

Historic House Committee Meeting Minutes November 4, 2024

Members Present: Trustee Mike Light - Chairman
Jeanette Wilson
Bill Wilson
John Bican
Keith Knautz - Staff
Jessica Maricich – Staff

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. The following are the minutes from the (first) November monthly meeting for the Historical Committee. At this meeting, the committee discussed the upcoming Glenside Middle School Field Trip and the Victorian Christmas featuring a Glendale Heights Christkindl Marker. p

Historical Committee – The committee discussed that the proper name for the committee is the “Historical Committee” and not the “Historic House Committee”.

2025 Open House – The committee agreed to continue having the Open House events on the fourth Saturday of the month. In 2025, the months will be June, July, August, September, and October. We plan on, once again, asking the Glenside Public Library, Glendale Heights Police Department, Glenside Fire Protection District, and Linda Jackson Center for Senior Citizens to partner with us on the Open Houses. We discussed creating a banner/sign to clearly announce that the Historic House is open for tours.

Glenside Middle School Field Trip – Glenside Middle School reached out to the Historic House Committee to schedule another field trip to the Historic House this fall. The field trip is taking place on Thursday, November 14. There will be two sections; one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Each section had around 100 students. The students were broken up into smaller groups (8 in the morning and 6 in the afternoon). The groups rotated between walking around Lake Bacerra, playing games, and touring the Historic House. A script was created and edited after the last Glenside Middle School Field Trip. After this field trip, the script will be updated again.

Victorian Christmas featuring a Christkindl Market – The event is taking place on Saturday, December 7 from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the Historic House and surrounding area.

- Parking slips: the committee reviewed and approved the parking slips that will be handed out to businesses along Paul Avenue to ask permission to use their parking lot and inform them of the road closure happening between 11:00 am and 7:00 pm during the event.
- The Christkindl Market vendor instructions were reviewed and approved.
- Library booked Victorian Carolers for the event.
- Kiwanis/Police Department are splitting the horse and carriage ride with the committee
- Need to purchase: hot chocolate (and supplies), cookies/donuts and a Victorian craft.
- Need to create a new Victorian Christmas Scavenger Hunt and have the prize be Breakfast to Santa tickets

Facilities/Repairs – A list of items to be undertaken was discussed including:

- Updates: 2020 Wall needs new letters and numbers, an explanation for the shovel, adding the renaming of the Senior Center to the Linda Jackson Center for Senior Citizens, putting up the “new” clock
- Winter Projects: Cleaning the upstairs office, organizing the basement, and removing the conference table
- Adding “Do Not Touch” Signs

Next Meeting – A discussion to set the next meeting took place and the date was decided to be Monday, November 25 at 6:30 pm at the Historic House.

Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 pm.