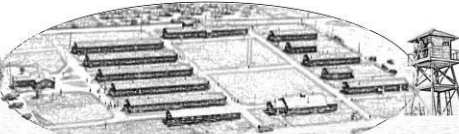


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Attendees: Linda & Don Rabjohn, Ed Evans, Jackie Galle, Sherry Dobson, Mary Ann Hurlbut, Eileen & Ralph Preston, Dale Jennejahn, Barbara Spowell (new member – Welcome!), Jeanine Klopp, Nick Kramer, Wayne Bauch, Jay Bailey, Patti Sullivan (note taker)

Secretary's Report

- Correction – wood bundling hours are 9:30-12:00
- Many attendees were left off the June meeting minutes including Nick Kramer, Janine Klopp, Jay Bailey and Patti Sullivan (and Patti was taking the notes – go figure! Sorry about that folks and to anyone else I forgot)

Website/Facebook

- Several members met with Michelle Ames, our website consultant, to go over what we want on our new website. This is a work in progress and we hope to have the initial posting go live before our August meeting.
- Patti shared the Facebook page and how she has been “promoting” posts to increase the number of people following the page. Events have been updated weekly including the concerts, our new baby birds and fund raising events. We currently have 500+ followers on Facebook and still growing. This is one more way to reach out to a diverse audience. If anyone has pictures please share them with Patti Sullivan or email them to fohbsp@gmail.com.

Treasurer Report

- Current balance is \$4,059.98
- Some side notes (does not include all income/expenses):
 - We received a check for \$1,254 for the bundled firewood sold to the camp store in June. See Dale's note below for more info on this awesome fundraiser.
 - We paid \$754.69 for liability insurance at the Moscow Road house[PS1].

Park Manager's Report

- A cooperative agreement for the house and sheds has been signed by Linda Rabjohn. It will now be signed by NYS Park.
- Internal water at the house is done, external is done or close to it. Next steps: the water authority will be called. Once all this is complete we will be able to use the house as “our” place. Woohoo!!!
- Fishing Day was a success. The staff had a great time too.
- We will contact Nancy Herder to get the numbering system to catalog the artifacts at the Moscow Road house/museum.
- If we want showcases for the artifacts we can purchase them ourselves or get 3 quotes and submit them to the Park. We may be able to get shelving from the old Hamlin library. Linda will write a letter to the library to be put on the list to receive the donations.

Firewood – Dale Jennejahn

- 1,136 bundles of wood have been sold to the Camp Store. An additional 733 bundles were put together so far this last month. To put this into perspective, there are 264 sites in the campground. The work that this group has done is unbelievable and has been an incredible resource to our group. We sell the bundles to the Camp Store for \$3/bundle. You do the math!! Dale and all the workers, we can't thank you enough for the hours and sweat you have invested in this project to unselfishly benefit our group and the park.
- So much wood was used over the 4th of July weekend that Dale's team worked 3 days the week after 4th of July to build up the stock pile.

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- All volunteers – we need you!!!! Meet at the maintenance shed, Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30-12:00 on the Park Service Road that runs off Moscow Road. If you go on a different time you may want to bring a mallet for pounding the kindling. All work should be done during regular maintenance hours which end around 4:00. Many people will be going on vacation so we desperately need more help.

By-Laws rewriting – This has been tabled (Janine, Eileen, Nick, Mary Ann) until after the summer because so many people will be vacationing.

Bird Update

- We have 2 baby Purple Martins in our house adjacent to the Park office. Patti has posted their pictures on the Facebook page. www.facebook.com/fohbsp You don't need a Facebook account to view these.

Vegetable Garden – Moscow Rd. adjacent to CCC site - Jeanine

- We have a 25x40 vegetable garden initially created during I Love My Park Day. If you're around, stop in and weed. Nick has been doing some weeding – thanks Nick.
- Sarah and Ralph have been mowing around the house more often.
- Janine, Holly, Dale, Jim – thank you from Don Rabjohn on the fence project. Once again – a team effort!

CCC/POW Site - Ed Evans

- We subscribe to the CCC Legacy bi-monthly newsletter. It has a two page article about our camp. Can't wait to read it!
- We received a \$50 check donation from the Baptist Temple in downtown Rochester to be used for the CCC restricted fund.
- A talk has been scheduled for the Henrietta Historical Society - October 19th 2:00-4:00
- A self-guided tour is now available at the CCC/POW camp. Take a handout from the info folder at the kiosk.
- Linda Rabjohn and Ed Evans were highlighted as NYS Park volunteers in a recent newsletter. Ed also sent the 11 page tour for our CCC/POW camp and it's now on the NYS park website. Check out this link: <http://nysparks.com/parks/attachments/HamlinBeachCCC-CampRestorationProjectSelfGuidedTour.pdf>
- The Suburban News is going to meet Ed at the camp – can't wait to see this story!
- On June 8, 2006 Marty Howden challenged Ed to help make a history trail at the CCC/POW camp which was at that time totally covered by overgrowth. Recently Marty was the first person to take the self-guided tour of the camp; the pictures are posted on our Facebook page. Thank you Marty for your belief in this project and to Ed, Dan and Nick for your incredible efforts of TIME and \$.
- 20 copies of the tour were in the kiosk; already there are only 5 left.
- Walt Fischer volunteered to move an old dirt pile that was dumped in 1956 when they were going to convert the area to a tree farm; this took two full days of time. Thank you Walt.
- Nick found a poker used in a coal burning potbellied stove during the CCC era. It was fun to see this unique artifact.
- It takes two people at least two days to mow the area. Jay is going to see if park employees can help out.

Future Fests and Events

- **Under Consideration –**
 - **Hamlin Junk Jamboree August 16.** The group agreed to wait until next year.
 - **Hilton Apple Fest.** Saturday, Oct. 4th & 5th . No fee. Any volunteers?
 - **August 23rd, SUNY Brockport Saturday Day of Service.** We will need a list of jobs for 10-15 incoming freshman.

Meeting adjourned 8:28

Next Meeting: August 13th. Linda and Don Rabjohn will not be at the meeting, Eileen Preston will be in charge. Patti Sullivan also will not be in attendance – who will take the minutes? 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.

Have a great summer! Enjoy our park – it's a GIFT!

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