Your Team of Gumshoes

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+2 if both M and F participants. +2 each if your team has a participant over 50 or under 10.

Contact Phone Number: ____________________________

Midsummer Mystery

Write the word scramble for the correct clue to receive +5 points for each clue.

Clue #1: ____________________________

Clue #2: ____________________________

Clue #3: ____________________________

Clue #4: ____________________________

Clue #5: ____________________________

Clue #6: ____________________________

Unscramble the word scrambles above. Together they form the answer to the question, “Who stole the spirit of Ferndale?”

Explore Your City – Your Neighbors

Introduce yourself to a neighbor and write down one thing you have in common (aside from where you live) for +2 points

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Write down the date you picked up trash in your neighborhood for +4 points

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Help a Neighbor with an errand/chore for +4 points

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Talk to a Veteran about their service, write their name below for +2 points

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Explore Your City – Community

Sign up for the Summer Reading Program at the Ferndale Library for +4 points (attach sticker somewhere to this scorecard)

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Volunteer at the Ferndale Food Bank, write the date of your shift for +6 points

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Visit the Ferndale Farmers Market, write the day of your visit for +2 points

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Attend Flicks in the Park, Music in the Park or Field Games for +2 points each (details at FerndaleParks.com). Put the secret word here:

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Visit Pioneer Park and take the tour +2 points, write the date here:

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Explore Your City – Misc.

Post to social media with #FerndaleMystery for +2 points

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Identify an unusual plant or animal on your treasure hunt and write what you found

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Questions?

www.cityofferndale.org/FerndaleMystery
How to Play:

It is free to play – all you need is a team of detectives and a willingness to explore your city!

The first step is pick up a scorecard which you can download on the city website, or picked up at City Hall. This is how keep track of the clues you’ve found and the points you’ve earned.

Next step is gather your team. Teams can be up to five people and you get extra points for a team that brings together people from outside your usual circles so get creative. After all, this is a great opportunity to get to know your neighbors.

Searching for Clues:

Clues will be distributed through the City’s facebook page, twitter account and posted at City Hall, the Ferndale Library and the Ferndale Visitor Center. The first clue will be released Sat. July 1st, and then after that it is every Tuesday and Friday until July 20th (6 clues in total).

The clues will lead you to envelopes displayed around town. Most of them are in Ferndale Parks but not all of them. The envelopes are on banners that look like this:

Inside the envelope is a secret code. Write this down on your scorecard to get points for finding it. The secret code is a word scramble.

If you unscrambled all the clues, you will find the answer to who stole the spirit of Ferndale.

Exploring Your City:

There is so much more you can do to participate and win points for your team. On your scorecard, under “Exploring Your City”, there are number of other activities you can do. They can be accomplished individually or as a team, whichever you prefer. All the activities require you to record something on the scorecard – and more details on each activity are on the backside of your scorecard.

Prizes and Winners:

All scorecards are due by 4pm on Friday, July 24th. Winners will be announced July 25th.

1st Place: $500 in cash + Ride in a Public Works Vehicle in the Old Settlers Parade + Toys

2nd Place: $250 in cash + Toys

3rd Place: $100 in cash + Toys

4th–6th Place: Gift Certificates to local businesses

EVERYONE who turns in their scorecard: Medal for completing the Mystery

Final Thoughts:

The Great Ferndale Midsummer Mystery is designed to get people outside, moving around and enjoying our city but as you can imagine, all these things involve a little risk. Please be safe and use good judgement when exploring and interacting with others. Participants play at their own risk.

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