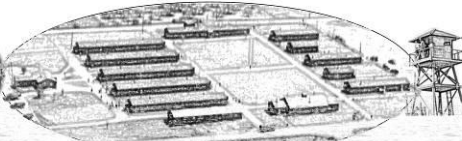


# FRIENDS OF HAMLIN BEACH STATE PARK

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**September 11, 2013**

Attendees: Linda Rabjohn, Patti Sullivan (note taker), Eileen Preston, Nick Kramer, Ralph Preston, Jeanine Klopp, Park Manager Jay Bailey, Holly and Dale Jennejahn, Bunnie Beardsley, Sherry Dobson, Gert Hauck, Merritt (Bucky) Ackles

## **Treasurer Report**

### **Current Funds – see Executive Board Minutes**

Restricted fund - grant	\$ 1,000.00
Restricted fund – CCC/POW	50.00
Unrestricted fund	<u>\$ 2,576.00</u>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$ 3,650.78</b>

## **Secretary's Report**

- Membership agreed that bulleted items in the newsletter are acceptable for mailings.

## **New Member Brochure**

- Jay created a fantastic brochure for us to look at and give comments. All agreed that it was a phenomenal job and gives a very positive image of the group. Thanks Jay!!
- We will move forward with pricing for color brochures.

## **Park Manager's Report – Jay Bailey**

- Moscow Road House – Rich Parker is working on getting the water line installed. We this to be completed before we move forward with leasing by the Friends group. Jay sent a list of project items that need to be addressed which was sent to the proper authorities; all indications are that this will move forward once the paperwork and funding are approved.
- The road in the park has been paved, it looks great!
- We have a family of turkeys living in the park who obligingly parade near the park entrance. I hope you have had a chance to meet them. ☺
- Merritt asked if the Park would like donations of the fishing poles from the Hamlin Recreation Dept. These can be used for Free Fishing Day.
- Camper survey – The Park received many positive comments about the concert series and recreation program. Due to positive comments about the Rec program they may be able to get more funding. The park also received positive feedback on the new electrical facilities. Campers had issues with the mud at the campsites; this was due to the construction delaying the grass seeding.
- Two bands are interested in giving concerts next year. This info will be forwarded to Jay Bailey.
- Civil War Event – The group couldn't raise the necessary funds for insurance as required by the Park. The Park is pursuing groups interested in events related to the War of 1812, Native American culture, etc which is a better fit of this geographic area.
- Hobey Cat Regatta – Not enough members for them to pursue holding the event this year.

## **SUNY Brockport Service Day – August 24th**

- Ralph, Patti, Dan and Ed assisted to help direct student activities at the CCC/POW camp. Holly and Dale stopped by also! The students did a great job and helped us fill a dumpster and also to cart extra debris to the brush pile.
- Josh's group also was successful at the Yanty Creek pond. The students cleared both sides of the pond and worked on part of the new trail that will eventually go out to the toll booth.

## **The Birds!**

- We would like a future link about Bluebirds and Martin houses with information to be supplied by MaryAnn, Gert and Jackie.
- 92 Bluebirds fledged this year, down from 122. The first year was only 40.
- The website is attracting diverse interest! Woohoo Jason!
- Jim Lugert built another donation bird house that we can use in the Park Office.
- Purple Martin house will be taken down before winter. Jim will store it in his basement.

## **Heritage Day**

- Sunday, September 22, 1-4 History Center. Sherry Dobson and Linda Rabjohn will man the booth. MaryAnn will bring the Bluebird donation box.

Flowerbeds in Area 3

## **CCC/POW Site - Ed Evans**

- **Dumpster Diving** - A second dumpster was brought in over Labor Day Weekend; Dan filled it almost immediately. Dan is working on a third dumpster now. 13 cement pipes were found at the bottom of the pile; they will be moved to the ditch or other locations. Ground bees have a nest that has to be removed before the pile can be finished.
- Ed created tickets of a scale drawing of the CCC camp. We will eventually need all the museum artifacts cataloged with a ticket that has the location marked as to where they were found.
- Ed gave a presentation Thursday at Bergen Historical Society that ended up being a 2 hour talk. October 3<sup>rd</sup> they will be requesting Ed to go back and speak again. They donated a historical book to us.
- New artifacts –. Based on a photo of the Leverenz house, Ed was able to sleuth through the photo and estimated where he thought the second flagpole would be. Dan found bolts and a flagpole cleat about 2 feet from Ed's guess. Great teamwork, guys! Dan also uprooted an old stump and found part of the old gravel path marked with grapefruit sized rocks all along the edge..
- Gretchen Dueling first got us in touch with our first POW. She is looking for assistance in starting a Friends group.
- Mr. Anderson mans the Oak Orchard Lighthouse. His wife's maiden name is Mault and they had relatives that were at the CCC camp. Could this be a future contact?
- Work Day (from Nick) – For those who were available, we helped fill the third dumpster on Sunday, Sept 15<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned 8:17

## **Upcoming Events**

- Heritage Day - Sunday, September 22, 1-4 History Center. Sherry Dobson and Linda Rabjohn will man the booth. MaryAnn will bring the Bluebird donation box.
- October 9<sup>th</sup> – Friends meeting at 7:00, Executive Board at 6:00