

SANBORN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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President's Message

We had a very busy summer with our new building program taking up much of our time. **I thank those that helped to get the job done.** There is about one more day for the Sprinkler Installers Union to come back to complete the sprinkler system installation and make the pressure check to verify that there are no leaks. At that point, we can have the building inspector give us a partial occupancy permit for the use of our facility without a kitchen. With the floor and ceiling in the kitchen installed, **Chairman Bill Sterner** continues to work with his committee to be ready if funding becomes available to do the cabinets, shelving, island, etc. and future hood and fire suppression system necessary to receive a full occupancy permit.

I am very pleased with the success of the Farm Museum Festival and join Chairpersons **Linda Jackson and Bonnie Haskell** in thanking those that helped to make the event one that we all can be proud of.

I recognize that no one likes to volunteer but we need some of you to help us out. We have a couple of our members that have served above and beyond the call of duty.. **Lynn Hoffmann** our representative to the Federation of Historical Societies for the past 10 years and **Marie Wienke**, our museum sitter coordinator for the past 5 years, have both asked to be replaced at years end. I am asking that some one come forward and take responsibility for these important tasks. I am sure that Lynn and Marie will help in the transition. **Thanks.**

Gary Townsend, President

Your Board of Trustees (Museum Ph 731-4708)

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Tn. of Lewiston Historic Preservation Comm. (Reserved Position) .. **Michael Rhoney (731-9726)**

ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION - The terms of trustees Paul Beecher, Bob Deull, Bill Hooter, Hilda Snyder & Gerry Treichler expire at the end of 2012. Those whose term expires are eligible to be re-elected for another 3-year term. The nominating committee will present members to be nominated to fill these openings as well as a slate of officers to serve as President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer. Those whose term expires except Bill Hooter have agreed to be nominated for another term. We thank Bill for his valuable inputs during his 4-year tenure on the board and wish him luck on his future ventures. Member Claudia Beane has agreed to be nominated for election to the board. Those officers presently in office are willing to continue for another year if elected to the board. Those interested in running for an office or elected as a trustee-at-large should contact Gerry Treichler. All known candidates will be presented at our October meeting for information purposes. The actual election will take place at our Annual meeting on Nov. 20. Additional nominees can be made from the floor at that meeting. The present members of the Board of Trustees are presented on page 1, herein.

NEW BUILDING- The new building is just about complete as far as we can go using available funding. Now that the custom measured sprinkler heads have been delivered, George Slocum and his crew of sprinkler system trainees will come back for their installation and to finish the job with a final pressure check to make sure there are no leaks.

Available special funding has allowed the kitchen floor and ceiling to be completed. Chairman **Bill Sterner** and his committee have met for final planning and estimating for specific items needed to complete the kitchen when funding becomes available. These include kitchen cabinets, shelving and the "island". We have estimates for the big-ticket items of the hood and fire suppression system for the kitchen and the furnace and air conditioning system for the main hall.

SCHOOLHOUSE MUSEUM- Hilda Snyder, 731-9883- Curator ; Marcia Rivers, (731-3693) -Local History Consultant . Visiting Hours at our Schoolhouse Museum will change from between 2 to 4 PM every Sunday of the month to the first Sunday of the month for the winter months beginning Dec 2. Of course, we are planning our annual Christmas party with goodies and singing to our 100-year old pump organ at the Schoolhouse for Dec. 2 with the possibility of former board member **Monica (Woodworth) Briggs** returning to play the organ.

FARM MUSEUM, Linda Jackson, Curator and Bonnie Haskell, Assistant Curator- Here we are again at the end of another great year.. Without the help of so many volunteers this would not have been possible. Many hours are put in behind the scenes with cleaning, putting away donations, recording, picture taking, etc. Thanks to all who have donated items for our museum in the past and for your continued support. Our farm museum will continue to be open all Sundays from 2 to 4 PM and all Wednesdays from 1 to 4 PM through October 14 or by special appointment. We received many fine comments from our visitors during our normal opening times as well as special group tours. Those that attended our farm museum festival were astonished to see that there



