

Electronic News Update from the  
Michigan Council for History Education  
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Dear Colleagues:

Late again! With so many events available to attend, and work on other key projects, once again MCHE E-Notes is later than I wanted it to be. My apology. Annette and I just visited the Agawa Canyon for a four hour train ride north from Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, into the wilds of the North country, followed by a wonderful visit to Thunder Bay resort in Hillman, MI. Along with a night's lodging, they offer an Elk Viewing, Carriage/ Sleigh and Gourmet Dinner Ride. Their website describes the experience: "While a matched pair of Belgian Draft horses pull your carriage over the forest paths you can sit back and listen for the bugle call of a male elk. In the summer you may see bull elk in "velvet" and newborn calves, and in the fall and winter see them in their full glory. From there it's just a short ride to the Elk Antler Log Cabin where the aromas of wood smoke laced with tantalizing food smells and the ambiance of antiques and trophy mounts fill your senses with the promise of great things to come." It was a great experience. For details, visit [www.thunderbaygolf.com/](http://www.thunderbaygolf.com/)

Hope to see you at the Detroit Historical Museum for "After Tippecanoe" on Tues., Nov. 8th!

Dr. Jim McConnell, Editor, MCHE E-Notes

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Attachments:

1. "After Tippecanoe" Symposium, Register by Thurs., Oct. 20th
2. MCHE War of 1812 essay Contest Guidelines/Entry Form, Grades 3-12
3. MCHE Joint Conference Registration

NOTE: The pdf attachment contains the same content as the message below. It is sent for those of you whose machines mess up the text of the E Notes. I hope this is helpful.

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Check out the recent postings at [www.michiganhistoryed.org](http://www.michiganhistoryed.org). Be sure to follow developments in History Education in Michigan on MCHE's website: [http://www.michiganhistoryed.org!](http://www.michiganhistoryed.org)

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1. Register Now for Joint Conference; Flanagan, Skubick to offer Keynotes on Fri., Sat.  
 In cooperation with four other social science groups, the Michigan Council for History Education(MCHE) is pleased to offer its 18th Annual Conference, "Working Together" Joint Conference on the Social Studies at the Causeway Bay Hotel, Lansing. SAVE by registering before Oct. 21st. Get the MCHE member discount. JOIN MCHE by visiting [www.michiganhistoryed.org](http://www.michiganhistoryed.org) for registration and Program Info.

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2. Register BEFORE Oct. 20th for "After Tippecanoe" Symposium  
 This event is the best opportunity for educators to obtain a clear understanding of the War of 1812 and its impact on Michigan. The program offers nine scholars describing the story of the Old Northwest in the War of 1812" Registration flyer and program details at [www.michigan.gov/war1812](http://www.michigan.gov/war1812)

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3. MCHE, Michigan War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission offers Essay Contest for Students  
 Working with the Michigan War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission, MCHE will be offering an essay contest for students in 3rd through 12th grade during the 2011-2012 school year. Student entries will be judged in three grade level groups: elementary, middle, and senior high. The theme is "Why is the War of 1812 important for Michigan?" Details are posted at [www.michiganhistoryed.org](http://www.michiganhistoryed.org) or [www.michigan.gov/war1812](http://www.michigan.gov/war1812). We urge you to encourage your students to enter this unique contest.

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4. Register for the 2012 NCHE CONFERENCE, Kansas City, MO, March 22-24, 2012  
 With the theme "Reading the Past: Literature and Literacy in History", the 2012 Conference will feature: 60+ Breakout Sessions, Poster Sessions, Enrichment Sessions, General Session speakers, an Opening Night Reception, Field Trips, and the NCHE Exhibit Hall. Early Bird Rates end October 31st! To register, please go to: [www.nche.net/conference/for\\_attendees/registration.html](http://www.nche.net/conference/for_attendees/registration.html)

