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A Note from the President

As we begin 2017, the Board of Trustees, and the general membership of the Society will have many challenges that we will be working on making progress. This year, we will be dedicating the schoolhouse on July 2nd at a one day event at the beginning of Pride Week. Our initial plans are to have a mini social event with all of the houses being open for tours in addition to the Schoolhouse Dedication. We will be sending out more information as the date gets closer in addition to the coverage in the Stow Sentry. We are still fundraising for the schoolhouse and general upkeep on all of the other houses.



The Board is working to have some additional programs in the houses, possibly including occasional Boy Scout and Girl Scout tours. The Harvest Festival dates are set for Saturday September 30th and Sunday, October 1st. Like all of our other activities, we need volunteers to help with keeping the houses open for these events. The Society's Board has been approached by the Munroe Falls Historical Society to see if it might be feasible to merge in order to continue preserving the histories of both communities. Dwindling membership is a concern for both groups. We are looking for input from both memberships for thoughts and ideas.

If you are interested in any of our activities or considering volunteering a little bit of time at the Schoolhouse Dedication (July 2nd) and the Harvest Festival (September 30th and October 1st), please visit the Historical Society's website at www.stowhistory.org to find out more information and contact information. Please look in the Stow Sentry and visit our website to see our meeting schedules beginning in March through the end of the year. I hope to see many of you at our monthly meetings, Schoolhouse Dedication, and Harvest Festival. Thank you for your continued support.

**John Baranek
President**



2017 Board Members were sworn in by Mayor Kline December 3, 2016.

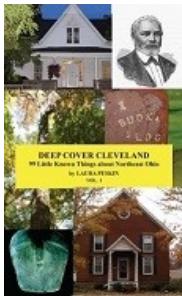
Left to right are Vice President John Daugherty, Trustee Jacinda Warman, Treasurer Bob Megyesi, President John Baranek, and Trustee Bob Flower. Not shown is Trustee Houston Morgan.

Spring Programs

Member meetings and programs are held the fourth Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Stow City Hall. Please join us for the following programs.



March 27, 2017 Local Historian and Ohio Traveler Denny Reiser will be with us at our first meeting of 2017. Denny will show us more places to see along the Ohio and Erie Canal National Heritage Corridor. This program will take place at Stow City Hall.



April 27, 2017 - Laura Peskin will present a program on education, transportation, women's history and more near Summit County. Material will come from Peskin's *Deep Cover Cleveland* book series, as well as research surrounding Women's History Month 2017. Peskin is the author of the book series, *Deep Cover Cleveland*, and has contributed to various periodicals. She is active in local historical societies and contributes to their publications.

June 21, 2017—TBA

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Stewart School Update

Our Stewart Schoolhouse looked really great for the festival. Since then the main floor has been refinished, making its appearance outstanding. However, we are not quite finished with making it look a little more like it was originally. The coat rooms need a replacement floor as does the teacher's platform. The main room needs four replacement "schoolhouse" type ceiling light fixtures that look like the originals.

The students worked at four blackboards, two on the east wall and two on the west wall. We plan to recreate the four blackboards in the original locations. When the students came into the school they would store their lunch boxes and milk pails on the shelves in the coatrooms. Then they hung their coats on the coat hooks below. We are proceeding to re-build the shelves and coat racks in the same location as the originals. There are quite a few other items we would like to complete during the first half of 2017. To that end we have compiled a 2017 Task List for the OSH. You can request a copy from me and I will email it to you. At the end of the list is another big event in the life of the OSH. We are planning a formal rededication ceremony for the school house on July 2, 2017. It would be nice to know if they had one back in the 1880's. If you have any thoughts about the content of such a ceremony, or if you would like to participate in it, please call me at 330-688-5888 or email me.

When we finish this 2017 Task List, the building will be almost completely restored as we have envisioned it. The remaining items will be furnishings and displays related to the period of the school. Like any project we will need additional funds to finish our task list. So please donate some additional bricks for "Donor Brick Garden" by the end of April. We want to begin the garden construction. Thank you.

Bob Flower – OSH Committee Chair



Membership New or Renew

Now is a good time to renew your Stow Historical Society membership. 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.

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2017 Membership Application

Individual	\$10.00	_____
Family	\$20.00	_____
Contributing	\$30.00	_____
Sustaining	\$50.00	_____
Business	\$100.00	_____
Lifetime	\$200.00	_____

Membership Total Enclosed _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone & Email: _____

Volunteer interests (circle) Archives Building & Grounds Festival School Tours

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

Apple Butter
\$5.25

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

Notecards 6/\$5

2017 Stow Historical Society Member Meeting Calendar

Monday, March 27	7:00 p.m. Stow City Hall. Denny Reiser, Ohio and Erie Canal.
Monday, April 24	7:00 p.m. Stow City Hall. Laura Peskin, author of the <i>Deep Cover Cleveland</i> book series.
Monday, June 21	TBA
Monday, August 28	6:30 p.m. Heritage Barn at Heritage Reserve Park. Annual picnic.
Monday, September 25	7:00 p.m. Stow City Hall. Author and ABJ Local History columnist, Mark J. Price.
Monday, October 23	TBA
Monday, November 27	TBA
Saturday, December 2	TBA—installation luncheon

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

Membership meetings are held on the fourth Monday of the month at
Stow City Hall—3760 Darrow Rd., Stow, OH 44224

There are no member meetings in January, February, May, July or December