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Beacon/Newburgh Quad & Dutchess Co. Quad – Jan/Feb 2009*



THIRD JOINT NEWBURGH BEACON BAY 2009 COMMITTEE MEETING
February 18, 2009 at the Newburgh Heritage Center, 123 Grand Street

Attendance

Individuals, businesses & agencies from Beacon, Fishkill, Poughkeepsie, Cornwall, Cornwall-on-Hudson, Highlands, Newburgh, New Windsor, NYC, Milton and Kingston

2009 Spring Meeting Schedule

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| ○ Tuesday, March 17 th | 8:30AM – Beacon Institute |
| ○ Wednesday, April 15 th | 4PM – Newburgh Heritage Center |
| ○ Tuesday, May 19 th | 8:30AM - Beacon Institute |
| ○ Wednesday, June 17 th | 4PM - Newburgh Heritage Center |

NYS Assemblyman Frank K. Skartados – 100th District

Discussed the NYS Quadricentennial with group, and will take our concerns and plans back to Albany. Contact him (845) 562-0888 skartadosf@assembly.state.ny.us

MTA Metro-North

- Wanda Jones, Customer Service & Group Travel, discussed possible rail/ferry packages for big themed weekends. Contact her at (212) 672-1217 wjones@mnr.org.
- Also possible is having a guide meet groups in Grand Central Terminal to talk about the Hudson River sights during the train ride to the Newburgh Beacon Ferry and/or community trolley connections.

Regional calendar – current version

- http://cityofnewburgh-ny.gov/HFC/docs/QuadCalendarToDec09_2-09.pdf
- Updated version will be posted at same link on regional web pages
- Send updates to records@cityofnewburgh-ny.gov

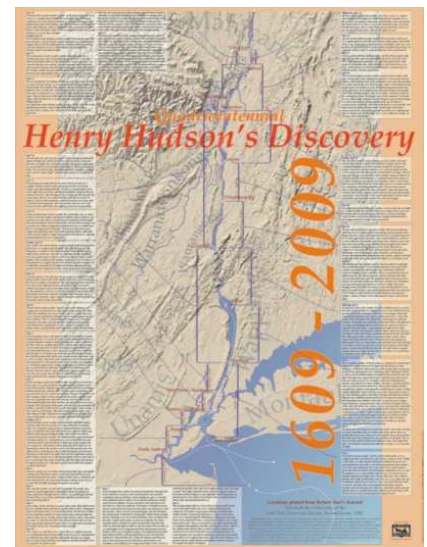
NYS HFC & Dutchess County HFC Calendars

- <http://www.exploreny400.com/thingstodo.aspx>
- <http://www.dutchesstourism.com/search.asp> - drop down box “Quadricentennial”

Notes from discussions

- John J. Harvey fireboat – 1st responder to World Trade Towers – to be on Newburgh waterfront for Flag Day in June - www.fireboat.org – help needed for ongoing restoration!
- That weekend would be ideal for gathering of fire trucks & fireboats from entire region

- Walking/hiking Quad challenge of 400 Trails/400 Miles in 4 Counties is underway – www.grandwalkabout.com – register to get walk tally sheet – group is adding a geocache/GPS location of 4 miniature hiking boots with “travel bugs” to track 4 counties’ ‘walkabout’ the world! www.geocaching.com
- Advertising – HOUSE magazine’s Barbara Manson interested in advertising & coverage of Quad – contact her (845) 926-6809 bmanson@scheinmedia.com .
- Accommodations – Comfort Inn of Newburgh – Brenda Phillips is interested in packages for themed weekends & events – contact her (845) 567-0567 bphillips@newburghcomfortinn.com .
- Letterboxing/Outdoor Treasure Hunting - <http://www.letterboxing.org/faq/faq.html> - The Palatine Shop in Newburgh will be participating with Quad memorabilia ‘treasures’.
- Mt. Beacon Incline Railway hikes – website will have updated information on 2009 hikes.
- Artists from Beacon & Newburgh are meeting to plan events for Quad – possible ‘paint out’ and subsequent auction in June – stay tuned!
- “1609/2009 Quadricentennial Poster Voyage of Henry Hudson” available from Hope Farm Press for \$9.95 - call 800-883-5778 10-6 ET Mon thru Sat or email hopefarm@hopefarm.com 252 Main Street Saugerties New York 12477 845-246-3522 Map/poster featuring the voyage of Henry Hudson in 1609 is 18”x 24” 4-color with typographical details shows the route of the Half Moon using the actual journals of Robert Juet. Excerpts of Juet’s Journals are included as sidebars on the map so the reader can follow along.
- Bell-ringing progression from Manhattan to Lake Champlain discussed again as ideal project for no cost – needs advocate and organizer.
- Film documentary legacy project: film script treatment done by Genie Abrams & Mary McTamaney working with Newburgh Beacon Bay communities; business plan compiled from MSMC Graduate Business Program teams’ business plans by MSMC film students; filming and scanning underway by MSMC film students, Dr. J. C. Barone, and Brian Vangor.
- Commemorative coin project discussed by Rob Atherton.
- “Four Centuries of Fashion” travelling mannequin exhibit being prepared – seamstresses and tailors working on clothing, mannequins acquired - 1609 English explorer & wife, 1709 German Palatine farmer & wife, 1809 Hudson River businessman & wife, 1909 formal dress couple. More information of scheduling for events to follow.
- 2009 Debutante Ball in Newburgh will have 1909 mannequin couple for photo ops – and will dance to one 1909 Alsdorf composition.



