

Note: Those committee members who were able to do so, met at 11:30 AM, in the shelter house at E-Dot Park to discuss festival logistics/layout.

SUMMARY

Darrtown Reunion Committee Meeting ~ June 22, 1:00 PM at the E-dot park shelter
ATTENDANCE: All members present, except for John Newman

I. FINANCIAL REPORT: JOHN - Prior to this meeting, John sent an email message to all members that summarized our current financial standing.

II. MONUMENT CEREMONY: FRED – Paul Gillespie agreed to deliver a brief message at 10 AM, in the village square to acknowledge Richard Bunger’s donation to the Memorial Park monument. Paul will invite Richard to attend.

III. JAZZ BAND PERFORMANCE: FRED – Mike Marston, director of the Talawanda HS Jazz Band has confirmed that the band will perform at 9:30 AM in the village square. Ron Wiley volunteered to provide refreshments.

IV. MHMH PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT “UNVEILING”: FRED – The children’s playground (surface and equipment) at E-Dot Park will be refurbished, prior to the Festival, thanks to McCullough-Hyde Memorial Hospital and Tri-Health, in cooperation with the Milford Township Trustees. A brief ceremony will be conducted at noon on September 10 in the playground. A sign, commemorating the donation, will be unveiled during the ceremony.

V. MHMH CAR SEAT “GIVE-AWAY”: FRED – From 10 AM to 1 PM, on Sept. 10, McCullough-Hyde Memorial Hospital and Tri-Health will distribute a number of infant seats to those who qualify, along with several dozen bike helmets.

VI. PARADE ORGANIZATION: JOHN – Prior to this meeting, John provided email updates. Paul agreed that the township will provide traffic control for the festival.

VII. FESTIVAL ORGANIZATION: JACK – Betty and Jack have arranged the following:

- A. MUSIC GROUPS/SOUND SYSTEM – Five live-music groups are scheduled, along with dancers from Robyn’s Dance Studio.
- B. FESTIVAL SIGNS – Two 4’ x 8’ signs in place (in the village square and at the intersection of St. Rt. 129 and 177. Smaller signs are positioned at St. Rt. 177 and 73.
- C. TRACTOR TIRE – The tire is ready to be picked up from Rock Stang’s farm.
- D. TENTS – Our plan to borrow tents fell through. After discussion, Joe made, and Ron seconded, a motion that the committee purchase five 10’ x 10’ pop-up tents. Motion passed unanimously. Jack and Betty will purchase and deliver the tents.
- E. CREDIT CARD – We discussed the need for the committee to secure a debit card. We will check with John Newman.
- F. \$100 DOOR PRIZE – Betty will need the prize money from John
- G. CHANGE (money) WILL BE NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING:
 - a. T-SHIRT SALES (Betty);
 - b. REGISTRATION FOR SKILLET TOSS & TRACTOR TIRE FLIP (Debbie Lindley);
 - c. TICKET SALES FOR FRISBEE THROW (person to be identified).
- H. CASH BOXES – Paul said that we could borrow the two that he owns.

VIII. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP: ALL

- A. ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS OF MEMBERS GOING OFF COMMITTEE? – Joe informed us that he will retire from the committee after the Sept. 10 event. Jack informed us that he will stay on the committee; but, he will not manage all the tasks that he has managed in the past.
- B. ANY REPLACEMENTS NEEDED? After discussion, Fred volunteered to revise the Fall Festival “organizational chart” to reflect the changes necessitated by Joe’s retirement and Jack’s reduction of tasks that he is willing to manage. Fred will present the revised organizational chart at the first committee meeting, after the Sept. 10 Fall Festival.
- C. SHOULD WE RECRUIT FOR SPECIFIC TASKS FOR FUTURE FESTIVALS? We will address this question at our next meeting.

IX. STORAGE REQUEST OF TRUSTEES – FRED AND BETTY

- A. Due to our gradual, and increasing, acquisition of items related to the fall festival and artifacts related to the history of Darrrtown, the committee needs a storage facility. The committee asked Paul Gillespie if the Milford Township Trustees would be willing to designate a room at the Township Community Center (in Collinsville, Ohio) as a “township” room, which could be used for storage purposes. Paul reported that the Trustees approved our request.

X. OTHER – ALL

- A. Our next meeting date and place is pending.