

Spirit of Salem

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"Keeping the Past Alive for Tomorrow"

2022/3 Upcoming SAHS Schedule

 Saturday, August 20th – 10 AM to 4 PM SAHS Arts & Crafts Country Fair at Jarvis Stone School Local Historic District

Artists and Crafters can buy a space to sell your items. 10' x 10' spaces are \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members. Applications are available on the Salem Area Historical Society's website (https://sahshistory.org) and on Page 3.





Saturday, August 20,2022 at the Jarvis Stone School Historic District 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM FREE Admission

7991 North Territorial Road, Plymouth 48170 - Salem Township (NW corner of North Territorial & Curtis Roads)



Arts & Crafts Fair Applications for vendor spaces are available on our website (<u>www.SAHSHistory.org</u>).

For more information, send an email to: SAHS.CountryFair@gmail.com Friday, Sept. 9th, 6:00 PM, SAHS Annual Barn Dance at Three Cedars Farm
Square Dancing with the help of an experienced caller. Fun for all ages.
Admission - \$5 per person

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- Wednesday, Sept. 28th, 7:30 PM, SAHS Membership Meeting at South Salem Stone School
 A SAHS Business agenda including a presentation titled "Barns" by Chuck Bultman, a renowned barn Architect.
- Saturday, October 2nd, 6:00 PM, SAHS Annual Dinner / Auction at Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center – Classic Fox Log Cabin Club House
 Cost is \$45 per SAHS Member and \$50 per non-SAHS Member, \$5 discount until 8/28, or \$320 for a "Table of 8" and all are invited. This will include a 2-entrée, multicourse buffet dinner, a silent auction and a live auction. The Auction items will include tickets to area attractions, national attractions, historical items, artwork, and restaurant gift certificates. See Ticket

Request Form on Page 5.

Message from the SAHS President

Unfortunately, it has been a longer time than usual between editions of the *Spirit of Salem*. However, the good news is that the Salem Area Hisotrical Society is back into its full schedule of events. You can read about the SAHS past events on Pages 3 and 4, and you may have already read about the upcoming events on Page 1.

For the first time in over 17 years, the SAHS election slate did not include Marcia Van Fossen. She decide to pass the torch. It has been my priviledge to have Marcia as the Vice President for all of my terms. She has been a reliable and talented resource who put in a lot of effort and time for the SAHS along with being its major donor. THANK YOU especially for always being there for me over the years.

Another set of Thank Yous go out to Sue DiMilia, her Yard Sale volunteers and those that donated items for sale by the SAHS. The Yard Sale started before a heavy rain caused it to be paused and rescheduled two weels later. All of the volunteers and sellers showed up the second time and had a successful day.

It pleases me greatly to inform you that SAHS has made great progress on our efforts to acquire a State of Michigan Historical Marker for the South Salem Stone School and the Dickerson Barn. Since the idea conception back in 2011, much effort has been expended to get to this point where the Michigan Historic Commission approved both for one side each of a double-sided marker. You can read more about this State of Michigan Historical Marker project on Page 3.

Jo Ann Heyl, who volunteered to be both the SAHS Vice President and the leader of the Arts & Crafts Fair, has been putting a lot of effort into make this year's fair a big success on Saturday, August 20th. Emails have been and will continue to be sent asking for help during the fair, donations for the baskets, and for baked goods to be sold during the fair. If you can help with any of these, please contact Jo Ann at <u>Ghelmet1@aol.com</u>.

Our biggest annul fundraiser has been scheduled for Sunday, October 2nd. Once again, it will be held in the Classic Log Cabin Clubhouse at Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center. As most things over the last year, the cost to hold this event has risen, so unfortunaelty, we have had to slightly raise the price of the tickets. However, the buffet dinner has been enhanced to a Multi-Course 2-Entrée Buffet Dinner. See Page 10 for details and a ticket application form. Tickets can also be purchased via the SAHS Website for the <u>Dinner / Auction</u>.

Two new Monographs have been added to the set of publications that are sold by the SAHS. See Page 7 for information about these two new publications as well as an order form for the SAHS Publications. Our publications have captured and preserves much of the history of Salem Township.

