

New Baltimore Bicentennial Committee

Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2009

Members in attendance: Chris Byas, Pat Conway (MGFD), Rev. Susan Kerr, Susan McCuen, Arlene McKeon, Betty & John Nickles, John A. Nickles, Chris Norris, Phil Paulsley (MGFD), Jeffrey & Joyce Schoenig

- Meeting called to order by Joyce Schoenig at 10:10
- Need to establish a mailing list for use by NBBC. There is a need for volunteers to assist in any mailings.
- Discussed placing articles in the town newsletter to make people aware of the NBBC's activities and progress. Could also be used as a resource to have people write short stories of interesting events of their lives living in New Baltimore. Joyce to coordinate.

BRAINSTORMING SESSION:

-Event Ideas:

1. New Years Day 2011 New Baltimore First Night
2. March 15, 2011, Happy 200th Birthday New Baltimore! Reading and reception at Town Hall.
3. June, 2011, NBBC sponsored events at Ag Fest. Historic food competition, cider making, oxen demonstrations, sheep shearing are some ideas.
4. Greene County Historic Home Tour is already scheduled for New Baltimore for 2011. This will tie in well for our town events!
5. August (?), 2011. Come one come all! Town campout at district #3 park.
6. Lecture series on the industries of New Baltimore. Apple growing, ship building, ice harvesting to name a few.
7. Music Events. Performances by our many home artists.
8. September, 2011. Grand Event! Town Celebration to be at District #1 Park. Day's events to be a parade, fun and games, great food (clams and apples) to name a few.

-Fundraising:

1. Sales from the book of "New Baltimore Stories".
2. Square dances at local barns
3. Town campout at Silver Lake with a lobster bake.
4. 50/50 ticket sales
5. Historic bake off at Ag Fest.
6. Quilt making
7. Yard Sales
8. Town Cook Book or Historic New Baltimore Calendar sales
9. Letters to solicit private and corporate donations.
10. River Ramble

The ideas for events and fundraising were discussed in this month's meeting. Committee members will be asked to volunteer to coordinate and implement these ideas in April's meeting. Please think of what each of you would enjoy doing.

- The Videography Subcommittee reports the first of many interviews being completed. Mr. Cliff Baldwin being the first. A complete list of potential interview subjects was discussed and compiled by NBBC members and submitted to the subcommittee.
- Coordination is ongoing by Joyce to have our local artists submit ideas for a bicentennial celebration logo.
- Publicity for NBBC events and announcements was discussed. Sue McCuen stated message boards utilized by The Conservancy might be available. Also to use a bulletin board at the town Farmers Market.
- \$100.00 has been received by the town as seed money for the NBBC. An account will be started at Greene County Savings Bank.
- Next meeting to be at the town hall on April 18, at 10 am. All are welcome.
- Meeting adjourned at 11:30

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey Schoenig