



# Spirit of Salem

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“Keeping the Past Alive for Tomorrow”

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## SAHS EVENTS

**FRIDAY, September 19<sup>th</sup> -- 7:00 PM**

-- Annual Barn Dance  
at Three Cedars Barn  
on Six Mile Road west of Curtis Road

**WEDNESDAY, October 22<sup>nd</sup> -- 7:30 PM**

-- "Restoration of Old Gravestones"  
by Michelle Bononi  
at Jarvis-Stone School

**SATURDAY, October 25<sup>th</sup> -- 10:00 AM**

-- Country Antique Fair and Flea Market  
(1 PM – Lecture on and Appraisal of Antiques)  
at Jarvis-Stone School

**THURSDAY, November 6<sup>th</sup> -- 5:00 PM**

-- Immunization Clinic  
at Jarvis-Stone School

Noon to 3 PM, and Food & Drinks will be available for purchase from Noon to 4 PM.

On November 6<sup>th</sup>, SAHS will be hosting a Fall Immunization Clinic, which will be administrated by Washtenaw County Public Health Department from 5 PM to 7 PM at the Jarvis-Stone School (7991 North Territorial Road at Curtis Road). Clinic is open to all. Nurses will be administrating the following:

- Flu shot = \$20 per person.
- Preservative-free Flu shot (ages 6 - 35 months) = \$20
- FluMist = \$25

Payment can be made by cash, check, or file a claim with Medicaid or Medicare Part B. More information can be found at the Washtenaw County's Website ([http://www.ewashtenaw.org/government/departments/public\\_health/ph\\_fluclinics.html](http://www.ewashtenaw.org/government/departments/public_health/ph_fluclinics.html)). You can download the flu shot form from that site, complete it and bring it to the clinic to speed up the process.

This month, SAHS will hold its annual Barn Dance. Please plan to attend this SAHS fund raiser. Admission at the door will be \$5.00 per person or \$15.00 per family. The Picks 'N' Sticks will provide the music and their Square Dance Caller will assist dancers with all levels of experience. Proceeds will be used for the upkeep of the Jarvis-Stone School and the Dickerson Barn. Cider and donuts will be available for purchase.

In October, SAHS will be hosting two events. The first is our monthly meeting on the fourth Wednesday of the month, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, which will feature a presentation by Michelle Bononi entitled "Restoration of Old Gravestones". The second event will be a Country Fair and Flea Market, which will be held on Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at the Jarvis-Stone School from 10 AM to 5 PM. It will feature a lecture on antiques at 1 PM by Bruce McKenzie, antique appraisals following the lecture, Craft & Flea Market Tables from 10 AM to 5 PM, Games for Kids from

## Message from the SAHS President

SAHS has held three events since the last *Spirit of Salem*. See Page 3 for details of these events.

This issue of the *Spirit of Salem* contains the third article in a series of articles, Cartography. The series gives you information about our past through the maps of the past with one map in each issue. This is the third map in the series on the State of Michigan. See Page 2.

The SAHS Board extends a THANK YOU to all of our Lifetime members (Marge & Jerry Skelly, Marcia Van Fossen & Woody London and Kimberly & Davis Ascher).

The SAHS Board has decided to renovate the front of the Jarvis-Stone School. The plan is to re-roof, gut the interior, build new interior walls, and lay a new floor. If you would like to assist, please contact me at [Salem\\_Area\\_HS@yahoo.com](mailto:Salem_Area_HS@yahoo.com).

Hope to see you at all of the upcoming Salem Area Historical Society Events.

Terry Cwik

**CARTOGRAPHY** - car · tog · ra · phy [kahr-tog-ruh-fee] -noun the production of maps, including construction of projections, design, compilation, drafting, and reproduction.

**Third in the State of Michigan Series**



**Author:** Burr, David H., 1803-1875

**Date:** 1835

**Short Title:** Michigan.

**Publisher:** New York: D.S. Stone **Type:** Atlas Map

**Obj Height cm:** 33

**Obj Width cm:** 26

**Scale 1:** 2,154,240

**Full Title:** Michigan Drawn & Published by David H. Burr. New-York. Entered ... 1831 by David H. Burr ... New-York.

**Pub Title:** A New Universal Atlas; Comprising Separate Maps Of all the Principal Empires, Kingdoms & States Throughout the World: and forming a distinct Atlas Of The United States. Carefully Compiled from the best Authorities Extant by David H. Burr. Published by D.S. Stone, N. York. Printed by Cammeyer & Clark, N.Y.

**Pub Note:** The first edition, with no date on the title page and the copyright dates on the maps running from 1831 to 1835. This issue is probably earlier than the LOC copy - the LOC copy has most of the pages numbered, while this copy has only a few pages numbered (and the numbers there are do not always correspond to the index numbers). Ristow states that Burr completed only eight of the 63 maps by 1832 and was then unable to complete the project because of his appointment to the U.S. Post Office as topographer; the atlas was completed by Illman and Pilbrow and issued in 1835. Burr is given credit on the title page, and the entire group of maps is in his "style" so we can assume he played at least a supervisory role in the production of the remaining maps. Full color.

