

Theater of Change

Community Village
Newsletter
March 8, 2018

Proposed Agenda

50th Ideas Committee presentation/decision	
Hello's	One Fun Thing
Agenda Review	Theme ideas for 2018 discussion
Fair Announcements	Consensus Discussion-how are we doing?
Council Report	Un-Fair Announcements
OCF Board Report	Booth Breakdown
Site Report	Booth reports
Construction Report	Meeting evaluation
Guidelines Rap	

Calendar

GENERAL MEETINGS 2018

Unitarian Universalist Church, 13th & Chambers
The second Thursday, January - June 2018, 7 - 9PM
Please be quiet while entering the church as other meetings may be scheduled in adjacent rooms. *Childcare Room provided.*
Council Meetings 3rd Thursday at Growers Market upstairs 7-9PM
Oregon Country Fair tickets go on sale: April 1
LAST MEETING BEFORE ELIGIBILITY DEADLINE: April 12.
Peach Pit deadline for Workshop schedule: May 10
JUNE Onsite meeting: June 23 Saturday
WORK PARTYS + OTHER DATES TO BE SET

50th Celebration Ideas

Consider 3 prong celebration:

1. Display of historical, visionary info
2. Performance art / presentation / activity
3. After hours Village Party

#1. DISPLAY: Shady Grove Path Time Machine

Use the Shady Grove path to display, in chronological order, posters that highlight various people, organizations, activities, milestones, past workshops, articles, all the way from the wash stand to the bench by Little Village, centered by a "Tree of Life" art piece with branches that encompass all. (Or maybe leave some space for what usually gets put there) Most materials could be provided by the organizations/booths themselves and we could ask OCF for cash to print some for photo enlargements or other supplies. It could include stuff like larger paintings of village scenes or old signage or old banners. Part of the display could be a 3D collage. Could be a work party thing.

And the other side of the path, from the recycling station to Moon Lodge, could represent our visions of the future as we project them forward chronologically, ending at Moon Lodge where women rule the world. Other configurations of postings are possible. \$250 for printing from Fair.

#2. PERFORMANCE: One on stage set of Village history and context

Set aside Friday's last set on the Stage to showcase Village history. Set the stage with a sing along from 1968, interspersed with other music between... Include spoken word from or by a Villager back in the day - maybe read from old Village news, remember personal experience, or something Village in the news back then. Could include Villagers who moved on speaking, Council reciting Village firsts in the Fair, young folks recalling their first Fair memories, old folks recalling those who have passed, activists listing their goals for the future.... Perhaps end with period songs performed by an old band returning. No cost for the Fair.

#3. AFTER HOURS VILLAGE PARTY: Golden Party

Host an after-hours stage show/dance featuring an Old time band, '69 songs sing-along (or some from each decade), Village Moon!!, '69 costumes or dress in gold (maybe have gold Village T-shirts). Include, maybe before the music or during a break, a video/slide show projected on a 3D surface (or a sheet), that could

include brief interviews with Village folks. Those interviews would take place this year at Fair, and be edited over the off season. People could use their own cameras/phone to make the videos in a "video booth". No Cost for the Fair.

#2A. ACTIVITY: Scavenger Hunt / Passport stamps

This activity is for the kids. We would provide questions the kids would have to scavenge for the answers to at various booths. The questions would relate to historical booth activity, helping them learn the Village history in a fun way. Those who got them all would get a prize (food voucher?), and each booth would provide a stamp.

#2C. ACTIVITY: Collect items for and bury a Time Capsule

Have an artist create a time capsule. During the 2019 Fair, It would be kept in a public space with paper cutouts that anyone could write their hopes and dreams for the future on and place in the capsule. Sunday before last stage act the contents would be reviewed in a public ceremony and then buried somewhere in the Village - with Archeology being present. \$100 cost to make the capsule.

#2P. PRESENTATION: Movers and Shakers vignettes

Allow up to 20 minutes between stage acts at the same time each day for presentations by outstanding activists to speak about their mission and its progress. No cost to Fair.

#2G. PERFORMANCE: Have the Green Dragon parade start at the Village at least once. No cost to Fair.

#1T. DISPLAY: sculpt a Tree in the corner of Gather Round with branches hanging over the seating area where photos of people would hang from like "apples". \$200 for the sculptor.

#1B DISPLAY: Photo boxes in each booth

Purchase 3x5 (\$4.00) or larger (\$39) sided photo boxes that display photos on each side. Each booth would then fill these boxes, as many as wanted, and they can be stacked in the booth, perhaps all gathered and stacked together in one place later. \$300 for photo boxes.

#1D DISPLAY: In booth display board

With a uniform, easily identified template for all booths, a display on something like foam board only better, high-lighting what ever historical, activist stuff the booth deems important. Could be side by side images and text from a young person and an old person. Could be what we've done / what we're gonna do Could be smallish. Could include date of booth founding. \$200 for uniform display format board/frame/header.

February Meeting Notes excerpts only, full minutes online

Facilitated by Jair

Fair Announcements

Childcare: we'll pass the hat and play with your children. We'll be at all the Village meetings, and be ready during new member orientation at all in-town meeting at 6:30. Onsite work party child care will include 2 dates, to be determined.

In the Works at OCF?: We were told OCF is in the process of purchasing the nearby winery where vehicles are parked. The parking fees just for Fair would cover the cost of the winery's mortgage for the whole year. Stay tuned.

