

**VILLAGE OF CHAGRIN FALLS
ARTS COMMISSION
February 10, 2014**

Members present: Janis Evans, Jean Hood, Don Edelman

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Janis Evans.

CHAGRIN DOCUMENTARY FILM FESTIVAL

Dewey Forward said this is our fifth year and last year we doubled attendance and income. He said we brought some films here from Sundance, which greatly enhanced our program, and we are planning on doing that again. We just had The Art of Documentary Film at the Valley Art Center and that went well. The early submission deadline was February 7th and more than 25 countries have already submitted. Mr. Forward mentioned that last year they were the only major film festival that chose The Lady in Number 6 and it is up for an Academy Award. The Best of the Fest is going to be shown on April 6th and the festival is October 8th through the 12th this year.

CHAGRIN FALLS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

John Bourisseau said we are in the process of buying a building. There are some contingencies on both sides that we have to iron out. The amount of work that we are going to have to do is overwhelming but it is also very exciting and we are looking forward to it. Mrs. Evans said we wish you well and we hope it goes well.

Mr. Bourisseau mentioned that the historian for the Garfield Center did a program for us last year on the War of 1812, which was very good. He is also a baseball historian so he is going to do a program in March on League Park.

CHAGRIN FALLS STUDIO ORCHESTRA

Steve Eva said we met with the Maltz Museum and they have confirmed that we are redoing the Rockway Film and that is going to be at the Temple of Israel. Mr. Eva said on Friday and Saturday Jiayan Sun will be here; he was the audience's favorite from the Cleveland International Piano Competition last year. We are doing a Disney program out of the Hunchback of Notre Dame and in May we are bringing in Robert Michaels; who is allegedly the finest acoustic guitarist in the world.

CHAGRIN FOUNDATION FOR ARTS AND CULTURE

Betsy Towns reported that Bash the Trash was held yesterday and Gershwin on the Air will be held on April 6, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center. We are working on the annual benefit date for some time in May and we are going to be honoring Pam Hultin. June 7th is the Music Crawl

in conjunction with the Valley Art Center and Art by the Falls. The last performance piece for the year will be October 23rd, which is a project trio performance and will feature Chagrin Falls High School orchestra members. Between now and then we will have the Chautauqua series two days in July and two days in August.

CHAGRIN VALLEY LITTLE THEATER

Tom Neff reported that Private Lives just ended on Saturday. This weekend we have the Chagrin Falls Studio Orchestra, the next play is Curious Savage, and Belle of Amherst begins on February 21, 2014. Mr. Neff said we have been talking about creating a theater district.

VALLEY ART CENTER

Dana, a representative of the Valley Art Center, said we currently have our Mellow Yellow show, we are following that up with an abstract show in April, and Art by the Falls is the first weekend in June. She said once we are done jurying the Art by the Falls we will put out a call to entry for mural opportunities. That will take place sometime in late Summer. We will take down the old mural and put up a new one that is more appropriate for the rules of the village.

FILM FRIENDLY LEGISLATION

Mrs. Evans mentioned that the legislation was passed by Council on January 13, 2014 so now we have a vehicle in place if someone wants to film in the village. She thanked Barb Christian for the nice article about it.

ARTS DAY

Mrs. Evans suggested that they have Arts Day this year on Friday night, August 22, 2014 in Riverside Park. Maybe they can end up with a film, Dear Mr. Watterson, projected on the hardware store wall. After lengthy discussion, everybody agreed that this is a good idea.

MEETING NOTICE

Mrs. Evans announced that the next meeting will be held on Monday, April 7, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Janis Evans, President
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