We are lining-up our speakers for 2023. If you have any suggestions for speakers or topics, please send them to us at Salem_Area_HS@yahoo.com.

I hope you can join us for some if not all of the remaining SAHS events for 2022.

Terry Cwik

State of Michigan Historical Marker Project



In December 2020, Sue DiMilia completed and submitted Salem Area Historical Society's application for a State of Michigan Historical Marker for the Jarvis Stone School Historic District. The application is for a double-side marker with one side highlighting the South Salem Stone School and the other side highlighting the Dickerson Barn. A response to a request for more information was submitted in November 2021.

At their March 16, 2022 meeting the Michigan Historic Commission approved the marker for the South Salem Stone School and denied one for the Dickerson Barn. Terry Cwik requested reasons for the denial, complied a response and presented the response to the commission at their April 22, 2022 meeting. After submitting more requested information in May, Terry Cwik

attended the commission's June 9, 2022 meeting where they reassessed their previous decision. After some discussion and more questions and answers, the Michigan Historic Commission approved the marker for the Dickerson Barn. The next task is to work with the commission to create the text for the two-sided marker.

The plan is to place State of Michigan Historical Marker in an exhibit area north of the South Salem Stone School and east of the shed. Sue Bejin has designed this exhibit area to include, besides the state historical marker, a flagpole, a replica belfry for the school bell, and fieldstone seating. Donations to support the completion of this project can be made <u>online</u> or by using the last page of this newsletter.

2022 Meeting Schedule for Salem Area Historical Society

- Wednesday, September 28th, 7:30 PM, Barns
- Wednesday, October 26th, 7:30 PM, The Salem Train Wreck of 1907
- Sunday, December 4th, 1 PM, Christmas Party

2022 Event Schedule for Salem Area Historical Society

- Saturday, August 20th, 9 AM to 4 PM, <u>SAHS Arts & Crafts Fair</u>
- Friday, September 9th, 7 PM to 10 PM, <u>Annual Barn Dance</u>
- Sunday, October 2nd, 6 PM to 9:30 PM, <u>Annual Dinner / Auction</u>

Recap of Recent SAHS Events

SAHS 2021 Christmas Party ©

The Salem Area Historical Society 2021 Events concluded on **December 5th** with its Annual Membership Christmas Party. This event was held at the Jo Ann and Bob Heyl's and was attended by 11 members. Sue DiMilia was presented the Salem Area Historical Society Honoree Award in recognition for her many years of dedication and service to the SAHS. It was an enjoyable afternoon of friendship shared in a Christmas atmosphere with food and drinks.



SAHS January Meeting

On Wednesday, **January 26th** at the Salem Township Hall, SAHS's meeting with our annual Pot-Luck Dinner was held. This was followed by a one-hour dramatic reading by Russell Doré of excepts from his new book (Motor City Drama - Behind the Scenes Building the Big 3 with Ford, Durant & Chrysler). The 14 attendees enjoyed both the good shared food and the presentation.

SAHS February Meeting

On Wednesday, **February 23rd**, in the Salem Township Hall, SAHS held its membership meeting. Nominations for 2022/3 SAHS Officers was closed. Beverly Willis, Washtenaw County Historical Society Administrator, gave a presentation on The African American Cultural and Historical Museum of Washtenaw County.

SAHS March Meeting

On Wednesday, March **23**rd, in the Salem Township Hall, SAHS with 10 attending held a membership meeting and its annual election. The SAHS officers elected for 2022/3 are: Terry Cwik, President; Jo Ann Heyl, VP; Jane Griffith, Secretary; Sue DiMilia, Treasurer; Marlene Donoghue, Officer-At-Large. This was followed by a presentation titled "History of Maybury" by Karen Gourlay, the Coordinator of the DNR State Park Explorer Program. She covered the time period from 1919 when it was the Detroit Municipal Tuberculosis Sanatorium to the present as Maybury State Park.

