



REGULAR MEETING
July 22, 2008

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kim Hoagland at 9:02 a.m.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

Present:

Commissioners

Kim Hoagland, At-Large

Ed Jenich, Houghton County Board of Commissioners

Allan Johnson, State of Michigan

Bob Langseth, Calumet Township

Sue Dana, Village of Calumet

Clyde Raasio, Franklin and Quincy Township

Steve Albee, At-Large

Keweenaw National Historical Park

Jim Corless, Superintendent

Recording Secretary

Bill Rosemurgy

Guests

Paul Lehto, Calumet Township

Scott See, Advisory Commission Fund Development Director

Glenda Bierman, Quincy Mine Hoist Association

Judy Albee

Jill Burkland, Isle Royale and Keweenaw Parks Association

Jim Johnson

Amy Wisti, Congressman Bart Stupak's office

Casey Rudkin, Houghton County Historical Society

Lee VerBerkmoes, Fort Wilkins State Park

Jean Pemberton, Copper Range Historical Society

Virginia Jamison, Keweenaw County Historical Society

Laura Miller, Calumet Theatre

Gary Karvonen, Finnish-American Heritage Center

Lisa McKenzie, Hancock City Council

Kurt Hauglie, Daily Mining Gazette

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Langseth and seconded by Jenich to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously. (7/0)

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 22, 2008

**Final minutes of the April regular meeting were not available for approval.
Tabled until the October meeting.**

V. BUSINESS

1. COMMISSION REPORTS

a) Announcements – Kim Hoagland Report

1. Grant submitted to Americana Society. Grant is for phase I of a multi-county above ground survey of historic resources.

b) Budget – Sue Dana report:

1. **Summary of Revenues and Expenditures 2008 (See Attachment #1).**

Moved by Dana and seconded by Albee to approve bills for payment and budget as presented.

Motion carried unanimously. (7/0)

c) Fund Development Director – Scott See report:

1. Major goals of Fund Development Director are to:
 - a. Assess current financial situation
 - b. Provide recommendations for future fund development based on limitations of enabling legislation
 - c. Create a fund development plan

d) Quincy Smelter – Scott See report:

1. Copper Country Preservation, Inc. has been established as the fundraising arm of the KNHP Advisory Commission and has been granted non-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status. A website is currently in development. Franklin Township, as the owner of record of the smelter property, has adopted a resolution to allow for fundraising. Senator Levin has been assisting by pursuing a \$300,000 transportation grant through HUD which requires a 25% match and additional funding through the Save America's Treasures program, which requires a 1-to-1 match.

e) Partnerships – Clyde Raasio and Steve Albee report:

1. Working on continued development of the Memorandum of Understanding with all Heritage Sites. Major areas of work include:
 - a. Standards of expectations

- b. Criteria for acceptance of Heritage Site applications
 - c. Development of self-evaluation document, or tool, for Heritage Sites
 - d. Goal to upgrade and improve overall visitor experience
 - e. Project will be a constant “work-in-progress” as on-going refining of Heritage Site management will be necessary.
2. Other Committee work includes continuing to provide leadership to the informal Heritage Site network through the semi-annual meetings – the Fall meeting is scheduled for October 30. Workshop topics will include marketing and volunteer recruiting, developing, and management with the Keweenaw Volunteer Coordinator to speak of experience with YCC. Joint, co-operative marketing efforts are the current area of emphasis. Jill Burkland will speak about the marketing experiences of the IRKPA.

2. PARK REPORTS

a) Jim Corless, Park Superintendent (See Attachment #2)

1. Highlighted items from Superintendent’s report to the Advisory Commission:

- a. Item 1. – High salvage value for metal items has resulted in theft of artifacts from area sites. An initiative is forming to address and more effectively manage this issue.
- b. Item 4. – The Calumet entrance sign will be replaced this fall with a new sign that will be the first implementation of the Park’s new sign plan.
- c. Item 5. – Interpretation and Preservation Grants: KNHP is announcing a grant program directed at property owners within the boundaries of the park. Grants are for purposes of “marking, interpreting, or restoring” historic properties and will require a 4-to-1 match.
- d. Item 6. – KNHP staff is developing a catalog of technical services and assistance available to Heritage Sites.
- e. Item 7. – Core operations analysis has determined a potentially serious funding shortfall for on-going park operations. A plan to manage the shortfall is being developed and is due to the Midwest Regional Office by September.
- f. Item 8. – Community Use of NPS Facilities: The new headquarters building has meeting rooms that could be made available to the public. Management

is developing policy for use of the rooms and seeks input from the Commission. KNHP does not want to be in competition with other existing facilities, especially those of not-for-profit organizations that derive revenue from leasing space. The Union Building, while the 1st and 2nd floors will be utilized for exhibits, will have the 3rd floor available for community gatherings, noting that this is in keeping with its historical purpose. Space will be available for not-for-profit groups and government organizations needing meeting or gathering space. The Union Building could be made available for community groups that require a regular, short-term meeting space that could be shared.

