Tippecanoe County Historical Association Board of Governors Meeting

Mission: To Enrich the Lives of Tippecanoe County Residents and Visitors by collecting, preserving, researching, and sharing our unique and diverse history.

AGENDA 5:15 PM, June 25, 2024 HYBRID MEETING – IN PERSON and ZOOM

Members of the Board (total: 21 – quorum: 11)

Jeff Schwab – President	Del Bartlett	Quentin Robinson
Dave Sattler – Vice President	Pete Bill	Marsha Selmer
Nick Schenkel - Secretary	Jeff Burnworth	Bridget Slack
Lorita Bill – Treasurer	H. Kory Cooper	Jeremy Spann
Rosanne Altstatt	Walt Griffin	John F. Thieme
Cassandra Apuzzo	David Hovde	Whitney Walton
Colby Bartlett	Tara Raber	Todd White

Meetings are Hybrid unless otherwise noted. In person at the History Center and available on ZOOM.

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FUTURE DATES FOR MEETINGS and EVENTS

Executive Committee (agenda setting) – 5:15 the Thursday before a Board meeting (currently Zoom meetings)

Board of Governors – Fourth Tuesday of the Month at 5:15

- July 23, 2024
- August 27, 2024
- No September Meeting due to Feast setup
- October 22, 2024
- November 19, 2024 (Moved due to Thanksgiving Holiday)
- December 17, 2024- Budget Meeting (Moved due to Christmas Holiday)

AGENDA

- Call to Order
- Minutes from May 21, 2024 Board meeting Pages 4-6
- Officers' reports and business
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer Pages 7-8
- Executive Director Report Claire Eagle Page 9
 - Changes to Labor law
 - Dinner series is close to selling out
 - Annual appeal has been sent out
- Battlefield Museum Report Trey Gorden Page 10
 - o Attendance is normal
 - Feast ordering has started
- Membership Report Kelly Lippie Page 11
 - Newsletter is going out soon
 - Membership thank you ice cream social July 20th
- Collections Report Kelly Lippie *Page 12*
 - o IHS summer exhibt at Tippecanoe Battlefield: "Indiana Through the Mapmaker's Eye"
 - Evaleen Stein Historic Marker dedication and dinner, May 23rd
 - Attending Juneteenth at Columbian Park to host TCHA table of activities and resources.
 - One item for deaccession
- Library Report Amy Harbor
- Feast Report Brooke Sauter Page 13
 - Applications continue to arrive
 - Contracts and permits being worked on
 - Request for grant funding continue
- Notes from Committees Pages 14-16
- Any Other Business
- End of Regular Business
- Discussion Strategic Planning Lorita Bill
- END AGENDA

Minutes for May 21, 2024 TCHA Board of Governors Meeting In Person at the History Center and Zoom Meeting

Board President Jeffrey Schwab called the TCHA Board of Governors to order at 5:16pm at The TCHA History Center.

Governors attending in-person were Jeff Schwab, Dave Sattler, Lorita Bill, Rosanne Altstatt, Del Bartlett, Pete Bill, Jeff Burnworth, Walt Griffin, Marsha Selmer, Bridget Slack, and Jeremy Spann.

Governors Cassandra Apuzzo, Kory Cooper and David Hovde attended online.

Governor Colby Bartlett, Tara Raber, Quentin Robinson, John Thieme, Whiteny Walton and Todd White and staff member Trey Gordon were not present in person or online.

Executive Director Claire Eagle, Curator Kelly Lippie and Feast Coordinator Brooke Sauter were present in person.

TCHA staff member Amy Harbor attended online.

The Minutes of the April 23, 2024, Board Meeting were presented and approved, with no corrections, by voice vote after a motion and second from Dave Sattler and Marsha Semler.

President Jeff Schwab announced a special board meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 6 at 5:15 pm at the History Center. Tamara Hammerstein from the Indiana Historical Society will present on Strategic Planning for Historical Organizations.

Representatives from First Merchants presented their annual Trust Report to the Board (see attached document). There was no board action requested or required.

The Vice President had no report.

