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Note from the President

Dear Members,

This year has started very quickly for the Society as everyone can see from the newspaper articles that have been in the *Stow Sentry* and the *Akron Beacon Journal* regarding the Stewart schoolhouse. Bob Flower and his schoolhouse committee have been busy raising the funding outside of the historical society to move and renovate the building. Bob has formed a renovation committee that will be restoring the schoolhouse after it has been moved to the site at the Heritage Reserve in Silver Springs Park off of the Young Road entrance. Anyone interested in working with the renovation committee should contact Bob Flower at 330-688-5888.

Additionally, this year the Society will be continuing its monthly meeting with presenters on different topics followed by short general meeting updates for members in attendance. The new board members and trustees were sworn in December 1st by Mayor Sara Drew. All officers and trustees are listed on the left side of this page. The Board would also like to acknowledge our first time trustee, Tammie Menke.

Finally, we will be working on many other projects during this coming year including the Harvest Festival held in October, and third grade school tours to name a few. One thing that we are always looking for are volunteers to help out at events, if even for short periods of time. Please feel free in contacting any board member or trustee for information on events or volunteering.

John Baranek, SHS President

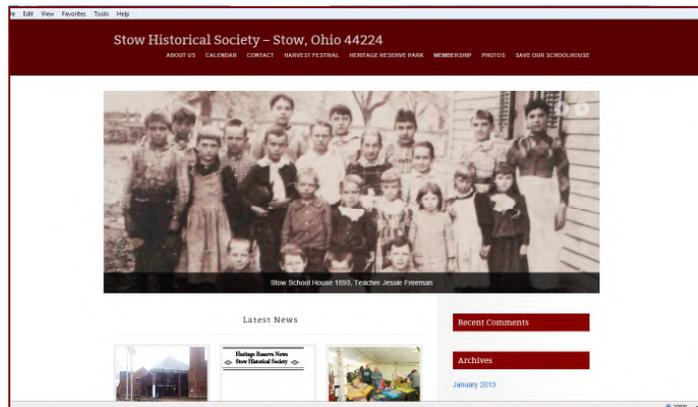
2013 Installation Luncheon



Members gathered for the annual board of trustees installation luncheon December 1st at Bistro on Main in Kent. Sworn in by Stow Mayor Sara Drew, 2013 officers are John Baranek, president; John Daugherty, vice president; Marcia Gilmore, treasurer; Howard Corathers, recording secretary, Beth Daugherty, corresponding secretary; and Bob Flower, Laverne Corathers, and Tammie Menke, trustees.

New Website!

Stow Historical Society now has its own website! Go to www.stowhistory.org to find up-to-date information on programs, events, and news. Learn about the organization's history, see photos of the recent Harvest Festival, and download a membership application.



Upcoming Programs

Please plan to attend the exciting programs lined up for our spring member meetings. On **March 25th** speaker Barb Baltrinic of Munroe Falls will discuss her ancestor, Abraham Clark of New Jersey, who was a signer of the Declaration of Independence. A former English teacher, Baltrinic spent more than six years researching her ancestor. Her book, *A Founder for All: Abraham Clark, Signer of the Declaration of Independence* was published in December. It was written in order to share information about a seldom-referenced Founding Father and also to create a lasting legacy for her family.

The **April 22nd** meeting features Ruth Ann Hulthen and Olivia Walton with a presentation on the mountain dulcimer. Ruth has been playing the mountain dulcimer for over ten years. She and Olivia are co-authors of a dulcimer book and CD—“Bountiful Folk – Duets and Such”, as well as co-leaders of the Black Squirrel dulcimer group. Ruth also belongs to Tri-County Dulcimer, and Mixed-up Strings. Olivia has been playing guitar since the 1960’s and dulcimer since 2007, and is a member of three other dulcimer clubs. Both women also teach the instrument and are producing a new CD, *Bountiful Folk—Outstanding in our Field*.



Our June meeting will be a field trip! We will meet **Saturday, June 22nd at 10:00 a.m.** at the Mustill Store, 248 Ferndale Street , Akron, 44304 for a tour and short walk with Denny Reiser. The Mustill Store and House is a visitor center and museum on the Towpath Trail. It is the last combination residence and commercial structure of its kind along the Ohio & Erie Canal. The exhibits inside tell about Akron’s rise from a frontier to an industrial power. A short business meeting will be held after the tour.

Old Schoolhouse Update

It is time we brought everyone up to date regarding the Old Schoolhouse Project. The Fund Raising Committee has been very active and has made our project well known to all in the area via the Harvest Festival kickoff and the *Stow Sentry* Mini-series. They also have visited Stow businesses and organizations and placed donation canisters in their stores. The organizations have responded with donations including the Stow Munroe Falls Rotary with a donation of \$10,000. The FRC also submitted a grant request to the Lehner Family Foundation of Munroe Falls. They also responded with a grant of \$10,000. With these donations and the money in the bank, we have almost enough to build the new building foundation and move the building.

The Construction Team has been active in doing the necessary things to make the building move happen. This included submitting the request to move the building to the City of Stow Planning and Zoning committee. This was approved by them, approved by the Council Planning committee, and City Council. We were then OK to hire a registered architect to draw up the foundation details, and other documents required by the Stow Building department. The architect has been hired and the drawings are being prepared. We next have to get the plans approved by the City. We also met with the Metro Parks to have them initiate the transfer of the building to the City of Stow. We have their cooperation and support for the move, and they do not have plans for that property in 2013. The new site for the OSH has been selected and stakes are in the ground. You can drive into Heritage Reserve Park, go past the copula and the site is on the left.

There are opportunities to apply your time and talents to the tasks related to the move preparation and the post move restoration. If you or someone you know would like to volunteer as part of the OSH Committee, please call Bob Flower or John Baranek. We are working towards a goal of moving in the third quarter of this year.

Bob Flower – OSH Committee Chair

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2013 Stow Historical Society Member Meeting Calendar

Monday, March 25	7:00 p.m. at Stow Safety Center — Barb Baltrinic, author of “A Founder for All: Abraham Clark, Signer of the Declaration of Independence”
Monday, April 22	7:00 p.m. at Stow Safety Center— Ruth Ann Hulthen & Olivia Walton will present on the mountain dulcimer
Saturday , June 22	10:00 a.m.—Mustill Store, 248 Ferndale St., Akron, OH 44304, with Denny Reiser NOTE CHANGE of date, time, and location!
Monday, August 26	7:00 pm. - location to be announced
Monday, September 23	7:00 p.m. at Stow Safety Center—Geoff Elliott, foremost authority on Abraham Lincoln.
Monday, October 28	7:00 p.m. at Stow Safety Center—to be announced
Monday, November 25	7:00 p.m. at Stow Safety Center—to be announced
Saturday, December 7	Installation luncheon—time and location to be announced

Board meetings are held the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the second floor conference room at Stow City Hall

Membership meetings are held on the fourth Monday of the month at
Stow Safety Center—3800 Darrow Rd., Stow, OH 44224
There are no member meetings in January, February, May, July or December