

*** Tuesday, March 24th, 2026 @ 6:00pm**
@ Sheridan Historical Society *

- **Attendees:** Diana Schwartz, Carol Williamson, Laura Dietrich Gillim, Sheila Hart-Evans, Sean Knochel, Dudley Dunlavey, Emmett Kellogg, Nancy Wallace & Maurice Mathews

- Financial Update -
 - Town agreed to pay \$5,000 for fireworks directly to BurgerHaus
 - Town officials approached Carol about getting a line item in their budget.
 - American Water donation \$10,000
 - Currently \$20,112 in account. \$206 in Gaming Commission account.
 - \$4,500 from Hamilton County Grant is yet to come in. Will be sent in April. Cannot be used for fireworks.
 - Several pledged sponsors have not come in yet.
 - Right now the split for funds is 50% 4th of July, 25% HM, 25% General Fund.
 - Carol says we have enough to cover fireworks, but this would leave almost nothing leftover for the 4th of July festival portion of the event.
 - Discussion of splitting the funds by changing % of funds to 75% for 4th of July and 25% for General.
 - Concerns that this would mean funds for HM would start from scratch again next year. Several expressed belief that the HM funds should be left alone and that we could potentially pull funds from the general fund instead since yearly operating costs are well below the \$5,000 that is currently in that portion of funds.
 - Carol decided to table the discussion for the next meeting to vote on funds. See if we can generate some more funds in the mean time.
 - The SEC Business Entity Report was filed with the state of Indiana today. Fee was \$21. It is good for 2 years. Copy of the Receipt is in the Google Drive

- Fundraising -

- Contact Wallace Grain - Sheila
 - Historical Society said they would donate. Carol sent Ron Stone the paperwork he needed today to make the donation
 - Contact Fishers Family Funeral Services - Dudley
 - Contact Swayzee - Diana email
 - Donation Cans around town at local businesses - Nancy, Laura & Diana will work on as they pass out flyers
 - Donation Can at Rev'd Up Rides
 - Need to be able to take electronic donations with a QR CR Code - Carol looking into it
 - Culver's dinner help - Carol will look into what dates are available after the car show.
 - Contact Patton Automotive Dan - Carol will talk to them.
 - Hunt Club Distillery - Diana will check with them.
 - Pepsi - Sean checking with them
 - Dairy Queen - Carol going to call SP at the store
- Rev'd Up Rides -
 - Flyers are ready to be hung around town in Noblesville, Westfield, Carmel, Tipton, Cicero, etc. Please take as many flyers as you want. Hit coffee shops, auto repair stores, any place that will allow the signs to be displayed. Diana will hit up places in town.
 - 50 Car plaques were ordered this week. They are already shipped.
 - 25 will go to the first pre-registered cars participants
 - 25 will be sold at the event. They cost \$2.99 each to make. Sell them for \$5.
 - Directional Signs need to be ordered this week.
 - Arrow pointing left Rev'd Up Rides Car Show
 - Arrow pointing right Rev'd Up Rides Car Show
 - Enter Here for Rev'd Up Rides Car Show
 - Check-in
 - Exit with arrow pointing left
 - Dudley says we need 8 directional signs

- Review the 1 month out To Do List

To Do List for Rev'd Up Rides		Assigned to SEC Member
Renew Auto Owners Liability Insurance		Carol
Send new policy insurance to Kaitlyn and Jennifer		Carol
Collect Vendors info for Health Department		Diana
Notify Health Department of Vendors		Diana
Send Vendor paperwork to Kaitlyn & Jennifer		Carol
Post Flyers around town and surrounding towns		Diana/Nancy/etc
Confirm Sound System Company Arrival/End Time		Ashley
Confirm Band Arrival/End Time		Ashley
Send email to pre-registered participants with all info for event		Carol
Order Plaques		Ashley
Set Up Square payment process to take payment for plaques		Carol
Greeks Flyer		Carol
Keevers Flyer		Ashley
Ask if other Main St. businesses want a flyer included		Diana & Nancy
Stuff flyers with 25 pre-registered with plaque		Laura
Confirm Judges - Communicate arrival time		Dudley & Diana
Print Sponsor Banner(s)		Carol & Ashley
Get a severe weather plan from HS		Sean
Communicate with Chief Nielsen for parade plan		Carol
Confirm awards are ready		Laura
Check-in process		Diana
Assign People to man check-in		Assign Later
Create an announcement timeline for DJ		Ashley & Carol
Confirm DJ and communicate arrival/clean up times		Ashley

Create a playlist for DJ	Ashley
Request Cones from School	Sean
Communicate with Street Dept on picnic tables (dropoff/pickup)	Sean
Collect Trash Cans from Street Dept	Sean
Purchase Trash Bags for Trash Cans	Carol
Check with HS about use of dumpster at school	Sean
Set up meeting with HS Principal for final planning	Carol

