## Waneta Lynn named chairman of panel for state museums

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Mrs. Waneta Lynn, Muskegon County Museum director, has been appointed chairman of a committee to plan future Bicentennial projects for the Michigan Museum Association.

A comprehensive directory of the state's museums is at the top of the list of projects she will be working on as chairman of the association's Bicentennial projects committee, she said this week. The Handbook of Ethnic Resources in Michigan was an earlier effort, due for publication in the near future.

Mrs. Lynn has served as an appointee and a twice-elected member of the Michigan Museum Association (MMA) board during the past three years.

Mrs. Lynn is no stranger to Bicentennial projects. The local museum conducted a search for the oldest living Muskegon County lumbering era citizen, bestowing the honor on the late Caroline A. Sibley, then 100 years old, in 1975.

In September of last year the mu-

seum's Heritage Room opened with an exhibit featuring items of Revolutionary War vintage to the present, an ongoing project enhanced by new loans and additions.

A \$1,500 diorama showing the British sloop "Felicity" is now making the rounds of local lending institutions and will join the permanent exhibits of the museum at a later date. The "Felicity" paid a visit to Muskegon waters in 1779 during the Revolution.

Hundreds of pictures and artifacts have been loaned to area schools, townships, organizations and individuals to help them celebrate the 200th birthday of our country," said the director.

Future plans include a return of Heritage Craft Days in early November. In late December the museum and Hackley Art Museum will collaborate on project commemorating the lumber era and Muskegon's role in rebuilding Chicago after the great fire. Other projects are under study.

Mrs. Lynn announced that museum hours after Sept. 1 will be Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.