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A Note from the President

As we begin to move through 2015, we are continuing to complete the Old School House (OSH) Project with Phase 2 close to completion. The sidewalks, handicap access ramp, electrical work and heating work should be completed during this coming summer. Phase 3 planning and construction for the interior work has begun with an aggressive completion schedule for this Fall's festival. Bob Flower remains the project leader. Our fundraising efforts for this project are still continuing so that we can finish the interior back to its original form. I would like to thank all of the 2015 Board and Trustees for their dedication to serve the Society's membership and help organize all of our upcoming meetings and festival.

This year will present a few new areas for this Society to keep moving forward and serve the Community in the preservation of Stow's historical heritage. By the end of 2015, we will need several members to step forward to fill Board and Trustee positions for current members expressing a need to step down. In addition, the Society needs your help as current members to find new members to carry on the Historical Society's existence. We are always looking for volunteers to work the festival in October. Lastly, I again would like to ask for everyone to look at their calendars and bring a friend to our general meetings to enjoy the wonderful speakers that we have and get information on upcoming events.

John Baranek, 2015 President



Pictured left to right are 2015 Board members Bob Flower, Howard Corathers, Tammie Menke, John Baranek, Beth Daugherty, John Daugherty, and Stow Municipal Court Judge Lisa Coates. Board members not pictured are Marcia Gilmore and Jacinda Warman.

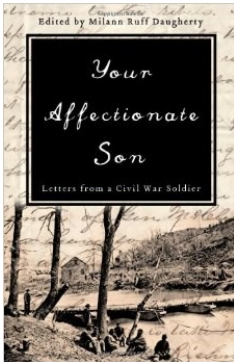
Annual Installation Luncheon

Stow Historical Society members met Saturday, December 6, 2014 at Stow Panini's Bar and Grille for the annual installation luncheon. 2015 Board members were sworn in by Stow Municipal Court Judge Lisa Coates. Guests of honor were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bose. Ed Bose and Richard Schilling were recognized for their efforts in the renovation of Stewart School. This project could not have succeeded without their labor, skills, and dedication.



Upcoming Programs

Monday, March 23, 7:00 p.m. - Join knowledgeable and enthusiastic speaker Jason Adams for an evening of antique jewelry history and appraisal. Jason is an art historian, contemporary jeweler, and collector. He has been in the antique and estate liquidation business for over twenty years, with a specialization in estate jewelry. If you are interested in having a general appraisal of your vintage jewelry please contact Beth Daugherty at bdaughe@gmail.com. This invitation is open to SHS members only and limited to ten people. Each participant may bring one item.



Monday, April 27, 7:00 p.m.—Our April speaker will be Silver Lake resident and author Milann Daugherty. When Milann came across a box of yellowed letters in the bottom drawer of an old dresser, she discovered not only that the letters were all written by her great-great uncle nearly one hundred and fifty years earlier, but that they were a fascinating first-hand account of the Civil War as seen through the eyes of a young soldier. Over the course of three years, Milann painstakingly transcribed each of the letters, which had suffered from the passage of time, and undertook research to elaborate on much of what James described. The result was her book *Your Affectionate Son*. Listen to a first-hand and very personal account of the Civil War experience. Read more at www.uscivilwarletters.com.



Monday, June 22, 7:00 p.m.—In 1996 Congress designated the area between Cleveland and Dover as the *Ohio and Erie Canal National Heritage Corridor*. Denny Reiser will take us on a photographic journey on this 110 scenic byway. You will see some beautiful places (including Cleveland Metro Parks and Cuyahoga Valley National Park) and learn a little history too.

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. 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.

Stow's "Little Ireland"
(Also known as Metz)

The portion of land that included "Little Ireland" surrounded McCauley Road, west of Hudson Drive. Many Irish immigrants settled within this five-mile radius on the border of Stow and Hudson Townships in the early and mid-1800's. Although many Irish came to Ohio to work on the canals, the families that settled in this area were Protestant farmers. They bought large tracts of land from the Connecticut Land Company and established their farms. Familiar names included O'Brien, McCauley, Ritchie, Hibbard, Sadler, Galloway, Calkins, Darrow, and Steel. "Little Ireland" had its own church, school, and post office, with the Cleveland, Akron and Columbus railroad running through the heart of it in the 1880's. Because the railroad conductors felt that the name "Little Ireland" was too long to call out when going through the town, the name was shortened in 1886 to "Metz".

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.



Donate

Don't forget we now have PayPal on our website! This is a safe, secure, and easy way to make your donation to the Old Schoolhouse fund or to make a donation to our general fund. All donations are used in the preservation of our historic buildings and archives.



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.

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



Apple Butter
\$5.25



2015 Stow Historical Society Member Meeting Calendar

Monday, March 23	7:00 p.m. at Stow Safety Center — Vintage Jewelry History & Appraisal
Monday, April 27	7:00 p.m. at Stow Safety Center— Letters from a Civil War Soldier
Monday, June 22	7:00 p.m. at Council Chambers, Stow City Hall— Must See Places in Ohio
Monday, August 24	6:30 p.m. at Heritage Barn—annual picnic
Monday, September 28	7:00 p.m. at Stow Safety Center— How to be a Good Ancestor
Monday, October 26	7:00 p.m. at Stow Safety Center— The Golden Age of Restaurants in Summit County
Monday, November 23	6:30 p.m. at Stow Safety Center— Board of Trustees election
Saturday, December 5	TBA—annual installation luncheon

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The Current Resident or

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