



CALUMET HERITAGE PARTNERSHIP

Annual Membership Meeting

Agenda

- Presidents Report
- Reports from CHP Groups
 - Galleries, Museums, and Local History Group
 - Calumet Stewardship Initiative
- Election of 2018 Board of Directors
- Presentation by Kevin and Joanne Murphy
- Comments, Ideas, and Feedback
- Short CHP Board Meeting

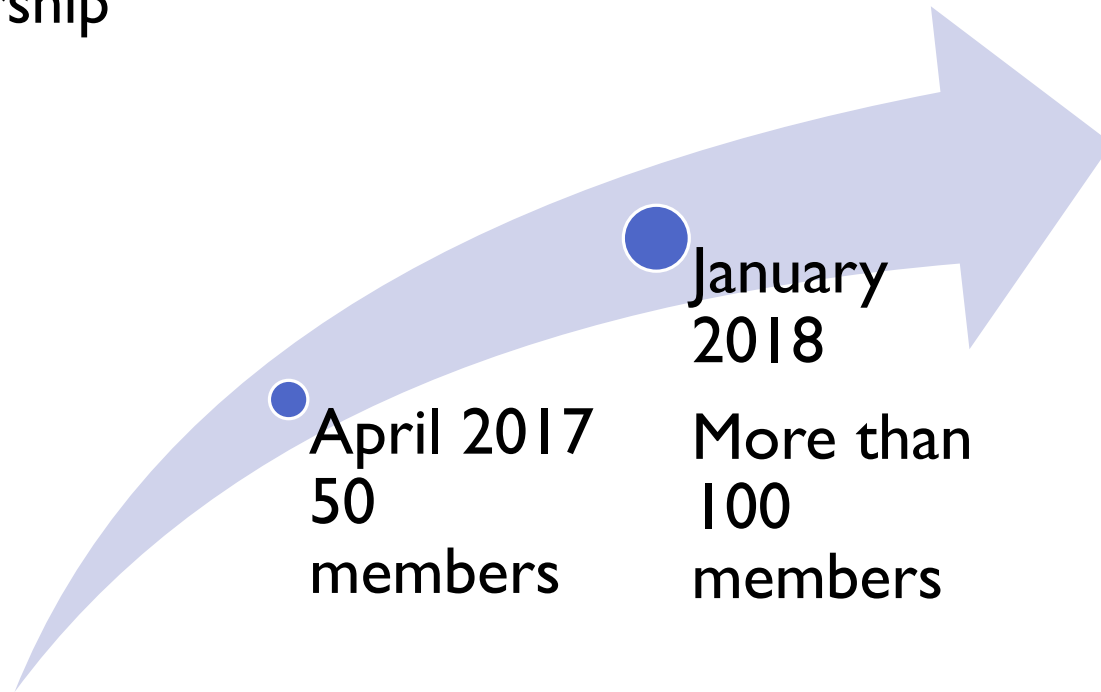


THE POWER OF PARTNERSHIP

PRESIDENT'S
REPORT TO THE
MEMBERSHIP OF
THE CALUMET
HERITAGE
PARTNERSHIP

The Power of Partnership

Membership



A successful conference, integration of CSI, and efforts to encourage paid membership have helped us double our membership over the past year.

The Power of Partnership

CHP is a diverse bi-state partnership of individuals and organizations

Our members are individuals drawn from

- Federal, state, regional, and local government agencies
- Large and small regional and local non-profit institutions, organizations, and for-profit companies
- Activists and citizens with an interest in heritage

Accomplishments in 2017

Regional
Heritage

Connections

Collections

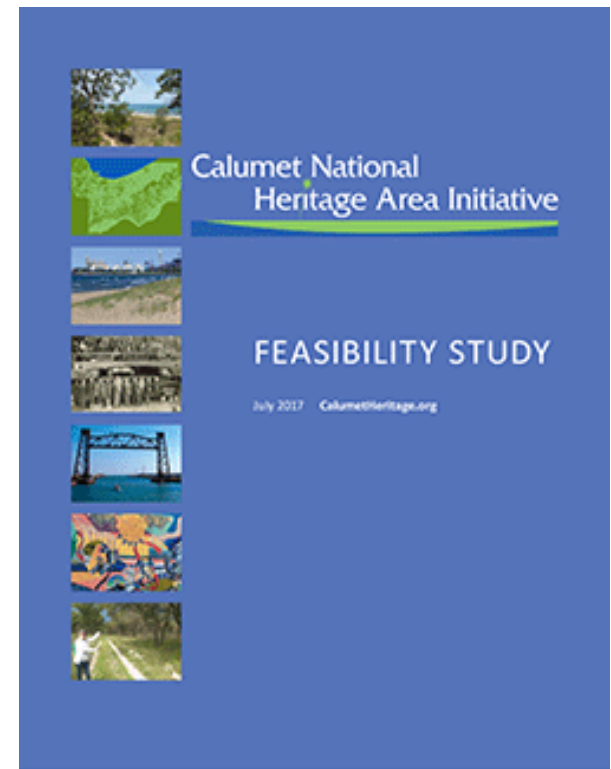
Conference
and Events

Regional Heritage



Calumet National Heritage Area Initiative

- Completion of the CNHA Feasibility Study
- Submission and Feedback from NPS
- Revision of Feasibility Study Underway



Regional Heritage

CNHA Planning Beyond the Feasibility Study

- Memorandum of Understanding with the Calumet Collaborative to Organize Work on
 - A Management Plan
 - A Communications and Branding Plan
 - An Advocacy Plan
 - A Financial Plan
 - A Programing Plan



Planning will occur over a multi-year period.

