

## **BICENTENNIAL PLANNING MEETING**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

**March 19, 2018**

**The next meeting is Monday, April 16, 2018 at 6:30 at the Lewisburg Community Center**

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**HISTORY AND BOOK COMMITTEE** – Seth Schlotterbeck, Rachel Davidson, Logan Justis, Angie Getter, Diana Oda

Book signing will be from 2-4 pm this Saturday, March 24, 2018.

#### **ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE**

14 people attended the last Entertainment Meeting. The reenactments will move to Knapke Lane and both bands are booked.

Jack Salt may walk around.

Barber Shop – Tracy waiting for him to return from vacation. We will have a Barber Shop Quartet.

Doug Euring plays the banjo and will be attending.

Square Dancers will be attending.

Jeff Sewert talked to Eric Loy and they would like to work with Everett and Diane Trittschuh.

The Bicentennial Ball will be for the whole community. Entertainment is looking into getting a band to play at the event. The event will be called “Bring your own lantern”, and it will be located at the covered bridge at the park.

Euchre Party follow-up – Belinda: 34 people came and played, and we made \$180 during the event. Everyone had a great time.

There are 59 teas for each Tea Party. Teas are on Saturday, April 7, 2018 at 11am and 3pm.

Tote bag will be available for Expo. Preble County Art Association is sponsoring this event. The script will be of Lewisburg 1818-2018, Fireworks, and part of it will have a derby day flag and the date, stencil. The event will be \$25.00 and everything available. They are doing all the advertising for all that, May 10<sup>th</sup> 6-8.

Vintage Baseball Game is May 19<sup>th</sup> at Noon behind the Lewisburg Community Center. Visit the events page for more information. Also, people should bring lawn chairs and blankets. We will be purchasing more picnic tables for around the event areas.

Weekly Raffle, Mark Madigan – 20 weeks with the last one being on Sunday of the Bicentennial, September 9, 2018. It is a 60/40 raffle and the first drawing will be April 14<sup>th</sup> at the TCN monthly Bingo. Each will a local business will host the raffle. TCNCA/Bingo, get 10% additional and will take the place of the regular 50/50 raffle. Goal is to have a \$1,000 a month.

Brian Barnes – There is dress wear for woman, according to Jessie Etherington, at Livin on Dreams Boutique. Brian Barnes asked Jack & Jerry, Paisley Photography, the new photographer about a booth for old time costumes and photos, but the cost would be very high. They haven't made up their minds. It really depends on the cost for props. Black and white photos possibly. Plan B. – Selfie frame, painted with Lewisburg Bicentennial on it, etc.

Think about getting a large register book for all who attend the Bicentennial event.

Mark Madigan said that 1,000 people have joined the Bicentennial Facebook page in the last 60 days. There will be a lot of people coming in from out of town also.

### **FUNDRAISING:**

Checking Account balance as of today is \$1,719.30. Everything is paid for to date. Jeff Sewert is sending out letters for advertising from corporate businesses. Businesses can be a sponsor at several levels. Other organizations are also going to help. Generic letters will go out to smaller businesses.

Diane Trittschuh: Historical Society will be donating \$2,000.00.

Everett Trittschuh: A lady will be there doing silhouettes and she requires to be paid up front. Her characters have not been confirmed yet.

### **MARKETING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS:**

Barb Foster, Jeff Sewert, Marsha Jones, will be getting a sign painted and will be putting it up west of the golf course when the weather breaks. It will provide the dates of the celebration. Information about the event will be in the Ohio Magazine, Midwest Living Wayne County Newsletter, Twin Valley Publication, and at the Preble County Business Expo. If it can be done, we'll get a newsletter out.

We've been talking to Lora Baily, a representative at Kicks 96.1 in Richmond. It is a little pricey, but we can get 60-minute-long spots, which is the best way to get sponsors 24 spots and have them play the week right before the event weekend, \$32 per 60 second slot, deal for more minutes can be purchased. 12 spots \$256. Pay for 8 get 4 free. Get a sponsor and they can help pay for it. \$512/24 spots, whoever sponsors gets mentioned during the 60 minutes spots.

Pretty big radio station with a good reach. WQLK FM Kicks 96.1 covers Dayton, Arcanum, New Paris, Wilmington, Cincinnati, a very large area. They have three radio stations and this one would be the best one that will reach our audience.

Business Downtown Days – Todd Appledorn, not present.

Circus, Tuesday, May 1, 2018, 1<sup>st</sup> Show 5:00 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Show 7:30 pm. School is going to go down at 9:30 am to watch set up the tent. Presale tickets are available.

Lewisburg Chamber of Commerce is also participating in purchasing the lights and banners downtown. Most businesses are participating. Their next meeting is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of April at 8:00 am.

**PARADE:** Tracy Woodworth

We have three entries for the parade, Lisa Blankenship. Ms. Farmer has draft horses. Someone will have draft horses in the parade, and Chase Reed is entering his 1941 Jeep. I have calls out to Ohio and Lebanon and Greenville Chamber of Commerce. The letter is completed, by mid-June it will be mailed, and we will continue to reach out to as many people as possible. Jeeps coming, Kilcare is coming.

Seth can get Earl and Bob Schlotterbeck, Albert Brown, Mary Heck will be 100, maybe she can be asked to be the parade Marshall.

