

History Book Committee Needs Your Help

There has been some discussion over the past few years about the creation of a third Castle Park history book. Given that we are heading towards the 125th anniversary of Castle Park, the rumblings that it might be time to do the next installment have been increasing. An awful lot of important matters have occurred since the second book was published and many great people have passed through our portals during this period of time.

To recall, Jodi Lerchen and Doug Veech put the first history book together in 1973. I took on the second history book project with help from Rosey Dickerson and Jean Nobel in 1996. So, we are roughly at the interval (25 years plus or minus) that existed between the publication of the first CP history book and the 2nd. With these facts in mind, I am happy to report to the membership that we now have launched the beginnings of such a project.

Thanks in great measure to the persuasive talents of Ted Parker, I have agreed to Chair the Committee that will be responsible for putting the book together, publishing and distributing it. Ted will be second in command and our committee members will include Martha Dahlman, Carrey Lennox and Jeannie Kane. Our intention will be to have a digital version in some fashion or shape. Finally, we will have some advisors from our community who will be helping us on technical matters, historical research, etc.

Due to circumstances beyond our control, we have not set up any timelines as yet because we are not sure at this point when we will all get to Castle Park this year, let alone get together in person as a committee. But we'll figure it out.

What can you do to help? Besides your enthusiastic support, what could help us the most is for everyone to look through pictures and memorabilia from the past 25 years in terms of remembrances related to Castle Park as a whole, as well as your own family and cottage. Having been through this once before, I know there is a tendency to concentrate on memories that reflect more recent times. Our history book will not be successful if we have no pictures from first 15 years of our time period. Personal pictures are essential but we are really looking for ones that show the Castle Park community socializing together. Thanks for your support. We can't do it without you. More to come, obviously.

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