

BICENTENNIAL PLANNING MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 18, 2017

Pam Baker opened the meeting.

Next Bicentennial Planning Meeting is Monday, January 15, 2018 at 6:30. In January 2018, we will begin meeting every month.

Representatives from PeeWee football and soccer attended the meeting to discuss scheduling during the Bicentennial. There won't be any room for football or soccer. The Bicentennial team asked them to go back to their boards to inform them that games cannot be held here that weekend. Both representatives commented this will not be an issue. We would like to invite PeeWee football and Soccer youth for our monthly event. We would like for the kids to attend. They may be interested in having a food booth at the Bicentennial celebration. Pam told them to contact Diane ShROUT as she is in charge of the food vendors.

We are not holding a Derby Days Parade this year. Tracie Woodworth is in charge of the Bicentennial Parade. The Parade starts at 10:00 on Saturday, September 8, 2018.

Vendors will be sectioned between period and new section.

We'll have an entertainment tent to protect the entertainers from inclement weather.

Bicentennial Book – Seth reported the book is printed and he is picking it up this week. It will be ready for sale for the kickoff on December 31. Seth discussed the hard work the team did on this project. Members were Rachel Davisson, Logan Justis, Dianna Oda and Angie Getter. They worked on the book for over a year. A small Index will be available as a separate publication. The books are \$20 each; the cost was \$10 the indexes cost \$1. 500 copies were printed.

Bicentennial Store – People are buying a lot for Christmas. Facebook is working well for getting the word out that the store is open. Anyone who would like to work in the store can contact Mark Madigan, Pam Baker or the Village Office.

Mark Madigan reported on the Bicentennial Entertainment Committee.

Mark showed a video of the band, High South, at the meeting. Their agent plans to be at our January meeting.

Mark discussed events listed on the Entertainment minutes. Some of the highlights:

December 31 – Bicentennial Kick Off. Anyone who wants to help decorate could come in the afternoon around 2:00 on New Years Eve.

February 17 - Abe Lincoln Impersonator – Two shows are planned - one at 3:00 and one at 7:00 at the Community Center. He hopes to have tickets available at the Bicentennial Kickoff on the 31st. The tickets are free, but we want to make sure we don't have too many people in the building. He is already paid for.

March 17 euchre tournament/party at the Community Center. Starts at 5:30

April 7 - Bicentennial Tea. Two sittings at 11:00 and 3:00 at First United Church of Christ in the Parish Hall. Bicentennial Tea cups will be given away for free. Wedding theme. Program is the Layers of History: Women's Fashion During the Civil War. There is a sign up at the store or guests can call Belinda Harry.

May 1 – Circus

May 19 – Vintage Baseball Game – Rachel will let Diane know how many flyers are needed for the school. Jim Mattingly from the Blackbottom 9 is making the flyers for us.

May 31 - Hometown Heroes

September Events:

The Mayor of West Virginia will be here during the September Bicentennial Celebration. He will be in the parade and possibly here for Friday and Saturday events.

We are trying plan a field trip to Lewisburg, WV to meet their Mayor.

Haywood Banks is doing the closing on Sunday.

Parade – sending email to 73rd Ohio volunteer infantry band asking for their participation in the parade. Mark played a CD of their music provided by Larry Snyder. They have a website you can visit to see more clips of them.

Princess Productions out of Cincinnati. They normally charge \$189 per hour. They quoted they will charge \$139 per hour for four princesses. They sing Disney songs for one hour and then do a meet and greet with the kids and allow pictures. They are trying to work something out for them to participate in the parade as well.

Encampments – We would like them to set up early Friday morning and may want to have the school kids come early Friday to see them.

Friday, September 7 - Time capsule at 6:00

Saturday September 8 – We hope someone will do breakfast.

Parade at 11:00

We have a balance of \$13,808.19. The flags and books will come out of this amount.

Pam showed the blocks of the depot, library and school.

Donations can be made for the Bicentennial. They are tax deductible.

Pam will hang a hometown hero flag at the store to show what they are when they come in.

Marketing and Public Relations – Jeff Sewert talked to the register herald and hopes they will run articles twice a week.

Jeff showed the banners that will be placed in the town.

Maria may be helpful with getting the group that has the cannon. Diane will follow up with her.

Time capsule will be dug up on Friday during the day. It's stainless steel and was donated by Henny Penny.

Loy's are doing the car show.

The flags and brackets are here and paid for. The flags will be here by the end of this year.

Ed Rike – helped with the manger scene and is planning to do the mural. He needs scaffolding instead of a lift. Barb Foster's brother may have scaffolding so she'll check on that.

Jeff Sewert is looking to get a sign on the interstate.

Seth Schlotterbech asked if we are doing postcards of historic buildings. Seth will bring back to the next meeting.

Larry Snyder will give Pam another copy of the picture CD.

The Committee would like to see the Marketing team have the TV and radio put the bicentennial on. Maybe for some of the events we have. We'll place this on the next meeting agenda. Barb will contact John Tucker.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Trittschuh