

Monday January 8, 2024 4 pm  
Roger Trahin's Office, Carmel, IN

Roger brought the our first meeting of the year to order. Other members present were Ray France, Karen Williams and Joan Weaver. Discussions were as follows.

#### 1. Repair of sign and arbor

- A. Ray said the new poles are out front but will need Steve's tractor to help get them in place.
- B. The arbor is in bad need of repair. Also, it was mentioned it is relocated it should only be by a few feet east of present arbor. Electricity had have to be lengthened also.

#### 11. Handicapped Parking

- A. Roger explained that more and more handicapped people are attending. It keeps the people at admissions very busy getting golf carts to haul these people.
- B. We discussed the pros and cons of moving the handicap parking to south of the arbor.
- C. We definitely need more golf carts. We cannot have kids hanging off them or people who are not handicapped only the person who needs the cart and a one other person who is an attendant or another handicapped person.
- D. This will discussed further in upcoming meetings.

#### III. Vendor Booths

- A. Prior to the meeting Roger and Joan discussed the no shows to omit, changes of addresses, phones etc. So Roger handed out the corrected vendor list.
- B. Joan reported a few changes and the updates with vendors returning. Roger mailed out all the the vendor apps this week. Karen, Kay and Joan will divide these and contact one personally. They all enjoy being called and can then share any thing that help them. Sometimes they want to move locations etc. We have three open booths at the moment.

#### IV. Advertising

- A. We discussed possibilities other than Facebook and social media. Many visitors commented that they didn't realize our Gathering was being held.

B. We realized we are not sure how to get the word out other than posters and road signs.

C. We do need to get it listed in

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again. The lack of daily newspapers in many areas does not help us. More brainstorming needed. Please be thinking is ideas for us to get the word out re our event.

#### IV. Entertainment

A. Ray talked with Steve and he is going to talk to the people at Turkey Run that run the Eagle weekend. He is hoping to find someone that does a Birds of Prey program.

NEXT MEETING TBD. The girls will report back with findings after contact w vendors.

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