OUR NEW PEOPLE MOVER WITH A TOUR GROUP FROM INDIANA ON BOARD

was such a fine museum in the area. We had our maiden voyage of our newly purchased people mover when we gave a tour bus group of 29 from Indiana a ride around the farm on September 13

FARM BEAUTIFICATION: Joan Shaw, Chmn- Joan thanks her able assistant Valerie Dumpleton and member Shirley Simrell. It helped to have the work days the same days that the work release workers were at the farm for their help in weed whacking and taking care of the previously planted trees, Rose of Sharon bushes and flower gardens and shrubs planted around our buildings. We are in the process of purchasing 2 more memorial trees and markers to be placed by the new building as a memorial to **Marie and Wilson "Bud" Townsend, parents of President Gary.** For your information, our charge for purchase and planting a tree is \$350, which also includes an engraved granite memorial stone placed by the newly planted tree.

SANBORN-LEWISTON FARM FESTIVAL- Our 2-day, 8th annual farm museum festival was the best ever with many stating how much they enjoyed our farm museum. The added space and restrooms provided in our new building helped make it easier to host our pancake and French toast breakfasts and our basket auction than in previous years. The International Harvester Collectors NY State Annual meet was held at our festival this year and they took part in the tractor show and the tractor parades conducted both Saturday and Sunday. We had a great program with plenty of food, baked goods, a basket auction, fine music including our very own Sanborn Fire Company Band, and a program by Terry Buchwald as "Elvis". We could not have done this without **Chairman Linda Jackson and co-chairman Bonnie Haskell** getting the planning off to an early start and the **help of all 117 of you members with your family and friends** working where needed plus additional numbers working behind the scenes making the delicious baked goods.

We thank all of you that worked the food concessions and our sub-chairmen and all those who worked with and supported them: **Bill Read** who reported 120 Antique Engines, Tractor and Equipment exhibits; **Bob Deull** who reported that we had 65 entries for the Classic Car Cruise; **Bonnie Haskell**, who reported we had 20 Flea Market setups; Raffle **Bill Hooter** who did the festival announcing, reported a record number of

raffle tickets with the help of **Ron Wendt** selling over 200 books of tickets by himself; **Pat Thompson** who reported making up 115 baskets and **Valerie Dumpleton** for baked goods who both made record profits this year. **Most importantly we were able to get those near and far to see our fine farm museum and we had a fun time doing it.**

We are also thankful for support received from the Town of Lewiston funding a portion of the program, use of picnic tables and an air compressor, and the loan of a bus; the Sanborn Market Place for a discount on food purchased; the Sanborn Fire Company band playing during the event; the Niagara County Sheriff's Department for providing workers from their work release program to help in setup before and cleanup after the festival; the Town of Lewiston Police and their Explore Group for their able assistance in helping us setup the day before and providing traffic control the days of the festival; Artisan Gene Beamer & son and Keith Price for Blacksmithing; the Milleville's for allowing us the use of their land for over flow parking and tractor parade; Modern for use of portable toilets; and Tuscarora Roofing for use of their tent. We especially thank the donors of baked goods and for those that donate items and made up the 115 baskets for the basket auction.

We thank the 17 sponsors for their donations: Sanborn Business & Professional Assoc, Orleans Monument, DWC, George Edwards Jewelers, Grigg Lewis Foundation, Franklin Traffic Service, New Horizon Plumbing, William Davis Insurance. KW Electric, Town of Lewiston, The Mill, Niagara River Region Chamber, RL Treichler, Stop & Wash, Rhoney Funeral Home, NF Bridge Commission, and Hoover's Dairy.

This year we thank the generosity of the following who allowed us to give out Door Prizes to the tractor entries: Colden Enterprises Inc., Custom Woodworks, Dayferts Truck and Auto Repair, Fichte, Endl & Elmer Eye Care, H.A. Treichler & Sons, J.C.'s Marlboro Inn, Picket Fence Wines & Liquors, Tina's Restaurant, Tractor Supply Co., Willco Auto Care, and Z&M Agricultural & Turf.

In preparation for next years festival planned for Jul 27 & 28, 2013, we are making application to Arts Services Initiative to receive a grant to cover expenses to bring back the Native American "Niagara River Dancers" and for Rosemary Hill to exhibit her beadwork displays and have a setup for hands-on making of beaded Jitter Bugs.

