and want the work done.
- vi. Fred, Betty, and Jack – Skillet Toss: After discussion, Joe made, and Ron seconded, a motion that passed unanimously to approve a \$125 budget for a Fall Festival skillet toss contest for females that is organized in the following manner:
1. There will be four age groups (15-29) (30-45) (46-65) and (66 and up).
 2. Each contestant must pay a \$3 entry fee. A contestant may throw a second time for an additional \$3.
 3. The winner of each age group will receive a \$25 Kroger gift card. Second place will receive a \$10 Kroger gift certificate.
 4. The Reunion Committee will provide the skillets.
 5. Registration prior to the event is encouraged (contact Fred Lindley); however, contestants may register on-site up to the beginning of the contest at 2 PM, Saturday, September 12, 2015.
 6. Publicity, rules and other details will be provided in flyers, on the Darrtown website, and in the Darrtown newsletters.
 7. We are seeking someone to manage this event.
- vii. Don – Corn Hole Tournament: After discussion, Joe made, and Ron seconded, a motion that passed unanimously to approve a Fall Festival corn hole tournament that is organized in the following manner:
1. Teams of two persons each must pay a \$40 entry fee to participate in a double elimination tournament.
 2. First place wins \$500; second place wins \$250; and third place wins \$100.
 3. Cancellation scoring will be used; the first team to score 21 points wins each match.
 4. The Reunion Committee will provide the bags (Joe will check with Tim Roemer about donating the bags; if Tim does so, we will publicize his generosity).

5. The deadline for registering and paying the entry fee is Saturday, September 5th.
6. Publicity, rules and other details will be provided in flyers, on the Darrtown website, and in the Darrtown newsletters.
7. Don Beckett will manage the tournament.

b. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- i. T-Shirts: During the discussion, Joe called GNS Embroidery (the company that printed last year's Bicentennial T-shirts) and secured the following (approximate) costs for light colored T-shirts with a logo of one color, printed on one side only:
 1. 150 shirts @ \$6 each
 2. 250 shirts @ \$5.50 each
 3. Joe volunteered Jack and Betty to work out the details of a possible shirt order with GNS. Jack and Betty will report at our next meeting. Fred agreed to develop a logo for the Reunion T-shirt.
- ii. Timetable for September 12 Fall Festival: After discussion, we agreed on the following schedule:
 1. 10:00 AM – Parade begins
 2. 11:00 AM – Opening ceremony (with performance by Talawanda High School Band; recognition of Parade Marshal and Honorary Marshals)
 3. Live and/or recorded music follows the Opening Ceremony
 4. 12:00 PM – Corn Hole Tournament begins
 5. 2:00 PM – Skillet Toss Contest begins
- iii. Parade Marshal(s): After discussion, we agreed that we would ask Dale Bufler to serve as the Parade Marshal for the 2015 Darrtown Fall Festival. We also agreed to ask others from Dales' age cohort to serve as Honorary Parade Marshals. Betty presented the following list of possibilities:
 1. Harold Baecker
 2. Ben Barbour
 3. Mary Ellen Barbour
 4. Dorothy Beckett
 5. Ray Bufler
 6. Don Clark
 7. Marna Evans
 8. Paul and Pat Everhart
 9. Don Falk
 10. Lois Ferst

11. Joan Haskins
12. Ida Mae Lemmons
13. Harry Ogle
14. Charles Teckman
15. Faye Thome
16. George Thome
17. Charlie Wagonfield
18. Delores Wagonfield

Other names may be added; we need to decide (at our next meeting) how these Honorary Parade Marshals will be contacted.

- iv. Information Center – We agreed to create a spot at the Fall Festival where people could receive info about the Fall Festival. Betty volunteered to organize the Information Center, where we would provide information, sell Fall Festival T-shirts, etc.
- v. Volunteer Meeting: We agreed to host a volunteer meeting in mid-July. We plan to use the meeting as an opportunity to inform the general public of plans for the Fall Festival and to seek volunteers to help with the Skillet Toss, Corn Hole Tournament, and Information Center.

2. Other Items of Business:

1. Ron – Stone marker for the Milford Twp. Memorial Park: Ron expects to talk with Jerry Jonas tomorrow.
2. Ron – Benches in the village square: Ron expects the benches ASAP. He has received commitments for two more benches. The benches will refer to the Lutheran Church and the Alston/Ogle families.
3. Next meeting – Tuesday, June 30, 2015 – 10 AM, in E-Dot Park