- g. Item 9. – Italian Hall Park: The Park will be entering into an agreement with the Village of Calumet for the management of the Italian Hall Park. Details are still under review.
- h. Item 10. – I.R.K.P.A.: Noted that the name change is now official.
- i. Item 24. – National Parks of Lake Superior Foundation: Meeting in Calumet the week of September 8, with a community open house planned.
- j. Noted that two Advisory Commission seats have expired, those of Kim Hoagland and Sue Dana. Applications have been received (one from the Village and five or six for At-Large) and forwarded to the Secretary of Interior for appointment.

**b) Museum, Archives, and Historical Services – Jim Corless
Report (See Attachment #3)**

1. Highlighted items from report to Commission:

- a. Item 1. – Museum Housekeeping Workshop Conducted
- b. Item 2. – 6th Annual Local History Smackdown
- c. Item 5. – Student Interns: Currently have two interns working in with park collections under the direction of Jeremiah Mason.
- d. Item 14. – Keweenaw History Center Improvements: Heating system upgrade and restroom/cloakroom additions are complete.
- e. Item 16. – YTD Research: To-date 128 individual research visits or reference requests have be recorded.

c) Interpretation and Education – Jim Corless Report (See Attachment #4)

1. Highlighted items from report to Commission:

- a. Item 1. – Firm has been selected for developing Union Building interpretation exhibits.
- b. Item 7. – Kathleen attended Lake Superior Stewardship Initiative Advisory Board meeting.
- c. Item 8. – Kathleen and Dan provided customer service training to local businesses
- d. Item 10. – Travel Dynamics Int’l cruise ship will make a scheduled stop in the Keweenaw next summer.
- e. Item 11. – Interpretive program on board the Keweenaw Star will continue as last year.
- f. Item 12. – Teacher-to-Ranger-to-Teacher and Junior Ranger programs are being organized for the summer and two positions have been filled.
- g. Item 24. – Work on the Park’s comprehensive interpretive plan continues.

d) Preservation Services – Jim Corless Report (See Attachment #5)

1. Highlighted items from report to Commission:

- a. Roof and woodwork restoration project on the Quincy Pay Office continues and should be completed by September.
- b. Analysis and recommendations for the stabilization of the Quincy Boiler House No. 5 Smokestack are expected soon.
- c. Cultural Landscape gathering at Quincy produced a good turn out.

3. COMMISSION REPORTS

a) Park Budget

Moved by Langseth and seconded by Jenich to request Chair Hoagland to draft a letter of support for the KNHP sustainable budget allocation.

Motion carried unanimously. (7/0)

b) Johnson

1. Copper Country Rock & Mineral Club Gem and Mineral Show coming up.
2. Announced the publishing of a new children’s book, “Sneakers Tours the Quincy Steam Hoist”. It is the second in a continuing series.

- c) **Langseth**
 - 1. Fund development for the Commission faces community education difficulties.
 - 2. Keweenaw Star tour recommended.
- d) **Jenich**
 - 1. Commended park staff for continued fine work.
- e) **Hoagland**
 - 1. French-Canadian Festival in Chassell coming in August.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Comments from Legislators or Legislative Staff

- a) **Amy Wisti, Congressman Stupak's Office:** Legislation pending in omnibus bill (S3213) which would, among other things, release Commission funding and reduce the required funding match for the Advisory Commission from 4-to-1 to 1-to1.

