

## **ROUNDTABLE MEETING MINUTES – January 8, 2010**

ATTENDEES: Jack Marren, Suzy Paquin, Dianne Parks, Bonnie Waters, John Palomaki, Jack Dianetti, Mitch Donovan, Dawn Santiago-Marullo, Babette Huber, Tim Acquilano, Dan Williams, Kathy Rayburn, Chauncey Young, Kathleen Houser, Pat Evans

### **Cemetery Committee – Dianne Parks and Bonnie Waters**

The Cemetery Committee has a group of individuals working on preserving the cemetery and documenting the burials. They are working on the cemetery bicentennial celebration which will be held on May 22, 2010. Burials started in the cemetery in 1810. They have over 100 participants so far, and 75-100 Daughters of the American Revolution will attend. There will be Civil War reenactments with participants who have agreed to volunteer their time and will bring cannons to fire. This has become a state-wide event. They will do a costume tour at the cemetery. They will put together a resolution for the Town Board. There will be a lot of visitors to Victor. They are asking people to participate by dressing in period costume. Babette commented that this is a good example of partnerships with the Victor Historical Society. They have met with Parks and Rec with regards to posters for the event. Mitch said that the Chamber will set up a hospitality tent. Kathleen Houser said that Valentown will be focusing on cemetery /local history that month. There is a possibility of a Civil War encampment at Valentown. This event has grown considerably! For more information or if you want to volunteer, please contact Dianne Parks at [kateandallie2@aol.com](mailto:kateandallie2@aol.com).

### **Swap Shop – John Palomaki**

In February he and Jack will be going to the Association of Towns meeting in New York City and they will be giving a presentation on the formation and success of the Swap Shop.

On February 24<sup>th</sup>, there will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Volunteer Appreciation Day/Pizza Challenge event for all Town and Village volunteers at the Victor Town Hall. Invitations will be sent out soon.

### **Councilman Jack Dianetti**

Jack introduced himself and said that he was glad to be here and was listening to the group to get up to speed on what the Roundtable does and what is happening in Victor.

### **Chamber of Commerce – Mitch Donovan**

The tablet maps of Victor are here – this was a joint project between the Town of Victor and the Chamber. The map features hotels and businesses. Maps have been distributed to Town and Village offices and are also at the Chamber office.

Mitch is working on goals and objectives for 2010.

The new kiosk at the mall is getting a lot of traffic and has had to be restocked several times.

### **Victor Central Schools – Dawn Santiago-Marullo**

The school received the NYSERDA Study Grant. They are looking to save money. They are working on a garden project, which was a student concept – they will grow vegetables and will use them in the preparation of meals. They now have a video available on the VCS website Primary page, and will have one for the Junior High also.

**ACTION ITEM: Kathy Rayburn will contact Dawn regarding a possible tie-in with the Farmer's Market this year – the kids can have their own table!**

### **Town Historian – Babette Huber**

Helping Hands has created a database of connections for volunteering. Task Force 10 will try to use Helping Hands at the school level. Jack commented that helping Hands cleaned up the Town back in the Fall.

Babette is working with Valentown on programs. January 20<sup>th</sup> will be the first one, and then there will be presentations every other month.

There was a VIT meeting last night. Babette asked for help in getting the word out on communications with regards to what is the Roundtable and how to use the Community Calendar. She will put this information in the next Town and Village Voice newsletter.

Kiwanis Club and Friends of the Railroad – Sue Stehling

Sue passed out the Kiwanis schedule of events. There will be an area Chambers dinner on 1/21 at Legacy at the Fairways.

The Friends of the Railroad will have their annual meeting on 1/14 at Town Hall. The #116 trolley station has been donated – FORR officially owns it.

### **Village of Victor – Tim Acquilano**

There was a public information meeting on 12/21/09 on the Church St. reconstruction project. It was well attended and several good ideas were presented. The Village passed the fire protection contract. There will be a caucus for a Village election on 1/20 at Village Hall – Tim Maher and Gary Hadden are the candidates. The Village election will be on 3/16/10 from noon-9:00 PM.

### **American Legion – Dan Williams**

Their monthly meeting was Wednesday night and there was poor attendance. They discussed having a spaghetti dinner fundraiser with the Methodist Church.

They will be talking with the Town Supervisor and the Mayor with regards to Legion Town USA. Congress and the Senate passed a Bill for 9/16/09 to be American Legion Day. They want the Town and Village to declare the day also. They are excited about the cemetery bicentennial. The POW-MIA table was at the Town Hall for a while and is now at the Fishers Fire Station One – it will move around. They are very

committed to the American Legion having a building in the future – they will form a committee to investigate options.

Kathy Rayburn suggested the possibility of sharing the building with others, such as the VF Food Cupboard and a start-up church. Dawn suggested talking to Congressman Eric Massa for assistance.

#### **Fishers Fire Dept. and Victor Hiking Trails – Chauncey Young**

A new Fire Commissioner was elected.

Chauncey said that there is a possibility that they will extend the trails into the hundred acre woods. There will be a hike on 1/9/10. He passed around the current newsletter and the calendar.

#### **Valentown and Victor Historical Society – Kathleen Houser**

They are working on reorganization for 2010. They are starting a speaker series with Babette that is garden-related. In April they will start their membership drive – Kathleen passed around the forms. They need someone to update the website, and are looking for volunteers. They have extended their season until the end of October. They will do another railroad ramble with the Friends of the Railroad, and another masquerade ball in October. Brochures will be out in April.

#### **Victor Local Development Corporation – Kathy Rayburn**

The kiosk at Eastview Mall is now in full-swing by Macy's. This was 16 years in the making, and was funded by Task Force 1. They are working on a new video. Kathy will get the specs from Tracy for submitting photos for the kiosk. Kathy is working on the Business Award Luncheon and will start working on the Farm market soon.

33 School St. is in the hands of the courts.

#### **Victor Free Library – Pat Evans**

Circulation/usage is up from last year. They are hopefully the second most used library in the area. They received 5 new computers from Task Force 6 – Quality of Life. They still need furniture, they have upgraded their electrical system, and will need a new printer. Their annual meeting is on Tuesday, 1/26/10 at 6:15 pm. They will elect a new Trustee to the Board. Storytime will start up at the end of January.

#### **Town Supervisor – Jack Marren**

FLCC's Victor Campus's grand opening is on Tuesday, 1/19/10. Classes will start in the Spring.

The grand opening of Anthropologie at Eastview Mall will be in January.

Jack read a thank-you letter from the Kiwanis Club for the generous toy donations for their Christmas event.dd

**The next Roundtable meeting will be held on Friday, February 5, 2010 at 8:00 AM in the Main meeting room. Please be sure to send in any agenda items to Tina by February 1<sup>st</sup>.**