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Dear MCHE Members and Friends,

Hello Summer! Fingers crossed the rain lets up a bit, at least so everyone can mow their yards. Seems like we can barely keep up. Hopefully you are all able to soak in some of the sun and enjoy the beauty we get in a Michigan summer.

Sincerely,
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1. C-Span focuses on Detroit, Sat.-Mon., June 15-17

A series of special features on Detroit culture, literature and history will be the focus on weekend programming on both C Span II and C Span 3-American History. Detailed schedule not yet posted on their website, but check the details on/about Friday, June 14. Plan to set your tv recorders next weekend

2. Saturday, September 21, to feature great MCHE event to teachers

Save the Date! Saturday, Sept. 21 is your opportunity to learn about the amazing resources inner State Capitol! Since 1847, Lansing has been the center of Michigan government and history. MCHE is now developing a full day program to provide you with the experience your students can have on a field trip while also helping you see the key sites for ours. Details will be announced this summer in the MCHE E-Notes and on the MCHE website at <https://www.teachinghistoryinmi.org/>

3. Great opportunities offered by Historical Society of Michigan

(A) Two Upcoming Conferences

*** 70th annual Upper Peninsula History Conference w, Escanaba, Fri.-Sun., June 28-30, 2019; The annual Upper Peninsula History Conference pays particular attention to this fascinating region of our state. To download full program or to register, visit www.hsmichigan.org and click on "Conferences."

*** 145th Annual Meeting and Michigan History Conference Fri.-Sun., Sept.27-29, 2019, in Ludington.

Details available in mid-august at www.hsmichigan.org

(B) HSM offers Educator, Education Program and other State History Awards are also presented during the September conference. MCHE watches this program to help identify potential nominees for the Annette & Jim McConnell History Teacher Awards (Elementary, Secondary & Preservice) HSM Award details, including upcoming deadline, at <http://hsmichigan.org/programs/awards/state-history-awards/>

(D) Upcoming "Michiganders on the Road" tour opportunities include:

*** Painters and Patriots: Hudson River Valley Tour, 9 days, 8 nights, July 12-20,

*** America's Architect: Frank Lloyd Wright Tour, 4 days, 3 nights, August 17-20

Details at www.hsmichigan.org

(E) Details on "History Hounds," "Basic Skills Workshops", Michigan History Day, Michigan History

Magazine subscriptions and much more available at www.hsmichigan.org

4. Living with the Enemy: WWII POWs in Michigan

Upcoming Lecture • Wednesday, June 12 Living with the Enemy: WWII POWs in Michigan with Gregory D. Sumner, University of Detroit Mercy. Seating is limited! Reserve your spot now.

Lectures start at 7 p.m. at the Meijer Education Center at the Historical Society of Michigan, 5815 Executive Dr., Lansing, Michigan.

Participants can "attend" remotely too. Learn more and register on our website. HSM members attend for FREE! Non-members, \$7.

5. Save these dates NOW for NCHE in Cleveland in 2020

2020 NCHE Conference—Past, Present, and Future: NCHE at 30, Cleveland, OH, March 19-21-NCHE is Now Accepting Session Proposals; submission deadline is September 23, 2019. The 2020 Call for Proposals, can be found at: <https://www.nche.net/2020proposalsubmission>

6. Michigan Humanities Council announces Great Michigan Read Selection

The 2019-2020 Great Michigan Read is "What the Eyes Don't See" by Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha! The Great Michigan Read program will begin in September 2019, and conclude in fall 2020. Want to become a partner? You can register now online at <https://www.michiganhumanities.org/become-a-2019-20-great-michigan-read-partner/> and materials -- including free books, readers' guides, and teachers' guides -- will be sent out in late August 2019. The 2019-20 Great Michigan Read is supported by The National Endowment for the Humanities, Meijer Foundation, and Martin Waymire.

