

October 11, 2023

**TO:** Kelli Pickard, Asst. Director  
Park & Recreation Department

**FROM:** Rena Lawrence, Historic Site Supervisor  
Log Cabin Village, PARD



**SUBJECT: ACTIVITY REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2023**

**FREQUENTLY USED ACRONYMS:** **AASLH:** American Association for State and Local History, **COFW:** City of Fort Worth, **FWNCR:** Fort Worth Nature Center and Refuge **KP:** Kelli Pickard, **FWISD:** Fort Worth Independent School District, **LCHF:** Log Cabin Heritage Foundation, **LCV:** Log Cabin Village, **PARD:** Park & Recreation Department, **PMD:** Property Management Department, **RL:** Rena Lawrence, **SN:** Shae Nawoj, **TAM:** Texas Association of Museums, **THC:** Texas Historical Commission, **TLHA:** Texas Living History Association, **VZC:** Van Zandt Cottage, **VZCFI:** Van Zandt Cottage Friends, Inc.

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**Events/Classes:**

- September 21-23: **Fort Worth Oktoberfest** in Trinity Park (VZC Grounds)
- September 30: **Our World: Worldwide Day of Play (Association of Children’s Museums and Nickelodeon):** 103 participants

**Meetings/Happenings/Consultation:**

- September 12: RL provided consultation about **various museum topics** via phone to local appraiser **Genice Lee**; Genice specializes in **African American collections and history**
- September 13: RL provided consultation to **Russell Farm Art Center (Burleson Park & Rec) leadership** in the LCV offices re: **LCV operations and programming**; they toured LCV after
- September 14: SN attended **TAM’s Inclusivity, Diversity, Equity, and Access Affinity Group** meeting via Zoom
- September 15: SN spoke to **Tarleton State’s Public History** Students; they toured LCV after
- September 16: **Stepping Into Destiny Artists Guild** met at the VZC
- September 19: RL met with KP via phone re: **site updates**
- September 19, 21 : RL attended KP’s **staff meetings/gatherings**
- September 20: RL/SN spoke to **Baylor’s Museum Studies Collections Care** class via Zoom
- September 20: RL/SN attended the **Fort Worth Oktoberfest Corporate Night** in Trinity Park (near the VZC)
- September 21: RL attended the **AASLH Historic House Committee meeting** via MSTeams

**Media/Marketing/Tourism/Advertising:**

- **Guest register (October 1 to date):** 46 states, 50 countries
- September 5: RL met with Alex Klinedinst from **Bluebird Creative** via Zoom re: an estimate for an **LCV Marketing Plan**

**Training:**

- September: RL/SN conducted **monthly safety training** with staff; safety officer’s topic was **“Heat Safety”**
- September 6-10: RL/SN attended the **AASLH Annual Meeting** in Boise, ID; RL continues to serve as co-chair of the Historic House Committee

- September 12: SN attended the **Solar Eclipse Event Planning** for October 14, 2023 - A Review of the Newest Resources for Engaging the Public (National Informal STEM Education Network) webinar via Zoom
- September 13: RL attended **The State of the American Traveler Survey Findings - September 2023 (Destination Analysts)** webinar via Zoom
- September 26: SN met with Eric Manley re: preparation for LCV's upcoming **Murder Mystery**
- September 26: RL attended the **Fiscal Year End Receipt and ATP training** at Greenbrier Community Center
- September 28-29: SN attended the **Interpreting Slavery with Children and Teens** (AASLH) workshop via Zoom

**Maintenance/Site Improvement:**

- September 9: **Greater Fort Worth Herb Society Work Day**—herb garden
- September 20, 27, 29: Daniel/John (STS360) continued working on **LCV alarm/replacing various components**; it still does not work correctly
- September 27: Jeff (Cantu) completed **monthly pest control** at LCV and VZC