Dutchess County Quadricentennial Committee meeting

Thursday, February 12, 2009

Present:

Roger Akeley, Nancy Cozean, Jeanne Fleming, Clara Lou Gould, Jim Johnson, Benjamin Krevolin, Nancy Lutz, Fred Schaeffer, Vinny Tamagna, Mike Tomkovitch, Mary Kay Vrba, Mary Wright, Deke Hazirjian from NYC Lites, Inc., & two Marist interns - Juliana Sidowski & Julia D'Angelo

Handouts:

- Draft of Quad Budget
- Two WebCamStore Proposals from Earthcam
- Lighting Proposal from NYC Lites, Inc.
- Latest Bridge Music Proposal from Joe Bertolozzi
- River Day Schedule

Discussion and Follow-Up:

- Deke Hazirjian reviewed the proposed cost breakdown handout for the five possible dates for lighting the fireboat. Will use the fireboat spray as a screen to show slides of the history of the river. Each event will include one day to set up, one to two days for display, and one day to break down. Does not include sound but it could be added.
- Budget Handout –
 - For revenue, add potential \$ for admission to boats and events.
 - For expenses, add \$ for NYC Lites to light the fireboat, and possibility of lighting the bridge.
 - After reviewing the lighting proposal and the budget, it was suggested to talk to NYC Lites to negotiate funding for doing a demo and then two dates, possibly July and August.
 - For New Netherland Project Display, the cost is for rental, insurance and shipping the display to different sites in Dutchess County.
 - Bridge Music - \$5,000 was approved by the committee to sponsor Joe Bertolozzi's bridge music project for listening stations on the Poughkeepsie Mid-Hudson Bridge and possible placement of benches at parks where you can sit and listen to the music.
 - Webcam – The difference between the two proposals was that the higher priced one includes production of a DVD movie. Instead of the Mid-Hudson Bridge, it was suggested to investigate placing the webcam on a stable building, such as: Admiral Halsey Bldg., Interfaith Towers or the County Office Bldg.
- Mary Kay - New York Times is producing a Quad supplement in May. DCT will have an advertisement in that issue.
- Mary Kay – Quad Commission is promoting a Heritage Weekend in the fall when entrance to heritage places will be free.
- Fred Schaeffer & Jeanne Fleming – Walkway construction is on schedule. Hope to schedule ABC, NBC & CBS to broadcast from the Walkway during the opening event in October. Plans for the opening ceremony will include Governor and Mrs. Paterson performing the ribbon cutting, launching of 1,000 lantern balloons, and illuminating the bridge with “people power”, as well as a parade with high school marching bands.

The next committee meeting will be 12:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 3, 2009, in the EDC Conference Room at 3 Neptune Road, Poughkeepsie.



SECOND JOINT NEWBURGH BEACON BAY 2009 COMMITTEE MEETING **January 23, 2009 at the Beacon Institute, 199 Main Street, Beacon**

The meeting was called to order by Sara Pasti and Betsy McKean and introductions took place among attendees.

Minutes

- Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed (attached).

Meeting Schedule and Format

- A meeting schedule and format for these joint meetings was developed with meetings to be held on Third Wednesday afternoons in Newburgh and Third Tuesday mornings in Beacon, as follows:
 - Wednesday, **February 18th at 4PM** – Newburgh Heritage Center, 123 Grand Street, Newburgh
 - Tuesday, **March 17th at 8:30AM** – Beacon Institute, 199 Main Street, Beacon
 - Wednesday, **April 15th at 4PM** – Newburgh Heritage Center, 123 Grand Street, Newburgh
 - Tuesday, **May 19th at 8:30AM** - Beacon Institute, 199 Main Street, Beacon
 - Wednesday, **June 17th at 4PM** - Newburgh Heritage Center, 123 Grand Street, Newburgh

Review of Calendar

- Meeting participants reviewed the calendar and provided changes to Betsy McKean, who will make changes and forward to the group.