2. Comments from the Public

- a) **Paul Lehto:** Calumet Township has acquired numerous historical sites which are becoming a financial burden to the Township. Maintenance and badly needed stabilization are required and as funding is not available, these structures will become more threatened. Mr. Lehto commented that he does not hear encouraging words from the Commission regarding forthcoming funds to assist with this badly needed work.
- b) **Jill Burkland:**
 - 1. Enjoyed participating in Pasty Fest
 - 2. Downtown Calumet and Industrial Calumet booklets are selling well.
 - 3. Book funding for publication has been secured.
 - 4. New publication targeting the previously mentioned cruises is being developed.
 - 5. Logo contest for the new organization to be conducted.
- c) **Glenda Bierman:** Interest in local history is increasing as evidenced by increasing attendance at local events and museums.
- d) **Anonymous:** Since the Park has established a small grant program for property owners within the park boundaries, perhaps the Commission should try to develop a grant program for properties outside the park boundaries.

VII. ADJOURNMENT; NEXT MEETING

Moved by Albee and seconded by Jenich to adjourn the meeting at 10:32 a.m.

Motion carried unanimously. (7/0)

The next meeting is scheduled for 9:00 am on October 28 at Keweenaw National Historical Park Headquarters.

These unapproved minutes are respectfully submitted by
Bill Rosemurgy



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**Superintendent's Office
22 July 2008**

Highlights & Issues

1. Unit-wide Meetings – In response to the theft of artifacts (for salvage value) from the QMHA, and following up on a suggestion by A.E. Seaman Mineral Museum Director Ted Bornhorst, the park proposed and initiated a quarterly meeting with site managers and key staff from the Seaman, Quincy Mine, and NPS. The purpose is to address common issues at the partner sites, aim toward cohesive operation, and discuss broader issues with local governments and neighbors on an as needed and by invitation basis. KAC site liaison Al Johnson attended the first meeting this month. Jim will pursue this same approach with unit partners in Calumet.
2. Quincy Smelter Jim and Landscape Architect Steve DeLong are providing technical assistance to EPA in the remediation of asbestos and stamp sand contaminants at the Quincy Smelter. 99% of asbestos has been removed from the site. Regrettably, neglect and the intransigence of EPA over the past several years led to the severe deterioration of the Reverberatory furnace stack; it had to be partially razed by EPA's contractor to provide safe access for remediation workers. Jim continues to work with NPS solicitors and EPA in the development of an agreement that, when signed, will allow greater NPS participation at the site without risk of exposure to liability.
3. Quincy Smelter Fundraising Jim has been working with Sen. Levin's office and the National Parks Conservation Association to develop a fundraising strategy for the providing a match to requested Transportation/HUD and Save America's Treasures grants. We are very grateful that Copper

- Country Preservation< inc. has agreed to manage this effort. KAC Development Officer Scott See and Jim visited with the President of the Quincy Smelter Association to discuss CCP's objectives, and they and KAC Chair Kim Hoagland met with the Franklin township Board to obtain authority to raise funds on their behalf.
4. Calumet Unit Entrance Sign We hope to install by this fall the park's first park or unit entrance sign, on the corner of Red Jacket Road and Rt. 41, replacing the dilapidated Calumet Business district sign on park property. This will be the first implementation action for the park's new sign plan, now in draft and still in discussion with partners. A local meeting with Calumet partners will be held on Monday, July 28 to discuss concerns and suggestions.
 5. Interpretation and Preservation Grants! KNHP is announcing its first advertised grant opportunity. Details are on the park website. Applicants can be owners of historic properties, but by legislation, only those inside the NPS boundaries. Grants are for the purposes of "marking, interpreting or restoring" historic properties contributing to the park story. Grants require a 4 to 1 match. The application deadline is August 15 – **at park HQ**. Details and application are available at the park's website. Prior contact with park staff is suggested prior to the submission of the application.
 6. Catalog of Technical Assistance Opportunities Park staff is preparing a catalog of the variety of technical assistance available to park partners; the catalog will highlight the areas of expertise we can make available to the Keweenaw Heritage Sites, owners of property of national historic significance, and other partners. The catalog will also identify processes related to scheduling and utilizing assistance, including recommended advance requirements.
 7. Core Operations Analysis Park staff is preparing alternatives to address the funding shortfall identified in the February 2008 core operations analysis workshop. The budget projections associated with that workshop demonstrated a potential loss of park buying power over the next five years, equivalent to the reduction of permanent park staff by three employees if not otherwise addressed. The report being developed will highlight the fiscal contributions to the park's operation by park partners, and will also propose an ideal funding scenario that would allow the park to fund its own operations and an enhanced financial and technical assistance program, and provide sustained support to the KAC. It is due in the MWRO by September 1.
 8. Community Use of NPS Facilities Park staff seeks the advice of the KAC regarding the use of park meeting and gathering facilities by the public. While we wish to make our facilities available to the public, we do not wish

to adversely affect the rental revenue of our partners that rent meeting or event spaces (in Calumet, the Calumet Theatre and the Keweenaw Heritage Center at St. Anne's. The park's space under consideration includes meeting and training facilities in the park headquarters building. Our suggestion for that facility is to allow its non-NPS use for meetings and training by park partners and by governmental and not-for-profit organizations. For non-partners, the use would need to include an introduction to the park and its partners. Use would be subject to availability and group size. After hours use would require reimbursement for staff costs. Very limited food service equipment is available in the space.