The Secretary had no report in addition to the Minutes.

Lorita Bill, Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's Report for April 2024 (see attached). She drew attention to the money market investment rates and noted that TCHA's current cash obligations have increased from March to April.

TCHA's gross profit is running ahead of budget expectations as is TCHA's net operating balance as of the end of April.

Governor Bill then reported on the Budget and Finance Committee Report for May 2024 (see attached). A motion to approve the proposed investment of "excess cash" of \$50,000 into the TCHA Endowment and \$20,000 into the Emergency Maintenance Fund was made by Pete Bill and seconded by Marsha

Selmer. The investment proposal was approved by voice vote. The remaining \$30,000 of excess cash be held for possible expenditures later in the year.

Claire Eagle presented the Executive Director's Report (see attached), noting LiftBridge CXO Fractional CFO Services (Indianapolis) has been engaged for TCHA bookkeeping purposes.

She thanked Brooke Sauter, Kelly Lippie, Marsha Selmer and Bridget Slack for their help with the inaugural "Taste of the Past" dinner series with Chef Lauren Reed. The first dinner of the series brought a profit of about \$850 for TCHA (this first dinner was not fully sold out).

She pointed to the many programs planned for the next few months including a "members only" Ice Cream Social planned for Saturday July 20 from 2 to 4 pm.

Trey Gorden was not present, so President Schwab presented the Battlefield Museum Report (see attached). The Battlefield's visitor numbers have continued to increase over the past year, once again in May because of an increase in school field trips.

Kelly Lippie spoke to us about the Membership Report (see attached). The total number of memberships continues to increase year over year.

Ms. Lippie presented the Collections Report (see attached). Because of time constraints at tonight's meeting, she summed up the report as "carrying on".

The Librarian's Report was presented by Amy Harbor (see attached). No oral report was given because of time constraints at tonight's meeting.

Feast Coordinator Brooke Sauter presented the Feast Report (see attached). This year's Feast is scheduled for October 5 and 6.

She noted a large increase in interest in camping and thanked all board members for our help integrating her into the Feast leadership role.

Other Committee Reports were presented (see attached).

Brooke Sauter reported for the <u>Development and Membership Committee</u>. The Annual Appeal letter is scheduled to be mailed soon.

She noted as well that the Committee now meets at 5 pm each month. Board members are invited to attend – please let Brooke know if you are interested in attending.

Jeff Burnham spoke for the Facilities Committee. (see attached report) Highlights:

• The SIA grant to fund repairs for the History Center's HVAC was not funded. Other funding options for these repairs are being pursued by the Committee.

- A new American Flag for the History Center was received from the American Legion Post 11 (Lafayette); thanks to Walt Griffin for arranging the donation.
- The boiler at the History Center has been shut off for the Spring and Summer.
- Other items are reported in the written report.

Trey Gorden was not present for the <u>Historic Markers Committee</u> Report; please see the attached report.

Jeff Schwab reported for the <u>Bicentennial Publications Committee</u>.

- The Committee continues to look for additional authors.
- Receipts of incoming articles have slowed dramatically.
- The committee held a spirited discussion about footnotes and references.

Claire opened the report for the <u>Ouiatenon Preserve Committee</u>. She was joined by Governor Cooper for a discussion of the ownership and disposition of artifacts from archeological excavations, led by Indiana University professional staff, near the Fort Ouiatenon site in the 1960's and 1970's. The artifacts are now stored at Indiana University's Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology.

A motion from Pete Bill seconded by Jeremy Spann was offered to have the TCHA Board, working with the Executive Committee and the OPC Committee, engage an attorney experienced in museum work for two purposes: 1. To provide a legal evaluation of the situation and 2. Make recommendations on how the Board can move forward. The motion passed by voice vote.

Claire Eagle reported the <u>Program Committee</u> (see attached) has a good slate of programs planned for the next few months.

The Publications Committee had no report.

