

Remember the Triangle Fire Coalition
Minutes from Executive Committee + Open Meeting October 21, 2010

:: Agenda

Welcome!

Passing of the lists: minutes, email list

Introductions: short for old timers, long for newbies

Committee Reports – what's in the works & what's needed

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Immigrant Rights -	
Great Hall	Rob Linne & Anneliese Orleck Linne@adelphi.edu Annelise.Orleck@Dartmouth.edu
Students	
Family	Diane Fortuna

General discussion

Action! To do list

:: Open Community Meeting

Kate Kelly – Women's E News

Group wants to focus on Jewish and Italian women's role.

Tony Coffee – League of Women Voters

Womens History Month event, work together with Triangle.
Weekday evening, week before anniversary.

Lou Blumengarten – Background in labor
Maspeth, Mount Zion Cemetery.

Ryan Gillin – Downtown Art
Teen girl play on strikes that happened before the Triangle Fire.
Want indoor locales, not just outside.

LuLu LoLo – Playwright

NYU student (name?) – Exhibit on Triangle Project

Suzanne Pred Bass – Chair of Performance Committee

Joanne – 80 voice chorus, performance piece, 14-16 yr old girls.
Would like help getting shirtwaist piece costumes.

Elaine – Performance Artist from LA
Has a performance piece, would like to do it NY

Edwin Pagane – Filmmaker/Producer, Anthology of Film Archives
Wants to donate space for showings or donate photos.
HBO.
Set up curator screening.

Annie Lanzillotto – Artist and on board of Public Relations committee
Written press release to elders needed.

Mary Trasciatti – Memorial committee, fundraising

Joyce Mendelson – Victorian Society, NY, 19th Century heritage of NYC
Lecture in spring, but can also publicize other events.

Esther Freezer – Writer and author of “Threads in Flames”
Is available as a resource.

Dan Kate – History teacher, Labor & Working Class History Association
Managing the roll out of this.

Stephanie Illis – Lilith
Historical performance piece, play from earlier about Triangle, negotiating
to bring piece to NY in March.

Scott Evans – TACT
Triangle Factory Fire Project, 2004, performance piece which will be
making a comeback for a one night performance on Feb 7th with original
actors.

Rachel Bernstein – Historian at NYU
Labor Arts.org will do exhibit on the fire.

Janet Zweig – Artist
Here as an observer.

Margaret Bruscher – teacher at NYU Rome campus
Researching 400 letters of woman who lived at Washington Square
during
the time of the fire.

Rob Linne – Adelphi University, Education and Labor Collaborative
Educational events.

Frank Coronelli – Filmmaker
Has made a movie about the Triangle Fire, would like to screen this
film with other films.

Committees

Labor: Commemoration every year. \$150,000 needs to be raised. Reaching out
to
labor unions, SCIU especially. Worker's comp group gives money to help
people, especially kids.

Memorial: Have looked through artist submissions. There are 3 finalists and 2
alternatives. Next meeting will be on Friday October 29th.

Fundraising needs to get started, need a sub-committee with active
volunteers. Open to ideas on memorial.

Performance: Issue is going to be space. Circulate descriptions of spaces
needed for performances. Chair Anne Lux number is 212-866-6536. Song has
been written called "Living Heart of NYC." Also New Dramaticists reading
of "Fire" and Zack Cone's musician group to perform a variety of
commission pieces.

Education: Resource piece on website. Looking to upgrade and create other
entries
onto the site. KHEEL Center. Quality over Quantity. How to catch
ephemeral of how stories have been passed down. Ask each
university class to collect histories of this event. Who wants to spearhead this
small mission.

Fundraising: List of possible sponsors needed. Kick-starter campaign for Memory Map, online fundraising, people do pledges, good for less deep pockets. Nationwide campaign with schoolchildren maybe??

Public Relations: Kick-starter \$4200 in 40 days. Build community at same time as dollar force. Radio, other strategies, people. PSA's, any other outreach such as Op Ed pieces or article writing.

Need Committee for Immigrant Rights Committee!!

Cooper Union letting us use the Great Hall on the night of the 25th for two hours with no charge!!!!

Worker testimonies and some art performances.

Can't tell us for sure yet if we can use their exhibit space, will look for other spaces.

Maybe Judson.

MIT has space.

Live streaming for public schools.

Donations for memorial.

Student Rally for activist causes.

Host a student meeting as lead-up.

Housing for Centennial? Couch surfing?

Parts for dates for events.

Website has a page called names.

:: Executive Committee:

Updates

Sheryl mentions kick-starter needs to go up.

Sherry and Sheryl have to coordinate on the letterhead, including what needs to be

in it and what's representative of everyone involved. Send it out by Monday.

Whose targeting kick starter and who's targeting big money?

Sheryl needs names for letterhead

Rose send it to the Steering Committee

How many letters do we want to send?

Should the Steering Group be divided up so the letters can be personalized?
One to general committee and one to each person.
Trying to raise \$4200 for the kick-starter.

How do we address postponing sending the letters by continuous brainstorming,
which often doesn't go anywhere?
Set up deadlines? Need to crank things out quicker.

Monday things get sent and rolling.

Should we send letters to city council members?
What about historical societies?
Hillman Funders will be hit up.
Expenses coming up.
Must pay artist interviews.
We need something to hand out.

- Front logo with website
- On the back name and two sentences
- Blank square with Workers United
- Sticker w/ name and age of victim
- Ruth email postcard text
- 2500 or 5000, \$300
- Can also be sent out as thank you's

Ruth met with Memory Map people – loves them!!
Ready to go but need money for the developer, ASAP, \$3000.

Technical issues with website, \$100 for a 5hr tune-up.
Better to maybe start spending now.
Hire Morey, web developer.

Giveback, thread \$10, should be lowest. Bump all levels up one.
Rose will make image for stitch.
Recite names for recorder.
Refrigerator magnets Ruth will do.
Not lunch, coffee for the funders (Suzanne).

Joel's Mom.
Who will do Greenwich Village walking tour?
Call it "Village Tour."
Fabric bolt should be \$500.
No two levels the same.
Shirtwaist 1 & 2 not Greenwich, East Harlem.

We need meeting space for the next two general meetings. Sheryl will ask.
Committee members can come to the meeting, committee heads.

Weekly work session, on Tuesdays, 2-5pm, election day is the 1st one.

"Someone w/ fingers in funder's pie."
Isabel Decomic.

Respectfully submitted by Becky Hermann.
Please email her at becky@rememberthetrianglefire.org if you have a correction.