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5. Host Sites Announced for Great Michigan Read Traveling Exhibit: "We Don't Want Them"  
 The Michigan Humanities Council, in conjunction with Michigan Roundtable for Diversity & Inclusion, has selected nine host sites for the Great Michigan Read traveling exhibit: "We Don't Want Them." "One of the driving forces behind the Great Michigan Read is to bring people together to explore Michigan's rich cultural history and encourage conversations that strengthen the fiber of our communities," said Katie Wolf, executive director of the Michigan Humanities Council. The hope of the Council is that the Great Michigan Read, accompanied with Michigan Roundtable's exhibit, can help people better understand the pain, injustice and danger that can undermine our communities when we fail

to make an effort to “know each other.” “We Don’t Want Them” places the events documented in “Arc of Justice” in a broader context of policies and practices that limited where some could live, thus impacting their past and present quality of life. The exhibit will first visit Flint on Oct. 4. From there, it will travel monthly across Michigan to the several sites until the exhibit’s end in June 2012. For full schedule and info on the GMR and the Council, visit [www.michiganhumanities.org](http://www.michiganhumanities.org) call (517) 372-7770.

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6. Michigan Historical Museum Hosts 'History Beneath Your Feet' Archaeology Series in Oct. & Nov. Visitors to the Michigan Historical Museum can learn about archaeological treasures in the "History Beneath Your Feet" series, featuring Saturday talks of archaeology-themed programs at the museum sponsored by the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA). Program begins at 1 p.m. in the Forum on the museum's first floor on Oct. 8, 15, 22 and Nov. 5. Presentations include a look at artifacts found beneath Lake Huron; near the Beaumont Tower at Michigan State University; and in downtown Flint. Family friendly activities round out the series, with tool-making demonstrations, rubbings of rock carvings, a junior archaeologist workshop and more. Visit [www.michigan.gov/museum](http://www.michigan.gov/museum) and click on "View All Events" for more detailed information on the series. While at the museum, be sure to stop at the first-floor exhibits gallery where the commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the Civil War continues with the “Plowshares Into Swords” special exhibit. Michigan Historical Museum admission is \$6 for adults 18-64. Children through age 5 are free; youth ages 6-17 pay an optional \$2; and seniors 65 and up pay \$4. For more information, visit [www.michigan.gov/museum](http://www.michigan.gov/museum) or call 517-373-3359.

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#### 7. Library of Congress Email Update for Teachers Update

The latest Teaching with Primary Sources Quarterly is out! This issue focuses on the variety of primary source formats available on [loc.gov](http://loc.gov) that teachers can bring into their classrooms. You can find the latest issue at <http://www.loc.gov/teachers/tps/quarterly/index.html> Be sure to check out the archives to read past issues that may be of interest. <http://www.loc.gov/teachers/tps/quarterly/archive.html>

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#### 8. “Great Michigan Read” Author Kevin Boyle Speaking Tour Dates Set Across Michigan

From Sault Ste. Marie, to Dearborn and Muskegon, organizations across the state have signed on for the 2011-12 “Great Michigan Read.” With the list nearing 150, word of this free, statewide reading initiative from the Michigan Humanities Council continues to grow. This year’s “Great Michigan Read” book is “Arc of Justice: A Saga of Race, Civil Rights, and Murder in the Jazz Age,” written by Detroit native Kevin Boyle. “Arc of Justice” tells the story of African American Dr. Ossian Sweet and the chain of events that occurred after he purchased a home for his family in an all-white Detroit neighborhood in 1925. Meijer has signed on as a retail partner and will be selling copies of the book in their stores statewide. Kevin Boyle, known for being a fascinating speaker, will tour Michigan Oct. 22-27. At each of the six site visits, Boyle will engage guests in a lively discussion on “Arc of Justice” and sign copies of his book. For info on attending, please visit the corresponding site links.

