



# ***Historical Museum Advisory Board***

## ***Agenda***

**Wednesday, September 18, 2024**  
**Library Meeting Room**  
**951 Spruce Street**  
**6:30 PM**

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- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call
- III. Approval of agenda
- IV. Approval of minutes for the July 17, 2024 regular meeting – *see attached draft*
- V. Public comments on Items Not on the Agenda

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- VI. Report from liaison from the Historic Preservation Commission, Sloane Whidden (3 minutes)
- VII. Report from Louisville History Foundation board representative, Gordon Madonna (3 minutes)
- VIII. Updates on Museum – Gigi Yang, Museum Services Supervisor, and Sharon Nemechek, Director of Cultural Services
  - A. Museum staff intro – Sophia Imperoli – Public History and Oral History
  - B. Budget updates
  - C. Museum buildings and campus
  - D. Museum Services Supervisor’s written report – *see attached memo*
  - E. Updates on Museum operations & projects
  - F. Approval of Deeds of Gifts from donors
  - G. Advice sought on donations of other artifacts being offered
- IX. HMAB workplan
  - A. Scott McElroy – presented at City Council meeting Sept 3 on Louisville History Month
  - B. Volunteer Appreciation breakfast – October 19 – email sent to HMAB
  - C. EDI training – October 24 or October 30 – email sent to HMAB
- X. Pioneer Award Nominations – *see attached policy*
- XI. Chair’s Report
- XII. HMAB comments & discussion items for next meeting (November 20, 2024)
- XIII. Adjourn

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**I. Call to order:** HMAB Chair John Honan Called the meeting to order at 6:31PM

**II. Roll call:**

**HMAB Members Present:** Jonathan Ferris, Rebecca Ferguson, John Honan, and Scott McElroy

**HMAB Members Absent:** Nicole Garcia, David Hosansky, Joe Teasdale

**Other Representatives Present:**

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**City of Louisville**

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303.335.4848 (phone) [www.LouisvilleCO.gov](http://www.LouisvilleCO.gov)*

Gigi Yang, Museum Services Supervisor

Sharon Nemechek, Director of Cultural Services

- III. **Approval of agenda:** Members approved the agenda, vote 4 to 0
- IV. **Approval of minutes for the May 15, 2024 regular meeting:** Members approved the minutes, vote 4 to 0
- V. **Public comments on Items Not on the Agenda:** None
- VI. **Report from liaison from the Historic Preservation Commission, Sloane Whidden (3 minutes):** No report
- VII. **Report from Louisville History Foundation board representative, Gordon Madonna (3 minutes):** No report
- VIII. **Updates on Museum – Gigi Yang, Museum Services Supervisor, and Sharon Nemechek, Director of Cultural Services:**
  - A. **Museum staff intro – Sophia Imperioli – Public History and Oral History:** Sophia was not able to attend the meeting
  - B. **Budget updates:** No new budget updates
  - C. **Museum buildings and campus:** UV film was placed on the windows on the Jacoe store and Tomeo house except for the ones with broken window panes. The Museum is working with HPC to get funding to replace the broken window panes and conservation on the historic doors, and to get interpretive signs for the museum building and the outdoor education space. There is a preliminary report on the restoration of the Miners cabins, and the Museum is looking for grants to pay for the project
  - D. **Museum Services Supervisor’s written report:** No additional information from written report
  - E. **Updates on Museum operations & projects:** Louisville history month is coming in September. Some of the events that will be happening will be, an exhibit in the Library called Above and Below Louisville, a Legendary Ladies performances, three walking tours, and the vintage baseball game. Also, the museum is planning to close sometime in November to reorganize the Jacoe store interior and conservation of the Rex curtain.
  - F. **Approval of Deeds of Gifts from donors:**

The HMAB members approved the deeds by vote of 4 to 0, for the following donations:

    - 1. Paula Enrietto – large donation of items related to the Enrietto, Sneddon, Clark families (3 generations of Louisville families beginning in 1904) - including digital scans of photos, postcards and letters, rations books, cookbooks, receipts from local businesses, school report cards, small personal items, and a pillow made from a Portland Cement bag.

