

Wednesday, August 8, 2012

The Chapel Committee met at Super Subs last evening with 8 members present. We discussed the good vibes we received over the Summer Fest presentation. Loren turned in an additional \$50, I had picked up another five, and Jane Kauzlarich tells me she has another 15. Leroy and LaVon had received one check for \$115 while selling pins and magnets—so I deposited that check with the Hartley Community Foundation in the Chapel Fund. That way he will get a thank-you and a tax credit. I will keep the rest in our own special bank account, giving us \$1118 at our disposal.

We discussed the upcoming meeting with the City Council next Monday at five. I hope as many of us as possible will be able to attend. Deb Sorensen had spoken to the mayor and had some suggestions.

We will pass out copies of Annette's presentation about the history of the cemetery and chapel for them to read in their own time. We will also pass out a sheet with our phases and proposals, and I will expound a bit on our plans. I have come to believe that comments from any one of us will be appropriate—as we are not trying to dictate to the council, but trying to let them know what we are willing to do. I think it will be good for them to see that residents outside the city limits have willingly donated and worked toward fund raising.

Annette commented that Bogenreifs have not yet given an estimate for window replacements. They are even considering making glass to match what is already there. She will try to pin them down a bit before Monday.

Bryan Nelson has informed me the handrail is ready—and he will get it up soon. Perhaps he will do that before Monday, so we can report on it at the Council Meeting.

Kathy brought up information she had received from Pat Strait about cemetery needs, including funds to straighten monuments, and the possibility of a place for memorial trees. These may be future considerations—after restoration of the Chapel has been completed.

We discussed future fund raisers—and had a few suggestions. Leroy commented that Florence Hoftyser used to sit in at Christmas open houses and sell chances on items for the auxiliary. I can see doing that at banks or at Treimers. We discussed the possibility of Christmas ornaments, jigsaw puzzles, designs for buttons and magnets for next year, etc.

We decided to have regular meetings on the third Tuesday of each month—and will move our meeting place from time to time. Our next meeting will be at Super Subs on September 18.