

May, 2009
Spring Lake, Michigan



SPRING LAKE HERITAGE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS ARE AWARDED THE UNITED WAY VOLUNTEER STAR AWARD

Volunteer Stars Nomination Form

Activities:

Over the years, the Spring Lake Heritage Festival committee has worked hard and strong to impact the community by providing the week long SL Heritage Festival. Each committee member takes on some aspect of organizing an event and also assists the other members with their events. The events are community centered and are as follows:

- Dog Walk in conjunction with Harbor Humane Society – Alice Donahue, Chairperson
- Car Show – Steve Boyink, Chairperson
- Wings on the Water and Beer Tent – Chairpersons - Ethan Crambert, Dave Hamather (President of the group)
- Senior Day – Alice Donahue, Chairperson
- Family Fun Night – Greta Knoll, Chairperson
- Hymn Sing – Dan Grabel (Vice President of the group)
- Volunteer Recruitment – Maureen Kruger, Chairperson
- Advertising – Karla Constantine, Chairperson
- Flea Market – Michelle Yaesnek , Chairperson (Treasurer of the group)
- Sound Systems – Sherron Collins (Secretary of the group)
- Village Liaison – Mary Papparella

In addition to the Spring Lake Heritage Festival, this committee of 12 also organizes the community Bloody Mary Mix Off in January and organizes the community Spring Lake Memorial Day parade in May.



THE SPRING LAKE HERITAGE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

Top Row left to right: Mary Papperella, Michele Yassenak, Sherron Collins, Dan Grable, Greta Knoll, Maureen Kruger. Bottom Row left to right: Ethan Cramblet, Karla Constantine, Dave Hamather (president), Steve Boyink, and Alice Donahue.

I would hope that the committee would select the entire Spring Lake Heritage Festival (SLHF) committee as the recipients of recognition for all the many hours of hard work they put in to make the SLHF a success. They meet once a month from September to April, planning and organizing and contacting people to participate in the festival. During May and June there are weekly meetings to insure that all the events can be shored up and any last minute changes can be made. The committee works very well together under the leadership of Dave Hamather. NO one person outdoes another. Every committee member not only has an event or job that they are responsible for, but they pitch in and help each other all during festival week. A committee of 12 does a great deal of planning and executing to make the Heritage Festival a success for the Spring Lake Village and Township.

This same committee also plans and executes the Spring Lake Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony. From the planning of the parade route, selecting the winning second grade essay to be read at the cemetery ceremony, selecting the Grand Marshall (usually a local veteran) to the passing out of flags on the parade route to neighbors and friends and making sure all the floats and participants are in marching order and having a good time. This committee does it all. AND no one grumbles about doing the things that have to be done!!!

Please consider this group for a Volunteer Star! They sure do deserve it. I know as I have only been on the SLHF committee for 5 years but some of these people have been on it for 20 + years. Let's give them the recognition they truly deserve. 12 volunteers are serving their community with love and spirit.

Thank you for your consideration.

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