

Friends of Pine Ridge Cemetery

04/25/17 Minutes

Attendees: Gerry Schroeder, Jane Kneller-Krynski, Roger Rosebush, Clara Pasko, Alan Flood, Eric Jylha, Steve Kent, Nancy Graham, Ron Graham, Linda Proulx, Steve Balcer, Monica Fall.

1. Minutes from the last meeting. Approved as printed on the website.
2. Legal & Accounting.
 - Treasurer's report
 - \$2751.25 GoFundMe
 - \$726.72 PayPal
 - \$3931.03 Chemical Bank
 - \$500.00 donations (to be added)
 - \$7409.00 Total Funds
 - Acknowledgment of donation letter w/ thank you note. Passed around a copy of letter.
 - Results of fund raising for fence. Funds in hand to replace fence. Hopefully, the fence will be erected in a month.
3. Mowing & Maintenance Committee
 - Mowing issues. None yet.
 - Mowing volunteers. The Boy Scouts need 30 hours of volunteer work.
 - Solar lights. No new information at this time.
 - Eagle Scout project & cannon balls. Andy Hutter will start on his Eagle Scout project on Saturday, May 5th. A cement pad needs to be installed first before the cannon balls are delivered. Ron will make arrangements for the installation of the pad.
4. Historic Records.
 - There is a link to Find-a-Grave on the friendsofpineridge.com.
 - Clara has 4200 burials documented with more to come.
 - 3 books at the Bay County Historical Museum may provide more information.
5. Restoration & Recovery of Headstones.
 - 2017 anticipated work is on hold for the time being.
6. Fund-Raising Committee
 - Grants
 - Lion's Club - Grant submitted and approved for \$200.00
 - Rotary Club - Grant submitted.
 - McLaren Foundation - Grant submitted.
 - Bay Community Foundation. Monica is getting information together to apply for a grant. The grant request is due in August.
 - Sons of Union Veteran of the Civil War also have an application form for a grant directed toward a project. Ron suggested taking photos of grave surrounds needing repairs.
 - Discussion was held about whether Pine Ridge Cemetery could be added to the National Register of Historic Places. There is an 8-page application form that must be filled in and sent in to see if Pine Ridge qualifies.
 - Fundraisers
 - State Theatre. The movie, "Gettysburg", will be shown at 2:00 pm on Sunday, June 4th. Tickets will be sold on-line or at the door for \$5.00 each. There is a \$300.00 fee for movie rights.

Friends of Pine Ridge will receive the proceeds from ticket sales; the State Theatre will receive the proceeds from concession sales. Suggestions made to offer Jim Petrimoulx's Civil War books for sale and also to pass a bucket for donations to Pine Ridge. A suggestion was made to contact Dee Dee Wacksman from the Civil War Roundtable to publicize the movie fundraiser event among the members.

- Knights of Columbus Breakfast Fundraiser. Linda checked into having a fundraiser at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Woodside. Linda advised that the breakfast fund-raisers are always held on Sundays. They will start in the fall. 12-15 volunteers are needed to help serve.
- Letterhead & stationary - update. Steve Kent is working on it.
- Letter to request funds - update. Gerry is working on a letter to request funds from local and large corporations.

7. Public Relations, Media & Programs

- Memorial Day & Boy Scout Program. The veterans' program may possibly start at 10:30 am. Information is needed from Adam about the Boy Scout's program. Gerry will e-mail Adam.
- Others?

8. New Business. Regarding porta-potties, Johnny on the Spot charges \$90.00 a month. Funds are not available.

Next Meeting Date: May 23 (meeting prior to Memorial Day)