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## ELIOT MAINE BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

MEETING - May 7, 2021

William Fogg Library- 9AM

Present: Lydia Goodwin, Janice Cerabona, Rosanne Adams

Meeting purpose: to talk about plans for this year.

Background: Many of the events that the committee had planned for Maine's Bicentennial Year, in 2020, had to be curtailed. In keeping with the state's declaration that Maine's Bicentennial events are to be continued into 2021 and rechristened "Maine's 200-Plus-One" celebration, the committee met to modify its plans.

Items discussed w/decisions and actions assigned:

### **1. Honoring Fabyan Drake awardees**

- a. Will be done at a "Old Home Picnic" in August.
  - i. Posters will be displayed on the fencing at the school
- b. 8.5 x 11 "posters" will be made for each award recipient with year awarded, name, picture and a little write-up. If possible, they will be given to family members following the picnic event.
  - i. Lydia will order the paper, have them printed and put in plastic sleeves.
  - ii. Rosanne will contact Dana Norton to see if the Legion has pictures and nomination letters/info that can be used and work on the design.
  - iii. All will collect the pictures that we have and search out info on people

### **2. "Old Home Picnic"** to be held on Saturday, August 14th with raindate of August 15th.

- i. Jan will work at arranging this event at the Eliot Elementary School.
  - ii. The picnic will be held from 3-6PM, outdoors.
  - iii. People asked to bring their own food.
  - iv. Committee will supply small bottles of water, eating utensils, napkins and whoopie pies for dessert.
  - v. Committee will provide/sell hotdogs
  - vi. Jan will check out options for ordering whoopie pies;
  - vii. Lydia will purchase water;
  - viii. Rosanne provide eating utensils, napkins, condiments.
  - ix. Committee will purchase hotdogs, rolls.
- b. Tours of the display case, historical mural, wall art, etc in the downstairs hallways of the school will be featured.

- c. There will be games for the children
    - i. Lydia will order 3-4 hula hoops, 3-4 hoops w/sticks, and 3-4 Chinese jump ropes and large chalk
  - d. Jan will arrange for a music presentation
3. **Open Houses** at the Fogg House, #8 Schoolhouse, Grange and possibly other places.
- a. To be held once a month (June, July, August) and/or the week before the picnic.
  - b. Schedule to be determined.
  - c. Jan has already arranged that she will open the #8 School for grade 2 children
4. **Walking tours of Historical Sites.** Will plan for one per month (June, July, Aug) with more added "by Appointment, as needed.
- a) Rosanne will made up a map/info and find out if we can have the map/info printed at the town hall.
5. **Time Capsule** - to be buried on Eliot Festival Day
- a) The medium sized one looked to be adequate. Cost about \$800.
  - b) Lydia will take another look at our options and order time capsule soon.
  - c) Rosanne will write to town office (select board/town manager/highway) as to how this can be accomplished.
6. **Decoration of buildings/celebratory souvenirs.**
- a) It was felt that having at least the Grange, Library, and Town offices and possibly the Elementary School have some bunting/decoration would add to the specialness of the celebration this year. Rosanne will check with the town to see where they purchase their bunting and if they would be willing, if they still have some, to put it on the town buildings and also talk with Paul Johnson.
  - b) Possibly can look at having a souvenir coin or other item for people
7. **Eliot Flag** - there has been interest in having the Eliot Town Flag reprinted and offered for sale.
- a) Rosanne will contact Paul Johnson and Debbie Scribner about this
8. Next Meeting: Friday, June 4th, 9AM at the William Fogg Library
- Agenda:
- Followup on action items
  - Public Input
  - Next steps and New Business

Meeting closed at 10:30AM

**APPROVED JUNE 4, 2021**

Respectfully submitted,  
Rosanne M. Adams