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Lake County US Semiquincentennial Commission Holds Initial Meeting

PAINESVILLE, Ohio, September 8, 2023– The Lake County US Semiquincentennial Commission held a meeting on September 7, 2023, where they established their new officers. The Commission also planned a Meet and Greet event from 5:00p.m. to 7:00p.m. on September 20, 2023, located at Riders Inn at 792 Mentor Avenue in Painesville, Ohio.

The Lake County, Ohio Commission for the United States Semiquincentennial, is established to inspire Lake Countians to participate in the planning of the event, and encourage, develop and coordinate the commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States.

At the Meet and Greet, light refreshments such as coffee, tea, and lemonade will be served.

During the meeting, the Commission named the new officers.

- Mark Tyler, Former Commissioner and Kirtland Mayor.
- Susan Hamercheck.
- Jean Auten.
- Laketran Trustee, Lane Sheets.

Commissioner John R. Hamercheck will serve as the Chair of the Commission, Sue Nahumck will serve as secretary and Mark Tyler will serve as Treasurer.

“The 250th Anniversary of the Founding of the United States is approaching in 2026, we created this commission to encourage communities and residents to come together to celebrate not only America 250, but all other milestones along the way,” said Commission President John Hamercheck.

“After our kickoff event back in July to recognize our local Revolutionary War Veterans, we are so excited and grateful to have this opportunity to start the 250th Commission in Lake County. This year, I will celebrate my 40th Birthday on the 250th anniversary of the Boston Tea Party, and this Commission will help our community to recognize the semiquincentennial of the historic events leading up to our nation’s founding in 1776,” said Commissioner John Plecnik.

“The New Connecticut chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution is excited to collaborate on the America 250 Lake County project to celebrate America’s 250 birthday and to be part of events celebrating this event. The celebration began with the dedication of the DAR America 250 marker on July 4 in front of the Lake County Courthouse,” said Debby Kocsis NSDAR National Vice Chair.

“We are excited to continue the celebrations leading up to America 250, and thank all involved so far,” said Commissioner Richard J. Regovich.

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