Mason County Historical Society

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# 2022 School Programs

Planning Guide for Public, Private and Homeschool Groups

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## History In Action Days (3<sup>rd</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> grade)

History in Action Days (HIA) at Historic White Pine Village are special events that fill the village with activity. Every year, several thousand school students attend History in Action Days, expanding their knowledge of the past, thus preparing them for the future. Interpreters are located in the buildings as well as on the grounds, giving students an opportunity to ask first-hand questions about our pioneer history.

Sometimes an interpreter will be doing special activities in a building, such as working in the Blacksmith Shop, cooking in the farm house, or operating the swedish barn loom in the Artisan Center. Old-fashioned games and candy are available for purchase at the gift shop, and students can participate in a mini one-room school session.

History in Action Days last from approximately 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., the day is full of interactive activities.

#### Spring HIA will be May 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>h</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and June 2nd. Fall 2021 HIA days are scheduled for October 6<sup>h</sup>, & 13<sup>th</sup>.

We will be limiting our attendees to 600 per HIA Day. Be sure to get your reservations in early! For days other than HIA, please call to make reservations. Non-HIA days do not have special activities.

\$7.00 Students \$6.00 Mason County Students \$10.00 Chaperones



To reserve your class experience, or for more information, please contact us at 231-843-4808 ext. 201 or michelle@mchshistory.org

#### One Room School Experience (3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade)

Each spring, area third and fourth grade students attend our One Room School Experience (ORS) at Historic White Pine Village.

The One Room School Experience provides a glimpse of an actual day of school for individual classrooms in our Marchido School, which is an original one-room school from Mason County, built in 1895. Students study lessons read from the McGuffey's Reader and experience recess, as it would have happened over one hundred years ago. When possible, we provide a school marm to teach the lessons and provide knowledge of classrooms in the late 1800's. After your ORS experience the village will be open for a self-guided tour.

Students normally arrive around 10:00 A.M., and leave around 2:00  $\ensuremath{\text{P.M.}}$ 

We are now hosting second generation students whose parents fondly remember their own experience while visiting Historic White Pine Village and attending the one room school.

## Maritime History Day (2<sup>nd</sup> grade)

The Port of Ludington Maritime Museum is housed in Ludington's historic Coast Guard station built in 1934, which remained active until 2004, and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The museum features three full floors of exhibits on various topics of maritime history and is filled with state of the art exhibits the students can see, hear, read, and interact with; including a fully interactive simulation of being at the wheel of the Pere Marquette 22 as it sails in and out of Ludington harbor in the late 1920s.

The students learn about the Coast Guard and Life Saving Service, railroad carferries, shipwrecks, Fresnel lenses, the Great Lakes, nautical knot tying and the lumbering era in Mason County. We offer several different options for school groups. These include: guided tours, self-guided tours and stations set up throughout the museum with volunteers teaching the history to the students. These field trips are geared towards 2nd grade curriculum but can be enjoyed and appreciated by any grade level.

Homeschool groups also can visit the museum on these days. We offer Maritime History days in both the Spring and the Fall.

Our 2022 Fall MHD programming is being offered on Wednesday's in October and November. Spring MHD days will be offered on Wednesday's in April. For any other days, please call to check for availability.

Cost for students-Cost for chaperones-\$7.00 \$6.00 Mason County Schools \$10.00 per adult

# **PLANNING YOUR VISIT**

### **Booking Your Program**

- We recommend that you book your program several months in advance. Programs **must** be booked a minimum of 2 weeks in advance.
- Upon registration, you will receive an email that includes a confirmation sheet, a fact sheet and copy of our museum policies.
- Full payment is due one week prior to your visit to the museum. This should include all students and chaperones. We accept credit card or a check.
- Reservations are welcome on any of our History in Action Days, Maritime History Days or any time during our regular operating hours.

#### **Chaperone Policy**

- There must be one chaperone for every 10 students. Chaperones and additional adults must be included in your total number of participants.
- Persons not included in your initial reservation may not be permitted to participate, due to the number of other schools on property. If they can be accommodated they would need to make payment before entering the grounds.

#### **Arrival and Departure**

- ◆ Historic White Pine Village (HWPV): Buses should pull in through the gate, onto the back grass area and then unload.
- Individual cars can park in parking lot or on any of the grass areas. There is no charge for parking.
- ◆ *Port of Ludington Maritime Museum (PLMM):* Bus parking and drop off is located in the City lot located to the West of the Museum. Pull in and park in the southeast corner of the lot. There is a sidewalk that leads to our museum. There is no charge for parking.

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- Tour Length: For both HWPV and PLMM we recommend you plan on 1 <sup>1/2</sup>—2 hours for your visit.
- **Photography** is allowed and encouraged at both HWPV and PLMM.
- Lunch area: Picnic tables are available throughout the grounds at HWPV on a first come basis. A few picnic tables are available at the gazebo by the bus parking for PLMM.
- **Personal Items:** Students and teachers are strongly encouraged to leave all personal items at school or on the bus. The Society cannot be held responsible for lost or stolen items.
- **Tour Capacity:** On History In Action Days at HWPV we are limited to 600 students. PLMM is limited to approximately 70 students. It is very important that your reservation numbers accurately reflect the amount of people you plan to bring. Additional participants will be asked to pay for their participation.
- Hours Of Operation: HWPV is open 10:00a.m.-5:00p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, May 1st-Oct. 23rd. Last ticket sales take place at 3:30p.m. The PLMM Spring & Fall hours will be Tuesday through Saturday 10:00a.m.-5:00p.m. Last ticket sales take place at 4:30p.m.

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#### **Homeschool Groups**

We welcome all groups, no matter their size, to attend any of our school programs we offer. Please contact Amber, for pricing and availability at 231-843-4808 or michelle@mchshistory.org

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