

46 The committee agreed that the theater performance of Aladdin by the middle school
47 children was a great idea and Linda Meehan will be contacted to inform her of that
48 decision. Both Linda Meehan and Recreation Director, Deb Brown may be contacted to
49 join us for the next meeting.

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51 **Guest: George Rallis**

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53 Mr. Rallis spoke to the committee about having an antique fireman's muster and what
54 that would involve. He talked about the type of tubs and pumps used, the requirements
55 needed for both the participants and the spectators. He noted the best scenario for the
56 participants is to have concrete or asphalt to stand on when pumping. This would help
57 eliminate any slipping or injuries. If no concrete or asphalt area is available, there are
58 portable mats that could be borrowed from another town that would suffice. The best
59 scenario for the spectators would be to have a fenced off area between them and the
60 participants, to again ensure the safety of all involved.

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62 Sometimes if there is no water source nearby, the local Fire Department may be asked to
63 supply a pumper for extra water and pond water is sufficient.

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65 The organization carries its own insurance policy and an insurance certificate would be
66 supplied to the town. There is a cash prize given to the winners which totals about
67 \$2,000. The town may be asked to raise all or part of this money. Mr. Rallis said some
68 towns use proceeds from carnival rides and other fundraising sources to cover this prize
69 money. Trophies are also usually given at least for 1st place for Class A and 1st place for
70 Class B.

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72 Mr. Rallis noted attendance will definitely depend on advertising. He suggested that we
73 may want to view some antique fireman's musters before making a final decision. He
74 provided a list of dates of musters that will be held in our area over the summer months.

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76 The committee asked if any local participants would be available to display their
77 pumping tubs in the parade. Mr. Rallis felt there were a couple of people who may be
78 willing to do that. The committee felt this would be a good opportunity for the Old Home
79 Day visitors to ask questions and see what an antique fireman's muster would be like.
80 Then the committee would schedule a muster for the following year's event.

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82 The committee felt that Sunday morning at Sandlots was a good place and day to hold
83 this event. It would coordinate with the Police/Fire softball game.

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85 The committee will be in touch with Mr. Rallis in the future about this event.

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87 **Woodsman Competition**

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89 There may be an announcer willing to be the emcee at the woodsman competition. The
90 committee discussed some of the details and this event continues to progress. Trucinda
91 and Keith are working on streamlining the competition and contacting more participants.

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93 **Rides**

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95 Kara has several bounce houses reserved and they were just pending the final decision on
96 the dates of Old Home Days.

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98 **Site**

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100 The committee feels the focus should be on Saturday for the rides and they will
101 essentially eliminate using the school on Friday evening.

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103 **Vendors**

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105 Erica has already received applications from vendors and she will let all the potential
106 vendors know that we are eliminating the Friday evening events at the school.

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108 **Marketing**

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110 Lawn signs will be revised to reflect this year's dates. Flyers should be designed,
111 facebook notices posted, newspaper coverage and posters should be made to get the word
112 around.

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114 **Entertainment**

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116 Rick is still concentrating on getting entertainment booked for the event. Michelle'
117 Menagerie will return at the same price, Hampstead Dance, several musical acts and prior
118 Hometown Idol winners will return to sing at the event.

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120 **Parade**

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122 Karen mentioned the Sons of Italy Band is prepared to march and do a 20 – 30 minute
123 performance after the parade.

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125 **Volunteers**

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127 The committee needs volunteer groups to help man the bounce houses, maybe help with
128 running any field races and games and for general assistance.

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130 Tim made mention that new members will need to sign off on current town policies.
131 Those will be made available for the next meeting.

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133 The committee agreed to meet again on Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 7:00 pm. Any
134 committee members that can attend, will meet at 6:45 pm at the Sandown Central School
135 to view the site and plan an initial setup for the event.

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137 The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Old Home Day Committee
04/09/13

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139 Respectfully submitted,

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142 Paula M. Gulla

143 Recording Secretary