2. Mary Reddington – items from Gary Reddington – LHS class of 1958 – school sweater, two Jaycees vests from the 1960s
3. Kathleen Carande – Eastman Kodak camera c. 1915 for the Education collection
4. Cyndi Dionigi Huffman – letter from John A. "Ring" Dionigi to his son Jack, 1959
5. Joe Satriano – Education Collection – 35 items from Welby farm - Treadle Singer sewing machine and stand, numerous kitchen items and farming tools, men's jacket and overalls, women's pocket books, fishing basket

**G. Advice sought on donations of other artifacts being offered:** No advice sought

**IX. HMAB workplan:**

**A. Council Invitation for Louisville History Month, September 3 – public comments section:** Scott volunteered to go to the City council meeting to invite the Council to the Louisville History month events.

**B. Proclamation for Louisville History Month:** The Proclamation for Louisville History Month was announced two years ago and will not need to be done again.

**C. EDI training:** Plans for EDI training is still ongoing for all boards, the plan is to have the training in late October or early November

**X. Pioneer Award Nominations:** Board members discussed the award process and will bring nominations to the next meeting

**XI. Chair's Report:** No report

**XII. HMAB comments & discussion items for next meeting (September 18, 2024):** Nominees for the Pioneer award

**XIII. Adjourn:** The HMAB meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2024.



## Memorandum

**To:** Historical Museum Advisory Board  
**From:** Gigi Yang, Museum Services Supervisor  
**Date:** September 18, 2024  
**Re:** Museum Services Supervisor's Report

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September is Louisville History Month! Museum staff were working hard over the past few months getting the Museum campus ready to debut the new Outdoor Education Space. With the help of mothers and daughters from the National Charity League and other volunteers, we stained and assembled a chicken coop and also installed a permanent laundry line in the Museum's backyard. Earlier in the spring we also planted an Italian garden in the courtyard planter boxes. The plants are thriving with sprinklers newly installed by the Parks Department. The Outdoor Education space allows us to bring history outdoors and will be a great resource for sharing how backyards were used in Louisville, as well as the types of chores children typically did around the house and in the yard. The space includes interpretive signage for the ash pit, outhouse, chicken coop, and laundry line. The chicken coop is currently a demonstration coop, without live chickens. There is separate signage for the Italian garden. There will soon be additional signage in front of the Tomeo House for passers-by to learn about the history of the Jacoe Store, Tomeo House, and Jordinelli House on the Museum campus.

The Members Only event on September 6th was a lovely reception thanking Museum members and the community for their support for the Museum and the preservation of Louisville history. Artist James Dixon brought several of his bronze pieces and talked with members about the Fire Vase that was installed on the Museum campus in May.

We continue with conservation and preservation of important Museum artifacts. The chimneys for the Jacoe Store, Tomeo House, and Summer Kitchen were repaired and restored by Old English Masonry using historic bricks and better mortar. This month we will also be sending the 1920s menu which has been on display, out for conservation work with conservator Jennifer McGlinchey Sexton. She will be repairing and stabilizing the boards and framing. Textile conservator Paulette Reading will also be providing consultation services for conservation and display of the Rex Curtain. Hadley Kluber Seifert has been preparing films from various decades in the Museum's collection for digitization.

Gigi Yang will be attending the American Association for State and Local History annual conference where she and Bridget Bacon will accept the Leadership in History Award for the Museum's work after the Marshall Fire. Summer King and Sophia Imperioli are researching and preparing the next Louisville Historian and front window exhibit on the Vietnam War for November.

