

Beard Growing Proclamation

Peotone, Illinois

In January 2006, Village Mayor Steve Cross issued a proclamation. After declaring that many are getting geared up to celebrate Peotone's 150th Anniversary, and to reflect the struggles and sacrifices of our forefathers, it would be appropriate to have the village look as it did 150 years ago. He proposed that the men of Peotone stop shaving for a few months.

The growth can be either a beard, goatee, chin-whiskers, van dyke, mutton chops, mustache, sideburns, or any other acceptable facial hairy growth of such length and full luxuriance as to be readily seen at a distance of eight paces. These worthy men shall henceforth be known as "Brothers of the Brush".

To enter the Sesquicentennial Beard Growing contest, you must register by filling out an application available through the Peotone Chamber of Commerce. Brothers of the Brush pins are \$3.00 to any man who enters the contest. Those who desire to remain clean-shaven and yet still participate in this contest may purchase a shaving permit valid for the duration of this momentous occasion. Permit pins may be purchased for \$10.00. The contest will officially begin on February 1, 2006.

"Ye Keystone Kops," a secret society who will levy fines through "Ye awful Judges of Ye Kangaroo Court", will issue tickets to anyone caught flouting the Mayor's proclamation. The Peotone Chamber will be responsible for appointing these "kops & judges". Awards will be given in each category for longest, whitest, and most unusual. Special awards will be given for oldest contestant, youngest contestant, and best overall beard. Judging will take place during the big Sesquicentennial Celebration Weekend, June 22-25th, 2006.



Peotone Sesquicentennial "Brothers of the Brush" Beard Growing Contest

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Email: _____

Shaving Permit \$10.00 Beard Growing Button \$3.00

Any inquiries, phone the Peotone Chamber of Commerce, 258-9450 OR

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