

## **BICENTENNIAL PLANNING MEETING**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

**February 8, 2016**

Bicentennial Committee discussed ideas of what will be done each month during the Bicentennial year. The main event is September 7, 8 and 9, 2018.

Discussion of events:

- Birthday celebration
- Open house at firehouse
- Downtown businesses open through weekend
- Balloon launch
- Most events will be at the Community Center, Historical Society and at the park
- The parade will be through town, but there will be no blocking of streets

The Bicentennial meetings are switching to every other month – next meeting is April 18<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday

Belinda Harry provided the Treasurer's report in Barb Foster's absence.

- Balance is \$1,036.30
- Todd has additional money to give to us
- Anonymous donation of \$500 after last meeting
- The account is at LCNB Bank

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

##### **HISTORY AND BOOK COMMITTEE:**

Angie Getter

Seth Schlotterbeck

- Original book was compiled in 1968. Next book was in 1973 with insert including an update of what had happened since 1968. Angie and Seth will get histories from 1973 to 2018 for insert. It will be 3 books in one. Seth is asking for help from anyone who help contact individuals. There is a large list of contacts.
- Seth asked for quotes for quantities of 500, 1000 and 1500 since he didn't know how many to order. \$5K to \$6K for 1500.
- Seth would like to design a new cover and have the old cover on the inside. Everyone agreed.
- Scans will work very well directly from the book. We need as pristine of a copy we can get.
- The pages will be renumbered so the book is sequential with the pages we add.
- They will have to take the book apart and put back together to get a pristine copy.
- Seth contacted the Printing Center in Xenia. He has used them before and always feels that they provide the best quality and pricing.

- Jerry and Jackie Gross will contact local people in town who know a lot of history. They will interview them about events in Lewisburg, downtown businesses, etc.

**ENTERTAINMENT:**

Mark Madigan – Chair  
 Jody Gray  
 Del Sewert  
 Belinda Harry

- Activities and entertainment related to history
- Church service on Sunday Morning headed up by Pastor Dave Justice
- Re-enactment - Historical Society headed up by Diane and Everett Trittschuh. Planning similar to farm days and old fashioned days we've done in the past. Hay baling, saw milling, etc. We have a lot of resources to pull together. Weaving, spinning, woodworking, etc. Lori Pheanis knows someone in Brookville who does reenactments. She will get his information and pass on to Diane and Everett Trittschuh. He makes metalwork lanterns.

**FUNDRAISING:**

Pam Baker  
 Melinda Harry  
 Josh Harry

- Todd Applegate is working on stock certificates – he found design and has to get it printed. Would like to have them printed on both sides. Shares would be sold for \$5 shares. Documents are numbers. Todd would like to order around 1,000 certificates initially.
- Herschel – Idea for generating money. All businesses have to get involved. Raising funds can be done with nothing out of pocket. There is money in scrap. Herschel will supply new dumpsters with a logo to be placed at collection spots. \$10 to \$15 for junk batteries. Waste oil – can make around \$1.20 per gallon. Aluminum cans. Trees that are cut down. Other businesses may have ideas.
- Per Jeff, the village has participated in recycling and he feels this is a good opportunity for us.

**MARKETING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS:**

Marcia Jones  
 Barb Foster  
 Lori Pheanis from LCNB

- Mindy will do the website, which will include our newsletter.

**BUSINESS DOWNTOWN DAYS:**

Todd Applegate – Chair

**PARADE:**

Sandy Heindl – Chair

**COOKBOOK:**

Diane Shrout  
Diane Clark

Get someone else to help. Maybe some food vendors. Possibly Lemon shakeups.

Committee discussed if we want to keep vendors local. Pam – we'll try, but a lot of activities will be going on and it will be hard to keep in locally. Maybe get Lions Club, Trail Riders, etc. involved.

**COMMUNITY ART AND YOUTH:**

Janet Philpot  
Judy Mayer

- Janet and Judy are considering putting together a children's book
- Ron Schaar – get the school to participate in some art
- History Class – 2017 and 2018 class to do a history project about Lewisburg.
- Trish Shields does elementary art at the school
- Diane Trittschuh spoke with Brian Wagner to see if he's interested in producing a play. Brian has written plays in the past. In 1968, Lewisburg had a play put on by a production company – "A valley and its People." The best area to have a play would be at the football field. However, it may be difficult to get the football field with it being during football and soccer season.

**5K RUN:**

Jessica Cherry

**TIME CAPSULE DISPLAY:**

Historical Society will display the contents of the time capsule when it's dug up and recommend what to put in the next time capsule. Josh Harry is in charge of digging up the prior time capsule buried at the bank.

**FIREFIGHTER DAY:**

BJ Sewert will get together history of fire department with pictures. Open house for a monthly event. Look at firehouse, old one next door when it was a theatre.

**CAR SHOW:**

Todd Appelgate talked to Loy's and they will do a car show. They are celebrating in 2017 or 2018 100 years in business in Lewisburg. He used to paint the old horse and buggies.

**VETERANS' APPRECIATION DAY:**

Park Harry - Honor guard, veterans.

**DOWNTOWN EVENTS:**

Todd, Herschel and Pat Putnam will work together on downtown events.

**FIREHOUSE BUILDING MURAL:**

Discussed speaking with Ron Schaar. Maybe Seth could come up with a design unless the artist would like to design it.

**PET PAGEANT:**

Mars has volunteered to head up.

**COMMEMORATIVE ROOM SPRAY:**

Lori Pheanis designed a commemorative room spray. \$3.75 to sell at Derby Days. Some people get \$6.95 for them. We're giving some away at Bingo.

**GALA AT END OF DECEMBER 2017:**

Will be held at the Community Center. Snacks, carry in, cake, etc. to kick off our bicentennial.

**LIST OF BUSINESSES:**

Pam Baker composed a list of all businesses in the community. Let Pam know if there is anyone to add.

**COINS:**

Diane and Everett will look into pricing for coins.

**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

Barb Felton gave Jeff an article about her mom and Jeff's dad from 2009. It is an article about what we are all about. Well worth reading.

Diane Oda – digitizing of Lewisburg leader is finished. Can get online at library to find history of Lewisburg.

Respectfully submitted by  
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