# **Louisville Historical Commission Pioneer Award**

*Revised by the Louisville Historical Commission  
Sept. 20, 2023*

## **1. Introduction:**

- 1.1 The Louisville Historical Commission presents the Pioneer Award to a person or persons, or to an organization at the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet to be held each year.
- 1.2 At least one representative from the Historical Commission attends the banquet to make the official presentation.
- 1.3 The presentation speech is typically written so that it may be included in the next issue of *The Louisville Historian*.

## **2. Qualifications for the Award:**

- 2.1 The recipient should be a person or persons or an organization who, through his/her or their business and personal activities, is recognized within the Louisville community as an active or previously active contributor to the ongoing or past successes and welfare of the community.
- 2.2 As the Louisville Historical Museum is committed to collecting, preserving, and sharing a full range and diversity of experiences in our community, these values should be expressed with this award.
- 2.3 The award is given in recognition of the past achievements in spirit and time in promoting the interests and future of the City of Louisville through his/her or their personal service to the community and its residents.
- 2.4 The Pioneer Award may be presented as a posthumous award, in which case it will be presented to the recipient's family.
- 2.5 The Pioneer Award may be presented to a living person.

## **3. Procedures for the Award:**

- 3.1 Anyone may nominate an individual, business, or organization for the Pioneer Award.

- 3.2 Nominations may be made to any Louisville Historical Commission Member or to the Louisville Historical Museum Supervisor for referral to the Commission.
- 3.3 The Louisville Historical Museum Supervisor shall place a notice in the Spring edition of the Louisville Historian seeking nominations for the Pioneer Award.
- 3.4 Nominations should include all relevant information and facts which would support the request.
- 3.5 Nominations should be submitted as early as possible for the Commission to review.
- 3.6 The Commission may ask for guidance from the Louisville Historical Museum Supervisor or anyone from within the community with an interest.
- 3.7 All nominations are confidential and only the final award recipient will be identified.
- 3.8 At the May meeting, the Commission shall make initial recommendations for nominations for the award.
- 3.9 The Commission will consider initial background information for each nomination at the July meeting and seek to narrow the nominations down to two at that meeting.
- 3.10 The Commission or a subcommittee of one or more members may research and provide any additional information for the nominations.
- 3.11 Should there be more than one nomination, the nomination(s) not chosen may be considered for the following year's award.
- 3.12 The Commission shall make the final nomination(s) at the November meeting.
- 3.13 A subcommittee of one or more members shall prepare a draft presentation for the award for consideration at the following January meeting.
- 3.14 After the January meeting, the subcommittee shall revise the draft presentation for the award and forward it along with a photo of the recipient, if available, to the Louisville Historical Museum Services Supervisor for finalization, notification, processing and possible inclusion into *The Louisville Historian*.



## Louisville Historical Commission Pioneer Award Past Recipients

1985	J.J. Steinbaugh	2006	Virginia Caranci
1986	Charles, Iona, & Quentin Thomas	2007	Bill and Betty Buffo
1987	Dr. Lucius Cassidy Sr.	2008	David Ferguson
1988	Joe Colacci	2009	Patricia Seader
1989	John "Ring" Dionigi	2010	Frank Domenico
1990	Martha Eberharter	2011	Lawrence Enrietto
1991	G.R. Henning	2012	George Brown
1992	Eugene Caranci	2013	Barbara DiSalle
1993	Susie DiGiacomo	2014	Marion Junior
1994	Lewton McCorkle	2015	Dick DelPizzo
1995	Fr. Benedict Ingenito OSB	2016	Ted & Carolyn Manzanares
1996	Frank Rizzi	2017	Anthony "Joe" Madonna
1997	L.C. "Bun" Graves	2018	Donald William "Donnie" Buffo
1998	Vera Taylor	2019	Leon Wurl
1999	Eileen Schmidt	2020	Keith Helart
2000	Eliseo Jacoe	2021	The Louisville Community
2001	Joe Carnival	2022	Debbie Krueger
2002	Robert Ross	2023	Janet Russell
2003	Glenn Steinbaugh	2024	Ed Helmstead
2004	Donald Ross		
2005	Carolyn Conarroe		