

March 20, 2013 FHSP Minutes

The March meeting was held in New Harmony at the Working Men's Institute where 19 people were present.

Minutes for January meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's report for March was read and approved. Ending balance was **\$11,405.37**.

The meeting was preceded by a very informative tour of the Working Men's Institute by Margaret. The library is the oldest continually operated public library in the state today. The upper level contains reproductions of paintings by renowned European artists and displays of interesting artifacts that only a visit will justify.

Jim Gray gave the Park report. The contents of this report can be found on Harmonie State Park's web page at <http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2981.htm>. Jim is going to find out who has the Otter and Bobcat display. Jim will also follow up on moving sites 75 and 76 to other sites. This will allow parking near the stage.

The progress of the Bluebird Trail was discussed. Denny Hargett has built and put up several new houses around the park. The new areas will be added to the book kept in the park office. The volunteer list was sent out with dates the trails should be checked.

Dave Donner and his "Bluegrass Creek Old Tyme Music" band will be playing on June 8 on the new stage. This event is called "Jammin on the Wabash". Dave will be grilling Boston butts, so a light meal will be available. This will be a great time, so plan on visiting the park and enjoying the food and entertainment.

Work Days at the park are April 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. Volunteers will be given free camping for four days in a row. The next workdays are June 15 and 16<sup>th</sup>.

Sherri Allen has agreed to be our "Fundraiser" coordinator. The FHSP cannot thank her enough for doing this. Sherri is coordinating a "Smoke" event. Whole chicken \$10.00 – Half chicken \$6.00. Information and order forms will be sent out.

Amelia Wildeman and Rose Overton gave an update on the upcoming "Wild About Nature Adventure Day Camp" that will be held on June 11 & 12<sup>th</sup> and July 16 & 17<sup>th</sup>.

Old National BanCorp is sponsoring FHSP Newsletter up to \$500.00. Thank you to Old National BanCorp.

Welcome Back Weekend will be Mary 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. A dedication of the new American RV Stage will commence around with the band playing and smoked chicken for sale.

Financial review -- \$11,363 in band with committed expenses of

\$4000.00 for Tree Cookie

\$2,472 for Day Camp

\$300.00 for Welcome Back Weekend band

\$639.00 for Insurance

\$500.00 to \$1000.00 for Newsletter

Additional projects to be voted on are \$3500.00 for Kiddie pool cover and \$4,000.00 for HVAC in Nature Center

All items were voted on by members and approved (9 yahs& 0 nays) with approval for HVAC in Nature Center when money is available.

Paint for the kiddie pool (\$110.48) was approved by the board members.

Next meeting will be held at Red Bank Library.