

EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING
MARCH 4, 2008 – 5:00 P.M.

Chairman Evers called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Clerk Wells called roll. Committee members present: Laura Evers, Scott Logan, Barb Rowe, Bill Clow, Rebecca Gabrys and Lori Moller. Members Cathy Pescinski, Judyanne Grandmaison and Wanda Marzahl were absent.

COUNTRY FAIR – JUNE 28TH 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

An invitational letter was mailed to churches and not-for-profit organizations to attend the planning meeting on March 11th, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. to organize the Country Fair. Rebecca and Laura will make reminder phone calls this weekend.

The Events Committee will be the facilitator for the Country Fair and will handle marketing, money handling, tent rental and location.

Food Booth Suggestions

Sell water, juice, pop, snow cones, taffy, cotton candy, corn on the cob, watermelon, hot dogs, peanuts, taffy, ice cream, brats and barbecue. The Events Committee will rent a tent for the food booths: Wanda is checking prices. Clerk Wells noted that if all the food vendors are under one tent, we can apply for a blanket permit from the Health Dept. Rebecca will contact Tom Condon from Deans to see about the availability of a refrigerated truck. Laura will have information at the community meeting on equipment rental. Rebecca will contact the Boy's League to see about the availability of their roasters.

Game/Activity Suggestions

- The Events Committee will host the kite building seminar and kite flying contest.
- Game/activity suggestions: three legged race, spoon and sugar race, hoop race, feed the birds, milk bottle throw, ducks in a tub, fishing pond, water fights, pie eating contest (sponsored by Kelly's), chalk drawing contests, face painting, hair braiding, bingo, cake walk, guess weight/age/occupation, moonwalk, clothes pin drop, water balloons, photographer with old fashioned props, dunk tank, antique tractors and fire trucks, chair rental
- Contact Mercy or other group to sponsor an arts and craft area for kids.
- Wanda is contacting Kathy Leonard about pony rides. We would rent her a space and she would charge \$3/ride
- Look into free open activities such as tug of war and horse shoes
- The Events Committee could host activities that would draw people to the fair such as an old style exhibition baseball game, McHenry County Historical Society Mobile Museum, tractor show
- The Committee discussed whether or not to have the boxed lunch auction; general consensus was to re-evaluate next year.
- Look into having some sort of themed contest

Entertainment/Music

- Play recorded music
- Look into banjo player, clowns, one-man band

Advertising

Bill reported on costs to run an ad in the high school music program on April 17, 18, 19. Moved by Logan, seconded by Gabrys to approve a full page ad at a cost of \$100. All ayes. Motion carried. Bill will create the ad.

Bill will get information to Lori to post on the community message board.

Hearing Procedure

Clerk Wells will serve as hearing officer. Either Wanda or Laura will make the presentation to the organizations. Printouts and flip charts showing information will be available.

Moved by Logan, seconded by Clow to waive the information booth fee for not-for-profit organizations if they provide eight or more volunteer man hours to the event. All ayes. Motion carried.

April 15, 2008 is the deadline for groups to let us know how they would like to participate. Will be handled on a first come, first serve basis.

At 6:05 p.m., moved by Logan, seconded by Rowe to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by:
Lori Moller, Secretary