There being no additional business, Roseanne Alstatt moved, and Marsha Selmer seconded adjournment. The motion was approved by a voice vote at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Nick Schenkel, TCHA Secretary

Treasurer's Report Lorita Bill June 2024

Tippecanoe County F	listorical Associat	ion		
Selected				
May	2024			
			Change from	
	5/31/2024	4/30/2024	Last Month	
Bank Accounts				
Petty Cash	572.17	572.17	-	
First Merchants Checking 1%	31,369.01	32,932.38	(1,563.37)	
First Merchants Operating MM 3.2%	328,769.36	327,891.73	877.63	(685.74)
Emergency Maintenance MM 3.2%	32,552.49	32,455.05	97.44	
Ouiatenon Preserve Account 3.2%	106,075.38	106,054.51	20.87	
Feast Rainy Day CD 5.25%	105,361.17	104,886.85	474.32	
Undeposited Funds	1,135.23	850.89	284.34	
Total Change in Cash	605,834.81	605,643.58	191.23	
Accounts Payable	(1,541.71)	(6,430.42)	4,888.71	
Credit Card	(3,906.47)	(1,110.52)	(2,795.95)	
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Cash less current obligations	600,386.63	598,102.64	2,283.99	
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	5/31/2024	5/31/2023	Last Year	
Bank Accounts				
Petty Cash	572.17	546.37	25.80	
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Feast Rainy Day CD 5.25%	105,361.17	100,050.48	5,310.69	
Undeposited Funds	1,135.23	421.24	713.99	
Total Change in Cash	605,834.81	425,494.73	180,340.08	
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nvestment Accounts	3/31/2024	12/31/2023	Change 2024	
TCHA Trust	1,455,014.93	1,380,418.37	74,596.56	
Wetherill Trust	378,275.65	359,552.16	18,723.49	
Lafayette Community Foundation (12/31)	32,981.29	32,981.29	-	
Total Investments	1,866,271.87	1,772,951.82	93,320.05	

Tippecanoe County His	storical A	ssociati	on	
Budget vs. Ac			···	
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	Thru May 31, 2024			
	Actual	Budget	Variance	
Income				
Grant Operating	500.00	-	500.00	
Contributions	50,725.15	48,000.00	2,725.15	
Museum Store Sales	13,828.34	12,000.00	1,828.34	
Library Revenue	1,164.70	1,050.00	114.70	
Membership Dues	9,250.00	8,040.00	1,210.00	
Programs & Education	20,141.70	10,000.00	10,141.70	VLWL Sponsorship
Feast Of The Hunters Moon	24,191.00	10,425.00	13,766.00	VLWL Sponsorship
Total Income	119,800.89	89,515.00	30,285.89	
Cost of Goods Sold	6,299.95	5,400.00	899.95	
Gross Profit	113,500.94	84,115.00	29,385.94	
Expenses				
Salaries, Wages & Benefits	100,586.43	100,409.48	176.95	
Administrative Expenses	3,783.13	4,362.25	(579.12)	
Contract Services (Accounting & Computer)	9,739.71	10,950.00	(1,210.29)	
Equipment & Supplies	1,600.78	1,800.00	(199.22)	
Collections, Exhibits & Library	3,215.11	2,940.00	275.11	
Museum Store Expenses	263.25	900.00	(636.75)	
Insurance and Taxes	8,285.40	8,750.00	(464.60)	
Repairs & Maintenance	15,836.95	14,200.00	1,636.95	
Contractual Services (Security & Copier)	1,551.27	1,675.00	(123.73)	
Utilities	17,253.07	22,700.00	(5,446.93)	
Membership Expenses	950.00	800.00	150.00	
Fundraising Expense	330.00	000.00	130.00	
Feast Expenses	16,506.57	15,975.00	531.57	
Programs & Education Expense	2,445.19	2,875.00	(429.81)	
Total Expenses	182,016.86	188,336.73	(6,319.87)	
	(68,515.92)	(104,221.73)		
Net Operating Income Other Income (Expense)	(00,313.92)	(104,221.73)	33,703.81	Last month was \$9,190
Grants - Nonoperating				
	4,250.00	2 000 00	1 250 00	
Rents		3,000.00	1,250.00	
	11,025.22	6,400.00	4,625.22	
Investment Income (distribution only) Depreciation	22,819.92 (29,775.00)	21,700.00 (29,775.00)	1,119.92	
Total Other Income (Expense)	8,320.14	1,325.00	6,995.14	
Net Income (Before Investment Gains)	(60,195.78)		42,700.95	
,		(102,896.73)	•	
Other investment income	93,480.32	(400,000,00	93,480.32	
Net Income	33,284.54	(102,896.73)	136,181.27	

