



Lombard Historical Society Report
Lombard Historic Preservation Commission
April 16, 2024

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairperson, Historic Preservation Commission

FROM: George "Ed" Seagraves, LHS Board President and Alison Costanzo, LHS Executive Director

MEETING DATE: April 16, 2024

SUBJECT: Actives of Lombard Historical Society which include a review of programs and events.

Action Requested

For information only, no action requested

Carriage House IDNR (Illinois Department of Natural Resources)

- After a number of months and follow ups LHS received the second half of the IDNR Grant from the State. Totaling \$209,309.
- LHS also paid the VOL an additional \$38,000 which covers a portion of the remaining balance of the project.
- LHS also is waiting on additional \$45,000 from the State for the Carriage House Project which will close out the remaining balance.

Programs & Events

- March
 - March was Women's History Month and we focused our programs around this theme.
 - Ellen Martin Documentary
 - Betsy Means as Jane Addams
 - Yoga at the Museum
- April
 - LHS will be hosting our Annual Meeting on Wednesday, April 17.
 - Steve Darnall's program will be on radio shows "called "Hero's on the Air" which will focus on cartoons that were transformed into radio shows. He will focus will also cover Annie.



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- April 24@ 6:30pm-8:30 pm
 - Mix and Mingle with Aileen Quinn-1983 Annie Movie
 - The Mix and Mingle will be hosted at the Helen Plum Library.
 - Invitations went out to all of our VIPs and Historian Level Members.
 - We will be streaming the presentation portion of the event to LHS Members and then we will post the video two weeks later to the public.
- April 26 @ 6pm: Leapin Lizard: A Hundred Years of Little Orphan Annie
 - I would like to have the entire BOM in attendance for this event please let me know if you will be attending.
 - Items are going to be shipped from Boston and Northwestern.
 - Northwestern is creating mounts for the artifacts that we are borrowing.

LHS Highlights

- Annie"-Versary
 - Hotel Motel Grant
 - LHS was awarded \$22,000 from the VOL Hotel Motel Grant for the "Annie"-Versary and exhibition.
 - Exhibit
 - The "Annie"-Versary is coming together we are excited for finalizing the loans with Boston University, Northwestern and James Whitcomb Museum. We worked with Purdue University and secured digital assets for the exhibit.
 - We are in the final phase of installing the exhibition and the opening.
 - Annie House Walk
 - The house walk is slated for June 22. Caitlyn our Museum assistant is working on the guide for the walk and after the exhibit opens we will be working on final details.
- Gift Shop
 - We completed a full inventory recount of the gift shop as we get ready for Lilac Time.
 - We made some changes to the gift shop, we changed out the cash counter, added a new clothing rack and a new way to display our posters.
 - With the Coach House at Lilacia Park we are working with some of the consigners that are typically carried over at the Park. This will include glassware, pottery, and quilts.
 - We are also working with Spiritus Coffee and have a custom blend called Daddy Warbucks, and also Soapy Roads is will be creating Annie themed soap.
- Lilac Time
 - LHS will be at the Art and Craft Fair on May 5.
 - We will be offering our public tours at 11 am starting at the Carriage House. You can book your tickets online.



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LEAPIN LIZARDS!
A HUNDRED YEARS OF LITTLE ORPHAN ANNIE EXHIBITION OPENING


VIPS & MEMBERS PREVIEW

APRIL 26, 2024 @ 6:30PM

**APPETIZERS AND MORE
RSVP REQUIRED**




Join us for the preview of our new exhibition.

JOIN THE LOMBARD HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR GUIDED TOURS OF LILACIA PARK!

Book Today

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED IN ADVANCE/WALK-UPS WELCOME IF WE CAN ACCOMMODATE | **11 AM TOUR** MAY 1 -MAY18



Learn about the history of Lilacia Park by joining us for a tour.