

Hyde Park Community Circle Minutes
March 25, 5:30 p.m.
Lanpher Memorial Library

Attendees: John and Judy Clark, Nancy Webster, Jen Lindorff, Everett Dickinson, Deb Henderson, Sharon and Jack Anderson

Introduction of new members:

Jen Lindorff and Nancy Webster have joined the circle! Welcome, ladies!

Mia Cornblatt, an administrative assistant at the Community College of Vermont in Morrisville contacted us requesting a presence at events in Hyde Park. HPCC suggested the July Ice Cream social as the first event that would work for CCV to have a table to get the word out about their educational opportunities in the area. Mia will get back to us after checking with CCV.

Inserts in the Village of Hyde Park electric bill – Carol Robertson says we are confirmed for June, August and November 2019 inserts. 2020 they can provide 2 inserts for June and November. HPCC may need to pay for these.

We received a thank you note from Teresa Farquharson for the framed prints of Hyde Park. Teresa resigned from HPCC after being the director for several years. Judy read Teresa's thank you note.

Financial Report (Lighting Ceremony N & C Article) (Deb) - Current checking account balance \$7,315.11. There are outstanding checks of \$560 for the No Strings Marionette Company, \$135.14 for supplies for Think Spring and \$167.21 for donations collected at Think Spring 2019.

Deb also reported the News and Citizen finally published an article with the names of people who donated lights for the 2018 Lighting Ceremony. There was no charge for this. Although it was published quite a time after the actual ceremony, we still thought it was important to get published and we're glad the N&C came through.

Update on Susan Hayes – Susan and family have found a renter for their house for 6 months. They will be leaving in May to travel the U.S. and returning in October. We will certainly miss them but do wish them well on this exciting adventure.

Think Spring – Puppets & Plants Evaluation – tabled until Antonia and Susan can be here. Save your evaluations for a later meeting. Some comments shared this evening - People enjoyed the event. We need keys to the room where we can get chairs and maybe tables. Also needed to know how to turn the lights off and on. Could a janitor come and let us know that? Can the motion sensitive lights be turned off? It would be helpful to have some tables set up to sit at and eat. Food left after the event – a gallon of cider, 1 ½ gallons of milk, cupcakes, string cheese – Everett brought these left overs

to the homeless shelter. Maybe people could make the smaller cupcakes in the future. It was nice to have the coffee too.

Discuss HPCC 2019

- a. Membership (Drive to get new members) – Nancy and Jen responded to the FPF call for new volunteers. Mike Wickenden responded to the email. He is interested in helping out with 3 events. Not sure if he wants to come to meetings. We should follow up with him on this.
- b. Judy went through a list of prospects that we could contact. People volunteered to call people and ask if they would be willing to join the circle and/or help with events. Deb will send the list to Judy so she can send out to callers with the email call for volunteers.
- c. Hyde Park Home Day – (Schedule) Brainstorm Mini Home Day – Probably won't happen this year – no one willing to chair it. Could we do a tour of Main Street? Maybe each business could do something at their place – i.e. Fork & Gavel a free dinner for 2; library could have their book sale as usual; maybe a concert; maybe Fire Dept. would like to have a bbq, end with a concert. Maybe if the grange was usable, we could end up with a meal there. It won't draw the crowd though. Had some good initial discussions here.
- d. Hyde Park Lighting Ceremony – (Schedule) Select Chairs & plan with new ideas. Would be 12/6/2019. Jack has some good ideas. Get younger kids involved. Choral groups. Would help to get children involved. Maybe start earlier – maybe afternoon?

HPCC received \$100 from the Village Improvement Association. It is very much appreciated.

Jen will talk with Diane Reilly, principal of Hyde Park Elementary School and see how we could reach out to parents who might be interested in joining HPCC or helping out with events.

Next Meeting – Monday, April 22, 5:30 p.m., Lanpher Memorial Library