LEGION BUILDING - The history package on the 187-year-old building has been put together and provided to our grant writer to apply for a grant for it's moving. We have one quote and are in the process of getting another quote from a

FARM FESTIVAL 2012



Rochester moving company for moving the building from its present location on Pearl Street in Sanborn to a location on our farm. **Jim Ditzel** indicated that he would prepare the necessary drawing(s) required for moving.

LIBRARY/ COLLECTIONS, Jane Schultz-Chmn (Ph. 731-9404) Assisted by **Joan Shaw**-Normal work times are from 9 to 11 AM the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the schoolhouse museum (or by special arrangement); to accept artifacts, take pictures, etc. Call Jane to verify the time, if planning to use this service. **Office Secretary, Pat Korpinski and SAHS Secretary Gerry Treichler also assisted Jane** on this activity. We thank the many of you that continue to provide Sanborn related artifacts to our museum. The collections committee covers donations for both the Farm Museum and Schoolhouse Museum. Their job it is to document receipt of donated artifacts and have pictures and descriptions recorded in our computer database.

PROGRAMMING- Glenn Wienke, Chairman, 731-5982- We thank **Glenn** and his committee of callers: **Earl & Ruth Carmer, Sandy Manente, Colleen Shanahan and Marilyn Witkowsky** for making the reminder calls. We also thank refreshment chairperson **Valerie Dupleton** for coordinating the refreshment program and **those of you who have accepted her call** to furnish cookies or other refreshments at our monthly meetings. Although refreshments are free, we have a box for money donations for those unable to do this or are so inclined to help us with incidental expenses and to defray the cost for our meeting program speakers.

Those that missed our September meeting on **"Farm Fresh Egg Production"** presented by **Karan Kreher** missed a great program. Our **October 23rd** meeting program will be **"History of Corn"**, presented by **Susan Wendler of Appleton..** Our **November 27th** program will be **"An Obscure Battle of the Korean War"** presented by **Stephen Lacki of Lewiston.** We welcome all members to attend our regular program meetings that are held at 7 PM on the 4th Tuesday of the month at the Sanborn Fire Hall. After a one-half hour business meeting we get

into the special program of the evening, with refreshments afterwards. There will be no meeting in December.

Our annual program at the **Niagara-Wheatfield High School** for next year appears to be in jeopardy since no one has shown an interest to coordinate the project so that **Glenn and his wife, Marie**, can step down. That coupled with the fact that the high school has more than doubled their price to \$260 for custodian, lighting and sound specialist fees may result in the program being cancelled.

MEMBERSHIP- Shirley Simrell- We presently have 264 units (families and individuals) for a total of 373 members. This includes 24 new members. We are now accepting membership dues for the **calendar year 2013.** Please **renew your membership** and become involved. New members joining at this time will also be paying for the new year. Our bylaws stipulate that **annual dues shall be payable by Jan 1st.** Delinquent members will be dropped from the rolls in **March 2013.** We thank all that have joined our ranks as continuing or new members. We need you to **renew your membership** so that we can continue to meet our budget needs (especially with our new building) and provide good programming as well as show the Town of Lewiston that we are worthy of their support. You can **pay dues to Shirley at the monthly meetings** or make out your check to SAHS and mail to our PO Box 172. Thanks to the hard work of **Shirley** and you our supporting members, we hope to exceed our goal of 400 members.

CAPS & SHIRTS WITH OUR LOGO- Orders are being taken for caps and shirts with our Schoolhouse Logo and our Farm Logo. Wear them with pride. These make nice Christmas presents and get our name out to the public. **Contact Glenn Wienke if interested.**

MUSEUM SITTERS- We again thank chairperson, **Marie Wienke** for coordinating the sitters for both the Schoolhouse and Farm museums. We also thank those who act as sitters. Please call Marie (731-5982) and fill in the open dates for her.