Oct. 22 from 2-4 p.m., Alpena County Library (Alpena) [www.alpenalibrary.org](http://www.alpenalibrary.org)

Oct. 23 from 2-4 p.m., Peter White Public Library (Marquette) [www.uproc.lib.mi.us/pwpl/](http://www.uproc.lib.mi.us/pwpl/)

Oct. 24 from 7-9 p.m., Grand Rapids Public Library (Grand Rapids) [www.grpl.org](http://www.grpl.org)

Oct. 25 from 6-8 p.m., Capital Area District Library and Thomas M. Cooley Law School (Lansing), [www.cadl.org](http://www.cadl.org)

Oct. 26 from 6:30-8 p.m., Flint Public Library (Flint) [www.flint.lib.mi.us/](http://www.flint.lib.mi.us/)

Oct. 27 from 7-9 p.m., Museum of African American History (Detroit) [www.charleswrightmuseum.net](http://www.charleswrightmuseum.net)

“The Great Michigan Read” is a free statewide humanities initiative inviting Michiganians to read and participate in book discussions and events in their hometowns. For more info on the Great Michigan Read, visit [www.michiganhumanities.org](http://www.michiganhumanities.org), or contact Greg Parker, [gparker@mihumanities.org](mailto:gparker@mihumanities.org) or (517) 372-7770

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#### 9. Millennial Momentum by Morley Winograd and Michael D. Hais is now available

This new book, by the authors of the 2008 best-seller “Millennial Makeover: MySpace, YouTube, and the

Future of American Politics”, describes how the Millennial Generation is changing, the way the United States lives and learns, votes and governs, works and plays. About every eight decades, coincident with the most stressful and perilous events in U.S. history — the Revolutionary and Civil Wars and the Great Depression and World War II — a new, positive, accomplished, and group-oriented "civic generation" emerges to change the course of history and remake America. The Millennial Generation (born 1982-2003) is America's newest civic generation. Millennial Momentum is published by Rutgers University Press. For more info, visit <http://millennialmomentum.com/>

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10. Watch “War of 1812” on PBS, Mon., Oct. 10, 9 p.m.

Nearly two centuries after it was fought, the two-and-a-half year conflict that forged the destiny of a continent comes to public television in a comprehensive film history. Educational Resources, including Educator’s Guides with lesson plans, activities, and a host of resources designed for the United States and Canada, classroom posters, and several instructional events are available at <http://www.pbs.org/wned/war-of-1812/classroom/> . Website includes a battlefield map and guide, web-only video features, scholar essays, and links to key 1812 sites on both sides of the border. For more info, including details on how to purchase the DVD and companion book, visit [www.pbs.org/war-of-1812](http://www.pbs.org/war-of-1812).

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11. Humorous Video on War of 1812

“Here’s a link to a humorous fake movie trailer that plays up how little Americans know about the war:

<http://www.collegehumor.com/video/6583679/the-war-of-1812-the-movie>”

(from Tobi Voigt, Director of Education, Detroit Historical Society)

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12. Historical Society of Michigan Launches New Website

The Historical Society of Michigan (HSM) has launched its new website at [www.hsmichigan.org](http://www.hsmichigan.org). This is the first full redesign that the site has undergone since 2001. “The longevity of our old site—and our ability to keep it current—is a tribute to the outstanding work of our original designers,” said Executive Director Larry Wagenaar. “But no matter how good a site is or how much it has evolved, 10 years is a long time. Much has changed in the past decade on the web, and it’s time for us to change with it.” Hosted by H-Net, the current site was designed by MATRIX: The Center for Humane, Arts, Letters and Social Sciences Online at Michigan State University .

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13. Tickets still available for the Detroit Historical Society's October “Behind the Scenes” Saturday tours  
Join the Detroit Historical Society as the “Behind the Scenes” Saturday tour series, sponsored by the DTE Energy Foundation, continues with the following guided tours of some of metro Detroit’s best historic sites:

Felician Sisters Provincial House – Oct. 8, 10 a.m. This amazingly self-sufficient complex in Livonia has been home to the Felician Sisters Provincial House since 1936.

Detroit Yacht Club – Oct. 15, 10:30 a.m. Visitors will be amazed as they tour the beautifully maintained 1920s Mediterranean-style villa that is the largest yacht club in the United States and the 12th oldest.