Executive Director Report Claire Eagle June 2024

Administration

- As I reported at the May Board meeting, the Department of Labor has made a rule change to the Fair Labor and Standards Act regarding overtime and minimum salaries. Beginning July 1 any salaried employee making less than \$844 a week or \$43,888 a year will be required to be paid for any hours worked over the 40-hour designated work week. On January 1, 2025, that amount goes up to \$1,128 a week and \$58,656 a year. While there have been challenges to the law, there has been no ruling to stop it so it is safe to assume that it will go into effect July 1. At this time, Trey has been reclassified to salary non-exempt and new policies regarding his work schedule, time keeping and comp time have been communicated.
- I will be on vacation July 1-5.

Programs

- Last Friday's Taste of the Past with Chef Lauren Reed was sold out! Our last two dinners in July and August are also close to selling out.
- July-September quarterly program brochure has been sent to National Group and will hopefully be in mailboxes by the Board meeting.
- The program committee has pretty much finalized October-December programs and are looking forward to the Bicentennial. With suggestions from the City's bicentennial committee, we are working on how best to plan our programs. For more details, please read the full program committee notes.

Facilities

- Unfortunately, the second floor HVAC at the Arganbright went down on Thursday. Blue Fox was
 able to come first thing Friday and get it fixed. Supposedly, a "high rate of failure" part went
 down.
- The garden bed on the right front of the Arganbright was painstakingly cleared by Ted and Mary Springer and Carolyn O'Connell and Bill Young removed the final remnants of the stump. Please share your thanks if you see them around! Now that the space is cleared, we are working with the Facilities Committee to move some of the lawn pieces from the back of the Arganbright to make them more accessible to the public.
- Kelly found some graffiti on the HC. We are working with the Facilities Committee to get it removed soon.

Grants and Donations

- We have received \$5,000 from Tippecanoe County for operations support. This is an annual ask and only required a quick thank you and program update from me at the last County Commissioners meeting.
- I have a meeting with Mayor Erin Easter this week to discuss support from West Lafayette and I am also working to schedule a meeting with Mayor Tony Roswarski to discuss Lafayette's support. As a reminder, they have already pledged \$16,000 in support of the Bicentennial Book and Bicentennial pop-up exhibits.
- The Annual Appeal went out the second week of June. We have already received enough
 donations to cover our cost. We have also received donations from quite a few first-time
 donors. (or first time in a while).

Battlefield Museum Report Trey Gorden June 2024

- Visitor numbers are normal for this May/June.
- New Feast Assistant!
- Road closure update.

Well, the field trips are over for the year. This month we had **963 visitors**, **down 184** from last month's exceptionally high **1147**. But we're pretty much on par with last year's **927**, though we just managed to outstrip it by **36** souls.

I'm into Feast ordering, now, trying to fit it in around other things going on—pretty much like normal. What's not normal is that Rick Conwell can finally enjoy Feast in peace. Stephanie Elliott has signed on as Feast Assistant! She and her husband have been involved with Feast for several years, so she already knows her way around a bit. When you see her at Feast (or before) give her a big welcome. I'm really excited to have her onboard.

The Feast mugs are coming along. The graphic Brooke designed to put on them looks great, and I can't wait to show you pictures when the first prototype is ready!

The road had been open for quite a while, but just when I thought they must be done they've started closing it again. Fortunately, the closures have been not only rare but comparatively brief. I dare to hope it'll be over soon.

Membership Report Kelly Lippie June 2024

- Annual Appeal Letter sent out
- 2nd quarter newsletter to email out soon.