Marie, after more than 5 years in this assignment, **has asked to be relieved of her duties at years end.** We are asking that someone step forward and take over the important job of securing sitters for our museums by telling their intentions to any board member. **Marie** agrees to help in the transition. **We thank Marie for her years of service and we know that she will still be involved in other historical society activities.**

SCHOOLHOUSE MUSEUM

Open Sundays 2 to 4 PM

<u>Date</u>	<u>Museum Sitters</u>	<u>Trustee Opening</u>
Oct 7	Carol Beutel	Glenn
Oct 14	Lynn Hoffman	Gerry
Oct 21	Ruth & Earl Carmer	
Oct 28	Ruth Read	
Nov 4		
Nov 11		
Nov 18		
Nov 25		
Dec 2	Christmas Party & Singing at the Schoolhouse	

FARM MUSEUM

Open Sundays 2 to 4 PM

Open Wednesdays 1 to 4 PM

<u>Date</u>	<u>Museum Sitters</u>	<u>Trustee Opening</u>
Wed. Oct 3	Beth Boyles	
Sun. Oct 7	Glenn Wienke	Glenn
Wed. Oct 10		
Sun Oct 14	Winetique (Gerry Sitting & Opening)	

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE- Sandra Manente, Chairperson, Ph-731-5769- Please inform **Sandra** with names of those members needing **“Thinking of you”** or **“Bereavement”** cards so they can be signed at our meeting or sent out directly.

SANBORN BUSINESS & PROFESSION ASSOC- Bonnie Haskell, President- The Winetique Festival will be held on Sunday October 14 at the Sanborn Fire Hall. Featured will be a basket auction, food & music and a vendor show consisting of antiques, old & new jewelery, country crafts, etc. Colt 45 and Tony Padulla will be the music entertainment. Contact **Bonnie** at 990-6909 for information or to make donations to the basket auction.

VISIT TO ELMA SAWMILL- The **Elma Historical Soc** offered a special tour of their water-

powered working sawmill next spring. **Gerry Treichler** will be setting up a date. Contact him if interested in going.

WEB SITES- Jay Krull of Lockport is the new **Web Master** for our **“www.sanbornhistory.org”** website. He is continuing to update the site. You will note that we have our quarterly newsletter and application form on the site. You might pass this information along to family members so that they can follow along with our activities and possibly join themselves and support our society.

Don't forget that we are included on the **“allabouthistoriclewistonny.com”** website. Visit that web site to see videos of our museums and festival activities.

If you have any concerns or questions please contact **Gerry Treichler** at e-mail **sanborngerry@gmail.com**.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR SOCIETY- Please consider the Sanborn Area Historical Society as part of your tax-deductible gifts, long term as well as short term giving program, and in your will or for special recognition and endowment gifts. Your gifts and generosity will help assure the completion of our goals and the long-term viability of our historical society and our museums. We thank those that think our building program is a worthy cause and continue to provide their donations.

CALENDAR OF LOCAL EVENTS-

- **October- Scarecrow Exhibit-** This will be on exhibit on Buffalo St, Sanborn. SAHS has entered the contest sponsored by the Niagara River Region Chamber of Commerce. **Joan Shaw and her committee** are pulling together our exhibit with the theme **“A Haunted Hay Ride”**. **Look for our exhibit during October!**
- **Oct. 9- Federation Program-** SAHS members are invited to a **Potluck Dinner & Program at the Van Horn Mansion in Newfane** at 6 PM. Contact **Lynn Hoffman** at 731-2491 if attending.
- **Oct. 14- Winetique at the Sanborn Fire Co. grounds from 10 AM to 5 PM** sponsored by the Sanborn Business & Professional Assoc. SAHS will have a booth that will offer some food for sale. **Glenn Wienke- 731-5982** and **Linda Jackson- 946-6811** are heading up our booth and could use some help. Call them to help out or simply come and sample the wine, enjoy the food and music and browse the antiques, basket auction and farm produce for sale.

Historical Corner by Gerald E. Treichler
The following are remembrances
written by RE Casselman, an early pioneer of
Sanborn. He came to Sanborn in 1912 and
started the Sanborn Home Telephone Co.

I have mentioned before, few people realize the every day changes that take place in a community, When I came to Sanborn Hoover had a store on the corner of Niagara and Buffalo streets, then the corner had a barber shop at the same location, then Gribben had a store there and now it is the residence of the Maacks. So it goes from year to year the changes take place, at the time few notice but when you look back over the years some realize the changes are many and varied.

