



**CATTARAUGUS COUNTY BICENTENNIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**AUGUST 13, 2007**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Crystal Abers  
Mary Elizabeth Dunbar  
Sid Emmons, Chairman  
Sharon Fellows  
Bruce Fredrickson  
Maggie Fredrickson  
Terry Martin  
Laurie McCarthy  
Ginger Moser  
Tom Moser  
Deb Opferbeck  
Ann Padlo  
Charles Schappacher  
Nancy Sedlak  
Dixon Stevens  
Bill Watkins  
Gail Watkins

OTHERS:

Len Brainard  
Dianne Emmons  
Dolly Little, The Crosspatch  
Jim Little, The Crosspatch  
Cheryl O'Keefe, County Administrator's Office  
V. Weber  
Patti Yehl  
Ron Yehl

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The meeting was convened at 6:05 p.m. by Chairman Emmons in the Salamanca Historical Museum located at 125 Main Street, Salamanca, New York. Introductions were made by those new to attending the meetings. Meeting packets were distributed by Chairman Doc Stevens. The packets included: Meeting Schedule (7/30/07); Draft of Sponsorship Opportunities; Merchandise Inventory Summary effective 8/10/07.

**MEETING MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Ann Padlo, seconded by Gail Watkins to accept the July 9, 2007; July 16, 2007; July 23, 2007; and July 30, 2007 meeting minutes. Accepted unanimously by voice vote.

**GENERAL DISCUSSIONS/UPDATES:**

County Fair Booth & Olean Farm City Days – Both events were discussed regarding possible improvements and/or changes. It was suggested that the merchandise be hung instead of folded on the table. Also suggested was to have a Bicentennial Sign hung at the table. Sharon Fellows suggested contacting Mr. and Mrs. Charlesworth (fairground owners) to sell merchandise.

Finance – Tom Moser reported that budgets must be submitted. The County is in their 2008 budget process and budgets are needed now to be considered in that process. Mr. Moser also reported that the \$10,000 from the County to be used as “seed money” is gone.

Sponsorship Letters – The sponsorship letter is the letter to be mailed to all businesses in Cattaraugus County requesting financial support as well as encouraging participation support. At the “Bicentennial Anniversary” level the “company banner” to be displayed on the Bicentennial Traveling Trailer was discussed. There was concern that all company banners are not equal. It was discussed that if there are donations at this level that banners would be printed so all were the same. The trailer will not allow for the banners to be actually placed on the trailer so the banners will be on a pole and put by the trailer. A Bicentennial Banner was talked about as well. This banner would be used for 2008 with the trailer. It would be the same style as the company banners. There was much discussion of the sponsorship levels.

Terry Martin made a motion, seconded by Ginger Moser, to accept the proposed Sponsorship Opportunities with the following changes: 1) At the Patriot level change \$1 to \$5 and 2) list everything that each level would actually receive.

At 6:45 the Advisory Committee broke out into the various Subcommittees and Project Teams.

At approximately 7:30 the Advisory Committee convened for updated reports. They were:

#### **PROJECT TEAM UPDATES:**

County History Book: Mr. and Mrs. Fredrickson reported that they have already sold several sponsorship pages. The sponsorship contribution for a 1-sided page is \$50 and a patron contribution for a single entry is \$20. They have requested that the Historical Societies, Museums and Libraries in Cattaraugus County have first opportunity then expand the list, possibly with a newspaper “theme” article. Also being sent to the Historical Societies, Museums and Libraries is a letter requesting information to be included in a special section of the history book. It was the suggestion of Gail Watkins to have on the front cover of the history book the a picture of original County Building in Ellicottville and on the back cover have a picture of the County Building now in Little Valley. Everyone was pleased with this suggestion. It was also suggested that on the inside front have an 1808 county map and on the inside back have a 2008 county map. This too was accepted by the group.

Pageant: Chairman Emmons announced that the pageant would not be pursued.

Equestrian Event: This event has been named “Wagon Train and Stagecoach Run” A draft of the expenses, revenues and event summary was submitted. A more detailed summary will be presented at the next meeting (8/27/07). This 14 day, 163 Stagecoach Run will be an educational living history celebration. The proposed route will include as many towns, villages and hamlets as possible in Cattaraugus County, to involve everyone in the communities as part of the adventure. Along their travels they will pick up “town treasures” to be placed in the Time Capsule. A youth contest for children 18 years and under will allow a lucky few children a chance to get a real feel for life as it was 200 years ago.

#### **UPCOMING SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

**September 10 – County Center, Little Valley**

**September 24 – Machias Library**

**October 8 – St. Patrick School, Salamanca**

**October 22 – County Center, Little Valley**

Mrs. McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Schappacher, made a motion to adjourn at 8:03 p.m.  
Motion accepted unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted

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Approved at the August 27, 2007 meeting.