



NOVI HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Wednesday, April 25, 2018 7pm

Novi Library History Room

Call to Order: 7:03pm

Introductions of guests: Sue Griffor

Commission Member Attendance: Kathy Crawford, Rachel Manela, Kim Nice, Tammy-Lee Knopp, Dhara Sanghavi

Approval of Agenda: ALL APPROVED

Approval of Minutes- March, 2018: ALL APPROVED

Treasurer's report –Kim

July 1st through June 30th

Approval of Expenditures:

Tammy-Lee: \$78.00

Tom's Table covers: \$384.38

Kim Nice: \$35.00

ALL APPROVED

Communications: None

Library Liaison Report, Betty Lang

Suggestions about programing:

Michigan Music, More Reenactors

Local History Room Office Hours:

May 7, 12-2: **Tom and Rae** May 21, 6-8pm: **Dhara**

June 4, 12-2: **Rae** June 18, 6-8pm: **Kim**

July and August by Appointment only

New member vacancy...Milan resigned

New Member: Kelly Kasper

Discussion items:

Spring Palooza Friday, May 18, 6-8:30 Set up by 5pm (Game?)

Guernsey Gift baskets for best top two guesses of the wooden nickels

Table cover for display table

Looks great! Thanks Tom!

Display for events

Dhara and Rae will meet in early May to develop the display board

City of Novi 50th year celebration (videos)

Kim: Interviewed Greg McGuire from Guernsey's Farm Dairy



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Kim is finding more business that have been in Novi for 50 years

Villa Barr presentation:

Villa Barr foundation will be paving the parking lot

They are advertising for an artist in residence program

Kathy Crawford and Julie Farkas will be developing a program that can go out to other libraries and communities

Create a packaged program with a script so anyone can do the presentation

Fall of 2019, presentation at the Library

City Council request regarding Veteran Memorial

Presentation to the Library Board: Thurs. May 24

Kathy will be giving a presentation about what the commission has been working on.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION PROGRAMS: please put on your calendar

Re-cap: Thursday, March 29 7pm "Petticoat Patriots"

Went well. About 30 people attended

Thursday April 26 7pm "Detroit and the War of 1812: Border Crossings"

NEW Programs for September and October

Wendy Evans: Sept. 27th (\$200) American Art

Joe Grimm: October 25th (\$75) Faygo

DISPLAY CABINET DOWNSTAIRS Volunteer Sue Grifor, Cabinet MANAGER

Detroit Tigers

NEW BUSINESS/Other Business

Business cards for the Commission

On one side, it would have the city of Novi Historical Commission logo name, Library Address, list our social media

On the back, it would have blank lines for us to give our name/email/phone number

Tammy-Lee's Proposal: Consider Sponsoring a Local version of History Day

In conjunction with the Historical Society of Michigan

5th-12th grade

3 students per school per division could go to the State of Michigan competition

Local History Day in Novi, get students to submit historical works either in multiple categories or defining one category for students to compete in.

We would need cooperation from the schools



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If we had a competition we would have it on the same theme as the regional/state competition

We would use the same guidelines

We would need volunteers to help with research, judging etc.

We would need help and cooperation from teachers in the community

Betty Lang: Hosting something like this is not unusual, other historical societies are doing similar

If we had it themed around the city, would the city help

How much time would it take?

Can we get cooperation from the teachers/schools?

Would we need to be 'certified' to be judges? No

Do we have the time and resources to do this?

Betty Lang: Hosting something like this is not unusual, other historical societies are working more closely with the schools.

We need to decide a smaller class group to work with for this first time

WEBSITE UPDATES new Facebook link/Instagram

Change of meeting day in 2019 (Third Weds. Each month)

NEXT MEETING: NOTE: WEDNESDAY, May 23, 7pm

Adjourn