John King Used & Rare Books – Oct. 22, 10 a.m. Visitors will get a behind-the-scenes view of the John K. King Used and Rare Books’ main location on West Lafayette, including access to the Rare Books Room, a basement full of books awaiting cataloging and more.

WDET Studios -- Oct. 28, 10:30 a.m. Visitors will have the opportunity to tour the broadcast studios of WDET 101.9 FM, metro Detroit’s public radio station for over 60 years.

The cost for each event is \$20 for Society members and \$30 for guests, except for the Detroit Yacht Club tour which is \$35 for members and \$45 for guests and includes lunch. Reservations are limited and advance registration is highly recommended. Payment must accompany your reservation. Telephone reservations can be accepted with a VISA, MasterCard or Discover Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. No tickets will be sold on the day of the tour. For more info or to reserve your spot, call (313) 833-1801 or go to [www.detroithistorical.org](http://www.detroithistorical.org).

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14. Star Spangled Banner prepares for Bicentennial

To learn about the upcoming 200th anniversary of the writing of the National Anthem in 2014, why not visit the key historic site where the words were written? For info, visit <http://www.nps.gov/fomc/index.htm>

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15, Read Review of Daniel Rasmussen's "American Uprising: The Untold Story of America's Largest Slave Revolt." A recent CSpan BookNotes program featured Rasmussen discussing his new book. I thought you might find this information of interest. For info, visit <http://hnn.us/roundup/entries/141223.html>

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16. Little Pink House' to be a Lifetime Channel Movie

"Little Pink House," the 2009 book about New London's Fort Trumbull (CT) neighborhood, the U.S. Supreme Court and eminent domain, will be made into a movie, with Brooke Shields playing the role of embattled house owner Susette Kelo. The book's author, Jeff Benedict, confirmed that the movie will be made by the Lifetime channel. The first time he met her, Benedict relates, Kelo "took me on a walking tour of what used to be her neighborhood. It was almost dark by that time. But that's when I saw past the book to the movie. Witnessing piles of splintered lumber and crumbled brick did it to me. That rubble used to be walls and floors and ceilings."

(from Mike Thorne, historical researcher)

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17. New Michigan LearnPort launches Oct. 3

Here are some of the new features that you'll now be seeing:

- A new, fresh look including a Welcome Page that provides quick and easy access to five main features, including a homepage that allows direct access to your content, a landing page that you define and a choice of seven languages.
- Content from providers like ed2go will be accessed easier than ever to ensure the best user experience possible. The need to login multiple times to take a course will be a thing of the past.
- Help system provides more relevant information and assistance specific to where you are in the system.
- New universal search tool available on every page. The simple and advanced search tools will help locate anything within the system with ease.
- For questions about course completions, please contact [learnportinstructor@mivu.org](mailto:learnportinstructor@mivu.org).

Stay tuned for more information on the brand new Michigan LearnPort.

Visit our website at [www.learnport.org](http://www.learnport.org)! The Michigan LearnPort web-based professional development delivery system was created in partnership with MVU ® and the Michigan Department of Education.

(from Michigan LearnPort [Michigan\\_LearnPort@mail.vresp.com](mailto:Michigan_LearnPort@mail.vresp.com))

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18, DNIE Weekly News - Yak's Corner "I'm Thankful for ..." Student Contest

What Are K-6 Students Thankful For? It may seem far off, but the Yak is already thinking about Thanksgiving! For our November 17 issue, the Yak wants to share thoughts of thanks and special artwork from students in grades K-6. Writing and artwork must arrive by October 14 to be considered for inclusion in the Thanksgiving issue!

