# SANBORN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY



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Wow what a busy summer. Our annual Farm Festival at the end of July was a great success. We also had a successful Spaghetti Dinner in August and Country Breakfast in September. A great job done by these committees and the many people who helped to make the events possible.

We had a float in the Canal Fest parade and our display at Old Sanborn Days in July. We also had a Business Mixer and Niagara Tourism visit at the Farm Museum during the summer. The two groups were very impressed with what they saw.

Our new storage building to replace the damaged greenhouses should be under construction by the time of this newsletter. The site is 55 feet west of the back of Townsend Hall.

We had a wonderful dedication of the completed Gazebo in honor and memory of Linda Jackson this summer. A great addition to the Farm Museum

The Legion Hall foundation coating was completed and work started on the grading of dirt around the foundation. The drawings are being finalized for Phase II construction. We will then be putting them out for construction bids.

At the Farm Festival we dedicated the Wendt windmill. Another great addition to the Farm Museum.

It is great to see we have had regular donations of artifacts connected to our local history but it means we need to continue to find space for displays.

Thanks to everyone for your support this summer that has allowed us to be successful in putting on our events and working on our many projects. Lets keep it going this fall!!

Bill Read, President

## Your Board of Trustees (Museum Ph 731-4708)

(Board Meetings are held at the <u>Museum</u> on the 3rd Tues at 7:00 PM ) (MUSEUM ADDRESS- 2822 Niagara St, PO Box 172, Sanborn, NY 14132)

President- Bill Read (870-6263), Recording Sec-Joan Shaw (731-5653), Corresponding Secretary-Gerald Treichler (731-9510), Vice Pres-Paul Calkins (471-4422), Treasurer-Glenn Wienke (731-5982) Trustees-at-Large- Paul Beecher (731-9627, Bob Deull (731-9623), Bonnie Haskell (990-6909),

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Jane Schultz (731-9404), Hilda Snyder (731-(9883), Elaine Timm (471-2217).

Farm Museum Curator - Bonnie Haskell- (990-6909)

Schoolhouse Curator - Hilda Snyder (731-9883)

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**ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION -**Presently, **Paul Beecher, Bob Deull, Hilda Snyder, Elaine Timm and Gerry Treichler** have consented to be nominated to the board for another 3-year term. **Bill Sterner** has tendered his resignation in July after serving 5 1/2 years on the board and more recently as our Vice President. **Dave Schmidt** agreed to be placed into nomination for the one-year term remaining on **Bill Sterner's** term on the board if no one else would volunteer

Officers are elected from the board to serve for 1 year. Paul Calkins was appointed by President Bill Read to serve as VP for the remainder of the year vacated by Bill Sterner. All officers as note on page 1 including Paul Calkins have consented to be nominated to serve another year on the board. Contact Gerry Treichler if you are willing to serve on the board. The names of 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. 24. 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.

SCHOOLHOUSE MUSEUM- Hilda Snyder, 731-9883- Curator- 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 6. We are planning our annual Christmas party with goodies and singing to our 100-year old pump organ at the Schoolhouse at 2 PM on that Sunday. All are invited.

FARM MUSEUM, Bonnie Haskell, 990-6909 Curator- Here we are again at the end of another great year. Bonnie thanks all who have helped out at the museum and those who have donated items for our museum to make it the fine museum that it is and for your continued support. Of course, we all thank Bonnie for her dedication and leadership over the years. Our farm museum is now closed until next Spring except by special appointment. We received many fine comments from our visitors during our normal opening times as well as at our fundraising events.

**NEW STORAGE BUILDING, Paul Calkins, Chmn-** As this newsletter goes to press, the new 48' x 36' x 14' high post frame with 1000sq ft mezzanine storage building construction is well under way by **Top Gun of** 



Progress on new Storage Building

WNY, LLC. Those who have donated directly to the building fund are members Pamela Harmon. Jeanette Ingraham, Annette Melcher, Elizabeth Treichler, Gerald Treichler, and Lester Wagner III & Valerie Wagner. Also, the SAHS Board has approved ihat funds received as memorial gifts from family and friends of Gail Flay, Norma Lewis and Eric Warren be applied to the storage building fund.

LANDSCAPING & CONSERVATION by Joan Shaw, 731-5653, Chairman- During October farm fields fill with warm autumn tones of burgundy and yellow ocher. As we wrap up this summer's outdoor work at the Farm, we can look back and applaud all that was accomplished since last spring; gardens bursting with life and color, construction of a signature Gazebo, a greenhouse removal that freed space for use, renovation plans for the historic Legion/church building, a new storage building for farm equipment.