When the interior rehabilitation and exhibits are completed at the Union Building, the park proposes to continue the public meeting role of the building. Proposed is the use of the space by multiple community organizations for recurring meetings or activities, i.e., weekly, monthly, etc. The organizations would need to share in the operating costs for the space (utilities, cleaning). The NPS would prefer not to coordinate these multiple groups' use of the space and would seek one community organization to take on that coordination role.

9. Italian Hall Park The park has been asked by the Village of Calumet, at our initial invitation, to prepare an agreement for the park's management of Italian Hall Park. This agreement is drafted and is under review by the NPS solicitor, who has generally approved it. Jim has also initiated discussion with members of the Friends of Italian Hall Park, as agreed to with the Council, to look at the potential of holistically managing, with the Friends, their two tracts and the Village's.
10. Isle Royale Natural History Association Renamed Isle Royale and Keweenaw Parks Association IRNHA's board and membership approved of this name change this year, and the new name was formally adopted and inaugurated during Calumet's PastyFest in June.
11. Parades and Festivals With enthusiastic Teacher-to-Ranger-to-Teacher detailee, Julia Dlubula, taking the lead, the park plans to participate in multiple parades and festivals with a new booth and, coming soon, a new float under construction by the park's YCC crew. This important connection to the local community can be coordinated with partner participation as the activity evolves. First events: PastyFest parade and festival, and Thimbleberry Festival.
12. Park HQ Open House More than 200 neighbors visited the newly rehabilitated C&H General Office Building during the PastyFest open house. Another opportunity comes with the 4th Thursday program in

October where tours and presentations will highlight the building and project history.

13. National Parks of Lake Superior Foundation Meeting in Calumet The NPLSF will hold its semi-annual meeting in Calumet the week of September 8. A community open house is planned, offering an opportunity to learn about the park, its partners, and the park support goals of NPLSF.



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**Division of Museum, Archives & Historical Services
22 July 2008**

Highlights & Issues

1. Basic Museum Housekeeping Workshop Conducted. As the third installment in an ongoing museum training program for park partners, KNHP hosted a basic museum housekeeping workshop the 20th and 21st of May at the park's Keweenaw History Center. Participants included KNHP Advisory Commissioner Steve Albee, six Keweenaw Heritage Site staffers representing four sites (*Copper Range Historical Society, Coppertown Mining Museum, Old Victoria Restoration Society, and Ontonagon County Historical Society*), and a NPS student intern. In addition to classroom instruction and demonstration, each participant received a participant's binder containing reference material on museum housekeeping, integrated pest management, and collection and building care. By successfully completing the workshop, the Keweenaw Heritage Site students qualified their sites to a long-term loan from the NPS of a museum-quality HEPA vacuum cleaner.
2. April 24, 2008 6th Annual High School Local History Smackdown. Thirteen teams (including a "home school" team) competed in this year's Local History Smackdown, with the Painesdale Minds of Jeffers High School the victor. As noted in April, we are particularly grateful to Advisory Commissioner Ed Jenich for raising the funds needed for t-shirts, prizes, and gifts of appreciation (for coaches, judges, and quizmaster) and to Advisory Commissioner Sue Dana for her assistance in purchasing those items. We also appreciate the time and enthusiasm of the coaches, judges, and of Quizmaster Mark Wilcox, who once again did a fantastic job. While a big consumer of KNHP staff time, this event is an important outreach to young people and one we are very proud of.

