

**VILLAGE OF CHAGRIN FALLS
ARTS COMMISSION
October 12, 2015**

Members present: Janis Evans, Don Edelman, Scott Lax

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

CHAGRIN DOCUMENTARY FILM FESTIVAL

Mary Ann Ponce reported that the Annual Film Festival wrapped up yesterday. It was a fabulous success and the attendance was remarkably surprising.

CHAGRIN FALLS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

John Bourisseau reported that their Annual Fund Raiser will be held on Saturday, October 17, 2015 from 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. He gave an update on their restoration project.

CHAGRIN FALLS STUDIO ORCHESTRA

Steve Eva reported that they just finished up with South Pacific and the Symphony Under the Stars was on September 19th.

CHAGRIN FOUNDATION FOR ARTS AND CULTURE

Karen Lazar reported that they are done for 2015; their last event was on September 26th. She said they have secured a grant which will allow the artists that they have to perform professional development workshops for those people who service the intercity youth. They will match up with organizations who provide services to the Cleveland youth. They will also be working with the Chagrin Falls Schools and the teachers in terms of the curriculums regarding the American Disabilities Act.

CHAGRIN VALLEY LITTLE THEATER

Tom Neff mentioned that South Pacific was absolutely a great performance, Barnum ended this Summer, and they housed the Film Festival. He reported that Chitty Chitty Bang Bang begins on Friday, November 20th.

VALLEY ART CENTER

Mary Ann Breisch reported that the Mural Celebration was on September 27th and it was a very festive and happy occasion. The Urban Culture Exhibit runs through October 14th and the Juried Art Exhibit begins on November 6th and runs through December 23rd. Their Annual Clam Bake is from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 17th. She said they are looking into doing some joint programming with the Chagrin Falls Park Community and they are putting together a business plan for an Art Walk.

CHAGRIN VALLEY ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

Ian Cooper said they look at themselves as a supporting role to all of the organizations. He said he would like to have everyone out the their observatory in Huntsburg.

OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Evans said, regarding the Village website, they have been talking for a couple of years about how they are going to list individual artists whether it be by category, their name, what they do, or where they participate. They really have no determination yet.

Mrs. Evans said they have talked about signage in the village and particularly in regards to where things are, like the Historical Society, the Valley Art Center, the Little Theater, etc. because there really isn't any signage, just directional signage. This needs to be addressed at some point and maybe the Planning and Zoning Commission can look at that type of signage.

There was lengthy discussion regarding banners and the fact that one was denied for the Chagrin Documentary Film Festival. Mary Ann Ponce said the code only says "banners are at the discretion of council". She proposes that they form a committee to come up with a logical solution. Mrs. Rogoff said we are in the middle of doing this right now on Planning and Zoning.

It was mentioned that there is no street sign for River Street at North Main Street.

MEETING NOTICE

Mrs. Evans mentioned that they don't usually meet in December so the next meeting should be on Monday, January 4, 2016 but that will be up to the new Council Representative to the Arts Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Janis Evans, President
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