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A Note from the President

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the volunteers that participated in the Harvest Festival. Due to your dedication to preserve local history by manning the Heritage House Museum, Starr House, Darrow House, and the Stewart Schoolhouse along with all of the activities inside and outside of the Heritage Barn, we were able to extend the Society's mission to all of the people who attended this year's festival. Again this year there were many who were responsible for hands-on exhibits such as the Morgan Family with Apple Butter, the Menke Family with live animal exhibit, and the Shumans' who ran the hay wagon ride in the parking lot for all who attended.



Please look at our newsletter calendar or website (www.stowhistory.org) for the important dates for the remainder of the year. The next general membership meeting will be on Monday, November 26th which is a hors d'oeuvres/dessert sharing event along with the election of Board and Officers for 2019. There are a few openings on the Historical Society's Board that need to be filled. Please contact a current Board Member for information. Saturday, December 1st at 11:00am will be the Annual Installation and Reception for the 2019 Society Board and Officers.

If anyone has any questions or comments regarding volunteering or open positions, please visit the Historical Society's website at www.stowhistory.org to find out more information. You can also contact me at shs@stow.oh.us for any additional information, or call (330) 689-2852 and leave a message and we will contact you.

John Baranek

Festival Apple Butter

We have fresh made apple butter for sale at \$5.25 a pint. Contact one of the board members if interested. We will have some for sale at our next board meeting on November 26th. And—we have Christmas cards with a watercolor of the Heritage House on the front of the card! \$5.00 for a pack of six cards.

Upcoming Meetings

Monday, November 26— 7:00 p.m. at Stow City Hall. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. We will be voting on the 2019 Board of Trustees at this meeting.

Saturday, December 1—11:00 a.m. in City Council Chambers at Stow City Hall. Installation of 2019 Board of Trustees. Please stay for refreshments.

Fall Programs

Thank you to our two presenters this fall. Our September speaker was SHS Vice President John Pribonic sharing the history of our local grocery store, Acme. Now known as Acme Fresh Market, this Northeast Ohio supermarket chain recently celebrated 125 years in business and is still owned and operated by the Albrecht family.

Our speaker October 22nd was former history teacher and Stow Mayor Donald Coughlin. Mr. Coughlin displayed and discussed his vast collection of historical presidential campaign buttons.

New England Connections

As you may know, Stow Township was part of the Connecticut Western Reserve and was founded by pioneers from Connecticut. Our organization still maintains a connection with folks in the New England states, including John Oblak and E. Ray Lichty.

Stow Historical Society recently received a \$100 donation from Mr. Oblak of Wethersfield, Connecticut. Mr. Oblak makes a donation to SHS every year in honor of his mother, Mary A. Oblak. Mr. Oblak writes:

Mom enjoyed her years of membership in the Stow Historical Society and served as a docent. I had visited her at the Heritage House when she was "on duty". She looked forward to the schoolchildren's visits....I am active in the Wethersfield Historical Society where I maintain my personal connection to the Western Reserve....No one from Wethersfield settled in Stow; but the Connecticut towns of Middlefield, Middletown, Cromwell and Windsor are close by. Jonathan Hale was from Glastonbury, once a part of Wethersfield....Please use my donation where most needed....Yours sincerely, John Oblak

SHS also received a request from Mr. Lichty of Hunt Valley, Maryland for our fresh made apple butter. Four jars were shipped to him after the festival and he writes that *it is even better than I remember it!*

Stewart School News

We have been gifted a picture suitable for display in the schoolhouse. It is an image of a typical winter day in a one room school. Our framed picture is a copy of the original painted on wood in 1901 by W.L. Taylor. Taylor was the lead illustrator for the Ladies Home Journal from 1895 until his death in 1926. This picture hung in Beth Daugherty's parent's home for more than 50 years. Thank you Beth, for making the picture's new home in our OSH.

Ron Piatt



Heritage House Museum Update



As you read in the last newsletter we are replacing the siding and trim on the Museum. In September the material supplier was selected and notified they would be providing the materials. On October 23rd a final review meeting was held by the installers and the lumber company salesperson. This meeting identified some additional items needed for the job. The additional expense was approved by a vote of the Board. The additional cost was paid and the material was delivered on Thursday October 24th. Work by Duda Constuction began after the delivery. Half of the siding on the south side of the museum was then removed. Work will continue weather permitting.

This is a major expense for SHS, so any donations to this effort will be greatly appreciated.

Bob Flower

40th Annual Harvest Festival

Thank you to all volunteers who participated in our recent annual Harvest Festival, held September 29th and 30th. The weather was great and we had many returning and new craft vendors. Attendees enjoyed the music, historic buildings and exhibits, farm animals, concessions, pop-up Library, pumpkin painting, wood carvers, blacksmiths, chair caner, and of course, the hay wagon ride and stirring of the apple butter.



Festival Vendor Coordinator Needed

Vendor Coordinator: I will not be returning as vendor coordinator. If you are interested in contributing your skills to this endeavor, please contact me (Beth) at bdaughe@gmail.com. I will work with you to make a successful transition. You must be familiar with email and be able to use a computer! And you must be available to work both days of the festival, plus set up the day before. Work with the SHS Board to schedule vendors and organize general volunteers for the Harvest Festival. Advertise in the list of media outlets for vendors. Collect vendor booth payments and assignments. Work with the Treasurer to organize general volunteers for the Heritage Barn sales table and arrange the set-up of vendors for the event.

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.

Stow Historical Society P.O. Box 1425 Stow, Ohio 44224

2019 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

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

Notecards 6/\$5



Apple Butter
\$5.25



Donate



2018 Stow Historical Society Member Meeting Calendar

Monday, June 25	7:00 p.m. Stow City Hall
Monday, August 27	TIME and PLACE TBD
Monday, Sept. 24	7:00 p.m. Stow City Hall
Monday, Oct. 22	7:00 p.m. Stow City Hall
Monday, Nov. 26	7:00 p.m. Stow City Hall
Saturday, Dec. 1	11:00 a.m. Stow City Hall

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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