3. Collections Care. This June saw a changing of the guard in regards to the division's collection care program. MTU IA Masters candidate John Griebel left KNHP for a position with the state at Fort Wilkins State Park and has been replaced by IA Masters candidate Andrew Mueller. Andy has ably stepped into John's shoes and has quickly learned the intricacies required in the care and protection of the park's museum collections. As with John, Andrew's work is confirming the value in collaboration between the park and the MTU Industrial Archeology program.
4. Fourth Thursday in History Talks. MAHS staff continues to plan for and coordinate some of the park's Fourth Thursday in History programs. This June divisional staff coordinated a talk by Professor William Mulligan on Keweenaw's Irish history and will also coordinate a walking tour and talk on the history of the Cliff Mine by Professors Larry Molloy and Phil Mason.
5. Student Interns at KNHP. Park archivist Jeremiah Mason successfully recruited two full-time student interns to work with park collections this summer. Graduate student Lee Steiner of Wright State University spent eight weeks processing archival collections, arranging and describing five records groups to completion with finding aids. Those collections include: Croatian Fraternal Union records, 1903-2004 (bulk dates: 1906-1971); Free & Accepted Masons records, 1869-1986 (bulk dates: 1906-1961); Foresters of America records, ca. 1895-Present (bulk dates: 1927-1969); Independent Order of Odd Fellows records, 1870-1994 (bulk dates: 1890-1966); and Keweenaw Printing Company records, 1906-1964 (bulk dates: 1908-1955). Building Preservation and Restoration student Carrie Toepper of Harford Community College will have logged in 12 weeks working with collections by the time she returns to school in mid-August. Wanting exposure to the preservation of museum and archival collections, Carrie has cleaned over five linear feet of heavily soiled and molded Copper Range Mining Company records, built 90 custom book boxes, and flattened almost 450 rolled C&H drawings and maps. She has also helped MAHS staff in processing the Andrew C. Curto collection and the park's Oral History collection.
6. Oral History Project. Interviews and transcription work continue.
7. Mining History Association (MHA) Meeting. In mid-June, park historian Jo Urion attended the Mining History Association meeting in Chisholm, Minnesota. Jo reports that she had several fruitful exchanges with mining scholars in attendance.
8. 1913 Copper Miner's Strike Centennial Commemoration. Museum curator Brian Hoduski and park superintendent Jim Corless attended a second meeting of the 1913 Copper Miner's Strike Centennial Coordinating

- Committee. The meeting was held at the Finnish American Heritage Center. While the weather was poor that day there was still a respectable turn-out and a good amount of enthusiasm.
9. Exhibit Assistance to Keweenaw Heritage Sites. MAHS staff participated in exhibit planning, label writing, and image production for exhibits at the Keweenaw Heritage Center at St. Anne's.
 10. Union Building Research, Planning, and Design. As reported on in April, MAHS staff have been and are heavily invested in the restoration/rehabilitation of the park's Union Building as an interpretive facility and interim visitor contact station. Park historian Jo Urion has been assigned as the coordinator for exhibit research, and will be working closely with park staff, HFC staff, scholars, and contractors on all research tasks.
 11. IT Upgrades. To accommodate the growth in park archive digital records, the park recently upgraded servers and added additional storage capacity. This will make retrieval of digitized historic images for park and researcher use much easier and ensure continued accessibility for these records over time.
 12. Section 106 Compliance. Park historian Jo Urion has been working with MWAC staff to ensure section 106 compliance is completed in regards to the replacement of the historic "Calumet" sign with a park entrance sign at the intersection of Calumet Avenue and Red Jacket Road. Because the project will create a ground disturbance, archeological expertise is required.
 13. Calumet Theater Archives Project – MOU. Signed in late-May, the NPS and the Calumet Theatre have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to facilitate and formalize the use of the Keweenaw History Center by the Calumet Theater for its archives processing project. The agreement provides the Calumet Theatre Archives Project volunteers the certainty of a workplace through May of 2013. The agreement should ensure the effort to preserve, document, and make accessible the archives, papers, and manuscript collections of the Calumet Theatre.
 14. Keweenaw History Center Improvements. This June the heating system upgrade and restroom/cloakroom addition at the Keweenaw History Center were finally completed. Delayed by engineering questions and cold weather, work began in earnest in May, and while disruptive of divisional operations, the project resulted in a much improved building for visiting researchers and park staff. The building now has a reliable and efficient zoned heating system, upgraded domestic water, lighted exit signs, an accessible first floor restroom, and a handsome cloak room for

researchers. The project also installed a washer and dryer. In May park staff installed over thirty roller shades on the building's second-floor windows, improving the environment for park museum collections temporarily stored there.

