

FRIENDS OF HAMLIN BEACH STATE PARK

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Attendees: Don Rabjohn, Linda Rabjohn, Mary Ann Hurlbut, David Walsh, Jay Bailey, Ralph Preston, Jeanine Klopp, Bill Hauck, Ralph Preston, Jackie Galle, Nick Kramer, Jason Baxter, Bunnie Beardsley (note taker)

Hamlin Beach Park Planning

The meeting with the State Officials was well attended on June 5th at Merritt Hall, but in Greece the next evening only 4 people attended and 2 were from Hamlin. Discussion about the project and Jay said Yantee Creek and the CCC/POW site would be first.

Treasurer's report read by Ralph Preston: our balance is \$2,419.14

Bike Raffle

- Nick and Ralph did very well in Holley.
- At the Hamlin Wheelfest, due to poor location for our exhibit, we received very little traffic and sales were not very good. We have spoken to Jason about changing it next year.
- We have netted over \$400.00 so far. Please continue selling and turn in your money and stubs to Nick as soon as possible. The drawing is July 7th, area 3 at 7 pm, and we will be selling tickets from 6 to 7. Please come and support our fundraiser. There will be entertainment and fireworks.
- On June 29th at the Clarkson Family Fun Night, we will be selling raffle tickets at the event. We could use the help. Time: 6:00 pm.

Ideas

- **Public Relations** - Linda Rabjohn would like to have fliers put up in the park and the community advertising for new members. At the concerts we can set up a table and pass out brochures and fliers there. Jay suggested the handouts be 1/2 sheet. Members attending this Saturday's concert will start the process.
- **Work Day & Tours** - Nick felt we should set up a work party day again, perhaps one per month. Also, suggesting to set up a day for tours and think about training people to do it if Ed isn't available. Talk to Ed. There was much interest in the new plaques identifying the location of the buildings, i.e. Mess Hall and Recreation building.

Ed Evan's Friends Report: (condensed)

- Last Friday was the 4th anniversary of the start of the CCC/POW camp reclamation.
- Thanks to Ralph we have some walk behind trimmers, "Ralphmobiles", and they work very well.

- Nancy Jennejohn donated a cement statue of a U.S. Army soldier, now installed at the corner of the CCC US Army Officers Quarters at the site. It will remind tour guides to mention the role of the Army in the operation of the camp. Nancy also donated the VFW flagpole and flag that has been flying at the site for 2 years.
- Patty, from the park staff, now mows a larger area at the site and Nick has improved some really rough areas and mapped the safe zone for her.
- Buz has taken it upon himself to spruce up the farmhouse lawn with trimming and plantings. Buz and Carry also made the little "house number garden" on the lawn.
- Dan is working on the Area 3 Kiosk and beautifying the farmhouse lane and the old barn site.
- Many thanks to all who "pitch in."
- I have been fortunate enough to hear from "my friend Heinrich" again (14th letter) and he has sent us three photographs of himself: one, when he was 13 years old, one at 19 prior to his capture in North Africa and the last as a POW in Oakfield, New York. Jay Bailey will show them at the meeting, which he did.
- Job suggestions at the CCC/POW site: since regrowth has been cleared there are hundreds of trees and mounds that need trimming around. Bring pruning sheers, hand trimmers, or whatever. Just do it at your leisure and your efforts will be greatly appreciated.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25.

Upcoming Events – for a list of park events open to the public go to the NY State Parks page, view “Events” for Hamlin Beach - <http://www.nysparks.com/events/event-results.aspx?pk=20>

- June 23 – 6:00-10:00 p.m. **Ghostriders Band** - Area 3 Stage - Come out and enjoy some country music
- June 24 – 12:00–4:00, **Free Fishing Day** - Area 1 - Shelter 1 Fishing Pier. Come out and enjoy the exhibits, free fishing, games and prizes. Sponsored by the Town of Hamlin, DEC, and NYS Parks
- June 28 – 7:00-10:00 p.m. **Batavia Swing Band** - Area 3 Stage - Listen to the nostalgic sounds of the Batavia Swing Band with their smooth brass section playing all the hits from the 40's and 50's.
- June 30 – 1:00- **Zoo Mobile** – Seneca Park Zoo - Learn about different types of animals. Meet at the recreation building (campground)
- June 30 – 6:00- **Double Cross Band** - Join us for some country music, featuring Double Cross. Music starts at 6 p.m. at the area 3 stage.
- July 7 – 6:00-10:00 – **Friends Band** - Meet us for a night of classic rock, featuring Friends. Music starts at 6 p.m. on the area 3 stage.
- July 7 – 10:15 – **Fireworks Display** - Join us for a colorful and exciting display of fireworks. Meet at the Area 1 fishing pier.
- July 11 – 7:00 – **Monthly Friends of Hamlin Beach Meeting** – Park Office
- July 12 – 7:00-10:00 – **Nostalgic Reunion** - Join us for a night of swing music, featuring Nostalgic Reunion. Music starts at 7 p.m. at the area 3 stage.

- July 14 – **Genesee Valley Chapter Auto Cross** – 8:00-4:00 – Area 5 – Timed precision driving competition involving one car at a time through a course of pylons.
- July 14 – 1:00 - **Wild Wings** - Join us to learn about different birds. Meet at the recreation building (campground).
- July 14 – **Coupe DeVille** – 6:00-10:00 - Join us for a night of rock and roll music, featuring Coupe Deville. Music starts at 6 p.m. at the area 3 stage.
- July 19 – 6:00-10:00 – **Barroom Buzzards** - Join us for a great night of music, featuring the Barroom Buzzards. Music starts at 6 p.m. at the area 3 stage.
- July 21-22 – **Yellow Jacket Racing** - Shoreline Triathlon and Marathon. Meet at area 4.
- July 21 – **Flint Creek Band** - 6:00 - Join us for a great night of music, featuring the Flint Creek band. Music starts at 6 p.m. at the area 3 stage.
- July 26 – **Don Newcomb Band** - Join us for a great night of music, featuring the Don Newcomb Band. Music starts at 6 p.m. at the area 3 stage.
- July 28 – **Seneca Park Zoo** – 1:00 Join us to learn about different kinds of animals in the recreation building (campground).
- July 28 – **Trilogy Concert** – 6:00 - Join us for a night of rock and roll, featuring Trilogy. Music starts at 6 p.m. at the area 3 stage.

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