Member Appreciation Ice Cream Social in the works:

- Saturday July 20th
- 2-4 pm
- History Center
- Tippecanotes Barbershop Chorus will perform at 2:30 for 40 minutes
- Games will also be available

Membership Level	Renewal Period	Total as of	Total as of	Total as of
		April 18	May 10	June 20
Individual (\$35)	Annual	51	49	52
Senior Individual	Annual	87	82	83
(\$30)				
Senior Couple (\$40)	Annual	104	103	104
Family (\$50)	Annual	64	60	62
School/Club (\$100)	Ends July 1st	1	1	1
Patron (\$100)	Annual	73	74	73
Sustaining (\$250)	Annual	18	17	18
Benefactor (\$500)	Annual	4	4	5
Treasure (\$1,000)	Annual	3	3	3
Lifetime	Lifetime	28	28	28
Total Memberships		433	421	429

Total membership at this time in 2023: 404 members.

TCHA Collection Department Report Kelly Lippie June 2024

- Ongoing volunteer projects in collections include: Indexing Journal and Courier negatives, scanning letterhead archive, cataloging artifacts, processing an archival collection.
- Attending monthly NAGPRA webinar put on by the National Park Service.
- Compiling photographs and artifact images for the Bicentennial Book.
- IHS exhibit to be loaned this summer to the Tippecanoe Battlefield museum: "Indiana Through the Mapmaker's Eye" July 2- August 1.
- Working with GL Graphix to produce the first in a series of "pop up" exhibits for the Lafayette Bicentennial that (so far) are sponsored by the city of Lafayette. The first is still under review for approval by the city.
- Peoria and Miami tribes invited to consult regarding human remains in the Ouiatenon collection. Miami meeting has been held via zoom, working on scheduling with the Peoria.
- Salvation Army summer camp group came June 12 to test program that allows them to study & photograph an artifact, then make a 3D printed copy back at WonderLand Academy headquarters.
- Attended Evaleen Stein Historic Marker dedication and dinner, May 23rd. Had Stein books on exhibit at the dinner.
- Attended Racial Reconciliation proclamation program at Caretakers Cottage in West Lafayette on June 18th.
- Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminar visited on their Pottawatomi trail of death caravan, to visit George Winter artwork. They do this program every 2 years.
- Attending Juneteenth at Columbian Park to host TCHA table of activities and resources.
- Working on Slide show to play at the Taste of the Past dinner on June 21st featuring food & restaurants in the collection.
- Went to Needham, IN to pick up a donation of a Polar Creamery unit for the collection.
- Will be covering the library on Thursday and Fridays while Amy is out of town for the next month.
- Also processing Feast School Day registrations.

Collections Committee met June 5th.

Board Action Needed for Deaccession:

Accession #	Donor	Description	Reason/ Disposal
75.071.01	Fern Snell, 1975	Man's Prince-Albert	Condition & Out of
		style suit (jacket, vest	Scope, recommend
		and pants) "This is a	donation to Civic
		discard from the	Theater or sale.
		Thrift Resale Shop	
		and could be	
		borrowed"	

Feast Report Brooke Sauter June 2024

Things are picking up in the Feast realm! The first prominent deadline (for sutlers and food booths) happened on June 15th. We did see an influx of paperwork arrive around this time, as people hurried to get their materials in. We are still waiting on paperwork to arrive from many "old reliables". The next deadline falls on August 1, for camping, and August 15, for the remaining participants. Paperwork was also sent to program performers, by email and paper mail. Some are returning their information promptly, but I will be following up with others in the coming weeks to find out whether they are participating or not.

Other paperwork includes the DNR River permit, which was filed with the state and posted with a legal ad in the Journal & Courier. I am also working on the Entertainment Permit with the DHS, though have run into some snags with their website.

A small but mighty group of volunteers assembled on June 8th to cut the remaining poles for the booths. Thank you to these volunteers, and to Tippecanoe County Parks for allowing us to cut poles on their land.

We are also working with Purdue Crew on partnering for set up and tear down again for 2024. Fall break once again falls on the Monday/Tuesday following the Feast this year. They currently have the contract in their possession. I have also been working diligently with contractors and partners on finalizing contracts regarding supplies, rentals, and so on.

