

Centennial Meeting Notes February 11, 2008

Attendees:

Carla Bonebrake, Lindsay Warren, Lorraine Thornberry, Amy Freedland, Ann O'Reilly, Vicki Seagul Schell, Dave Taylor, Donna Taylor, Michelle Dragoo, Charlotte Clevidence, Becky Standal, David Standal, Cathy Standal, Nancy McQuillan, Ron Onslow

Points of Discussion:

- ◆ Theme/tag line changed to Yesterday's Pride...Tomorrow's Promise (... vs -)
- ◆ Historical Building Information; Release and Authorization, and Founding Family Questionnaire forms were all reviewed by committee; only a few additions to Questionnaire
- ◆ Committee was updated on work Kay has done: Lily Wiggin's has no inventory for fashion show; unable to locate a small Sternwheeler (Charlotte offered to check into a smaller sternwheeler); e-mailed Becky re: historical information for book; contactd Reflector and Columbian re: articles; in contact with Oregon Civil War re-enactment; contact with Mt. Angel Oktoberfest committee about Maypole Dance.
- ◆ Time capsule cost is \$500.00 to \$1,000.00; Carla to talk to Tevis Laspa regarding manufacturing a time capsule for us; Dave Standal offered to paint time capsule
- ◆ Allene/Lorraine reviewed walking tour and historic homes information; Lorraine to bring copies of information into Lindsay at City Hall to pass on to Woody for updating including list of businesses from 1930's to 1950's; Allene has Kay Stringfellow working on design for plaques; Jim Graham to give us a quote lettering and cutting of signs out a composite material that does not deteriorate; Becky Standal checking on additional homes for walking tour; Allene spoke with Angela Shields regarding organizing a Centennial Run for August 2009
- ◆ Vickey/Charlotte with Heritage Committee are working on a fundraising cookbook for the Heritage Committee consisting of recipes from the community; photographs; and biographical stories (David Taylor suggested a CD with possible power point presentation with photographs, historical information and photographs could be included with cookbook, or sold separately (perhaps Woody could create something; Dave Standal offered assistance: Amy will bring in a sample CD)
- ◆ Scavenger Hunt was suggested with hints published in the Reflector (additional discussion is necessary – no one assigned to project)
- ◆ Ron Onslow reported a new eye doctor, Dr. Sorenson participates in the Iron Man and is interested in helping with trails and races; Ron also mentioned editorial in Columbian where he mentioned the Centennial Committee and time of next meeting for any interested; Ron mentioned Washougal's Centennial is this year – they are having a sock-hop, bi-plane fly-overs; poster contest for elementary and middle schoolers (Committee liked the poster idea – no one assigned to project); suggested possibly having Coast Guard or Navy come up Lake River?; recommended CC Historical Society as a resource; recommended Brass band (Army Band) for 2009 finale; Pat Gilarte, author of "In and Around Clark County" wants to write a history book of Ridgefield hopefully in time for centennial
- ◆ Lindsay updated committee on honoring founding families – Timeline poster will be ready for 2008 kick-off reflecting arrival of families and significant events; Lindsay suggested we choose no more than five families to honor with family tree, committee agrees and suggested we put ad in newspaper requesting info from list of families and choose according to participation; committee reviewed suggestions for Centennial Picture Displays and agreed as follows: Industry/Mercantile, Education, Agriculture, Government, Groups & Organizations, Transportation, and Recreation with information prior to 1909 to the present.
- ◆ Nancy updated us on Cemetery Tours – she has received information from an organizer of an existing program; typically 15 to 45 minute tour with about 8 enactors, she is going through cemetery files

trying to locate descendants for re-enactment; suggested sign-up sheet at Abrams Park for groups of no more than 25 to be shuttled to cemetery; suggestions for shuttle bus were Dee Metro's Elvis Bus, the Church of Nazarene's vans (Vicky to check on availability of church's vans); Charlotte and Vicki will assist Nancy with Cemetery Tour

- ◆ Dave Standal and Amy to work on sponsorship; they requested a Solicitation Form (Dave to look for one); suggested offering different levels of sponsorship, diamond, silver, etc.; would like projected budget before obtaining sponsors; Dave will check into legalities of donation control and will nail down all sponsors prior to kick-off; suggestions for sponsors for banners and sponsors for souvenir book was made
- ◆ Suggestion was made regarding postcard mailer to postal code; or insert in hardware store mailer; need cost; also suggested to take flyers door to door
- ◆ Suggestion was made for either a float in the 4th of July parade, or wearing of era clothing in parade and passing out flyers (no-one assigned to this project)
- ◆ Suggestion by David Taylor of Outhouse Building Competition for local builders, displayed at 4th of July parade and auctioned off at different events throughout the year (Ron Onslow to talk to his son-in-law regarding this project)
- ◆ Discussion of Kick-off festivities to include walking tour with brochure, photo display, cake walk at Community Center (no one assigned to this project); and entertainment from someone like Liberty Belles, Sweet Adeline's, or barbershop quartet (Michelle to check into barbershop quartet)
- ◆ Suggestion was made to have a Barn Dance for kick-off, after discussion it was decided them for Finale could be Picnic/Barn Dance and decorate Bennett Kitchen and Abrams Park with hay bales, and have an evening "barn dance"
- ◆ Suggested by David Taylor have the walking tour available at library as an ipod download with narrative of walking tour (no one assigned to this project)

Next meeting set for Monday, March 24th at 5:30pm at City Hall Conference Room.