Here's what to do: a sentence or two - but not more than three - about what they're most thankful for this year. Answers need to be typed or printed neatly with student's name, age, hometown and school. Please include a teacher's school phone number in case we have questions. We'd like art to illustrate some of these thoughts, too. Art should be on a separate unlined sheet of 8-1/2 by 11 paper, drawn in bold colors. Again, be sure the student's name, age, hometown and a phone number is printed clearly on the back. A classroom can mail them together. Remember, we need those responses by October 14 so you may want to mail by October 10! Please mail to Yak's Corner Thanksgiving, 615 W. Lafayette Blvd,

Detroit, MI 48226. If you have a question, please contact us by phone at: 1-800-678-0789 or e-mail NIE Manager Sharon Martin at: [smartin@dnps.com](mailto:smartin@dnps.com)

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#### 19. Teacher Fellow Opportunity at The Henry Ford

Become an active partner in education with The Henry Ford to help inspire and shape the minds of tomorrow's innovators! Teacher Fellows work with our Education Team to create cutting-edge and innovative educational programs that can become national models that aid classroom instruction. The Henry Ford selects 12 to 16 K-12 social studies and science/technology teachers through a competitive application process. Application Deadline October 21st. Meeting times: On weekends and after-school. For Application Requirements, Teacher Fellow Benefits, and other details, contact Mary L. Wyatt, Associate Curator for Education, The Henry Ford, 313-982-6100, ext. 2261 or [MaryWy@TheHenryFord.org](mailto:MaryWy@TheHenryFord.org)

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#### 20. 2011 State History Awards Presented in Traverse City

The Historical Society of Michigan presented its 2011 State History Awards at the 137th Annual Meeting and State History Conference held September 23-25 in Traverse City. The awards were presented at the annual awards reception and banquet Friday evening. The State History Awards are the highest recognition presented by the state's official historical society. Seventeen awards were presented this year in a variety of categories. For a complete listing and full descriptions, please visit [www.hsmichigan.org](http://www.hsmichigan.org). A few honorees were: 2011 Lifetime Achievement Award to educator, author, and filmmaker Glenn Ruggles; Distinguished Volunteer Service award to Rod Wilson, president of the Rochester Hills Historical Society; and Educator award to Richard Cahow, who began his 40-year career with Kalamazoo Public Schools in 1970. Especially interesting are the outstanding books recognized by the HSM award program. Be certain to read the full listing at [www.hsmichigan.org](http://www.hsmichigan.org)

Nomination forms for the 2012 State History Awards can be found on the Society's website at [www.hsmichigan.org](http://www.hsmichigan.org). (from Larry J. Wagenaar, Executive Director, Historical Society of Michigan)

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#### 21. Sun., Oct. 9, 11 am - 5 pm, third Annual Books & Authors, Clawson

Leon & Lulu, a furniture, accessories and unique gifts store, is holding this event to celebrate the written word and Michigan authors. This free event will feature more than 30 authors throughout the day. Plus, Free Press Editorial Page Editor Stephen Henderson will read at 1pm, and you can greet Yak, the reading mascot for kids, from 2-4pm. Join the celebration and drop off a new book for children 12 and under. Leon & Lulu, 96 W. 14 Mile Rd, Clawson, offers this event to benefit the the Detroit Free Press Gift of Reading. For more info, call 248-288-3600 or visit [leonandlulu.com](http://leonandlulu.com)

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#### 22. Wed., Nov. 9 "Teaching With Defiance," program in Ann Arbor

The Jewish Partisan Educational Foundation (JPEF) in cooperation with Paramount Home Entertainment presents this free program at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor, 2935 Birch Hollow Drive. Ann Arbor, MI 48108. Participants receive information and resource materials, including a DVD on an upcoming film, 5 primary source interviews with Bielski partisans, and special made-for-classroom DVD with 16 excerpts from key scenes to use in the classroom. Free of charge; To register, email [karenfreedland@jccfed.org](mailto:karenfreedland@jccfed.org) or call Karen at 734-971-0990. For more info, contact Doug Moss, Outreach and Marketing Director, Jewish Partisan Educational Foundation, San Francisco, CA at 415.563.2244 or [doug@jewishpartisans.org](mailto:doug@jewishpartisans.org) or visit [www.jewishpartisans.org](http://www.jewishpartisans.org)