15. KNHP Acquires Croatian Fraternal Union Records and Artifacts and Killmar Family Photographs. KNHP to Acquire Randy Weege Papers. In May the park acquired from the Croatian Fraternal Union, Ahmeek Lodge No. 270, historical records comprised of membership and financial ledgers, meeting minutes, and a variety of other materials pertaining to the administrative aspects of Croatian and Slovene Lodges of the Calumet and Quincy communities from 1897 to 2004. This generous donation makes available for scholarship primary source materials on one of the Copper Country's largest ethnic groups. In June the park received by donation the family photographs and personal memoir of one-time C&H paymaster Lucius Killmar. Killmar came to Calumet in 1880 and retired as paymaster from C&H in 1918. School teacher, active Mason, and member of the Calumet Congregational Church, he is referenced in other park collections making this donation of even greater value for research. Finally, at the end of July, park archivist Jeremiah Mason and team will travel to the home of Randy Weege, the last chief geologist of C&H, to pack and move his personal papers. This very exciting donation should allow an in-depth exploration by mining scholars of the last days of Calumet & Hecla and of the profession of mining geologist.
16. FY2008 Research Conducted at the Keweenaw History Center. To-date, 128 individual research visits or reference requests have been made or processed. Of note, exhibits at the Carnegie Museum in Houghton were significantly drawn from park historic photographs, as were the new Copper Country Church exhibits at the Keweenaw Heritage Center at St. Anne's. Park collections also helped to inform the "Laurium Village Walking Tour Brochure", designed and written by Dave Sprenger, the Molloy and Bornhorst "A Guide to Michigan's Historic Keweenaw Copper District" book, and several other community publication and exhibit projects. Perhaps most gratifying, were the many CLK High School students who utilized park archives this Spring for assigned research papers.



Keweenaw NHP - July 22, 2008 Interpretation & Education Update

Interpretation & Education Activities:

April – June are typically the busiest months for Interpretation & Education. Below is a sample of one of these months and all of the activities taking place.

1. Union Building interpretive exhibit planning work continues. An exhibit contract firm has been selected by Harpers Ferry Center and the park is awaiting contracting confirmation before releasing the firm's name. The exhibit design charette will take place August 11-15. Work with the contractor will take place over the next two years and will involve approximately 25% of Dan's time. Both Dan and Kathleen will be involved in the full architectural value analysis the week of July 21 – 24.
2. June 2 - former Michigan Technological University professor Ed Koepel provided a training and tour of Torch Lake for KEWE staff in preparation for a new interpretive program series aboard the Keweenaw Star excursion vessel.
3. June 4 – the Interpretation Division hosted an all day interpretive meeting with several park staff and park partners, Coppertwon Museum and the Keweenaw Heritage Center at St. Anne's in preparation for the Union Building Interpretive Exhibit – Life in a Copper Mining Community.
4. June 5 – Kathleen and Steve DeLong attended a Copper Country Trail interpretive meeting that focused on developing criteria for selecting a firm to develop an interpretive plan for the National Byway.
5. June 6 – Dan met with Keweenaw County Historical Society staff to provide technical assistance regarding exhibit development at select KCHS sites.
6. June 9-11 – Dan worked with two Harpers Ferry Center (HFC) staff (Conservator Antje Neumann and Historic Furnishings Researcher Sarah Heald) in preparation for the Union Building Interior Rehabilitation project.
7. June 11 – Kathleen attended the Lake Superior Stewardship Initiative Advisory Board meeting where 5 seed grants were awarded to 5 local schools involved in community service learning projects.
8. June 12 - Dan and Kathleen provided a 3 hour customer service training for local businesses and any interested heritage sites. There were 22 people in attendance.
9. June 16 – Dan participated in a pre-bid conference call with eight of the ten design contractors from the NPS IDIQ list, answering questions and providing more information on the Union Building Interior Rehabilitation project.
10. June 19 - Travel Dynamics International and the ship Clelia II will be visiting Houghton and the Keweenaw Peninsula during 11 Great Lakes tours next summer. Alex Ros, Director of Programming, visited the Keweenaw June 17-21 and met with many individuals to map out itineraries for the shore excursions. Kathleen spent Thursday with Alex and provided an interpretive overview of the area which included Quincy hill, Torch Lake, Laurium, Calumet, and Heritage Sites in Keweenaw County.
11. June 21 – ranger guided programs began with seasonals Nick Clark and Dan Brown along with full-time staffing of the Quincy Visitor Information Desk. The interpretive program schedule remains the same as last year with the addition of the ranger guided program aboard the Keweenaw Star.