Activity Updates

- Clara Lou Gould presented a report on the Dutchess County Quadricentennial Meetings (see attached).
- Discussion was had concerning the canceling of the Empire Games that were originally scheduled for July 2009 and the possible canceling of the Hudson River Valley Ramble scheduled for September. Members discussed possible actions, including sending letters to Mrs. Patterson, the Honorary Chair for the 2009 Quadricentennial, and contacting local legislators. An update will be provided at the next meeting.

Joint Event Task Groups

- Break-out meetings were held to discuss joint Newburgh-Beacon projects.



**MINUTES FROM THE FIRST JOINT MEETING
OF THE NEWBURGH BAY & GREATER BEACON 2009 COMMITTEE
Friday, January 16, 2009 – Beacon Institute**

For information and listings of Quad events in Dutchess County, visit www.dutchess400.com.

All three Quad Legacy projects are on track. This includes the Crown Point Lighthouse Project (opening in May), Governor's Island Dutch Festival in New York Harbor (September), and Walkway over the Hudson, which is opening in October.

A listing of Signature Events is available on the Quadricentennial website: www.exploreny400.com.

Among those of interest to the mid-Hudson region are River Day, which is the first weekend in June. Other events include:

- Rockland Ice Festival in January
- Fleet Week
- Albany Tulip Festival in May
- Macy's Fireworks in July--this year on the Hudson River
- Empire State Games
- Voyage of the Half Moon - September

Discussion was had concerning the fact that no funds have been conveyed for Quadricentennial projects for which grants were submitted in September. People are encouraged to contact their state legislators with regard to the release of these funds.

Metro-North is developing special train packages related to the Quad.

The River Day schedule for the opening of the boating season on the Hudson is now set as follows:

Fri, 6/5 - New York Harbor

Sat, 6/6 - Flagships sail north, arriving in Nyack/Tarrytown around 3-5PM

Sun, 6/7 - Boats leave Nyack at 8AM, are in Haverstraw from 11-2PM and arrive e in Beacon/Newburgh in the early evening

Monday, 6/8 - Boats are in Beacon/Newburgh all day and evening!

Tues, 6/9 - Board leave Beacon/Newburgh and arrive in Poughkeepsie around 7PM

Wed, 6/10 - Boats arrive in Kingston to spend the night, leaving at 8AM the next morning

Thurs, 6/11 - Boats spend the night in Hudson/Catskill

Fri, 6/12 - Boats are in Castleton

Sa, 6/13 - Boats arrive in Albany

For more information, go to the Explore 400 website and click on the link for River Day.

The group agreed to continue meeting every week, with subcommittees that may be formed meeting on their

own outside the weekly meeting.

Dutchess County Quadricentennial Committee meeting Tuesday January 20, 2009

Present:

Nancy Cozean, Lydia Higginson, Vinny Tamagna, Mike Tomkovitch (by phone) Mary Kay Vrba, Mary Wright, Eli Bergman from EarthCam.

Discussion:

- Eli Bergman from EarthCam gave a brief demonstration of his company's webcam, how it works, and the many features that are available. The webcam would be set up on the Poughkeepsie Mid-Hudson Bridge. Eli will supply Mary Kay with a link to a current webcam to be forwarded to the committee to view as a demo.
- Bridge Music – Joe Bertolozzi's proposal for the bridge music for Phase 1 includes listening stations on the Poughkeepsie Mid-Hudson Bridge and for Phase 2 benches at Waryas Park where you can sit and listen to the music. Estimated project cost is \$12,000. Mary Kay proposed we include \$5,000 in the budget to support him.
- Mary Kay – the River Day Flotilla is currently scheduled for June 8, 9 & 10, arriving in Beacon on the 8th & 9th, then sailing up to Poughkeepsie on the 10th.
- Mary Kay – We will not be hosting the Empire State Games in July.
- Mary Kay – Plans for having the Half Moon here on May 23 – 27th look solid. Events are being planned around the ship sailing and docking on those days. There is also a possibility of the Half Moon sailing (not docking) down the Hudson during the October 3rd Walkway Bridge dedication.

Agenda Follow Up Items:

- 2009 Quad Budget
- Joe Bertolozzi Bridge Music Proposal
- NYC Lites Proposal for Fire Boat Display
- Webcam Proposal by EarthCam com

After discussion, it was decided the next committee meeting will be **12:00 p.m., Thursday, February 12, 2009**, in the EDC Conference Room at 3 Neptune Road, Poughkeepsie. Note date change: February 12th will be the only meeting in February. (Feb. 3 & 17, 2009, at noontime are cancelled.)