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#### 23. Interesting item from one of the Summer 2011 Library of Congress Institute Participants

GEM Theatrics brings live theatre to your venue! The GEM presents their latest production! "My Dearest Friend", by Mary G. Kron chronicles the true love story of the lives of John and Abigail Adams. A touching flash back of the high points of their life together through the American Revolution and beyond, this two-character play brings history alive in a new way. Come to a deeper understanding and appreciation of

American history as you join Gary E. Mitchell and Mary Beth Quillin for this stunning new play. Performances are Fri. Nov. 11, 8 p.m., Sat., Nov. 12, 3:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. and Sun, Nov. 13, 3:00 p.m. Ticket prices are \$15 adults and \$8/students and seniors. For more info, call Dog Story Theater, (616) 894-1252, visit [www.dogstorytheater.com](http://www.dogstorytheater.com) or email [tickets@dogstorytheater.com](mailto:tickets@dogstorytheater.com)

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#### 24. Emmet County Odawa Warriors' Journey Exhibit Engages Children

Children welcome. That's what Emmet County drove for in planning their new exhibit, The Odawa Warriors' Journey, made possible in part by a Michigan Humanities Council major grant. On display until next August, the exhibit features numerous family-friendly components while showcasing the story of a band of Odawa Indians who traveled from northern Michigan to Pennsylvania in 1754 to fight in what would be the opening battle of the French and Indian War.

More info at <http://www.michiganhumanities.org/newsletter/Sept2011/emmet.html>

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#### 25. Look! Great Stories from the Archives of Michigan, DNR

##### A. Colonel Mann's Invention

During the Civil War, Colonel William D. Mann of the Seventh Michigan Cavalry was issued a patent. His invention would have interested the average Civil War soldier. Eric Perkins of the Michigan Historical Museum examines Mann's invention. To read his article, click here: <http://seekingmichigan.org/look/2011/08/30/colonel-mann>

##### B. Look!: Remembering the World Trade Center

This week, archivist Christiane Evaskis remembers the World Trade Center . She also looks at WTC architectural records that reside in the Archives of Michigan. To read her article, click: <http://seekingmichigan.org/look/2011/09/06/world-trade-center>

##### C. Look!: The History of Beer in Michigan

This week, Look! presents a history of beer in Michigan . To read the article, click here: <http://seekingmichigan.org/look/2011/09/13/beer>

##### D. Look!: The Father of Animation

Winsor McCay has been called the "Father of Animation." McCay hailed from Spring Lake , Michigan and created the first animated cartoon. Read more here: <http://seekingmichigan.org/look/2011/09/26/winsor-mccay>

##### E. Look!: One Million Records, One Million Stories

October is Family History Month! In observance, the Look! blog will run articles with a genealogy theme. This week, Kris Rzepczynski of the Library of Michigan looks at Michigan death records. A million records tell a million stories, and Kris spotlights some of the most interesting. Click here to read the article: <http://seekingmichigan.org/look/2011/10/04/one-million-stories>

(from Bob Garrett, Archives of Michigan, DNR, [garrettr1@michigan.gov](mailto:garrettr1@michigan.gov)

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#### 26. Fascinating Info from the History News Network (www.hnn.us

\*\*\* King Arthur's round table may have been found by archaeologists in Scotland

<http://hnn.us/roundup/41.html#141548>

\*\*\* Website of the Month [Picture America](http://picturingamerica.neh.gov/)

Source: [National Endowment for the Humanities](http://picturingamerica.neh.gov/) (undup/"<http://picturingamerica.neh.gov/>") Twenty-seven iconic images in American history are presented on this website, designed specifically to encourage educators to use images as primary source documents in the classroom. The images range in time from 17th-century depictions of the Catholic mission in San Antonio through the contemporary art of Washington, D.C., native Martin Puryear.

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#### 27. Don't miss the Fall Lecture Series at the Lorenzo Cultural Center, Macomb Community College!

