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A Note from the President

I would like to take this time to thank everyone that volunteered for this year's Harvest Festival to make it successful. Many people visited all of our historical houses along with our new School House that is still being renovated. We are continuing to raise funds for the renovation which now will move into the interior of the schoolhouse. Bob Flower has continued to head up the committees in this process. At our November General Meeting we will be electing Officers and Board Members, so if anyone is interested is one of these positions, please feel free in contacting me. Also we are looking for volunteers to help take care of the Darrow House.

An upcoming event that we have planned is the installation luncheon which will be held at the "New Panini's" on Steels Corners Road (in front of the Stow Municipal Courthouse) on Saturday, December 6th. Doors will open at 11:00am. The cost again will be \$15.00 per person. Please visit our website for the remainder of the year programs. We still have our November 24th general meeting with elections.

I would like to thank all of the Society's members for their continued support of the projects and events that we have had in this past year.

John Baranek, SHS President

Follow us on Facebook! Stow Historical Society now has its own Facebook page. Some of the posts so far include Throw Back Thursdays, Harvest Festival photos, Stewart School updates, and program information. Click the Facebook button on the www.stowhistory.org home page to connect. Continue to check our website for SHS updates on events and programs.



SHS TBT Stirring apple butter In the early days

Harvest Festival

Our 36th annual Harvest Festival, held October 4th and 5th, was a great success thanks to many volunteers and participants. Activities included craft vendors, old-fashioned apple butter, concession stand, historic house tours, entertainment, old time crafts demonstrations, and children's crafts.

Gene Kaczarmski played the buttonbox accordion Saturday morning in the Heritage Barn. Four piece band, Sona, playing traditional Celtic and American folk tunes returned on Sunday for their third appearance at the Festival. Millie Chrin demonstrated weaving on an antique loom in the Minnie Darrow House, woodcarvers demonstrated in the Heritage Barn, and chair caners demonstrated in the big tent. City of Stow Parks and Recreation Department donated 150 pumpkins to be painted. Also returning this year were the blacksmith and farm animals from the Hutch Bunch 4-H Club.

Special appreciation goes to the Houston Morgan family, who again supervised the stirring of the apple butter. Also thank you to the wonderful high school volunteers who moved mulch, helped with vendor set-up, packaged apple butter and just generally did a fantastic job!

The Heritage House Museum, Minnie Darrow House, and Mary Starr House, managed by Howard and LaVerne Corathers, Cathy and Bob Flower, and Jacinda and Briana Warman, were open for tours, as was the Stewart School. Visitors to the Schoolhouse had a chance to view the renovations and learn about the ongoing project. See more photos on our website and Facebook pages.













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Old Schoolhouse Update

Phase Two Status of the OSH Project - The outside restoration is completed with replacement replicas of the doors and windows, and siding. Efforts are underway to get the roof replacement, using a standing seam metal roof. Electricity is needed to continue the restoration work, and we are getting estimates for that. The Fund Raising Team is formulating plans to

raise an additional \$55,000— if you have not made your contribution to support our OSH, NOW is a good time. We need cash in the bank to continue the work. A donation form can be found on our website at www.stowhistory.org, or you may make a contribution through the PayPal button on the website. If using PayPal, please indicate that your contribution is for the Old Schoolhouse. You are invited to participate with your time and talents by signing up for a work day. Please contact OSH Committee Chairman Bob Flower at 330-688-5888 or flowerrd@akroncolo.net or email shs@stow.oh.us.

Annual Picnic

Our annual member picnic was held at the Heritage Reserve Barn Monday, August 25th. Members enjoyed a potluck dinner and visiting. President John Baranek updated everyone on Society events & the upcoming festival.





Fall Programs



Sharon Myers, local resident and founder of the William Wetmore Chapter Daughters of 1812, talked about **Historic Cemeteries of Summit County** at our September 22nd meeting at Stow Safety Center. Noted Lincoln expert, Geoff Elliott, discussed **Abraham Lincoln: A Life of Tragedy and Triumph** at the October 27th meeting.



Monday, November 24, 6:30 p.m. - Election of Board of Trustees. <u>Bring an appetizer or dessert to share.</u> Meeting will be in Stow City Hall Council Chambers.

Saturday, December 6, 11:00 a.m. - Annual Installation Luncheon—Panini's of Stow, 4200 Steels Pointe Dr., Stow (next to the Municipal Courthouse). Cost is \$15 with a choice of entrée.

Stewart School Landscaping



Boy Scout Tim Flower has been working on his Eagle Scout Project of planning and implementing land-scaping around the Stewart School. This project includes plantings, edging, and mulching. The majority of the project is completed, with the rest to be finished after installation of sidewalks. Please stop by the Stewart School to take a look at this outstanding accomplishment. Tim is pictured at left with SHS President John Baranek.

New Member Welcome

Sandy Bard, Susan Tomci, and Charlotte Schilling

Membership News

Now is a good time to renew your Stow Historical Society membership. Checks should be made out to Stow Historical Society. You can find the application form on our website at www.stowhistory.org. Just print it out and mail in with your check. *Please include your email address if you would like to be contacted by email. Your address will not be shared with any other organization.* Thank You.

Stow Historical Society offers products for sale with proceeds going toward the maintenance and preservation of the collection. Contact a board member if interested. Items include:

Heritage Plates \$4

Stories of a Stow Native by Fred Long \$25

Recollections of Living and Working in Stow by Fred Long \$15

Images of America: Stow and Munroe Falls by Beth E. Daugherty \$22

Stow-Aways Memories of the Past by Garnet Byrne \$3.00

Notecards 6/\$5





Membership New or Renew

Now is a good time to renew your Stow Historical Society membership. We do urge you to return your membership form with the Luncheon Reservation form. Write one check and save on paper and postage. Checks should be made out to Stow Historical Society. Please copy the Membership application, and give them to your friends. *Please include your email address if you would like to be contacted by email. Your address will not be shared with any other organization.* Thank You.

December Luncheon Invitation

Saturday, December 6, 2014 is the date for our annual December/Christmas Luncheon. The Luncheon will be held at Panini's of Stow, 4200 Steels Pointe Dr., Stow (next to the Municipal Courthouse) A short business meeting and installation of the 2015 Officers and Trustees will take place before lunch. Please come and bring a friend or two.

Luncheon reservation and payment deadline is Monday, December 1st.

Please fill out this reservation form and return with your payment:

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Calendar and Meeting Information.

2014 Stow Historical Society Member Meeting Calendar

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Saturday, December 6	11:00 a.m. Installation Luncheon—Panini's of Stow, 4200 Steels Pointe Dr., Stow, OH

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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