

GNRC

Pride in Our Pocket Parks Campaign

November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010 (9:30 – 11am)

## **AGENDA**

### Next Meeting

- Every four weeks?
  - Wednesday December 15<sup>th</sup> @6pm
  - Saturday January 8<sup>th</sup> @9:30am
  - Wednesday February 2<sup>nd</sup> @6pm should be Thursday Feb 3, as we agreed first meeting to alternate Wed/Sat/Thurs/Sat and don't want to conflict with first Wed of month city council meeting
  - Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup> @9:30am

### Define Parks

- Character of Each Park
- Which Parks take priority
- Start with basic amenities?
  - Lighting
  - Picnic Tables
  - Benches
  - Clean up/Garden/Weed
  - Trash Cans
  - Doggie Bag Dispensers

### Fundraising

- Connect with other City organizations
  - Health and Fitness Centers (Geneva Health)
  - Rec Program (Janelle)
- Donations for materials
  - Wood
  - Fencing
  - Stone
  - Sports Equipment (bases, hoops, nets, etc)

### Design/Build

- Start construction in Spring time
- Get HWS Architecture Society/Woodshop involved
- Location for construction

## MEETING NOTES

*(Marty, John Brennan, Vicky, Fred, Loren, Scott and Katie Ostrowski)*

- 3 to 5 year phase planning
  - Year 1 focus/ Year 2 focus/ Year 3 focus
  - Create Friends of Geneva City Parks organization
- Benches – Memorial Bench Project
  - Starting Point – 1 picnic table/2 benches per park
  - Look into Parks with Benches- are they used?
  - Check standards of building
- What are the rec program plans? – Make sure we don't cross-plans
- Need to define "character" after surveys/interviews/studies
  - Loren- Anthropology Independent Study
- Trash Cans – Who cleans it up? Collects the trash?

*Year One –Daytime Safety*

*Year Two- 24hr Safety*

501C3- Geneva Community Projects (Marty Davis a prospective new board member for 2011 and has begun to talk with folks about the Neighborhood Pocket Parks project)

- Fund various projects- musical/arts events
- Completed Mural Project on Castle St
- Get Money for City Park Initiatives?  
(Belinda Venuti – past President)

Work on the Campaign – rally support

Surveys – Go around neighborhoods

Park Yard Sales – everyone gets a spot of land in the space to sell their goods

Ben Ahearn- Bike Rack Project – Loren talk with him about plans for construction

Get the Neighborhood Associations to host one project in each park in 2011

Bicentennial Park- Open Mic every other week (Tues)

- Electricity?
- Have HWS get involved – talk with open mic musicians to perform in Bicentennial
- Jason Rogers / Bryant brothers

Year One- Benches and Bike Racks

Make Panels about Pocket Park Campaign initiatives to bring to programming

FOR NEXT MEETING (Dec 15)

Loren – Make Calendar of Events/Benchmarks (2011)

Get Calendar of Events for GNRC (get from Collette)

Public Works representative

DPW

Janelle – Recreational

Doug Reilly

Collaborative meeting Dec 15 or better Sat Jan 8? Who will invite these others to attend and be prepared to share budgeted plans for rec dept and for DPW maintenance/improvements to parks?

Programming (City Parks Day) – First Saturday of June

EARTH WEEK

Identify Neighborhood Sponsored Events