



CATTARAUGUS COUNTY BICENTENNIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
JULY 23, 2007
MEETING MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Crystal Abers
James Boser
Sid Emmons, Chairman
Ginger Moser
Tom Moser
Deb Opferbeck
Ann Padlo
Charles Schappacher
Bob Schaumleffel
Nancy Sedlak
Steve Teachman
Bill Watkins
Gail Watkins

OTHERS:

Sue Dutton
Leah Leising
Frances Lord, Salamanca Historical Society
Cheryl O'Keefe, County Administrator's Office
Tony Orsini, Lonesome Oak Stable
Jack Searles, County Administrator

The meeting was convened at 6:01 p.m. by Chairman Emmons in the County Building in Olean. Introductions were made by everyone in attendance.

General Updates:

Ms. O'Keefe reported on general updates.

- ~Calendar of Each Town's Highlighted Week – only 7 municipalities have responded. Ms. Abers stated she would have her staff contact each municipality.
- ~Next Meeting – July 30, 2007 at County Center, Little Valley
- ~County Fair starts 7/30 – openings available to volunteer at the booth under the grandstand
- ~Stamp cancellation – the Advisory Committee has 3 members of the Olean Stamp Club, they will report on an event cover cancellation

Fundraising ideas were discussed -

Mrs. Padlo suggested a golf tournament, bike run, variety show and tree planting. She will present more details as they get confirmed.

Mr. Boser explained to the committee of a possible partnership with St. Bonaventure University promoting a January basketball game when the students are on break. It has the potential to be a fundraiser. The committee is interested in pursuing this project.

Mr. Schappacher shared his fundraising idea of ringing a bell. The bell ringer would get a picture taken and a certificate for a cost. He will present more details at the next meeting.

Presentation: Leah Leising, representative from the Cattaraugus/Chautauqua Chapter for New York State Horse Council and Tony Orsini, Franklinville Lonesome Oaks Stable, spoke to the committee about their involvement with the equestrian event being planned for the bicentennial celebration.

SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Community Involvement Subcommittee – no report

Events Coordination Subcommittee – The deadline to have events listed in the County Tourism Guide is July 30, 2007; the deadline for information to be submitted for the 2008 bicentennial calendar is 9/15/07.

Finance Subcommittee – Mr. Moser reported that he has received 4 budget forms to date. He is working up prices to include taxes for the bicentennial merchandise.

Public Relations Subcommittee – A suggestion of large posters be printed. These could be tools for advertising as well as souvenirs.

PROJECT TEAMS:

2008 Christmas Ornament: Mrs. Moser has agreed to research the options for an ornament.

Circulating Float: This project has been removed.

Traveling Exhibit: The trailer has been ordered. Arrangements for painting logos are being researched.

Old Chautauqua Trail: Mr. and Mrs. Fredrickson reported that they met with Bill Ferguson of Ferguson Printing to discuss set up and options. They received one quote; two more quotes are being requested according to County Purchasing policy.

Cookbook from Senior Citizens: A cookbook company and design has been chosen; waiting for the budget to be approved.

County Fair Booth '07: Ms. Opferbeck reminded those working the County Fair booth to pick up their tickets and the cash box at her office. There will be instructions for each shift regarding sales, inventory opening and closing.

County History Book: Mr. and Mrs. Fredrickson reported that they met with Bill Ferguson of Ferguson Printing to discuss set up and options. They received one quote; two more quotes are being requested according to County Purchasing policy.

DVDs: Mr. Searles reported the Little Valley DVDs will be ready for sale at the County Fair. A suggestion, to get pictures for the “Now” DVD, was to contact the Olean Times Herald for a “Day & Life in Cattaraugus County”

Equestrian Event: No report

Tours: No report

Opening Event: The Advisory Committee advised Mrs. Opferbeck to look at other locations for the opening event and report at the next meeting.

Onoville Marina Community Day: No report

Upcoming Scheduled Meetings:

July 30 – County Center, Little Valley – Large Committee Room, 3rd floor
August 13 – Salamanca Historical Museum
August 27 – The Dudley Hotel, Salamanca

Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Schappacher, made a motion to adjourn at 8:03 p.m. Motion accepted unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted

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Accepted at the August 13, 2007 meeting.