

**GENEVA BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**  
**GENEVA PUBLIC WORKS**  
**September 18, 2007**

**In Attendance:** Dorothy Flanagan, Paul DesCoteaux, Sherri Weitzl, Jim Corefield, Mary Kay Brown, John Rogers, Lori Koontz, Lance Mitchell, Marv Haseman, Linda Haseman, Rick Sturm, Mary Sturm and Roberta Edwards.

Dorothy passed out gardeners soap and suckers as a thank you to committee members for all they have accomplished this year. Introductions were made to our new members, the Hasemans and the Sturms. Dorothy mentioned that the garage door opener that is kept at City Hall and used when our committee waters on Sunday mornings is missing. Asked if anyone knows its whereabouts to return it.

**Fall Planting**

The planted bridge liners are ready to install. Jim C. and Rick will pick them up from We Grow Dreams at 3 p.m. Thursday and put them in place on the bridge Saturday morning.

The fall flowers will be delivered on Friday, September 22 between noon and 3 p.m. Jim C. will notify those who are able to help unload the flowers the exact time of delivery. We will meet later that afternoon to load flowers onto the city trucks.

Dorothy passed out the plant delivery guide and fall plan to the area captains.

Mary Kay said that we have 50 or 60 paper yard waste bags in storage but will stop by Ace Hardware and pick up a few more. Dorothy brought a lawn and garden utility bag from Menard's and said that if we purchased a few of these reusable bags every year perhaps we wouldn't need to use the paper ones. Mary Kay suggested that we try a couple of them first to see if that is feasible.

The clean up crew will start picking up waste bags between 9:30 and 10 a.m. Saturday. Craig Maladra volunteered to help Paul.

The flower boxes in the City Hall parking lot can be taken out as we don't have fall flowers to plant there. The planting areas at the northeast and southeast corner of Routes 31 and 38 (#6, #7) will be planted in the spring due to road construction.

November 3 will be our final garden clean up. Since we won't have a clean up crew that day it was decided that the area captains will drop an extra yard waste bag off with instructions written on it to use for the November clean up. The full bags can then be taken home by the volunteer or dropped off at Public Works near the wood chip bin.

**Firewood**

Lance said that the price of our firewood will be going up. The price for a cord of wood will be between \$85-100 with delivery an extra \$20. A firewood wrapping party like we did a few years ago was discussed. Jim will let us know when it will take place.

A discussion about how to better publicize our sale of firewood led Lori Koontz, our fundraiser chair, to volunteer to find a downtown business with a window that we could use for an attractive display. Dorothy will get our sign to Lori to display at 7 eleven. It was suggested we use some mums (Paul will give Lori 4) and about 3 bundles of wood. Sally Upham who designed our logo perhaps could create a cute beaver logo – need wood?

**Miscellaneous**

Marv was able to fix the wagon that we use in the Swedish Days parade.

A broken hanging basket for the bridge will be repaired by Paul's grandson in time for next year.

Mary Kay reported that one of our large planters on State St. near Miscella had been set on fire and she replaced it with the flowers from 2 extra hanging baskets that she had been taking care of.

The city crews will pick up the large flower pots on east State St. and also will remove the hanging baskets on the bridge. The large pots on Third St. can wait until the end of October before removal.

Phil Page called Dorothy and said that Geneva "unofficially" won the Governor's Home Town Award. We should get official notification soon.

**Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser**

Next years dinner will be held on February 27 at Riverview Banquets in Batavia. We hope to have just one meeting to plan this event. Some of the concerns voiced were: simplifying service for take out customers, freeing up more parking spaces by committee members carpooling or parking elsewhere, offering more than one seating, offering early bird specials. We will meet at Mary Kay's home, 607 West Lane on November 6. Appetizers will be appreciated.

**Date to Remember:**

Fall Clean up: Saturday, November 3

Spaghetti Dinner Planning Meeting: Tuesday, November 6