**Cwik's Note:** This map was published ten years after the first land sale in Salem and two years before Michigan became a state. The shapes of Lakes Michigan and Huron are not as we know them today, but are better than the 1823 map. The border between the United States of American and Canada is very similar to today's border. Washtenaw County is still larger than today and many more counties were added to the west and north since the 1826 map with a total of 35 counties in Michigan. The current upper peninsula of Michigan was still part of the Northwest Territory and the northern portion of the current lower peninsular was labeled "Ottawas & Miamies" for the Indian tribes of the area.

## Recap of Recent SAHS Events

### Candidates' Forum Nights

Salem Area Historical Society held the first of its two Candidates' Forums at the Jarvis-Stone School on Wednesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, and included the Salem Township Candidates for Supervisor (Robert Heyl -R), Clerk (Sharon Bell - D, Mary Cowmeadow - R, David Trent - R) and Treasurer (Linda Hamilton - R, Brian Laskey - D, Paul Uherek). This first forum as attended by a standing-room-only crowd of over 65 citizens. The second Candidates' Forum was held at the Jarvis-Stone School on Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> and attending were the Salem Township Candidates for Trustee (Matthew Letts -D, Sue Bejin - R, Barton Cann - R, Dennis Draplin - R, Wayne Wallazy - R and Brien Witkowski -R). This forum as attended by a standing-room-only crowd of over 62 citizens. At both forums, attendees were given handouts that included the candidates' responses to 10 questions. During the forums, each candidate gave an introduction, responded to three questions and gave a closing. This was followed by informal discussions afterwards. A copy of the candidates' responses is available through the Salem Area Historical Website at: [http://sahshistory.org/Candidates\\_Forum.html](http://sahshistory.org/Candidates_Forum.html)



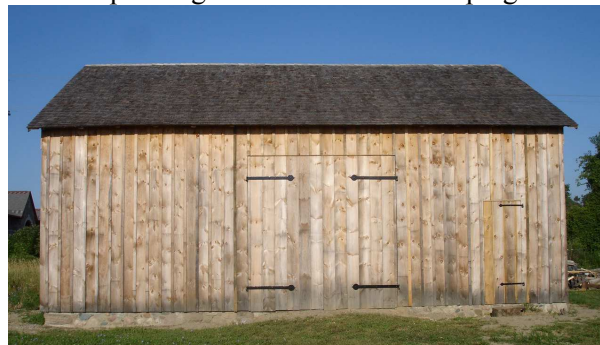
### Oldtime Summer Picnic and Croquet Match

On July 27<sup>th</sup>, the Salem Area Historical Society held its annual Oldtime Summer Picnic and Croquet Match. This year festivities included the celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Model T. Several members of a local Model T club drove their Model T to the picnic for the attendees to review. The croquet match was held amongst SAHS members since we could not get another historical society to accept our challenge to compete. A special thank you goes to Helen and Karl Gierman for the delicious picnic meal that they provided. The South Lyon Herald article about the event can be found on our Website at: [http://sahshistory.org/uploads/SAHS\\_Picnic\\_2008.jpg](http://sahshistory.org/uploads/SAHS_Picnic_2008.jpg).



### Dickerson Barn Update

In July, the three doors to the Dickerson Barn were hung. The hinges are replicas of the type of hinges used in the 1830s. More of the floor has been arranged for securing by Gilbert Terry. We are planning on painting the Dickerson Barn a beautiful Barn Red during the fall. SAHS still needs to raise the last of the funds to complete this project. We are short of funds to complete the windows, drain, fence and painting as well as the landscaping. We still need about \$5,000.



## Centennial Farm Program

The Michigan Centennial Farm Program is now being administered by the Historical Society of Michigan (HSM). In order for to have a farm certified as a Michigan Centennial Farm, the owner must submit a complete application package demonstrating that the farms meets the following criteria:

- It must be a working farm.
- It must have a minimum of ten acres
- Ownership must have remained in the same family for 100 or more consecutive years.
- The relationship of the present owner to the owner of 100 years ago must be clearly stated.
- The continuous family ownership must be documented.

A complete Centennial Farm Application must include:

- Photographs of the farmhouse and outbuildings, and an overall view of the complex of buildings;

- Documentation that demonstrates when the first family owner acquired the property and the continuous chain of title;
- A site plan of the property showing the location of farm structures and landscape features;
- Non-refundable application fee of \$75

If your farm meets the requirements listed above, Salem Area Historical Society would be willing to assist you in recognizing your family's historical achievement.

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## Local Historic District Designation

Your SAHS Board has decided to investigate a Local Historic District designation for the Jarvis-Stone School. If you are interested in being a part of this effort, please contact one of the SAHS Board members or email us at [Salem\\_Area\\_HS@yahoo.com](mailto:Salem_Area_HS@yahoo.com).

SAHS Annual Memberships can be paid starting in December and this year's membership will last until March 31, 2009. Consider being amongst the first group to become SAHS Lifetime Members. Your Lifetime Membership will help bring stability to our organization. SAHS is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization and contributions to it may be tax deductible.

You can also use this form to send your tax-deductible donation to the Salem Area Historical Society.

You are encouraged to make copies and distribute this form to your family and friends. Additional forms can also be printed from our Website:  
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**Make check payable to: Salem Area Historical Society**  
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**Amount Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Member Since** \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Type:**

\$10 per Senior \_\_\_ \$15 per Individual \_\_\_

\$25 per Family \_\_\_

\$50 per Business/Organization \_\_\_ and

\$300 Lifetime Membership per Couple \_\_\_

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