New Member Orientation: Russell says it's not just for new members. This service will be available at every in town meeting this season. Meeting subjects will be different each time and will really help create community among new comers and more. Notes and resources will be available on the DRUM and eventually online.

Wash the Spoons & Forks: Come to the Northwest Youth Corps the weekends of 2/10-11 and/or 3/17-18 to wash utensils and be part of the OCF youth community.

Vehicle Stickers: This year OCF changed some rules re: vehicle stickers that may result in fewer "extra" stickers being available. Start now to look for carpooling...

OCF Board Report

Sam: Night noise guidelines were changed to allow, upon neighborhood approval, amplified sound on stages till 3AM Friday and Saturday, and until 1AM Thursday and Sunday. Party! There will be fireworks this year.

Guidelines Rap

Tim: Instead of a Consensus Rap, this season we will be looking at our Guidelines in depth, as they may need revisions from the present 2009 version. But today we'll start with lesser known ones...

"EVERYBODY "CREWS": Congratulations! Everyone in the Village is a member of the Clean Up Crew, Sweep Crew, Construction Crew, Village Fire Crew, Security of the Village Crew, Recycling Crew, Flower Crew, OM circle... You are great and if we all work together and contribute nobody gets burned out!"

"SIGNIFICANT OTHER PASSES: SOPs are defined by the Oregon Country Fair as "a person who shares your tent". Historically the Village has been allotted one SOP for each 3 Worker Pass/wristbands."

"FLOWERS: Bring flowers to add color and beauty to the booths. Bring extra for other booths! Everyone is on the "Village Flower Crew".

"4 HUGS PER DAY: is the minimum required for basic human maintenance. As the population increases the minimum daily hug requirement (mdhr) also increases!"

"NUDITY: Folks are required to cover their genitals in public places during public hours."

"SAFE SEX: Free condoms are available at the Village Health & Healing Booth and WhiteBird."

Virtual South Satellite Meeting Proposal

Sam & Drake: Drake has for the last few years been the Council rep at both North & South satellite meetings. These meetings are counted as a regular Village meeting to count toward meeting your 2 meeting annually eligibility requirement. They involve Villagers who live far away yet still want to meet to build community. The South folks decided together that they would like to meet via some kind of video or tele conferencing. Eventually, leaving the conversation for regular meeting streaming for another day, **we Consented to this:** *The Village approves defining a virtual South Satellite Meeting as an official meeting counting towards the 2 meeting eligibility requirement.*

Council Confirmation All 2018 candidates for Council were confirmed. See the list online.

Individual Eligibility Guideline Proposal

John: Our Guidelines regarding Eligibility to participate in the Village list requirements for activist groups, but not for activist individuals. He believes the guidelines should be amended to list eligibility requirements for activist individuals who are not members of an activist group. (This does not apply to individuals who provide an infrastructure service for their pass like Info Booth or Areas. In other words, perform other activities approved by the Village as eligible.) The discussion involved clarifying who this would apply to. There was general agreement. Eventually **we Consented to this:**

ELIGIBILITY: Eligible groups are democratically managed, have a cooperative focus, are responsive to community input, promote social change, are non-partisan and non-sectarian, and make a positive contribution to the community. Eligible individuals engage the public on subjects promoting the above values, both at and outside the Fair, or perform other activities approved by the Village as eligible. All groups, and individuals not performing activities approved as eligible, must submit a completed eligibility form to their Booth Coordinator by the second Wednesday in April. Eligibility is determined by the Eligibility Committee (which is open to everyone).

50th Anniversary (2019) Celebration Ideas

We brainstormed a bunch of ideas, all of the Village centered, that is, they will happen in the Village. At the end **we Consented to create the 50th Anniversary Idea Committee to develop and present up to 10 ideas for the Village to choose from at the March meeting and we can then deliver to OCF by the mid-March deadline.** To join this committee, please contact tim@gwproj.com

These ideas can all be found online, many are incorporated into the ideas the committee will present today.

Late Registration

John: Some booths have been delaying completing their booth's registration beyond the needed deadline, mostly because at least one pass had not yet been connected to a specific person. This is causing unneeded stress that John wishes to avoid. He suggested that a booth that does not submit all registration forms and cash on time should have one worker pass be transferred to the waiting list. The idea is not to punish the booth, but to provide an incentive to have all the passes that are allocated actually be assigned to someone in a timely manner. **We Consented to do this:** *"The Village directs the council and/or booth coords to create a policy by which one or more passes may be applied to the wait list from the allocation of a booth that has not met the registration deadline." - with the understanding that "booth" includes council, areas, and any other registration group."*

Activist Report from PeaceJam

Darren Reiley: This international group was founded by Nobel Peace Prize winners like the Dali Lama and Desmond Tutu, and is now active in 39 countries in addition to our NorthWest affiliate, which has been active for 20 years. Much curriculum for training has been developed around 10 issues, among them Race, Peace, Poverty, etc. Young people are studying these goals and methods globally and locally using in action to change the world. Here we have year round programming for educators and staff. SHIRIN EBADI, 2003 Nobel Peace Prize winner, will be here for our PeaceJam Youth Conference APRIL 6-8, a local conference for young people to participate in. Register now for the conference or speech. Visit www.peacejam.org for more information. Contact northwest@peacejam.org