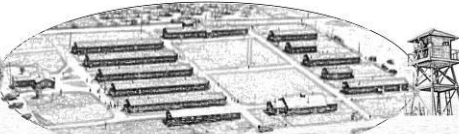


FRIENDS OF HAMLIN BEACH STATE PARK

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May 14, 2014

Attendees: Eileen & Ralph Preston, Linda & Don Rabjohn, Jeanine Klopp, Ed Evans, Holly & Dale Jennejahn, Wayne Bauch, Nick Kramer, Roberta & Ron Fey, Sherry Dobson, Jay Bailey (Park Director)
Guest – student Evan Zaryski and his parents

Evan Zaryski – student volunteer

Evan is holding a mini beach clean up on Tuesday, May 27th at 6:30. He is looking for volunteers to help. His concern is over fish and animals ingesting the human garbage which may become lodged in their stomachs. He has chosen the day after Memorial Day so he can help clean up trash after the Memorial Day celebrations. He is hoping for at least 15 volunteers. The Park will provide trash bags and gloves. Evan is a 5th grade student at Hilton Village Elementary in Ms. Gagie's class.

Treasurer Report - \$4,180.96

Membership

- 22 paid, 4 life members

Park Manager's Report

- Josh Payette will be the new Park Director II for the Thousand Islands region. His last work week will be the first week of June. He will be very much missed by both the park and the Friends group. There is no current timeframe on hiring his replacement.
- We have a new concessionaire. They will open Memorial Day weekend at the Camp Store and the Snack Bar around the 3rd week of June. They have already stored 60 bundles that the Friends have bundled. The Friends group will receive \$3/bundle. We won't be selling wood in the Park office once the store is open. If we can't provide enough wood then they have the option to use a second source.
- May 24th – Sustainability Day. If anyone wants to help the park, contact Chris Ashmoore in the Park Office.
- Free Fishing Day – June 27th, will probably be held at the pond. They will provide a flyer to be handed out at Wheelfest. They also won't have to pay admission.

Firewood – Dale Jennejahn

- The wood splitter is repaired and up and running. (Note: Since then it broke and was fixed again).
- Tuesdays and Fridays at 10:00 are the current times to work on the wood bundling.
- Jay will give Dale some volunteer forms in case there are new volunteers
- Jay will try to get a trailer that we can put the bundles on to save time.
- We will get a monthly check from the concessionaire for bundles sold.

I Love My Park Day – Jeanine & Holly

- 61 registered volunteers
- Not all the projects were completed but we had a good start
- We received many donations from 13 places
- We worked out of the house instead of using a tent due to the wetness outside
- There were 2,000 volunteers state wide in 2012, about 6,000 this year.
- We didn't have enough t-shirts due to people registering after the order or from walk-ins
- Many of the group commented on the incredible work that the volunteers completed and the great efforts that Jeanine and Holly did on organizing the project. Thank you for your leadership!
- Our next steps are to finish the garden. If possible a group will work on this next week, weather permitting. An email will be sent out when we will be able to work.

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CCC/POW Site - Ed Evans

- The screen door on the house is busted if anyone wants to fix it.
- Ed has done research on the same building that appears in 3 different locations: CCC camp, outside the POW camp, and in another part of the camp at a different time. He discovered the "Cabinet Shop" was built as a portable building, thus moved to various locations. He has written up explanations in a document that can be used when giving tours or presentations.
- Through Bunnie's contacts, a SUNY Brockport historian has provided pictures of buildings from the CCC camp that were moved to Brockport College. Some were used for returning veterans attending the college.
- Nick is working on getting the rest of the posts installed, then they will be numbered.
- Grass mowing has become a struggle to keep up with.
- The Eagle Scout project is on track.
- Ed has spent over \$900 this year of his own money as a donation to the Friends of Hamlin Beach State Park. Nick and Dan also donate unknown amounts of monies by purchasing items to assist the work in the camp.
- Ed gave a talk to 30 participants at the Brighton Legacy.
- Ed's upcoming presentations:
 - Thursday, June 12, 12:00, at the Baptist Temple Church in Rochester.
 - July 10th at the Orleans County Historical Society in Albion, 6:30.
 - Wed., August 13th, Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Webster. This is the second presentation for that group.

Future Fests and Events

- **Wheel Fest, June 7** at the Fireman's Field. Friends will share a booth with the Park. Sherry will help organize and set up for this. We need volunteers for 2 hour shifts from 10:00-5:00.
- **Under Consideration –**
 - **Hamlin Junk Jamboree August 16.** Cost is \$20 for a 15' x 15' area or \$30 for 15' x 30'. Applications must be submitted by July 31st. Sherry will be the lead person; Jeanine will assist her.
 - **Hilton Apple Fest** Saturday, Oct. 4th & 5th . No fee. Any volunteers?
 - **August 23rd, SUNY Brockport Saturday Day of Service.** Patti will submit the paperwork requesting 15 student volunteers. Students may clean inside the house, weed the gardens and do general maintenance.

Meeting adjourned 8:55.

Next Meeting: June 11th. Executive Board meets at 6:00 p.m., General Meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. You do not need to be a board member to attend an Executive Meeting. These meetings are open to all members.

Note: This newsletter has not been edited yet by our esteemed member, Holly Jennejahn so all errors are completely my own. ☺ Patti