

**Hyde Park Community Circle
Home Day 2019 Planning Meeting
August 20, 2019 @ 5:30 pm at library**

Attendees: Jack Anderson, John and Judy Clark, Everett Dickinson and Deb Henderson

Electric notice – Deb and Jon H. will print off and cut tomorrow morning the HPCC Home Day announcement insert for the Village of Hyde Park electric bill. We need “1425 total fliers which is 475 copies with 3 fliers per page.”

Home Day Theme? - 2 or 3 people wanted to know if we have a theme for Home Day – Amy Olson said “Hyde Park Elem. School is planning some ideas for the beginning of school (and likely all year long) about Rainbows & Unicorns! It's kind of a surprise for the kids, but I wonder if it would be carried forward into Hyde Park Home Day?” Maggie Stewart suggest “how about childhood/children, both past and present, HP children of yesterday and today. Depict the differences in clothes, schools, games, etc.” Some people at the meeting felt it was too late to establish a theme. If people want to join in with one of these, they could but we won't be setting a theme this year. Here's a note about Rainbows & Unicorns from the urban dictionary on the Internet *“Unicorns and Rainbows refers to a feeling of perpetual bliss; only to be described as pure happiness and satisfaction. It describes what it means to finally find your true happy ending. Unicorns are nature's most mystical creatures. When you find your Unicorn it will lead you to the end of the rainbow and to your "pot of gold".* Could that be here in Hyde Park???

A vote for Grand Marshal of the 2019 Home Day was taken. The committee voted to name **John and Judy Clark as the Grand Marshals of the 2019 Home Day parade.** John and Judy have been instrumental in growing the Hyde Park Community Circle since it began in 2000. They continue to chair a variety of the HPCC annual events and help keep the circle growing. Judy sits on the Board of Directors of Lamoille Neighbors, a “part of the Village-to-Village movement, an innovative nation-wide organization that has emerged in the last decade in the organizational field of support services for older adults.” Lamoille Neighbors is “committed to helping members age in a place of their choosing, closely connected to their communities.” John and Judy are long time members of Second Congregational Church in Hyde Park and are actively involved in church committees and organizing events for the church's benefit and the benefit of local non-profits. They do many other community-based activities and live their lives building community wherever they go.

A suggestion was made to have **a list for Raffle and Sponsors posted at Fork & Gavel and the library.** This will help get the word out about Home Day and specifically raffle into and names of sponsors!

The **street banner** for Home Day 2019 is at Cutting Edge Graphics. It will be returning sometime this week. It has to go to the road crew and they will hang it. Jack Anderson is handling this task.

WLVB will be announcing at home day.

Abby and Mountain County will be playing on the court house steps.

Deb read Liz Courtney's email re the Open House for North Hyde Park Grange Hall. She reached out from the **Historic Sites committee that's been working on the rehab of the North Hyde Park Grange Hall**. They've planning for their first open house event to celebrate the building's revival as a community center. They decided to hold the event on Sunday Sept 22 (pushed back from the initial plans to have it next weekend) so that they can have more time to prepare and so they can piggyback on the Home Day celebration the day before -- it can be a weekend long celebration of Hyde Park! Facebook event page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/2278131138950193/> They would like to have a table at Home Day this year to promote what they're up to at the old Grange, and to sell some baked goods. They would be happy to team up to cross promote our events so we can have as much reach and impact as possible. They also asked if we would mind their asking Abby Sherman to play at their open house. We agreed it would be nice to have them participate in Home Day this year and we have no objection to their asking Abby Sherman to play at their event. This will be nice to have a more visible presence from a North Hyde Park organization at Home Day. Deb will reply to Liz to let her know we're all for their participation in Home Day and having Abby play for their open house.

St. Teresa's is a YES for the parking lot and building.

Helpers for Home Day – Rich and Carol Adams will help Saturday a.m. and get packets to vendors.

Jack Anderson was asked to reserve **the town speaker system**. 2 mics (usually in the speaker system) and stands & box with remote (box usually sits on the piano). Jack will also ask the town to **donate 2 history books for the raffle** while he is there.

Everett will need **tables and canopies** for the raffle tables and the HPCC info table. Everett will call Dan cell 730-6899 to find out how many tables he has that we can use. Everett needs 3 tables and 1 canopy for the **raffle** and 1 table and 1 canopy for the **info table**. The **Tea Tent needs 9 tables and 3 canopies**. We need a total of 13 tables and 5 canopies. HPCC has 6 tables (John will confirm how many tables HPCC has) so we need 7 more. Hopefully Dan will have that many.

We went through the list of **participants who have responded**. Everett gave several new ones who have donated to the raffle! Jack has picked up several items that Dan previously took on. Dan has purchased labels for the lawn signs that may need to be made. Jack agreed to inventory the signs at the French House to determine what we need. Deb will send him the 2018 list of participants to use to do that inventory. As we get closer to the event, Deb will send a 2019 list of participants to Dan and Jack to determine what new labels may be required.

Deb will send out **reminder emails** to those contacts for whom we have an email and who have not yet responded to our Call to Participate. ***Callers should be giving updates to Deb so she can update the database accordingly.*** Email her dhenderson128@comcast.net or call her with your updates. The sooner we get through our lists, the sooner we'll be ready for Home Day.

There will be an HPCC meeting to do an **evaluation of the ice cream social on August 26, 5:30 pm at the library.** If you haven't written your evaluation of the ice cream social, please do so.

The next **Home Day planning meeting will be on Sept. 3 @ 5:30 pm at the library.**