Michigan's Harvest: Food, Farming and Community, September 24 - November 20, 2011

For the Fall Schedule, please visit [/www.lorenzoculturalcenter.com/schedule/index.asp](http://www.lorenzoculturalcenter.com/schedule/index.asp)

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28. Oct. 13, Colonial Williamsburg offers October Electronic Filed Trip! A More Perfect Union  
For updates info on the EFTs offered by Colonial Williamsburg, visit <http://www.history.org/history/teaching/eft/index.cfm>

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29. A Few Upcoming events selected from Kathleen Marcaccio's "Detroit History & Culture Calendar"  
A. Elmwood Cemetery Tour, Saturday, October 15, 2011, 11:30am. Join the Obscura Society and The League of Adventurous Detroiters for an exploration of the historic Elmwood Cemetery, the oldest continuously non-denominational cemetery in Michigan and home to 42 acres of monuments. The property also includes part of Parents Creek, site of the 1763 native uprising known as the Battle of Bloody Run. Amy Elliott Bragg (who blogs about early Detroit history on the excellent [nighttraintodetroit.com](http://nighttraintodetroit.com)) will be joining us as guide. Amy spends a weird amount of free time wandering around old cemeteries. Join her to learn about gruesome battles, and meet a host of notable dead Detroiters, \$12. To order tickets online: <http://obscura-society-elmwood-cemetery.eventbrite.com/>

B. "Michigan and the Civil War: A Great and Bloody Sacrifice," Wednesday, October 19, 2011, 7:30pm. The Grosse Pointe Historical Society hosts Jack Dempsey for a program relating to his new book, "Michigan and the Civil War: A Great and Bloody Sacrifice", in recognition of the sesquicentennial of the American Civil War in which Michigan lost over 14,000 residents. On May 16, 1861, only a month after the war began, members of the First Michigan Regiment marched into Washington, D.C. The arrival of the regiment, the first from a western state, was met with jubilation and they were invited to an audience with President Lincoln. The program takes place at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, located at 32 Lake Shore Rd., Grosse Pointe Farms. <http://www.gphistorical.org/moorings/moorings-2011-spring.pdf>

C. Whistler's Seriousness," Sunday, October 23, 2011, 2pm. Charles Lang Freer and James McNeill Whistler were not only patron and client, but close and loyal friends. Freer was greatly influenced by Whistler's ideas about art and recognized the depth of the artist's intellect beneath his flamboyant personality. Despite his public persona as a dandy, Whistler was deadly earnest about his art and often cloaked his most deeply felt beliefs in humor. A reception and tours of the Freer House follow the lecture. The Freer House is located at 71 East Ferry St. \$10; \$5 students; free to Friends of the Freer House members. Space is limited; RSVP required for this event; call (313) 664-2509 or email [mspi@wayne.edu](mailto:mspi@wayne.edu). <http://mpsi.wayne.edu/freer-events.php> For directions and parking information: <http://mpsi.wayne.edu/directions.php>

D. Detroit in the 1920s, Tuesday, October 25, 2011, 7pm. Joel Stone, Detroit historian and curator of the Detroit Historical Society and Museum, will speak about Detroit in the 1920's, a turbulent time in the City's past, and the backdrop for "Arc of Justice", this year's Great Michigan Read selection. This program takes place at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth. Free and open to the public; registration requested at 734.453.0750, ext. 4, or online at [plymouthlibrary.org](http://plymouthlibrary.org). <http://plymouthlibrary.org/index.php/events/adult-programs/icalrepeat.detail/2011/10/25/1304/123%7C153%7C152/1920s-detroit>

E. Civil War Statues and Monuments in Wayne County, Wednesday, November 2, 2011, 7:30pm. The Dearborn Historical Museum hosts Richard Danes for a presentation on the Civil War Statues and Monuments located throughout Wayne County. Free and open to the public. The program takes place at the Dearborn Historical Museum located at 915 S. Brady St., Dearborn. For more information, call (313) 565-3000.

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