# Edgewood Cottage Sculpture History of Project

A month or so ago, Sculptor/Artist, Brenda Councill, suggested to me, Norma Suddreth, that the history & heritage of Blowing Rock would be greatly enhanced with a life size sculpture of Elliott Daingerfield. This would be a donation to the town & placed on the lawn of Edgewood Cottage. Edgewood Cottage, as you know, was the studio of this famous artist. It was created to be an interactive piece, connecting with the public, as other sculptures downtown. This would increase visits to the Cottage & increase public awareness & knowledge of this famous artist's contribution to our town, & NC!

Thoughts & opinions were sought from various groups & persons. All were more than enthusiastic. Our mayor made a comment to me saying, "Go for it!" And we are!

Persons/Groups volunteering to be involved (to date-Feb 7, 2017)

# Brenda Councill, Sculptor

Miss Councill is a renowned professional artist, residing in Blowing Rock. Her commissions span the art scene nationally & our region: Educational, Corporate, Public Art, etc. She's famous for painting the largest mural in the Southeast. She suggests bronze to ensure an 'everlasting' contribution to our town.

### Norma Suddreth, Volunteer

Co-Initiator & Volunteer Fundraiser

# Joe Dulaney, Elliott Daingerfield's grandson

Joe is so excited about this project. Joe has already begun modeling for the sculpture

Others who expressed & encouraged us with kind & helpful remarks-- to proceed with this project!

JB Lawrence, Mayor: Encouraged with a strong "go ahead."

# Rita White: Pres. Of the Blowing Rock Historical Society

She has spoken with the Exec. Committee/officers/board. All are enthusiastic. BRHS agrees, wholeheartedly, to sponsor fundraising. Some individuals have already offered funding!

# Jim Pitts: Blowing Rock Chamber Pres.

Excited about this proposal & already spoken to the Economic Committee

# Tracy Brown: TDA Ex. Dir.

I met with Tracy. His enthusiasm is as contagious as ever!

#### **Charles Hardin: Blowing Rock Chamber CEO**

Very encouraging & helpful with advice.

# Ed Evans: Blowing Rock Town Mgr.

I met with Ed. He's more than enthusiastic. He immediately made copies of the sculpture picture to share. You have it available to view tonight, along with an artist rendering & a model.

## Lee Carol Giduz: BRAHM Exec Dir.

(\*\*These folks have provided encouraging support & agree to aid in project fundraising.)

\*\*Request: We wish to ask the town of Blowing Rock to accept this gift/donation, with no expense to the town, and to be placed on Edgewood Cottage front lawn.

"Thank You!"

Norma S. Suddreth

(Brenda Councill web site: www.councill.net)



Proposed Life Size Bronze: Artist Elliott Daingerfield councillfineartstudio LLC

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