- The parade was approved at the town council meeting. The car show will have a police escort out of the HS through Main Street and then to White Ave to exit town.
 - Rev'd Up Rides was approved at the HS at town council
 - April 4th Jackwagon Car Club Cruise-In - Sean can't go to it, but maybe someone else can pass out flyers?
 - Car show at Legion the week before - Sean and Dudley planning to pass out flyers
- 4th of July -
 - Go through a list of ideas for the 4th. Here are the ideas so far:
 - A band that could cover 1940s to present songs. Begin around 6pm. DJ playing until then.
 - Snacks at Concession possibly. If they say no, the committee could potentially sell items themselves before fireworks.
 - Watermelon Eating Contest
 - Hot Dog Eating Contest - Maggie might be willing to sponsor
 - Tug of War?
 - Cake Walk - Has been successful in past years. Either donations of baked goods or hostess cupcake type snacks as prizes. Diana says the Christian Church may be someone to contact as sponsoring that.
 - Ping Pong Ball Drop - Walter Nay has a plane that will work and Parvin is sponsoring the balls. Need to have more than 100 balls to make sure they are spread out enough that people don't run into each other trying to get them.

- 3-legged Race and Sack Race are possibilities. Easy enough to pull off. Laura is concerned about safety. Sheila is going to reach out to Wallace about donating canvas sacks.
- Read Declaration of Independence - Maurice checking with a guy he knows
- Corn Hole Tournament - Would possibly be easy to accomplish and could borrow boards from several different people. Might be an easy activity to move into the fieldhouse in case of rain also.
- Ice Cream Making - maybe the Historical Society would know someone who could?
- Wrestling - Has gone over great in the past and attracts lots of people. Carol is concerned it will not go with the theme of this year's event. Diana suggested asking them to wear patriotic colors.
- Line Dancing - Laty has done in the past for HM, but will need to see if she has availability on the holiday.
- DJ - Need one
- Bounce House and Blow Up Obstacle Course is a definite yes. Need to ask Fire Dept about the use of their slide.
- Bluegrass Jam Session - not sure. Maybe have them playing in a different area instead of stage?
- Tractors - Dudley checking with Lions Club contacts
- Quilting Demonstrations - Diana says ladies in churches and at historical society may know some people. Maybe they could bring the broom maker equipment too?
- Crafts - Baptist Church is interested in having a booth to promote VBS. Can also ask the Library for craft bags to pass out before fireworks like last year.
- Hula Hoop Contest - easy to do
- Root Beer Floats - Lifewise might be interested in this.
- Swing Dance lessons?
- Photo Booth - definitely need one. Hamilton County Tourism could potentially help with this.
- History of Boxley Cabin & Underground Railroad connection- Check with Historical Society about a possible slide show or display
- School Cheer Clinic - Ask HS. They have done so in the past.

- Pedal Tractor Races - Sean will look into.
 - Dunk Tank - The Fire department may have one we can borrow and they will fill.
 - Archery -
 - Glow Sticks/Glow Party - We still have 300 bracelets from last year. Do something again before fireworks? Pass out packets?
 - Historical/Patriotic Scavenger Hunt - We did one year and was fun for the kids
 - Live Actor reenactment - Maurice will check with connection he has
 - History of American Flag/ Star Spangled Banner
 - Group to sing Star Spangled Banner - Sean will check with Libby about the chamber choir.
 - Baking Contest "Strawberry Shortcake" - Might ask Wesleyan Church about selling some?
 - Civil War Memorabilia or demonstrations - Dudley will ask
 - Military Jeeps - not sure if anyone has connections
 - Karaoke - Has gone over very well over the years. Had so many people volunteer last year that we ran out of time for them.
 - Tractor Pull?
 - Play videos of past years of Sheridan events/traditions - Dudley will work on
 - Partner with the school to have students write about "What does America mean to you?" and possibly have students create artwork - Carol will check with them.
 - Misting Stations - need water somewhere to help people stay cool
 - Fire Department demonstration with hoses?
 - Photographer for the event - Diana says Hamilton County tourism may send someone out to take photos.
 - Methodist Church - planning on making walking tacos
- Carol would like to invite several businesses/churches/organizations to have tents at the event for free in order to setup a kind of mini town of Sheridan section at the event. Unsure exactly how many we would have room for. Diana suggested having them pay \$20 as in past years, when fees were waived, we

had several vendors decide at the last minute not to come as they had no “skin in the game”. We also included free booth spots in our donation tiers as a benefit for certain levels of sponsors. Everyone agreed that \$20 seemed reasonable. Will send out invitations to them soon.

- Requesting to start meeting weekly now that we are ramping up to Rev'd Up Rides and 4th of July.

Next meetings:

Tuesday, March 31st @ 6pm - Location TBD
Wednesday, April 8th @ 6pm - Location TBD
Tuesday, April 14th @ 6pm - Location TBD
Wednesday, April 22th @ 6pm - Location TBD
Tuesday, April 28th @ 6pm - Location TBD

Minutes submitted by: Diana Schwartz 3.25.26

Approved: