

# Montgomery 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee Meeting Minutes

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Date: January 7, 2014

Location: Montgomery Township Building, Board Conference Room

Present: Joe Walsh, Stacy Crandell, Andrea Duffy, Larry Gregan, Jim Kelly, Roy Rodriguez, Bud Walleck, and Ginny Bailey.

Chairman Joe Walsh called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm and the meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes from the December 2, 2013 meeting were reviewed and approved.

Chairman Joe Walsh announced that due to a demanding work load, Maureen Waddington would no longer be a member of the Committee. Replacing Maureen as secretary will be Ginny Bailey. Also leaving the Committee is Ginna Holsinger.

## Finance Report

Stacy reported that we have received IDA's check for \$7,500 and are waiting on Cutler's \$5,000 check. Univest has committed to \$2,500 but has not yet sent their check. The Committee currently has \$54,500 from sponsors with \$7,500 pledged but not yet received. As of December 31, 2013, the Committee has a balance of \$64,216.60 which includes the donations from the sponsors plus the sales from the commemorative tiles and General Hancock carolers.

An invoice for \$120 to Budget Printing was approved for website maintenance.

## **Old Business:**

### 2014 Golf Outing

Joe reported that last year's event was very successful and a lot of fun but with Dennis Cooney not available to organize the event and Maureen off the Committee, the 2014 golf outing is doubtful unless we can find someone who is willing to arrange the event.

### General Hancock Birthday/Kick Off Event

- Stacy reported that 100 invitations have gone out and she was starting to get RSVP's.
- Plaques – Stacy showed examples of the plaques the Committee could get from North Penn Art and Bux Mont Art. The North Penn Art plaque (attachment #1) would be framed in cherry and matted and include a 300th Anniversary tile and cost around \$250 for one. The Bux Mont Art (attachment #2) would also include a tile mounted on walnut and cost \$112 for one. After much discussion, the Committee decided to go with the North Penn Art plaque for the Gold and above sponsors while the rest of the sponsors would get the Bux Mont Art plaque. The Committee also agreed the cost of the Bux

Mont Art plaque should not exceed \$100. The Committee approved giving the Joseph Ambler Inn a plaque from North Penn Art with the designation Premiere Sponsor.

- Citations from Legislators – Both PA Senator Stewart Greenleaf and PA Representative Todd Stephens will be coming to the Hancock Birthday event and would like to present citations from their respective legislative body. The Committee decided to ask for the citations to be presented as part of the Commemoration Day events in May when the presentations could be more of a photo op.
- Seating arrangements – Stacy asked if there should be assigned seats at the Hancock Birthday event and the Committee decided there would only be reserved seating for dignitaries and special guests.

#### Reenactment/Birthday Event/5K Run/Hunger Games

- Joe reported that Nancy would be meeting with Sharon Tucker on Thursday to discuss the plans for the Hunger Games.
- Volunteer Hours – Andrea will come up with wording the Committee could use to advertise the public service projects on the Township's TV station and website. Anyone willing to volunteer will be able to call Andrea's office for assignment and she will keep track of the hours. Andrea also suggested letting the paper know about the community service projects to generate more interest.
- 5K Run – Stacy handed out a map of the route and flyers. The run would start and end at Windlestrae Park in time for the rest of the day's events. Runners will be able to register with a credit card online or by check. Stacy suggested the white T-shirts with the 300th Anniversary logo and the words, "The General Hancock's Wounded Warrior Project 5K Run" on the front with the sponsors listed on the back. It was suggested that a picture of General Hancock be put on the shirt and Stacy said she would look into it. Joe will take the lead on getting someone from the Wounded Warrior Project and someone in the Township to attend the run. Stacy also mentioned that there were some "goodie" bags left from the golf outing and she'd like to use them for the runners and she will probably have to order more.
- Roy said if he doesn't hear from the re-enactors he's contacted in the next two weeks we will not have them for the Birthday event.
- Ginny asked for information on the Commemoration Day event for the Spring/Summer Recreation News which will go out to the Township residents in early February.

#### Community Day

Stacy reported that she and Sharon Tucker are working hard on Community Day and the joint Community Day and Autumn Festival Committees will be meeting next week.

- Fireworks – The location of the fireworks has been changed to the fenced in baseball field at Windlestrae for security reasons and the location would no longer be a concern for residents of Neshaminy Falls. By moving the fireworks, the hay rides and other activities around the Windlestrae house can be reinstated.
- Tanya is getting contacts for the beer and wine tent but isn't sure how to proceed. Joe said he would work with Tanya to get someone to handle the beer and wine sales.
- Roy said the Legacy Tree will be announced at the Arbor Day event on April 26th.

## **New Business:**

### Penn's Woods Puppet Theater

Stacy received information from the Penn's Woods Puppet Theater in Hatboro. The Committee decided to defer the information to the Community Day Committee.

### General Hancock

Larry said they were still trying to get someone to speak about General Hancock at the Birthday Event on February 7th and docents from Gettysburg have been contacted. Roy said there still might be a chance that Bruce Stocking would be willing to speak and has been in contact with the W.S. Hancock Society. Larry said a program for the event would be put together shortly.

### General Hancock Carolers

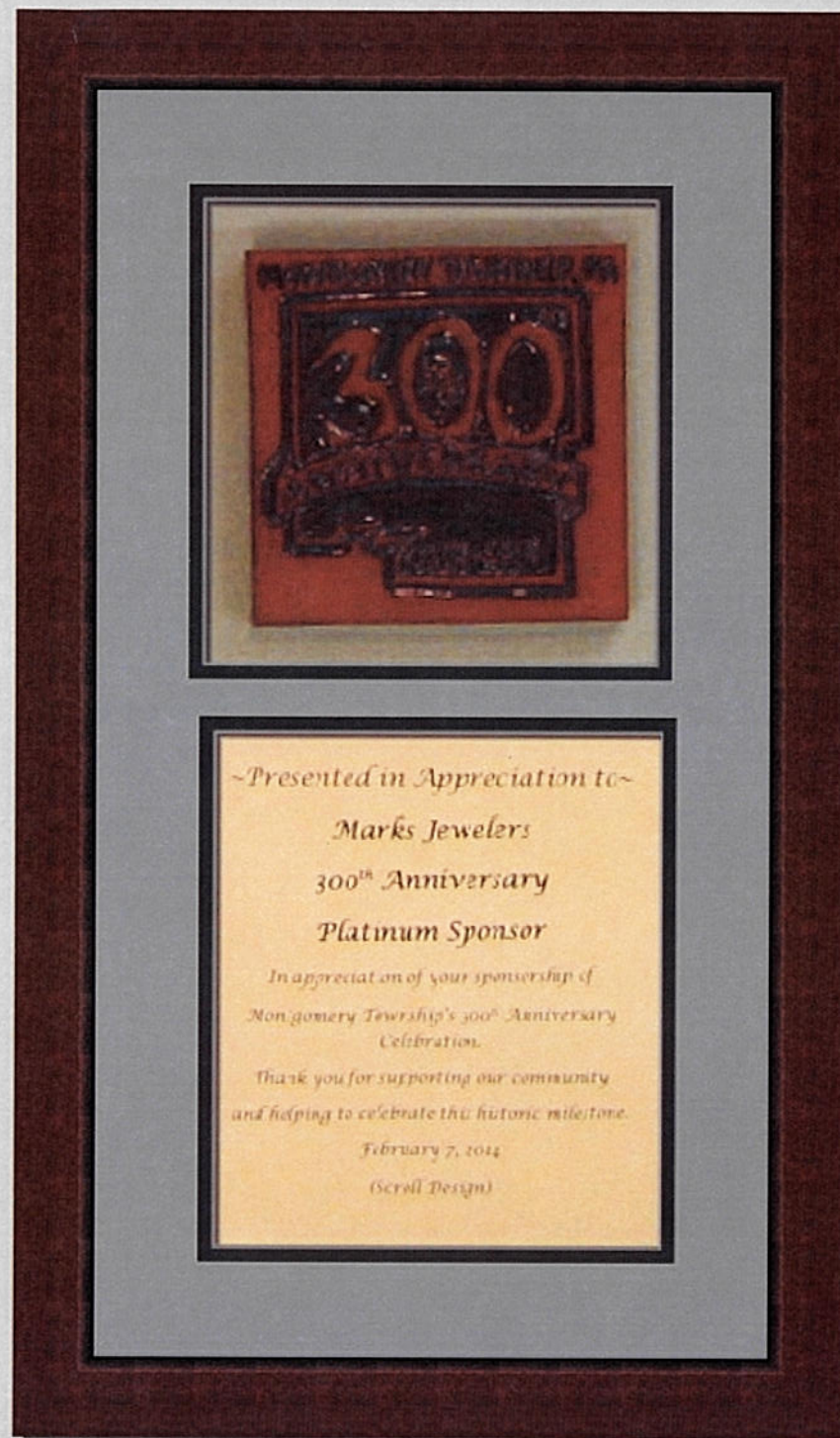
Stacy said she spoke with Kate about setting up online sales and shipping for the Hancock carolers. There are no concerns except that due to regulations, carolers could not be sold or sent to residents in New York, Hawaii or Alaska. More details are forthcoming. Stacy hopes to have this completed within the next few weeks.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Next meeting – Monday, February 3, 2014 at 7:00 pm.

Submitted by  
Ginny Bailey

Attachment #1



**4.5 Inch  
TILE**

***Presented in Appreciation to  
Marks Jewelers  
300th Anniversary Platinum Sponsor***

*Thank you for supporting our  
community and helping to celebrate  
this historical milestone.*

*February 7, 2014*