

75th Anniversary Committee Minutes

February 1, 2018

Call to Order: 6:55 p.m.

Present: Steve Gottlieb, Steve McMahon, Dennis Bianchi, Dave Theriault, Diane Theriault, Katherine Matousek, Kristen Shaw, Scott Grizey, Sue Jansen, D. Delap, C. Baldwin, B. Baldwin, Jamie DiPace, Kari Ann St. Jean (Avon Library representative)

Library Events/History: Kari Ann St. Jean: Discussed upcoming library events. Fire Truck Story hour: April 11, 10:30-11:30 – Dennis will read; Tuesday, July 24, Movie Matinee: Planes: Fire and Rescue; Saturday, August 11: 10-12:30 Touch A Truck, Ladder, Rescue and Pumper, Dennis will handle. Library will provide flyers for these events. Prizes for summer reading display case: Library will buy fire truck, Dennis has Dalmation and Ride in Fire truck will be part of prize (from Library around to fire stations and back to library, can have up to 4 for ride including 1 parent). Fire Department will purchase \$200 worth of Fire related children's books (Kari Ann will select along with Dennis and get our approval). Book Plates to commemorate 75th Anniversary in all books. Will be able to purchase around 20 books.

Scavenger Hunt: July or August. Carol will work with Kari Ann on this project. Need 30 photos, 4x6 images, fire trucks, etc.

Summer Reading Program: Library has purchased 750 bags for us to fill with 4-5 items and we can put flyer of our events in each i.e. pencil, bookmark, stickers, rulers, etc. to be given to each participant. Need items by June 1. Library will stuff bags. Dennis will provide items.

Ad Book: Katherine: Ads coming in. About \$8,000 so far. Final date for submissions is March 1.

New Pricing from Dave Wray: Version A.: 64 pages, 10 photos, 4 letters, 7 pages Laura Ward; 500 copies: \$4300; 1000 copies: \$6,000, 2000: \$9,000; Version B: 80 pages, 500 copies: \$5,000; 1000 copies: \$7,000. Committee decided on Version A, 1000 copies. Katherine meeting Monday with Dave Wray and give him what she has so he can start compiling book. Laura and Katherine working on 7 pages: Wedding photo, Proclamation, Bernetich, Memory pages, golf tournament, burn building and cover with banner. Diane T. Diane D. and Kristen working on 10 photo pages.

Merchandise: Bob sent report: Glass mugs will be in tomorrow; ceramic steins at \$18.50 from catalog, still looking at options; Rescue knives \$15 each (on hold till we decide if funding is available). Will be a tent at carnival grounds to sell merchandise (per Steve McMahon).

Convention: Steve McMahon: Matt Soulier, food truck coordinator has ad on facebook.

24 Departments signed up so far for Convention, 5 marching bands. Expect 60-70 departments.

Open House: PJ sent report: 10-4:00, Company 3 and Avon High School North Parking lot, Saturday, May 5. Events: 10:30 Stove Fire Demonstration (J. DiPace); 11:30 Content Fire Dem. (PJ); 12:30

Extrication: (PJ); 1:30 Car Fire Dem.; 2:30 Police Swat Dem; Farmington Police dog Dem (Dave T.); 3:30 Life Star Dem (B. Baldwin). Times subject to change to accommodate police and Life Star schedules.

Day to include static displays; Ladder 12, Eng. 7, Argo, Rescue 8, police and ambulance. Also smoke trailer from Farmington and ID tagging for children. Hot dogs served all day, fruit drinks for kids and water for adults at Co. 3. Chips/snacks and cake to commemorate 75th Anniversary.

Needs personnel assistance in several areas for that day. (list is available from PJ)

Several items needed for that day, including sofas, chairs, etc; dumpster, grill, cooler, pa system, cones, stove, burn trailer (J. DiPace), wrecked auto for extrication and car fire, TIC to record and announce temperature of contents fires, camera for photos and video.

Hartford County- No report.

5K – Dennis & Steve G.: Had meeting last week regarding purchasing shirts for runners, expect 100-200 runners; \$25 to register including children. Water stations, possibly ask Explorers to help; Chief checking with New Balance (sneaker discounts) and Monkey Business (sell smoothies). Registration: Rat Race Timing. Will sell 75th and Convention shirts.

Puppet Show – Dennis: Set to go. Senior Center will provide food – Dennis checking with Jennifer Bennett. Jennifer to send emails to surrounding Senior Centers.

Publicity: 1 page of events to be included with fundraising letter to town residents. Also, send through Schools, Board of Ed for email blast. Checking on doing bookmark of events (DianeT./Dennis)

Possibly send postcard to everyone in town 2 weeks prior to event listing roads to be closed etc. May cost \$3500.

Dave read Proclamation from Town Council.

Next meeting: March 7, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Co. 1

Adjourned: 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Theriault & Diane Delap