

Minutes
Volunteer Program Advisory Board
November 26, 2007
Youth Center
16 Park Road
6:00-9:00 p.m.

Mission Statement: "To foster goodwill and community spirit in Fairfax through volunteer activities."

Board Members: John Reed, Scott Valentino, Holly Dines, Michael Branton, Melanie Peratis, Anya Schandler, one vacancy

Present: John Reed, Holly Dines, Melanie Peratis, Anya Schandler, Maria Baird, Community Resources Coordinator

John called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The October minutes were approved.

1. Reports

- **Chair**-John announced that the neighbors of the house that burned down at 25 Tamalpais would like to start a fund to help out the residents that lost their home & belongings. He will send out an announcement in the next e-mail blast. An account will be opened for donations.
- **Treasurer**-A total of \$5,000 was deposited into the Volunteers account through the creek grant from MMWD.
- **Coordinator**-Maria announced an ice skating rink would be installed in the Pavilion over the weekend of January 5 & 6, 2008.

2. Projects-

Old Business

- **Peri Park Playground clean-up**- John mentioned a meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 4th in the Volunteer Center to discuss future clean-up efforts of the park.
- **Holiday event** – This year the caroling event is being co-sponsored by Sustainable Fairfax and the Marin Conservation Corps. The sub-committee has met twice, and many details have been worked out. The various activities will include wreath making, "green" holiday gifts, singing, a potluck, and catering by Chad's. **The committee still needs to secure an additional 20 tables. The following items are needed: festive tablecloths, a 15-20 foot ladder, clippers and glue guns.** Set-up will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Pavilion. The event runs from 3-7 p.m., with Santa arriving at 3:00 p.m. sharp. A Brownie troupe will help with decorations. Anya will work the reception entrance from 3-5:30 p.m.; John will assist her. The committee

approved Scott's poster & postcards with some minor revisions. The next sub-committee meeting is set for Wed., December 5th at 10:30 a.m. at Melanie's house.

- **Fairfax Trails Marking project**-John suggested that the markers be installed in February, when the ground is wet.
- **Pet Solutions stations**-Anya has identified where in Deer Park the two new pet dispensers should be located. John will help with installation. In the meantime, newspaper delivery bags will be used in lieu of the doggie bags for pet waste disposal. This will save on costs and eliminate plastic bags from the wastestream. Volunteers will fill the pet dispensers. Holly will have laminated labels produced with instructions to affix to the containers.
- **Spare the Air flag warnings**-Maria announced that 3 banners have been made. Public works has made wood backings for the 2 of them, which they will put up on Spare the Air evenings. They will be located where the town sign is at the entrance to town (former Albertson's) and in front of Bolinas Park. Melanie has the third poster, and will put it up at the Bolinas Park location on weekends & holidays that are declared "Spare the Air" nights.
- **Get Ready Marin program**-John has been in contact with Craig Carroll regarding this program. Three of our volunteer board members are now either CERT trained, or have undergone the 2 hour certification course.

New Business:

- **New Year's Eve event**- Shoshana announced there would be live music this year in the Pavilion. She will staff a table at the caroling event to sell tickets for the New Year's party.

Next Meeting:December 17th 7:00 p.m. at Fradelizio's.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.