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A Note from the President

As we move through the summer, we have several things going on for the Historical Society. As all of you know, Phase One of the Old School House (OSH) Project has been completed with the move of the house to its site at the Heritage Reserve Park in Silver Springs Park. Phase Two has begun with the leadership of Bob Flower's construction team to side and roof the structure. In addition, they will be starting the interior of the building with the electrical work and drywall. At the same time the Fundraising Committee of Annie Hanson, Linda Trevorow, John Pribonic, and Steve Hailer have begun Phase Two of the fundraising campaign to raise an addition \$55,000. This phase of the fundraising will be to finish up the inside and complete the outside of the building so that we can begin to use it for various activities.

Upcoming events that we have planned are the Annual Picnic which again this year will be at the Heritage Barn on Monday, August 25th at 6:30pm. This is a covered dish dinner with the entrée and drinks provided. Our annual Harvest Festival will be the first weekend in October (4 and 5). We will be in need of volunteers for the event to help out in the houses while people are walking through them, and passing out food in the Heritage Barn. Any amount of time is helpful for any of our events.

We do have several general meetings remaining this year with program speakers. Watch for the notices in the *Stow Sentry*.

Craft vendors are needed for our 36th annual Harvest Festival, October 4 & 5. See www.stowhistory.org or call 330-689-9381 for more info!

John Baranek



Follow us on Facebook! Stow Historical Society now has its own Facebook page. Some of the posts so far include Memories of Floyd Darrow, Meet the Zimmermans, Harvest Festival Vendors needed, and Model T Ford Club. Click the Facebook button on the

www.stowhistory.org homepage to connect. Continue to check our website for SHS updates on events, programs, and Harvest Festival!



Popcorn King
Floyd Darrow

Spring Programs & Events

Stow Historical Society was pleased to offer three unique and interesting programs at our spring member meetings. John R. Walker of Stow discussed his book *Bracketing the Enemy: Forward Observers in World War II* at our March 24th meeting. The book details the history of artillery forward observation usage, which began with the Civil War. On April 28th Mary McClure told the story of Silver Lake Park, the “Coney Island of the West” with a slide show of images of the park which was in existence for approximately forty years. Our third meeting of the year was held June 23rd with speaker Linda Alexander. Linda’s ancestor was Clara Driscoll, designer of Tiffany lamps and independent woman of the early 20th century.



Stow Historical Society participated in the Community Showcase, sponsored by Stow-Munroe Falls Chamber of Commerce the first weekend of April. Attendees enjoyed our display, along with the presence of Ohio Living History members costumed in Civil War era clothing. OLH members donated their time to support our organization. Thank you to Howard and LaVerne Corathers, Jacinda and Briana Warman, Brian and Tammie Menke, Marcia Gilmore, Karen Depalo, Houston Morgan, John Daugherty, John Baranek, and Bob Megeysi for staffing the booth.

A special event, *Spring into the Past—a Season of New Beginnings*—was held April 11th at the Mary Starr House. A fine evening of food, conversation, and entertainment, was had by all as a fundraiser for the Historical Society. This event was co-sponsored by the Ohio Living History Society.

The Model T Ford Club paid a visit to Heritage Reserve Park Saturday, June 28th, to tour the historic buildings and enjoy lunch on the grounds. Thank you to John Baranek, Howard Corathers, John Daugherty, Marcia Gilmore, and Jacinda Warman for hosting this enthusiastic group. The old cars looked fabulous lined up in front of the Starr and Darrow houses. If you know of any groups, family reunions, or organizations looking for a unique event or a private tour, please contact SHS President John Baranek at 330-688-9381 or email shs@stow.oh.us. To see photos of the cars go to www.stowhistory.org.



Old Schoolhouse Update

Phase Two Status of the OSH Project - The restoration of the outside of the building has begun! Replacement replicas of the doors and windows have been installed. The siding is about 60% completed. Efforts are underway to get the roof replacement started, using a standing seam metal roof. Electricity is needed to continue the restoration work, and we are getting estimates for that. The Interior Restoration Team had their first meeting last week, and will have another soon. If you have interest in the task of restoring the interior, please call and attend that meeting. 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](tel:330-688-5888) or flowerrd@akroncolo.net or email shs@stow.oh.us.

Annual Picnic

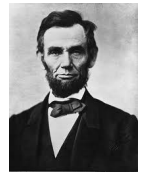
Join us for our annual member picnic to be held at the Heritage Reserve Barn Monday, August 25th at 6:30 p.m. Please bring a dish to share and your own table service. Drinks and entree will be provided.

Upcoming Programs



Sharon Myers, local resident and founder of the William Wetmore Chapter Daughters of 1812, will give a presentation on **Historic Cemeteries of Summit County** at our September 22nd meeting at Stow Safety Center. The presentation will include historic, spooky, and beautiful cemeteries. Learn about the background of some of these cemeteries that date back to the 1700's or before.

Noted Lincoln expert, Geoff Elliott, will discuss **Abraham Lincoln: A Life of Tragedy and Triumph**. He will look at how Abraham Lincoln overcame multiple tragedies during his life, achieving remarkable personal triumphs and immortality. Geoff is author of the Abraham Lincoln Blog.



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.

Now is also a good time to think about ways you might help out in the organization as a one-time or long-term volunteer. Examples include weeding and caring for our flower beds around the historical houses or volunteering as a "house sitter" at one of our historic houses during the annual Harvest Festival. Please give one of the trustees a call if interested. Thank you!

2014 Stow Historical Society Member Meeting Calendar

Monday, August 25	6:30 p.m. Annual picnic at Heritage Barn at Heritage Reserve Park— bring a dish to share
Monday, September 22	7:00 p.m. at Stow Safety Center— Sharon Myers— Historic Cemeteries of Summit County
Monday, October 27	7:00 p.m. at Stow Safety Center— Georff Elliott—Abraham Lincoln: A Life of Tragedy and Triumph
Monday, November 24	7:00 p.m. at Stow Safety Center— Election of Officers
Saturday, December 6	Installation Luncheon—location TBA

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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