The Linda Jackson Memorial Gazebo is a little gem that sparkles all through the night with soft rays of light that glow from the cupola on top. A charming garden filled with

perennial flowers and rose bushes surrounds it with splashes of color. Installed by the **Jackson Family**, it clearly reflects **Linda Jackson's** love of flowers, roses in particular. SAHS thanks you for this lovely addition to the Farm, which will be enjoyed by many as a fitting tribute to **Linda**.

Nearby, earth-moving operations have begun at the **Legion Building**. Grading the slope around the building is a beginning step towards creating a beautiful setting for this historic building. To help achieve this goal, the **Lewiston Lions Club** generously donated \$3,728 to SAHS to be used



Joan Shaw receiving Lions donation

specifically for landscaping at this site. The landscape plan relies heavily on the use of flowering native trees, shrubs, and perennials that flourished in this region 150 years ago. Incorporating their use will reduce labor and aid in our efforts to attract birds and butterflies.

Got pods? We do! Our little milkweed patch took off and produced many seed pods which we will harvest and scatter along the service roadway that cuts through the conservation meadow. Wild flowers are in evidence throughout the meadow, but their numbers are few. In efforts to increase the flower population we've collected arm loads of dried cone flowers and purple asters, the seeds of which will be scattered along the access road and throughout. If you have a sunny place to grow milkweed or coneflowers, we have seeds to share. Contact Joan.

SAHS flower gardens are second to none! This year **Glenn Wienke** grew a collection of blazing

orange zinnias that radiated color like a beacon in the night! Currently the Garden Committee maintains five gardens and borders throughout the Farm complex. Each garden adds its own special sparkle.



In the photo our prized barn, root cellar, a n d windmill is a fitting backdrop for the beautiful flowers in

## the Windmill Garden.

This summer SAHS displayed a tiny collection of vintage garden tools near the overhead door at the Read Building. (Our collection numbers about 5 items) If you have old hand garden tools that have outgrown their usefulness to you, and are willing to part with them, please let us know. We will display them in various gardens.

A great big Thank You goes to SAHS volunteers Bonnie Bagwell, Val Dumpleton, Carol Oswald, Shirley Simrell, Glenn Wienke, Ron Hubbard, Fran Haskell, and the Work Release crew. Well done everyone!!

Finally, but not least, SAHS values volunteer help with its many and varied projects. If you can lend a hand at any time, it's very much appreciated. **Contact Joan** 

**LEGION BUILDING-** The building committee met with the Architect and Engineer to go over drawings mainly for the church entryways both front and handicap entrance. These will be used to go out for bids for the modification to restore it to look like a mid 1800's church as it once was. 11 of our members visited the former 1835 St Paul Episcopal Church in Lewiston now operated as a museum by the Historical Association of Lewiston. Their curator **Pamela Hauth** gave us a very informative tour of their 36' by 56' museum. I am sure we received many ideas that can be incorporated into our museum. We have opened up the floor in the Legion building and it looks very much like the floor in the Episcopal Church.

Member **Dave Schmidt** volunteered and has started to bring in main power to the Legion Building from the Townsend Hall. He had previously brought in power to the Read building and Townsend Hall.

### SANBORN-LEWISTON FARM



Opening Ceremonies-Bill Ross, Legislature; John Ceretto, State Assembly & Bonnie,

FESTIVAL-Our 11th annual farm museum festival was another huge success. Chairmen **Bonnie Haskell** thanks all of the over 100 of you members with your family and friends working where needed plus additional members working behind scenes the making the delicious baked goods,

including those delicious pies. Many of you worked the food concessions while others supported our sub-chairmen. **Bill Read** who reported 90 Antique Engines, Tractor and Equipment exhibits; **Bob Deull** who reported that we had 17 entries for



**Corn Shelling Demonstration** 



Log Cutting Demonstration

the Classic Car Cruise; **Bonnie Haskell**, who reported we had 17 Flea Market and craft setups; hustling member **Ron Wendt**, who personally sold more raffle tickets than sold by all other members and other means combined; **Pat Thompson** and those that furnished items allowing her to make up nearly 200 baskets and gift certificates; and those that pitched in the absence of Valerie Dumpleton at the baked goods booth and **Sally Miller** and her crew who made 41 pies that allowed the booth to 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 Sanborn Fire Company Band playing during the event; Bill Easton playing his electric guitar at no charge; the Franks Market Place for hamburger patties; the Niagara County Sheriff's Department for providing their work release program to help during the festival as well as in setup before and cleanup after the festival; the Town of Lewiston Police for providing traffic control the days of the festival; the Milleville Farms for allowing us the use of their land as a drive through for the tractor parades; Modern Disposal for use of portable toilets and pumping out the holding tank for the sewage from our flush toilets; Hoover's Dairy Store for ice cream and toppings; and Wendt Propane for propane; and Tops & Wegmans for furnishing rolls. We especially thank the donors of baked goods and for those that donate items and made up the baskets for the basket auction.

