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Mary F. Sheeley
President

Blueberry Festival Report

by "Mother Blueberry," Dianne E. Turner

The 2005 Shawangunk Mountain Wild Blueberry and Huckleberry Festival. To be held in the Village of Ellenville on Saturday, August 27th, 2005. Sponsored by the *Ellenville-Wawarsing Chamber of Commerce*

Committee Members:

- © Dianne E. Turner "Mother Blueberry": Festival Coordinator – 888-0055
- © John Adams: Coordinator of the Shawangunk/ Blueberry cultural/heritage area (co-originator of the Shawangunk Mountain Wild Blueberry & Huckleberry Festival) – 647-5626
- © Judy Sigunick: Art at the Festival – 647-8229
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- © Georganna "Red" Roudis: Friends of the Festival – 647-3497
- © Barbara Hoff: 647-4661
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- © Marc Fried: (co-originator, the Shawangunk Mountain Wild Blueberry & Huckleberry Festival)

Committee workings to date: Due to my health problems and immobility we are off to a little slower start than usual. There have been no formal meetings of the committee – just phone contact.

Hunt Memorial Building: I have asked Barbara Hoff as *Board* member and *Committee* person to make the appropriate inquiries and arrangements for the use of the **Hunt Memorial Building** as our main stage and also for *Art at the Festival*.

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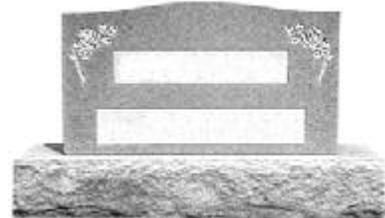
"It is the purpose of the *Chamber* to promote economic development, tourism, community betterment, legislative action, and an interest in public affairs, with programs designed to make the community a better place in which to live and make a living." (*Chamber* Bylaws, Article II-1)

Vendor Application: Copy enclosed (See page 31 or go online at www.ewcoc.info/blueberryapp.pdf) I would ask that all members keep copies and dispense at any vendor attended functions they may visit... street fairs, mall events, flea markets, etc.

Wawarsing.Net: our first "Blueberry Festival blurb" appeared in the March issue. Something pertaining to the festival will be submitted each month. I have requested of Editor Steve that the August issue once again be dedicated to the *Blueberry Festival* – to include cover in blue ink. *July 4th Parade: Blueberry Festival* has been represented with a vehicle "float."

Blueberry Basket Raffle/ T-Shirt sales table in bank lobby – or elsewhere brings awareness and anticipation of the *Festival*

I would like to see a mural depicting the Huckleberry Pickers and their "shacks" done on the wall of the old Ellenville National Bank aligning the driveway entrance to the Festival's cultural area (John Adams' proposed Market Square). I envision something done in sepia, like the old photos. It would offer an excellent visual to draw people back there during the festival. It would also add to the village ambiance and further state our heritage. 🍷



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