

Information for Possible Use by Local Historical Societies

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Hi, Possible information for your newsletters and meeting announcements. Please contact me if you have any questions. Dr. Jim McConnell, Secretary, Michigan War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission, www.michigan.gov/war1812

1. "Historic Detroit Bus Tour set for Sat., April 30th, by Detroit Historical Society

The Detroit Historical Society will be hosting the "Historic Detroit Tour!" Leave the driving to DHS and join us for an interesting educational tour of the historic city of Detroit. Tour price will be set by February 1, which will include the fee for the Bianco charter bus, transportation, lunch at the historic Traffic Jam near Wayne State University, all admissions, and a full tour narration. Explore Michigan's largest city with Dr. Jim McConnell and Annette W. McConnell, Detroit Historical Society volunteers, on a fascinating, trivia-filled tour of many of Detroit's most historic sites. Highlights include Fort Pontchartrain, Campus Martius, Grand Circus Park, Midtown developments, the Cultural Center, the New Center, and much more. Tickets: \$60 - Society members; \$70 - Guests For more info or to reserve your spot, visit www.detroithistorical.org and click on "upcoming Events and Programs" and then "Behind the Scenes."

2. Bicentennial of the War of 1812 Great Lakes Historic Sites Tour offers Great Learning Experience, July 16-25, Now accepting Reservations

A ten-day journey around the Great Lakes will visit key War of 1812 historic sites including the River Raisin Battlefield National Park, Fort Meigs, Fort Stephenson, the Perry Memorial on Put-in-Bay, the Niagara replica in Erie, PA, Brock Monument, the Battle of Lundy's Lane, Fort Erie, the Battle of Stoney Creek, historic Fort York, the Georgian Bay site of the Nancy, Fort St. Joseph and Fort Mackinac. The price of \$1,812 includes lodging, most meals, admissions and much more. For detailed brochure, please email Dr. Jim McConnell at jam1776@sbcglobal.net or visit www.michigan.gov/war1812

3. Cruise Lake Michigan with MCHE on the "Friends Good Will" on Sat., August 6th

Join the Michigan Council for History Education (MCHE) and the Michigan Maritime Museum in cooperation with the Michigan Commission on the Commemoration of the Bicentennial of the War of 1812 on Saturday, August 6, 2011, for "A Lake Michigan Cruise into the War of 1812" on the historic replica sloop "Friends Good Will." The day's activities begin at 10 a.m. at the Michigan Maritime Museum, 260 Dyckman Avenue, South Haven, Michigan 49090, with presentations on "The War of 1812 on the Great Lakes" and "The History of 'Friends Good Will': Past & Present", followed by a Tour of the Michigan Maritime Museum. A box lunch is included as well as a 1:00 p.m. Lake Michigan cruise on the historic replica "Friends Good Will." Registration for the full day is \$45 for MCHE Members & their Immediate Family with Non-MCHE Members registration set at \$55/person. A registration form will be posted at www.michiganhistoryed.org by March 15th. SPACE IS LIMITED. For info on the Michigan Maritime Museum and "Friends Good Will," visit www.michiganmaritimemuseum.org For more info, email Dr. Jim McConnell, jam1776@sbcglobal.net

4. Historical Society of Michigan offers Events Calendar for Local historical Societies

Do you use the HSM Calendar to help inform others of your upcoming activities? I think it is a wonderful resource. Check out their format at www.hsmichigan.org so when you submit your information, you can use their format.

Attachments

1. July 16-25 Great Lakes war of 1812 Historic sties Tour
2. Friends Good will Registration Form