We thank the 14 sponsors for their money donations: Arts Services Initiative and the NY State Council on the Arts, Grigg-Lewis Foundation, Town of Lewiston, HA Treichler & Sons Greenhouses, Niagara River Region Chamber, Rhoney's Funeral Homes, NF Bridge Commission, Gorge Travel, Colluci & Son Niagara Funeral Chapel, Wheatfield Pediatrics, & Joe Cecconi. Again 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, Tina's Restaurant, Willco Auto Care, and Z&M Agricultural.

In preparation for next years festival planned for July 23 & 24, 2016, we are again making application to **Arts Services Initiative and the NY State Council on the Arts** to provided a grant as they did this year to cover expenses to



#### **Niagara River Dancers**

bring back the Native American "Niagara River Dancers" and for Rosemary Hill to exhibit her beadwork displays and have a setup for handson making of beaded Jitter Bugs. PUT THIS DATE ON YOUR CALENDER and invite your family to attend next year's event.

GAZEBO PROJECT- True to their word, the Eagle Scout Project of 16-year-old Matt Jackson was completed on time for our Farm Museum Festival. With Matt doing the planning, he received much help from his family and others who donated time and labor for the main construction, roof and electric for the 14' x 22' gazebo. It even has a lighted The dedication took place at the copula.  $15^{\text{th}}$ August with Gazebo on State Assemblyman John Ceretto presenting a plaque and many family members and others present. The family has since provided memorial gardens around the Gazebo. What a delight and welcome addition for use at our events.



Jackson Family & Friends at Dedication of Gazebo

**WINDMILL FROM WENDT FARM**-Dedication of the 1800's windmill took place during the Farm Museum Festival as planned. This is a very welcome addition to our farm and we thank the Wendt family for providing it to us in memory of one of SAHS's founding members, **Ken Wendt**.



President Bill Read presiding at dedication of windmill with Fosh Wendt and Glenn Wendt looking on.

Sanborn Area Historical Society,

**COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE, Jane Schultz-**Chmn (Ph. 731-9404) Assisted by Joan Shaw and Valerie Dumpleton- Normal work times are from 9 to 11 AM, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at the schoolhouse museum. Jane reports that the following have been received since the last reporting period and approved by the board: Foot warmer with coal tray (pierced tin in wooden frame), donated by Bill Treichler; 1930's dollhouse, donated by Bonnie Haskell; metal detector, anonymous donor; American Red Cross first aid jump suit (Pekin Fire company); 1939 Troybilt rototiller- used at CF Treichler greenhouses, donated by Marjorie and son Tim Hedden; 1948 Cockshutt model 30 tractor manufactured in Canada (refurbished to running condition by donor Tom Mazzeo of Durham, NC); manure rake, and 1963 Allis Chalmers Gleaner Model E Combine for wheat, oats & barley, both donated by Bruce Weinheimer; a loose hay stacker and a hay



Donor Tom Mazzeo on hand at delivery



**Bruce Weinheimer's Combine Donation** 

bind/crimper – the 1<sup>st</sup> in Niagara County, both donated by the Patrick Danielewicz family; a horsedrawn cultivator donated by the Ed Ringler family; a cider press donated by the Kelch family; and a feed storage bin.

**PROGRAMMING- Glenn Wienke, Chairman, 731-5982-** We thank **Glenn** and his committee of callers: **Earl & Ruth Carmer, Sandy Manente, Don Thompson, and Marilyn Wittkowsky** for making the reminder calls. We also thank refreshment chairperson **Valerie Dumpleton** 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 and rental fee for the use of the Fire Hall.

Our October 27th meeting program will be "Love America", a collection of readings to celebrate America, presented by Denise Reichard of Amherst. Our November 24th program will be "Rainbow of Help", People helping People, presented by Bob MacFarlane of Newfane. We welcome all members to attend our regular program meetings that are held at 7 PM on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at the Sanborn Fire Hall. After a onehalf hour business meeting we get into the special program of the evening, with refreshments afterwards. There will be no meeting in December. COME ON OUT!

