

Celebrate 2025
Planning Meeting #2
5-20-25

Theme: Farming in Bowdoinham

How do we incorporate farming into the event?

- Shared vendor space for farmers
 - Farmers sign up to staff it?
 - ID and gather promotional items for it. (photos, literature, posters, flyers...)
- Tractors on display – where, whose?
- Bobbling for carrots/apples, some physical activity
- Farmer calendar

T-shirts - Update from Lisa

Parade

- Town float update
- Antique tractors
- To be contacted by Yvette:
 - Smokey Bear –new hire may not be available/trained
 - LLBean Boot Mobile – tentatively booked if they get a second staffer
 - Hallowell Band
- Giant Puppets – Deb’s contact in Richmond
- Lady Eagles Women’s Basketball float – Jason Lamoreau?
- Community School, PTC contact – Jason Lamoreau

Gazebo Acts

- Chewonki Bug mobile – have not confirmed but has been contacted
- Local musicians – YM working with Earl
- Put vendors near gazebo to get more people over there

Entertainment

- (Friday) Movie in the Park? – Jason Lamoreau
- Inflatables – obstacle course, bounce house, hammer strength, carnival games, dunk tank – YM need to order
- Face paint/balloons – contacted but not confirmed
- Dunk tank – MTA fundraiser – YM need to contact
- KELT bike ride or guided nature walk at Cathance Meadows? – YM to contact
- Story Walk at Rose Preserve – Ag related - confirmed
- Scavenger hunt – Rose – contacted but not confirmed
- Mini disc golf – Alan had a tournament that same day in 2024 – YM to contact
- Yard games – Town bought axe and Jenga

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- MTA have a vendor booth for fundraising? – YM to contact
- Stilt walker – contacted but not confirmed
- Magic Show – contacted but not confirmed

Vendor Booths

- Unveiling of mural – need booths away from that. Should this be a scheduled event?
- Jason to have a smoothie bike at Rec BBQ
- Have a join booth for all town committees aka Town Resource Tent
 - YM needs to organize who needs what space and what they are promoting
- Community Connections – contacted but not confirmed
- MTA fundraiser booth? – YM need to contact
- Ride in Neighbors Cars – Is this separate from Age Friendly?

Silent Auction

- Volunteers needed to recruit donations
- Sending out postcards sometime in June to solicit donations.

Next Steps

Need a lead to work on Farmers’ Booth and possibly a farming physical activity

YM to create registration pages for parade, vendors, sponsors for July newsletter. Will share links with parade