12. June 21 – Kathleen selected and is supervising two Teacher to Ranger to Teacher positions. They include Deirdre Erbsich, 5th grade teacher at E.B. Holman Elementary and Julie Dlubala, librarian at Calumet Laurium Keweenaw Elementary School. Deirdre's focus is on providing summer junior ranger programs to the public and as requested by local education and summer school programs. She is also looking at ways to connect local schools with the KHS through the linkage of MI state Grade Level Content Expectations. Julie Dlubala is focusing on community outreach by representing the park at local festivals and parades. She will also promote the park's Junior Ranger program to the local elementary schools this upcoming school year. The signed Intergovernmental Agreements are good for two years and allow the educators to wear NPS uniforms.
13. June 25 – Kathleen, Tom Baker, and Steve DeLong, attended a day-long Copper Country Trail Advisory Committee meeting to establish an organization governance structure.
14. June 26 - Dan Johnson provided customer service training to volunteers of Keweenaw County Historical Society.
15. June 26 – Kathleen conducted site visits to each of the Keweenaw Heritage Sites throughout June. Those who attended the tours included summer seasonal staff, the YCC crew, and two local teachers.
16. June 27 - IRNHA announced its official name change during the park headquarters open house. The organization's new name is Isle Royale and Keweenaw Parks Association (IRKPA).
17. June 28 – Julie Dlubala, Teacher to Ranger to Teacher, represented the park during the Pasty Fest parade and at an information booth shared with IRKPA.
18. The following 4th Thursday in History programs were conducted:
 - May – Laurium Manor 100th Anniversary
 - June – Irish on the Keweenaw
 - July – Cliff Mine history and tour
19. All KHS received park literature for the season either by attending the spring KHS meeting or having the information delivered to them during the site visits.

Media Update:

20. Dan continues to update the park webpage with local events and happenings related to the park and KHS.
21. The poster for the ranger-guided programs was created and posted throughout the Keweenaw.
22. New 4th Thursday in History posters were created and posted throughout the Keweenaw.
23. Work has begun on the next round of Fourth Thursday in History posters; August, September, and October.

Miscellaneous Activities:

24. Kathleen is working on the park interpretive plan when time permits. A firm draft must be completed in time for the November DAB of the Union Building.
25. Dan continues to be involved in the Marketing Committee when time permits.



Report to KNHP Advisory Commission

Preservation Services 7/16/08

KNHP Project Updates:

Quincy Mine Office Roof and Woodwork Restoration

- Project completion scheduled for September 5.

Union Building Steam Heating System Rehabilitation

- Contract awarded to R.C. Mechanical Inc.
- Preconstruction Meeting set for early August

C&H Warehouse No. 1 Water and Electrical Service Upgrades for Future Fire Suppression System

- Bids due July 22
- Contract award anticipated by end of July

Keweenaw History Center (C&H Library) Facility Improvements

- Project completed June 2008
- Work included new boilers, new unit heaters to 2nd floor and mezzanine, revised heating zones, new first floor toilet room with wood lockers and new flooring, exit lighting, new domestic water, and hot water heater.

Park Headquarters (C&H General Office Building) Interior Rehabilitation

- Construction completed May 2008; staff reoccupied building May 21.

Stabilize Quincy Boiler House No. 5 Smokestack

- Structure owned by QMHA.
- On-site investigations completed by consultant in June
- Consultant's final analysis and recommendations are forthcoming

Union Building Interior Rehabilitation

- Value Analysis session planned for week of July 21

Quincy Unit Cultural Landscape Report

- KEWE Landscape Architect Steve DeLong, Quinn Evans | Architects Associate Brenda Williams, and Woolpert, Inc. Senior Planner Will Ballard met with park staff to present the Quincy Unit Cultural Landscape Report (CLR) Part II 25% report. The CLR team also held a series of meetings with park stakeholders and the general public to present the Draft Quincy CLR Part I and to receive input from them. The CLR team is in the process of updating existing conditions,

analysis, and examining treatment alternatives to present for public review and comment.