Apparel is being finalized with United State of Indiana. The Crew shirts are currently on sale bit.ly/2024CrewShirt through mid-July, and will be shipped around August 1. We are planning a tie-dye party with the Crew on August 17th at Fort Ouiatenon. Board members are invited to purchase a shirt and join us for the party - your support is meaningful to our volunteers. We are also working on other promotional items with Muddog pottery, Sarah Antonio leathercraft, and others.

Lastly, I have been working diligently on additional funding. We have applied for a grant from Indiana Humanities to support the Miami, as well as continuing to work on a letter to Duke Energy, and the Lafayette Life Foundation for additional support.

Other Committee Reports June 2024

Development & Membership Committee

The committee reviewed the 2024 Development Plan, since we are half way through the year. We reviewed goals, benchmarks, and created a list of additional work to be done to meet these achievements before the end of the year.

The 2024 Annual Appeal went out mid-June! See Claire's report for totals raised. Once the appeal has been in the hands of the membership for a bit, we plan to send follow up correspondence in the form of emails and social media posts.

See Kelly's report for updated membership stats.

Be sure to add July 20 to your calendar, as we are hosting a members'-only ice cream social from 2-4 PM at the History Center! Thank you to Teays River Brewing & Public House for sponsoring the ice cream. We are also excited to bring out the historic games, and welcome the TippecaNotes barbershop chorus to the HC for a special performance for our members. You won't want to miss this — it will be a great opportunity to touch base with our membership.

A duplicate from the Feast report, We have applied for a grant from Indiana Humanities to support the Miami, as well as continuing to work on a letter to Duke Energy, and the Lafayette Life Foundation for additional support.

Facilities Committee

Historic Markers Committee

Phyllis Dotson is preparing to speak to the DAR about a monument of theirs that we have in storage. It's a marker for a maple tree in honor or George Washington, and she is going to find out whether it's become irrelevant, and what they'd like to do with it.

I am working on collating several marker databases to create one definitive database that we can use to begin our survey of the county. When it's ready, we're going to be hitting up the board to help us with the survey.

Sally Carter is preparing a proposal to the state for an Edna Browning Ruby monument.

Lafayette Bicentennial Publications Committee

- Incoming articles have slowed to a trickle. If you would like to write an article or know of someone who can, we have several topics that we would like to have yet
- Reviews are going okay. We are catching up on submitted articles

Ouiatenon Preserve Committee

Based on notes from June 18th 2024

1) There was a brief discussion of the IU Museum situation. No real updates but since this meeting I was given a recommendation. Anne Cowgur at Paganelli Law Group in Indianapolis. I forwarded recommendation to Claire and Jeff.

Additional thoughts on this topic during the OP meeting were that it might be useful to consult with: The Archaeological Conservancy, Director of Old Fort Niagara, or Eiteljorg Museum. Del Bartlett said he would talk to acquaintances with Stuart and Brannigan to see if he could gain any insight into how IU legal works.

- 2) As noted at the previous OP committee meeting there are three port-a-potties on Lee Brand's property, which might be left over from the 2023 Feast(?). Del was going to inquire about them with Lee to see if this was something that needed to be addressed.
- 3) We discussed replacing the handicap parking signs at the Ouiatenon Preserve overlook. There are currently the standard (regulation?) signs on metal rods. We discussed replacing tall metal posts with shorter more aesthetically pleasing wooden posts. The goal being to of course remain in compliance with ADA but in a more aesthetically pleasing and less view restricting way. This was discussed several years ago but was postponed due to the high cost of treated posts during COVID. While this is an OPI matter they would like to use the TCHA restricted (for OPI use) account to g the cost of materials for making this change. Colby will get estimates for materials and installation.
- 4) We discussed general lack of communication with OPI and expressed interest in having committee hear more from OPI or whoever attends their board meetings about future (near and far) plans and ideas.