Connections

Establishment of Two Calumet Heritage Groups

- Museums, Galleries and Local History Group
- The Calumet Stewardship Initiative of the Calumet Heritage Partnership

In 2018

- Revision and adoption of final groups policy
- Formation of additional groups
 - Interpretation?
 - Industrial History?
 - Labor History?
 - Music?



Collections

CHP maintains a collection of artifacts and documents primarily from the ACME Steel Plant housed at Pullman.

Renovations have necessitated the temporary relocation of our archives and permanent relocation of our big ACME Steel artifacts.





Collections

CHP has signed an agreement with the Chicago Park District to move the large bell, small bell, and ingot mold to a permanent home in Steelworkers park.

We await better weather to make the move. Stay tuned for an official announcement!

In 2018 we will work to develop interpretation for the objects and develop interpretation for and access to our archives.



Conference and Events

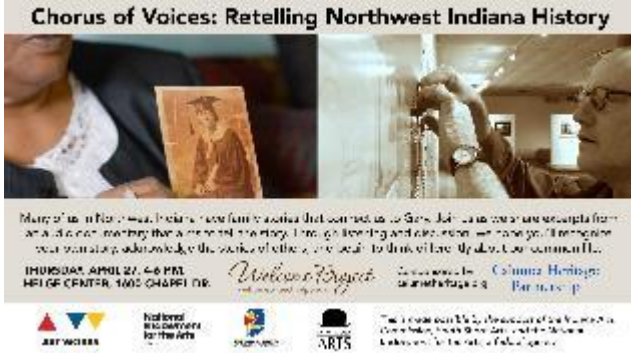
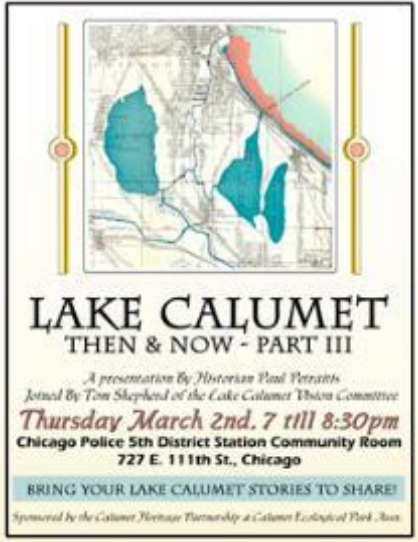
Successful 18th
Annual Calumet
Heritage Conference
with Keynote by Ted
Cable on the Gift of
Interpretation



Conference and Events

With the Calumet Ecological Park Association, co-sponsored a presentation on Lake Calumet by Paul Petraitis.

Co-sponsored two Workshops by the Welcome Project centered around an oral history audio documentary “A Chorus of Voices: Retelling Northwest Indiana History” by Liz Wuerffel and Allisson Scheutte of Valparaiso University



Conference and Events

“Chorus of Voices” led to a “People’s Museum” organizing effort.

The Welcome Project, CHP, CSI/CHP, and United Urban Networks are core participants

Mission: The People’s Museum seeks to provide an egalitarian space where residents of the industrial lakeshore communities (Hammond, East Chicago, Gary) can exhibit artifacts and arts that have preserved their cultural and familial heritage. The People’s Museum is committed to open dialogue that encompasses diverse voices and viewpoints. Exhibition and presentations are curated to honor the resilience of communities and advance a vision of equity and social justice for NW Indiana. Any artifact or performance that demonstrates and celebrates the resilience of these communities will be considered for the museum.

May take the form of “pop-up” museum events.

Conference and Events for 2018

- CSI sponsored events: Calumet Outdoor Series and Calumet Nature Nerds Restoration Events
- “Along the Lakeshore” exhibit of works by Kathy Los-Rathburn, Matthew Kaplan, & and Thomas Hocker, July 21-Sept. 22 at the Indiana Welcome Center in partnership with South Shore Arts
- The 19th Annual Calumet Heritage Conference
- Goal of holding more events in 2018 than in 2017.



Conclusion

As an all-volunteer organization with a small budget, the Power of Partnerships enabled our accomplishments in 2018.

We have leveraged partnerships with other organizations and have begun to partner with our membership to a greater degree than in the past.

This has enabled CHP to expand from a focus on planning for a heritage area to a focus on being a heritage area.

We are already a heritage area!

CHP Proposed Slate of Board Candidates 2018

Mike Longan, President	Tiffany Tolbert, Vice-President (Indiana)	Sherry Meyer, Vice-President (Illinois)	David Klein, Treasurer
Diane Pugh, Secretary	Amanda Aguilera	Jason Berry	Mark Bouman
Karen Brozynski	Benjamin Cox	David Holmberg	Gary Johnson
Amy Radolak*	Jessica Renslow*	Tom Shepherd	