



Novi Historical Commission

Wednesday, December 22, 2016 7pm

Novi Library History Room

Call to Order: 7pm

Introduction of Guests: Kathy Crawford, Rae Manela, Tammy-Lee Knopp, John MacInnis, Betty Lang, Sue Grifor, Kim Nice,

Approval of Agenda: Approved, All in Favor

Approval of Minutes-October 2016:

Communications: None

Library Liaison Report, Betty Lang:

March 3-4th Local History Conference in Sterling Heights

History Room Office Hours: Jan. 2nd 12-2pm: Tammy-Lee and Rae

Jan 16th 6-8pm: Kim Nice

Feb. 6th 12-2pm: Kathy Crawford

Feb. 20th 6-8pm: John MacInnis

Upcoming Library/Friends Programs:

Wedding at the Library (June 24th)

Request from the Deerfield Elementary to Present to four 2nd Grade classes, Rae will be giving this Presentation

Walled Lake Presentation at Novi Rotary Oct. 27th

It went really well, someone approached Kathy about doing the presentation at someone's company

Ordinance Review

Kathy talked to Courtney Hanson about this and told her we need to revise the ordinance to take certain people out and expand the number on the commission. Kathy is going to present our case at the next Ordinance Review committee meeting.

Villa Barr

Book Sales: 50 Books sold

More books have been ordered, 100 books

Presentation: We want to change the presentation to be broader and more encompassing about David Barr as the World Renowned Artist/Author/Craftsman who lived in Novi. Kathy Crawford and Julie Farkas met with Kathy Mutch and she will deliver another presentation at the January meeting. We are hoping for a presentation that can be given by anyone, but she will still be credited and compensated for her research.



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Novi Cemeteries

Grave Documentation/Eagle Scout Sign at Knapp

Chris Jacket from Novi Parks and Rec, feedback requested about a sign. Kathy approved the new sign, to match the style of the sign at the Novi Cemetery

Volunteers from Fox Run want to do a volunteer project with the cemeteries

Novi Parks Foundation Needs/wants list

Possibilities: getting the land next to the Novi Cemetery?

Refurbishing the Podium?

Historical Commission Programs

Detroit History Tours: Dames of Detroit, March 2nd

No Fee

War Dogs Memorial-Thursday May 11th

We need a description of the presentation and the spelling of the presenters name

2017/2018 Events

September 28th 2017 Barbra Vandermolen A-z Guide of Michigan

Confirmed (Still need paperwork) Cost \$170

October 19th 2017 Ari Berk ? Myths & Legends

Not yet confirmed

November 2017 Genot Picour French Festival

Confirmed and Paperwork in Cost \$150

February 2018 Lois Keel Underground Railroad

Confirmed, Paperwork coming

March 2018

April 26th 2017 Detroit Historical Society Detroit

Confirmed but need paperwork

Cost: \$150

War of 1812: Boarder Crossings

Confirmed but need paperwork

Cost \$100

Rachel will ask for approval of funds 2 months in advance

Display Cabinet, Sue Grifor

Storage Unit

We need to ensure we have a catalogue of what is in the storage unit

The Podium needs some work

Meeting Calendar for 2017



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2017/2018 Calendar of Meetings at 7pm in Local History Room

Jan. 25th

Feb. 22

March 22

April 26th

May 24th

June 28th

July 26th

Aug. 23rd

Sept. 27

October 25th

Tuesday Nov. 21st

December: NO MEETING

Elections at January meeting

Electing Secretary and a Chair Person

Rae is willing to remain Secretary

Budget

Same budget as last year

Display Cabinet: \$800

Marketing/Engage \$800

Equipment/Supplies: \$500

Programs/Speakers: \$1,000

Storage Unit \$2000

Acquisition/Books for Local History Room: \$400

Conference/Continuing Ed: \$1000

Special Projects \$8,000

Villa Barr

Photography of Hist. Sites

Veteran ID (Signs)

Total: 14,500

Approval of Budget: All in Favor

Needs to be given to Julie Farkas

Petty Cash: If you need Money for a program, go to Masha in Library office, on day of event if you buy refreshments or something,

Wooden Nickels:

Tammy-Lee will order wooden nickels, needs to submit her receipt after she orders them, but she is approved to order them. Order around 500-1000 nickels



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MI Humanities Grant

Rae wanted everyone to know that we are a type of organization that can apply for and receive a grant for a project. We may want to bring in a Michigan Humanities Council presenter to speak to us and perhaps the Friends of the Library to talk about how/why to apply for a grant.

Something to consider: A Special event for the 50th Anniversary of the city of Novi (2019)

Perhaps a story tellers weekend?

We may want to pick a meeting to invite the MHC employee to talk to us (and maybe the Friends of the Library) about how to write a grant

Key 1st step: What do we want to do?

- Something with lasting impact?

- Focus on the 50th Anniversary?

- Creating an App?

 - Novi Then and Now?

- Oral History Project?

Tammy-Lee will call Sheryl at the City of Novi to coordinate

Website/Facebook/Instagram Nothing New

New/Other Business John brought in 2 aerial photos

Adjourn: 8:30pm

NEXT MEETING: 7pm January 25th