Program Committee

Members present: Cassie Apuzzo, Claire Eagle, Amy Harbor, Brooke Sauter, Whitney Walton and Jan Young

Other members: Leslie Martin Conwell, Walt Griffin, David Hovde, Quentin Robinson and Bridget Slack

- 1. Review of Previous Programs
 - . Friday, May 17 at 6:00 p.m. Taste of the Past: Feast: 26 tickets sold
 - a. Saturday, April 18 at 1:00 p.m. Spring Vale Cemetery Tour: Part 2: 68 attendees
 - b. Friday, May 24 at 4:00 p.m. Walking Tour of State Street in West Lafayette: ~40 attendees
 - c. Saturday, June 8 at 2:00 p.m. Walking tour of the Battlefield: ~50 attendees
- 2. Plan for Upcoming Programs
 - . Friday, June 21 at 6:00 p.m. Taste of the Past: From the Archives
 - i. We've sold 32 tickets so far. Decorations will be kept simple, and Kelly has made a PowerPoint set to music to play during the dinner. We'll also have some cookbooks from our archives on display to fulfill our mission component. Cut off for ticket sales is June 20 at noon.
 - a. Saturday, June 22 at 10:00 a.m. Fête de St Jean Baptiste
 - i. Claire is handing a facility rental at the HC so Brooke, Jeff B. and Jeff S. will be handling things at the Fort. Claire will call the Sherrif's department on Monday to give the usual warning and touch base with Tom for last minute details. There should be PLENTY of firewood and we'll also bring out some Feast water.
 - b. Wednesday, July 10 at 6:00 p.m. Diamond Crusade: Black Baseball in Lafayette (Matt Meyer)
 - i. Claire has confirmed with Matt and we are good to go.
- 3. A Taste of the Past with Lauren Reed (40 tickets per program at \$60 each)
 - . Table decorating idea for July 27th dinner.
 - i. No big ideas have been formed yet, worst case scenario, the tables will just be simple and vases of wildflowers.

- a. Still need program/mission aspect for August 9th dinner (A Meal from Eras Past)
 - i. Discussions began about using this as preview for our bicentennial book and/or having a speaker discuss historical research and writing.
- 4. Will Raddell has asked to reschedule his program on Lawrence P. Lindelof due to a conflict. We are looking to do it in spring of 2025 now.
- 5. Claire gave an update on the partnership with <u>Wonderland</u> (shout out to Bridget for bringing us together). We are planning a joint programming series for next year that will include students replicating some of our artifact through 3D printing. The full program and schedule will be shared later.
- 6. October-December program planning has begun! As usual we will keep the schedule light due to the time of year. Below is the current tentative schedule.
 - . Saturday, October 5 and Sunday, October 6 Feast of the Hunters' Moon
 - a. Late October or mid-November Scrapbooking program with Kelly
 - b. Saturday, November 9 Battle of Tippecanoe Commemoration and Veterans Ceremony
 - c. Friday, December 13 Christmas Carol program with Audrey Johnson
 - d. December TBD Living History program at the Fort with Tom's group
- 7. Bicentennial Programs
 - . Discussions picked back up on how we want to plan programs for the Bicentennial. The most popular idea seems to be picking a program series and going with that while sprinkling some others here and there among programs we already do. Below is what the committee has come up with so far.
 - i. Bicentennial Walking Tour Series (the city is very interested in making these a big part of the overall programming)
 - 1. Downtown Churches
 - 2. Revamp of Hidden City Tours
 - 3. Neighborhoods (Centennial, Perrin, Highland Park, etc.)
 - 4. Courthouse Square
 - 5. Columbian Park
 - 6. Other architecture
 - ii. Selfie Bingo/Historic Markers Scavenger Hunt
 - iii. Show & Tell speed rounds with Bicentennial Book authors
 - iv. Continued cemetery tours

Publications Committee

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Pete Bill	December 2025 (January 2026)
Jeff Burnworth	December 2026 (January 2027)
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Jeff Schwab	December 2024 (January 2025)
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Vice President	Dave Sattler	February 2022	3	January 2027
Secretary	Nick Schenkel	February 2023	2	January 2028
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Committee

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