The count down of the passing years serves to pile up memories of those years that are gone. As I look back, I can remember when the well dressed man wore a derby hat, patent leather shoes and shirt with detachable collar.

As for the ladies, I can remember the long skirts, sailor hats with hat pins, shaker bonnets and the balloon sleeves, black lace gloves and high button shoes. Bustles and swim suits that were a cover-all. Sir – those were the days.

There was a time when you were not dressed unless you carried an umbrella regardless of the weather, the gents used them as a walking stick and me-lady used them as just another fancy decoration. Along with top coats the umbrella was a must and if you had a nice one with a fancy handle it was best not to let it out of your sight for other folks did not mean to steal they just made a mistake and took home a nice new one in place of their old one.

Just before my wife and I were married I bought a very nice one that was a special, It raised by itself, you just pressed a catch in the handle and up it would go, and go it did. After we came here to Sanborn we went to some meeting one evening, and our umbrella kept right on going, I never saw it again. Sure umbrellas are still used but only when necessary, no more as a swagger stick or to protect Me-ladies wide brimmed hats with the wreaths of flowers on top.

Frank Campbell had a barbershop in the first floor of the Victor Barber building with two large windows in front. Along the front of the building was a row of trees just inside the sidewalk.

Charlie Mills, one of the first to try flying had secured a single engine old by-plane and had taken off up near the Falls in an attempt to fly to his Mother's home on the Baer Rd. Things went fairly well until Charlie got just West of Sanborn and ran out of gas, so

he landed just South of the Hotel Barn, he landed O.K. but the plane which had no brakes kept right on going across the road and stopped with a bang against the trees right in front of Frank's barber shop.

Now in those days you did not see a plane every day, Frank, shaving a customer, glanced up and saw this frame on wheels coming at him was a bit more than Frank could take, he was so startled that it took him some twenty minutes before he could steady down and finish shaving his customer.

Back in 1917 was a very severe cold winter and along with the cold weather there was a shortage of coal. The Dealers here in Sanborn had none, and people went with teams to the Cities to secure a supply. I hired Mattie Barber to go to Lockport for a load, the weather was bad and he had a hard time getting thru, it took him all day and the team was tired out when the trip was over. Those were the days when you put the Auto away for the winter, that is if you had one.

Back in 1917 the winter was very cold and there was a great deal of snow, roads were blocked in many places. Some outfit in Lockport equipped a large caterpillar tractor with a snow plow and started out plowing roads, this tractor had an upright open exhaust pipe and you could hear it coming for miles, it did a good job and could go thru the biggest of drifts, it surely was a welcome sight for many who could not get out. From then on, snow plows have been on the go every winter.

I came to Sanborn in 1912, it was about the first of October, days were getting shorter, and as there were no electric lights in Sanborn at that time, it was a dark town after sunset. Some of the stores had light other than old lamps but nearly all the homes had oil lamps, and if you wished to take a walk after dark you carried a lantern. I can remember seeing teams of horses and wagons go by with a lantern swinging underneath the wagon box. Once in awhile a buggy would go by with fancy side lamps. Every store had oil lamps, chimneys, wicks and of course kerosene oil. Some of those oil lamps are now valuable antiques. I still have the lantern which I bought that Fall.

Speaking of lanterns, I have a little brass lantern that my father bought in Wrightsville Pa. back in 1870.

If you have comments or items of interest for inclusion in the newsletter, please contact Gerry Treichler at 731-9510 or mail to 5530 Townline Rd, Sanborn, NY 14132 or e-mail to sanborngerry@gmail.com

SANBORN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE
(Regular Meetings, all at the Sanborn Fire Hall- 4th Tuesdays at 7:00 PM)

PROGRAM

Winetique - October 14, 2012 at Sanborn Fire Hall
Regular Meeting - October 23, 2012 (See Below)
Regular Meeting - November 27, 2012 ... Obscure Battle of the Korean War
DecemberNO REGULAR MEETING *MERRY CHRISTMAS*

Program for the Oct. 23 Meeting
at 7 PM at the Sanborn Fire Hall:

The History of Corn
Presented by Susan Wendler

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