**MEMBERSHIP-** Shirley Simrell-We presently have a total of 414 members including 28 new members. This is a reminder to renew your membership by paying your dues for the **calendar year 2016**. 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 2016. Please renew by then so that we don't have to make a special newsletter mailing if you renew after that date. We thank all that have joined our ranks as continuing or new members. We need you to renew your membership to allow us to continue to meet our budget needs (especially with our new buildings) and to provide good programming as well as show the Town of Lewiston that we are worthy of their support. You can your check to SAHS and mail to our PO Box 172. New since our last reporting are Ron & Karen Graap, Don Kuntz, Elizabeth Treichler and Bill & Sue Vecsey.

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 interim chairpersons, Glenn & Marie Wienke 731-5982 for coordinating the sitters for both the Schoolhouse and Farm museums. We still need some one to relieve them. We also thank those who act as sitters.

SUNSHINE **COMMITTEE-**Manente, FARM. Sandra 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 sent out directly. Members Gail Flay, Norma or Lewis, Stephen Lopacki, and Eric Warren died since our last Newsletter.

SANBORN BUSINESS & PROFESSION ASSOC-Bonnie Haskell, President- The SB&PA's The Autumn Fest in Sanborn will be held both days from 11 AM to 4 PM, Oct 3 & 4 at the farm. Events planned are: Vendors Show & Sale; Huge Basket Auction; Crafts; Farmer's Markets; Kids Activities; Food; and Music, Etc.

WEB SITES- Jay Krull of Lockport is our Web You Master for our "www.sanbornhistory.org" website. will note that we have our quarterly Newsletter and an Application form to join our society 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. Our Web Master has also placed us on Face Book.

Don't forget that we are included on the "allabouthistoriclewistionny.com" website, as well. Visit that web site to see videos of our museums and festival activities.

**BREAKFAST AND DINNER FUNDRAISERS** We thank all those that helped with our recently held Country Breakfast at the Farm and will be helping with our planned Pork Dinner from 4 to 7 PM on Oct. 18. We hope that you will help out again when asked and support us by attending.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR SOCIETY-Please consider the Sanborn Area Historical Society as part of your tax-deductible gifts, long term as well as

pay dues to Shirley at the monthly meetings or make out 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.

> CHRISTMAS AT THE FARM 10 AM to 4 PM, **Dec 12-13-** Our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas event at the farm will be better than ever. This event is especially for the kids who will be able to sit on Santa's lap and receive a present. They can have a fun time frosting their own cookie, making ginger bread houses and other crafts using scissors, crayons, and paste on paper. Food will be available for purchase from our kitchen. THERE IS NO ADMISSION FEE SO COME OUT WITH THE KIDS & HAVE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AT THE



Santa, Chuck Flay, & Elf, Sue Devantier, helping, at the 1914 Christmas Program

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS-**

• Now through Oct. 31- Scarecrow Exhibit- SAHS has entered the Scarecrow contest sponsored by the Niagara River Region Chamber of Commerce. Look for our exhibit at the corner of Routes 31 & 429.

•Oct. 3 & 4- Autumn Fest in Sanborn at the Farm Museum from 11 AM to 4 PM both days, sponsored by the Sanborn Business & Professional Assoc. SAHS has the kitchen concession.

•Oct 17- Pork Dinner Fundraiser at the Farm Museum from 4 to 7 PM.

- Dec 6-Christmas sing-a-long at the Schoolhouse Museum at 2 PM.
- Dec 12 & 13- Christmas at the Farm from 11 AM to 4 PM both days.

## SANBORN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY. REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE

(All meetings the <u>Sanborn Fire Hall</u>- 4th Tuesdays at 7:00 PM) **PROGRAM** 

Autumn Fest in Sanborn - Oct 3 & 4, 2015 ..... at the Farm Museum

Pork Dinner- Oct 17 ..... at the Farm Museum

**Regular Meeting - Oct 27 ...... (see Below)** 

Regular Meeting - Nov 24 .. "Rainbow of Help" People Helping People, by Bob MacFarlane

Christmas at the Farm- Dec 12 & 13, 2015

**Program for the October 27th** Meeting at 7:00 PM :

"Love America" Collection of readings to celebrate America Presented by Denise Reichard 

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