7. Library of Congress offers Summer opportunity

Richard Satchwell, PhD. Director, Teaching with Primary Sources. Midwest Region, Illinois State University. asked me to share this info with you that you might be interested in. Teaching Women's Suffrage with Primary Sources at the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. on, July 24-26, 2019, 9 am – 5 pm; This webinar is for K-12 educators who teach suffrage or collaboration with those who do, the workshop focuses on pedagogy. Details at <http://www.loc.gov/teachers/professionaldevelopment/webinar/>

8. National Traveling Vietnam Wall to be Displayed Locally

National Traveling Vietnam wall Display to visit Livonia, Thurs., August 8—Monday, August 12, 2019 | The City of Livonia presents “The Vietnam Moving Wall.” The Moving Wall is a mobile half-size replica of the Vietnam Memorial Wall in Washington D.C. and includes the names of 58,318 men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in the Vietnam War. The wall can be viewed 24 hours a day, and it takes place at Ford Field, 33841 Lyndon. The cost is free. For more information, call (734) 466-2213 or visit www.ci.livonia.mi.us/Community/VietnamMovingWall.

9. Will “Michigan” be focus on next issue of “MCSS Journal”?

As the deadline for submitting articles for the semi-annual “MCSS Journal” approaches, Editor Bob Pettapieces is considering developing an issue with a special focus on “Teaching Michigan.” He solicits articles, lessons, resources, and other thoughts about Michigan history, geography civics, culture and even geography. For more info or to submit materials, contact Bob. Bob Pettapiece, EdD, College of Education, Retiredl Wayne State University, pettapiece@wayne.edu

10. SEVEN Super Summer Spectacular Festivals to Enjoy!

*** Motor City Irish Fest: June 7-9, Greenmead Historical Village, Livonia. motorcityirishfest.com

*** Detroit River Days: Music, kids activities, food and more. June 21-23. Detroit Riverfront, Detroit. riverdays.com

*** Concert of Colors: July 10-14, Midtown Detroit. Free. concertofcolors.com

*** St. Clair Riverfest: Featuring the Spin Doctors, Blue Oyster Cult and more, July 26-28, Palmer Park, St. Clair. Free. stclairriverfest.com

*** Arab and Chaldean Festival: With music, food and more. July 27-28, Hart Plaza, Detroit. Free. arabandchaldeanfestival.com

*** Jazz Festival: with Stanley Clarke, Cameron Graves Quartet, Connie Han and others, Aug. 30-Sept. 2, Hart Plaza, Detroit.

Free. detroitjazzfest.org

*** Dally in the Alley: Music acts and more. Sept. 7, (between Forest and Hancock), Detroit. dallyinthealley.com

(Selected events from List compiled by - Brendel Hightower, Detroit Free Press)

11. Exhibit Looks at History of Detroit's Corktown Neighborhood

A new exhibit at the Detroit Historical Museum takes visitors through 150 years of life in the city's Corktown neighborhood. Called “The Journey to Now,” the exhibit is now open and is scheduled to run through July 7. The exhibit is hosted by Corktown Experience in conjunction with Wayne State University's Anthropology Museum. It tells the story of the people who lived in the Workers' Row House in Corktown and of the workers who helped build Detroit into an industrial and automotive powerhouse. More info

at www.detroithistorical.org

12. PBS to feature Queen Victoria, Mon., July 15, 10 p.m.

Still suffering withdrawal from the end of Downton Abbey? Never fed. PBS offers a one-hour documentary on “Widow, Mother, and Empress” this summer. Set your DVR now.

13. Center for Michigan Offers Report on Fixing Michigan’s Roads

The Center convened more than 3,200 Michiganders in person and online throughout April to gather public input on what strategies and policies should be implemented to improve Michigan’s roads and bridges. You

might find this info of interest to your students. Report available at https://www.bridgemi.com/sites/default/files/roads_report.pdf?utm_source=Bridge+Magazine&utm_campaign=cd955ef55b-Bridge+Newsletter+4%2F11%2F19+summit+recap_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_c64a28dd5a-cd955ef55b-73829993

14. Turner Classic Movies salutes 7th Anniversary of D-Day

To mark the 75th anniversary of the Allied invasion of Normandy, Turner Classic Movies is airing 24 hours of World War II films every Thursday in June. This week’s titles include 1962’s “The Longest Day” and 1975’s “Overlord.”

15. Inquiry on Michigan Literacy Rates

Michigan's literacy rates are dropping, and the many reforms from Lansing haven't fixed the problem. What would teachers do differently?

Bridge Michigan wants to know.

We are looking for 25 teachers from across the state who teach kindergarten, first, second, or third grade at public schools to participate in a two week, moderated conversation in a closed Facebook group. The dialogue will focus on Michigan’s sliding literacy rates and what participants think would improve them.

Could you help us find teachers who want to participate?