Queen – Not sure, maybe an honorary Queen. Seeking current age range of 18-26 years of age, but we are having problems getting someone. Maybe raise the age limit. Brian B. to put something out there to try to get some bites, if nothing in a week or so, maybe we will go another direction. Diane T. has friend who has jewelry that can give as an incentive.

Parade Route – From Main Street all the way up through Mattis Drive, then down Commerce Street to the School. Clay Street will be the only street closed.

**VENDORS** – Diane Shrout:

Everyone wants to be a vendor, but no one what's to get the applications back to us.

We've sent 53 forms and of the 53 only 19 have been returned, arts and crafts. Another 18 that are positives, and 9 that are not sure.

11 food vendors total. Keeping a minimum of lip senses and Tupperware, and we are trying to have no duplicates. Honey bee hives will be one vendor and they will demonstrate how they make it. A lady who does her own cheeses will be there, it takes six months to make, and she is going to set up an area. Another lady, a Brewery and Distillery and one that collects maple, ages and is going to bring those down. Another makes her own teas and spices and she is working on trying to be there.

The Vendors we've gotten so far are going to be good. We passed out 10 cards to vendors at a festival last week.

A booth that does metal torching, flags, metal signs, kid's names, etc., is very interested in being there also.

Frank, the elephant ear guy wants to participate, but doesn't want to do it if someone else is doing the same products.

Underdog Mobile is doing tator tots and gourmet special hotdogs.

Wild fire pizza, fire oven with wood will be there.

Little Red Wagon will be there.

Cheese Cake on a Stick will be there.

United Church of Christ is doing Polish Sausages & Peppers.

Texas Tenderloins will be there.

Buckeye Jakes will be there.

Ullery ice-cream will be there.

Adams Kettle Corn, will be there.

Terry Winkler is selling cotton candy, tacos, and pretzels.

German Baptist Bread vendor will be there.

Sarah's Pizza will be there.

And others still confirming.

Vendor Applications need to be returned by the 1<sup>st</sup> part of April 2018.

**COOKBOOK** – Diane Shrout:

Cookbook is selling great still.

**ART AND YOUTH** – Janet and Judy: Nothing to report.

**5K RUN** – Jessica Cherry: Nothing to report.

**TIME CAPSULE** – Historical Society: Diane and Everett - Nothing to report.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT BOOK** – BJ Sewert: Nothing to Report.

**CAR SHOW** – Todd Appledorn: Nothing to Report.

Car Show, Keenen is taking care of that for the ice cream social. Letters are being printed and going out in the alumni letters. More of a display, of old cars and new cars. Advertise for the Car show  
Chuck Wagon, burgers and fries, Keenen

**PET PAGEANT** – Mars: Nothing to report.

**MURAL ON FIRE HOUSE** – Ed Wright:

Ron Schaar, Bill Hoff, Lindsey Filburn, Steve Rice's Daughter, Volunteer

Meeting next Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> week in April, every two weeks April 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at the Lewisburg Community Center. Projector is lined up. Everything is lined up, but the paint is not purchased yet. One shot sign paint is being used. Getting paper from Pratt Industries here in Lewisburg. Painting from scaffolding, pin wheels, nothing but the buildings on it, tack the walls at the building, wants permission. Ed said they will be removing one tree out of the picture in front of the movie theatre, and the signs will be in color. The mural size will be 20x40 feet. Talked to Kevin Conley about painting a gray border like a picture frame, and has a printout on the wall, with the right dimensions.

Scaffolding is needed by Memorial Day. Hoping to have the border painted within April or May, ready to go once weather breaks.

**SOCCER** – Megan: Not present, nothing to report.

## **MISCELLANEOUS:**

Letter for Hometown Heroes will go out notifying everyone. The location is at Farmers Bank, but the location may change to between the ice cream shop and the public parking lot on Dayton Street.

Memory Book – Rick McGee, Seth Schlotterbeck, Brian Barnes are working it and hopefully it will be available by Christmas.

The Preble County Business Expo will be in April.

April 7, 2018 is the Bicentennial Tea. Preparation and making sandwiches and decorations will be on April 4, 2018.

April 28, 2018, the Bicentennial Float will be in the Opening Day Parade in Lewisburg.

Circus is on May 1, 2018.

May 18, 2-4 males still needed.

History Fair will be held on June 3, 2018.

Re-enactment – Rachel and husband shoot muzzleloaders and Rusty will see if he can come. Rachel will talk to her husband about getting in touch with Chief Black Hoof.

Barney Five will be here during the Car Show in June. Impersonator during event and we will have the Chuck Wagon.

There will be a Children's Area at the water park site.

Kid Friendly Competition – Community of Faith - 3-5-7 Friday, Saturday, all day, games inflatables and face painting. Not on Sunday.

The 5K will be on Saturday morning.

FF breakfast is Saturday from 7-10:30 am.

Sunday, the Boy Scouts breakfast will be from 7-11am.

BJ will help with parking and shuttle people to the baseball field, and back, and the soccer field can be used for parking. You will be able to park at the school, but you will have to walk down to the event areas. Reenactments and Encampments will be parking out over by baseball fields on Knapke Lane.

Visit the Village website link for more bicentennial information, <http://lewisburg.webs.com/bicentennial>.

Pam Baker closed the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Mindy Harry.

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