Minutes of the June 5, 2008 meeting of the

The Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission of Lincoln, Illinois met in Lincoln City Hall on June 5, 2008. Members present included: Darlene Begolka, Chuck Conzo, Ron Keller, and Richard Sumrall, and Wanda Lee Rohlfs. Mayor Davis-Kavelman, Shirley Bartelmay, Paul Beaver, Paul Gleason, Geoff Ladd, and Brian Messner were absent. Several guests were present at the meeting representing Heritage Days.

There was present an insufficient number of commissioners present, hence no official meeting was conducted. General discussion, absent of motions and votes, took place on the following items.

Historical marker
- Richard reported the words for the marker are hammered out. General discussion followed on how it should be mounted, if it can be done locally, what type of sign, and when it could be done.
- A vote on wording will take place in July.

October rally restaging
- Wanda Lee stated costumed volunteers are still needed.
- It was recommended that the time be moved to 1 PM to better accommodate school students.
- There will be a copy of the script available at the public library.
- Wanda Lee has asked the courthouse for use of their chairs.
- A publicity committee is needed.

Shirts
- Darlene checked up on polo shirts. They will be polo shirts with the bicentennial logo for $25, to be purchased individually by the commissioners. A straw vote of support was taken and all agreed.
- Commissioners should contact Ron or Darlene of shirt size soon.

Folk singer performance
- Richard reported that a Dr. Ross Altman is interested in providing a program for the bicentennial. He is a folk singer who performs original compositions regarding Lincoln, battle music, and African-American spirituals. He plays both acoustic and harmonica, as well as vocal music.
- He will have more information at the July meeting.

Due to Heritage Days on the first Thursday of the month in July, the next meeting will be scheduled for July 10 at 5 PM at City Hall.

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