The conversation will be moderated by me, Bridge Magazine’s Public Engagement Reporter, and take place from July 29th to August 9th. The ideas and conversation shared during these two weeks will inform a Bridge story on what teachers think the state should do to improve literacy rates.

The application can be found at:

[SurveyMonkey.com/r/TeachersOnLiteracyApplication.](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TeachersOnLiteracyApplication)

Please fill it out if you are eligible and interested in participating.

The deadline to apply is Friday, June 14th. All applicants will be notified whether or not they have been selected to participate by Friday, June 28th.

16. Michigan Council for Social Studies (MCSS) makes plans for Fall 2019

A Fall Regional Conference is being planned for Macomb ISD on Sat., Nov. 2. Sean McBrady and Annie Whitlock are organizing this event. The Fall Conference will be held in Traverse City with the date TBD.

17. Arts & Humanities Touring Grants available from Michigan Humanities Council

The third and final round of funding is now open for the Arts and Humanities Touring Grant! Funding is available for arts and humanities programming taking place between June 1 - August 15, 2019. For more info or to view the directory of artists visit <https://www.michiganhumanities.org/touring-grants-2/> Questions?

Contact Jen Rupp at jrupp@mihumanities.org or (517) 372-7770

18. Islam Across the Globe: From Southeast Asia, to the Middle East and the American Midwest

Please save the date of Friday, June 28th, 2019, for "Islam Across the Globe: From Southeast Asia, to the Middle East and the American Midwest," a Grade 6-12 teachers' workshop about Islam in Southeast Asia, the Middle East, and the U.S. The workshop is organized by the Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies (CMENAS) and the Center for Southeast Asian Studies (CSEAS) at the University of Michigan's International Institute. More information at <https://ii.umich.edu/cmenas/outreach/teacher-trainings/mena-sea-teacher-workshop.html>

19. Summer Fin Camp + Conference coming June 18-20

Summer Fin Camp + Conference is fast approaching. This financial literacy conference is a must attend for anyone teaching financial literacy at the middle or high school level. 12 SCECH included. The conference is very reasonably priced at \$20 per person. Please see the following link for more information and registration: <https://www.michiganecon.org/event-3312191>

20. Social Studies Standards being voted on June 11, 2019

The Michigan Board of Education will vote on the Social Studies Standards on June 11th in Lansing. See the following link for the agenda of the board meeting:

https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/SBE_Agenda_June_11_2019_656165_7.pdf

You can look at the final draft of the Social Studies document and compare it to the previous draft here:

https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/Item_H_Approval_of_Social_Studies_Standards_656113_7.pdf

21. MCHE Welcomes Board Members and Executive Council

Over the past several months, MCHE has welcomed new members to the Board of Directors to lead the organization forward. They include Catherine Tuzcek (Detroit Public Schools), Petra Alsoofy (museum educator), Kailie Burk (Pre-Service Teacher), and Nadine Hall (Greenhills School, Ann Arbor). There is also a restructured Executive Council. Tammy Shreiner (GVSU) will continue as Executive Director, while Michelle Anderson (John Glenn High School - Westland) will serve as President, Scott Durham (Lakeview High School, Battle Creek) as Secretary, and David Zwart (GVSU) as Treasurer. Keep your eyes open for exciting things from MCHE in the months to come!

22. News from “Bridge” (The Center for Michigan)

** “Michigan is investing heavily in early reading. So far, it’s not working” <https://www.bridgemi.com/talent-education/michigan-investing-heavily-early-reading-so-far-its-not-working>

** “Reader FAQ: Does Michigan Lottery money really go to schools?” <https://www.bridgemi.com/talent-education/reader-faq-does-michigan-lottery-money-really-go-schools>

** Rich-poor achievement gap won’t budge. Is investing in teachers an answer?

<https://www.bridgemi.com/talent-education/rich-poor-achievement-gap-wont-budge-investing-teachers-answer>

Please visit <http://thecenterformichigan.net/> to subscribe to this wonderful resource.

23. Selected Items from the History News Network (www.hnn.us)

** When War Was a Family Affair

<https://historynewsnetwork.org/article/171947>

** The D-Day Warriors Who Led The Way to Victory in World War II

<https://historynewsnetwork.org/article/171945>

** Witch Hunt! How Europe’s Witch Mania Came to the New World

<https://historynewsnetwork.org/article/172120>

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