

**Washtenaw County Historic District Commission**  
**STAFF REPORT**  
**August 2009**

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**1) CLG Grant**

The grant quarterly report was submitted to the SHPO on July 15. HP Intern Denise McGeen has conducted a few additional site visits to Chelsea, and also identified the archived records of the building's architect. She is now writing content for the National Register Nomination, while Staff has begun the RFP process for the Historic Property Rehabilitation Master Plan.

**2) USS Washtenaw County**

No new information to report. Staff had expected an expanded exhibit proposal from Multiform Studios, however, the project lead from this firm has experienced a death in the family. Staff is working with Multiform Studios on this delay, and hopes to have an expanded proposal in time for the August 13 HDC meeting.

**3) Native American Trails Marker**

The Native American Trails Marker Dedication took place on Sunday, July 12, at 3:00pm at Parker Mill. Attendance was sparse, but those present were in good spirits. We were joined by HDC Commissioners Jasper Pennington (who provided the opening remarks), Peter Kelley, Paul Darling, and Chuck Gray. Also in attendance were Fred Veigel of the Parks Commission, County Commissioner Conan Smith, Parks Staff Members Kira Macyda, Tom Freeman, and Faye Stoner, and Planning Staff Members Tony VanDerworp and Melissa Milton-Pung. The ceremony was also attended by two members of the Native American community: Karen Schaumann-Beltran (Passamaquoddy Tribe of Maine) and Deisha Myles (Ojibwa Tribe of Canada/Michigan). Both women expressed their gratitude and support for the honoring of Washtenaw County Native Americans.

**4) HDC Brochure**

Based on Commissioner feedback from July, HP Intern Denise McGeen provided a new draft Historic Districts Brochure/ **Please see the DRAFT brochure included in this month's board packet.**

**5) Potential New Local Historic District**

Nothing new to report. Per recent communication from Pittsfield Township, it appears that this process is moving forward toward the request to create a local historic district Study Committee for the Harwood Heritage Homeplace in Pittsfield Township.

Respectfully Submitted,



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