



NOVI HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Wednesday, May 24, 2017 7pm

Novi Library History Room

Call to Order 7:00pm

Attendance: Rachel Manela, Tammy-Lee Knopp, Kathy Crawford, Kim Nice, John MacInnis, Sue Giffor, Betty Lang,

Approval of Agenda: All Approved

Approval of Minutes-April, 2017: Motion: Tammy-Lee, 2nd by Kim Nice, APPROVED

Communications: NONE

Library Liaison Report, Betty Lang

Upcoming Library/Friends Programs

Saturday July 15th 1-2:30pm: Betty and David teaching a Genealogy Class

Thursday July 27th 7-8:30pm: Betty and David teaching Heritage Quest

Local History Room Tour with Betty

Learning about the room, what books are good to know about in the room, How to scan photos, how to search for things on the computer

Save the Date: St. Anne's in Detroit: September 10th Celebrating French Culture in Michigan

Document Day 5/21 Re-cap

Kathy Crawford brought in pictures of homes, farmland, family, small objects

Kathy is going to identify people and write a short history about the photos

Kathy Mutch came

RE-CAP: War Dog Memorial program 5/11

41 people in attendance

Person to Person announcements are effective

Facebook announcements

It was a really good program

Someone emailed Kathy Crawford saying; "it was the best program they had attended at the library"

RE-CAP: Spring Palooza, 5/19

Needed game and person to man booth, something geared towards families

Seemed like the audience was very different than past years

More family focused

Need to plan ahead more for this event



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NOVI PARKS FOUNDATION Meeting: Monday, 5/21

Kathy Crawford and Julie Farkas attended, made the pitch for the Villa Barr program and if the Parks foundation is going to do an Art Park event, not to forget about the Library and the Historical Commission.

Kathy Crawford also made the pitch for paved pathways and benches for the cemeteries. Told the story of Agnes Carr, Sarah Carr, (died almost 200 years ago). Looking to tell the stories of these early settlers from the area.

The City is putting together cemetery plot maps

Foundation told Kathy Crawford just to bring

GOALS-2017 and beyond

Novi Cemetery Scavenger Hunt, Tammy-Lee

Historical Calendar for City's 50th, Tammy-Lee

Tammy-Lee is working on both of these projects

Rachel needs to give some news clippings to Tammy-Lee

Tammy-Lee needs to figure out a format for the calendar

Novi Fire Dept, John MacInnis & Kathy Mutch

John went to the Fire Department and collected materials

Rachel already went through and digitized what was important

Rachel has also start creating a catalog of photos, news articles, cartoons

John returned the documents to the Fire Dept. and will try to get more

Headstone Research, Kathy Crawford

Kathy has not started, but has chosen to begin with the Goodall headstone/family

Does anyone else want to help with this?

Maybe choose one family every year to research?

Correcting maps, John MacInnis

Getting the map changed won't happen

Only one house was mis-labeled

Can we get a label printed to put in the brochures?

We need the city (graphic dept.) to print the labels and the Historical Commission will put the labels in the brochure

Local business interviews in prep for 50th, Kim Nice

Michigan CAT

Guernsey Farms

Novi Auto Parts

Filter Co. on Grand River

Need to speak with Skip Tuck



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HISTORICAL COMMISSION PROGRAMS FOR FALL:

Discovering Michigan County by County: Barbara Vandermolen Sept. 28 @ 7:00pm

Michigan Ghost Towns of Michigan, Alan Naldrett, Oct. 19 @ 7:00pm

Stories, Songs and Dances of the Voyageur, Genot Picor November 9 @ 7:30pm

VILLA BARR

Parks Foundation wants to put in a Pathway

Artist in Residence, someone who can work and restore sculptures

Book Sales

Villa Barr presentation

Julie Farkas is meeting with Margie to be the program presenter

DISPLAY CABINET DOWNSTAIRS Volunteer Sue Grifor, Cabinet MANAGER

Villa Barr, David Barr's books to promote the selling of the Villa Barr Book.

PAVILLION SHORES PHOTOS

"ON THE ROAD" TRIP WITH KATHY AND GAIL, FRIDAY, APRIL 28

Was a success, raised \$1,000 for the Library

WOODEN NICKELS

Now in the Local History Room

CEMETERY CLEAN UP Saturday, June 10 9-11am

Anyone who can go should go

Wendy from the City will be overseeing the event

WEBSITE UPDATES new Facebook link/Instagram

NEW BUSINESS/Other Business

Receipt from Rachel Manela: 2week advertisement on Facebook for the War Dog Event, \$14.00, 1,430 impressions on Facebook. Reimbursement: APPROVED

Clio- History App- Need to do more research

Kathy Crawford will give Walled Lake Casino Program for Senior Executive Club

Members for Boards and Commissions will be interviewing in June, 2 new people for Historical Commission



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NEXT MEETING: NOTE:, Wednesday, June 28 7pm

Adjourn: 8:20pm