Facility Management

Facility Management Software System (FMSS) and Park Asset Management Plan (PAMP)

- The MWR PAMP team is arriving at the park on Tuesday, July 22nd to substantially complete the PAMP process by Thursday, July 24th. The PAMP process results directly from NPS effort to adhere to Executive Order 13327, Public Law 98-540 and Director's Order #80. The PAMP analyzes the current make up and condition of the park's asset portfolio, outlines the current available park funding, establishes Operations and Maintenance requirements, forecasts component renewal, and identifies the gaps between funding and requirements. It complements the facility portions of the competitive review process, core operations evaluations, and park business plans.

Youth Conservation Corp (YCC)

- Advertised for, selected, and hired a YCC leader and 4 local high school youth workers for the 8 week NPS funded program. Participated in numerous partner and park projects-painting, vegetation/brush/debris removal, assisting other KNHP divisions. The program began June 9 and ends August 1.

Preservation Maintenance

- Rehabilitating wood window sashes and storm windows on park headquarters, Warehouse #1 and the Quincy Mine Office.

Partner Project Update

Village of Calumet Village Historic District Commission (HDC)

- On-going assistance to property owners
- Design review consultation

Calumet Main Street Design Committee

- On-going technical assistance

Outreach and Education

- Fourth Thursday in History presentation at Laurium Manor
- Promotion of Preservation Tax Incentive Program

Copper Country Trail Advisory Committee

- KEWE Management Assistant Tom Baker, Landscape Architect Steve DeLong, and Chief of Interpretation & Education Kathleen Harter attended a Copper Country Trail Advisory Committee meeting. The group is working toward establishing an organizational governance structure.



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1. The Grant Agreement between the NPS and the Commission to administer the Statutory Aid appropriated in the Omnibus Bill of 2008 has been completed. The Advisory Commission will be able to draw from that grant account as needs arise, and in a manner that is to their best advantage.
2. An amendment to the Keweenaw Heritage Sites MOU with Hanka Homestead Museum has been prepared to reflect a change in Key Officials for that organization. Their new Key Official and primary contact is Greg Markkanen of Hancock.
3. An MOU has been constructed and executed with Keweenaw Excursions, Inc. to provide onboard ranger services for tours of the historic Torch Lake district. This initial MOU is for this year, and we will renegotiate after the season to explore the possibility of continuing the program.
4. The relocation from the Merchants & Miners Building downtown to the C&H General Office Building is now complete, and that lease has been terminated. I received assistance from the Midwest Regional Office's IT Specialists during the relocation of network servers and phone systems. Jo Urion was especially helpful during the actual move, providing assistance with the final details of the phones and IT resources. The multipurpose/training room now has full projector and internet capabilities, and the TEL Station – Technology Enhanced Learning – should be operational by the end of the day. Six of the floor outlets have network cable connections that can be quickly configured for either DOI/NPS network connections or for civilian internet connection. It is capable of handling up to 24 computers at one time. We still need to procure sound equipment such as a mixer/preamp/amplifier, speakers, and wireless microphones.
5. I have submitted an application for a Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number, which is required to post grant opportunities on the Grants.gov website. Posting of grant opportunities is a nationwide requirement so that everybody has an equal opportunity to take advantage of available grants. We are the first park in the Midwest region to go through this process, and other parks are already using our work as a model. This was done in preparation for offering the first NPS grant opportunity – Keweenaw Heritage Grants 2008 – which hit the streets last week.
6. Steve, Kathleen, and I continue to work with the Copper Country Trail Scenic Byway Committee, and we welcome the addition of Steve Albee to that group.
7. I am teaching two sessions at NPS Fundamentals II the week of July 21: *Working Together* and *Personal Leadership*. This is an outstanding program that orients

employees to the history, vision, and mission of the NPS, in addition to providing excellent tools for contributing effectively to their workplace. This training is an effective and efficient manner of providing a thorough understanding of the National Park Service and its values, how the NPS works with outside partners, and of instilling a strong stewardship ethic for our nation's natural, cultural, and historical treasures. I had previously received permission from the Fundamentals program for the Commission to send the director. Cost of the training would be borne by the NPS, while the Commission would cover travel expenses. I would like the Commission to consider having this outstanding opportunity regarded as an immediate training requirement if and when an executive director is hired. The investment of both time and financial resources would bring returns many times over by providing a solid foundation and understanding of the NPS and its mission, and how the Commission can interface with the NPS and its various partners in the most efficient manner possible. The Commission is already doing a fine job of working together with NPS staff here at Keweenaw NHP; this training would help to elevate those efforts to even higher levels, and solidify the symbiotic relationship that is the core of this park.

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