



THE LINCOLN PARK HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM NEWSLETTER

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, November 7 7:00 P.M.
Historical Society Meeting & Program
commemorating the **"GIRL SCOUTS
CENTENNIAL: 1921-2012"**

**"RING THE BELL FOR A
VETERAN" Saturday,
November 10 at 1:00 P.M.**
Veterans Day Program and Bell
Ringing Ceremony on the museum
lawn; with indoor reception following.



Saturday, December 1st City Holiday Tree

**Lighting Ceremony &
MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE,**
beginning at 5:30 p.m. This
event is being held in lieu of
our annual Sunday afternoon
holiday open house. Plan to come
and join in the community fun, and
warm up with some hot apple cider.



Local musicians will help lead the caroling at the museum
after the lighting ceremony in front of City Hall.

A BIG THANKS!

Our special Thanks to the Garden Club
division of the Lincoln Park Women's Club
for their excellent help with decorating the
museum for the holidays this season. We
had to get an earlier start this year due to
the City's Tree Lighting Ceremony on
December 1st, with which we decided to
coordinate our Annual Open House this
year.

*PLEASE JOIN US ON THE EVENING OF
DECEMBER 1ST!*



We had a nice turn out for our 40th Anniversary
Celebration Open House on October 6. Special guests
included former mayor **Max Schiebold**; **Jack Hinske**,
the museum's first curator in the 1970s who shared his
memories of the early years; current mayor **Pat
Krause**, pictured below presenting **Director Muriel
Lobb**, with the city proclamation for her many years of
service to the Museum; and state Rep. Paul Clemente
(see right)



(Photo by Jeff Day)



Pictures from the
Oct. 6
Anniversary
Open House
**State Rep. Paul
Clemente**, of
Lincoln Park,
presents the
State of Michigan
proclamation to
Muriel Lobb
(photos by member Pat
Kush)



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The cake
that fed over
50 people!

PONTIAC COMMEMORATION

Next April, 2013, Lincoln Park will have the unique opportunity to commemorate the **250th anniversary** of the **Chief Pontiac** War Council, held along the River Ecorse on April 27, 1763. This council would lead to the uprising and attacks on British Forts in the Great Lakes and Ohio Valley region.



The site today is known as **Council Point (Park)**, but in the 1700s it was heavily forested and used by local Indian tribes for hunting and fishing.

The site and the time for the inter-tribal war council was chosen by Pontiac, the Ottawa Chief, for a hidden camping location on the tribe's return to their summer village near Fort Detroit. It was called to be held on the 'Fifteenth of the Moon', or, according to the English calendar, April 27th, which fell on a Wednesday. Also in attendance were hundreds of chiefs and warriors of the Potawatomi and the Wyandot, or Huron, Nations.

The confederacy of the Indian Nations, though loosely structured, was effective in ousting the British from nine of the region's forts in a few weeks time, but was ultimately unsuccessful in capturing the major forts at Detroit, Pitt and Niagara, leading to the dissolution of the confederacy and the eventual displacement of the people of the native nations. Among the legacies of Pontiac's War – and its shifting allegiances - is that it became an important factor in the lead up to the American Revolution. The further displacement of the Indian Nations did not take place under British authority, but was orchestrated by the American Government over the next two centuries.

The Lincoln Park Historical Museum is pleased to be working with the **American Indian Movement (AIM) of Michigan** in planning the commemoration events and ceremonies for the Pontiac Council anniversary in late April. We were excited to learn recently that AIM's National Governing Council will be held here in Lincoln Park next spring to coincide with the anniversary. Look for updates on the Commemoration at our website, at Facebook and in special email communications. Send us your email address, to curator@lphistorical.org.



A Calumet, or ceremonial pipe

MEMORIALS

We are saddened to report the death of long time member **Janet Morgan**, who passed away on October 8th. Janet was very involved in the Lincoln Park community, where she served on the Library Commission, as well as at her church, St. Henry's Catholic Church. A memorial mass for Janet will be held on Saturday, November 24 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Henry's, 1358 Council Ave.

Holiday Hours - The museum will remain open on Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday from 1pm to 5pm during the week between Christmas and New Years. Bring your families by for a visit.



IN the New Year – we will be having a somewhat quiet winter, as we get ready for the 250th anniversary of the Pontiac Council in April. If you can volunteer some time in helping us prepare for this special event in our community, please contact curator Jeff Day, and let him know you are interested.

In addition, Jeff will be making a number of presentations around Detroit about the Pontiac Uprisings and the anniversary. Having recently presented a program on the subject at the Michigan Joint Social Studies Conference in early November, he will, in coming weeks and months, be making presentations to classes at the high school, middle school, and elementary schools, at other historical societies, as well as here at the museum.

Our aim is to also have the LP schools involved in the events of the April anniversary.

Lincoln Park Historical Society Officers 2012-2013

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Museum Director Muriel Lobb

Museum Curator Jeff Day

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