SAHS April Meeting

On Wednesday, **April 27th**, at the South Salem Stone School, SAHS held a membership meeting with the presentation of "Victorian Clothing." Laura Obarzanek presented her Victorian and Edwardian Clothing collection. She displayed and talked about the items in four sets ranging from 1860s to the 1920s. The 10 attendees were very engaged in the history of how the production of clothing changed during this period and how Queen Victoria influenced the designs as well as the clothing presented.

Trinkets to Treasures Yard Sale

On Saturday, **May 21st**, SAHS cancelled its a community yard sale when heavy rain started just after its opening. The rescheduled date of June 4th was much better weather. This was a successful group effort lead by Sue DiMilia. There were 8 neighbors selling their "Trinkets" along with SAHS selling the items donated for sale. This event netted \$553 for the SAHS.



SAHS May Meeting

On Wednesday, May 25th, in the South Salem Stone School SAHS held a membership meeting with the presentation by John Kinzinger, the author of "Sacrifices Not Forgotten." John presented the names and some summary statistics about the 76 KIA from Washtenaw County in the Vietnam War. He next gave some details about seven of those 76 men. John talked about his efforts with the Washtenaw County Chapter 310 of the Vietnam Veterans of America Association to design, build and maintain the Vietnam Veteran Memorial in Ypsilanti Township. He concluded with a drone video of the memorial. After the conclusion. the 13 attendees socialized with goodies provided by Marcia, Sue and Jo Ann.

SAHS July Meeting

On Wednesday, July 6th in the South Salem Stone School, SAHS held a special meeting for presentations by local Michigan History Day® Winners. There was to be three presentations by high school students, however, only Savannah Brinkmieier showed up to present. Savannah's entry in the Individual Documentary category titled "Agreement on the Cessation of Hostilities in Vietnam: Geneva Accords" won a National Finalist Award. Her entry was a 10-minute video explaining the background of the Accords and the actions of all of the countries involved in the hostilities. She stated by explaining the Michigan History Day® competition and her past involvement in it. Savannah explained how she researched her project. She then played the video and answered questions about it.

SAHS Excursion

On Thursday, July 21st, six members and family members met at the Jarvis Stone School Historic District and proceeded to visit the Vietnam Veteran Memorial in Ypsilanti Township and the River Raisin Battlefield National Park in Monroe. All were impressed by the beauty, solemnity, and setting of the memorial as well as the displays and film at the park. Everyone



learned some history about the River Raisin Battles of the War of 1812, as well as some local Native American history. The excursion concluded with a lunch at Pete's Garage.

Elections of the Salem Area Historical Society

The Salem Area Historical Society held its election of officers at our Membership Meeting on Wednesday, March 23rd. After serving as Vice President while Don Riddering was President and for the 16 years that Terry Cwik was President, Marcia Van Fossen decide not to nominate herself for 2022/3. Many thanks go out to Marcia for all of her efforts that have contributed to the many different accomplishments of the SAHS over the last 20 years. Jo Ann Heyl has decided to fill the Vice President position and was elected along with the other four 2021/2 SAHS Board members.

Members of the Salem Area Historical Society

Members into Perpetuity

Donoghue, Wally Holland, Lee Klassen, Keith Kruse, Billy Skelly, Jerry & Marge

Lifetime Members

Ascher, David & Kimberly Bourgoin, Leonard Brautigan, Michael & Cindy Cwik, Terry & Diane Donoghue, Marlene Griffith, Mark & Jane Heyl, Jo Ann & Bob Muirhead, O'Neil & Berry, Sue Murray, Jim Uherek, Paul J. Van Fossen, Debbie Van Fossen, Marcia & London, Elwood

Annual Members

Aznavorian, Kathy & Michael Baker, Laurence Bauer. Jennifer Bejin, Sue & Geary, Mike Bernardino, Janet Braun. Elaine Brown. Marcella Bultman, Chuck Clasman, Vikki Cook. Barbara E. Debler, Jen & Brian Delancey, Merton & Ann DiMilia, Jim & Sue DiPonio, Margaret Donoghue, Amy Drogs, Linus Eaton. Bill Gierman, Karl & Helen Gonzalas, Sandra Gustafson. Michael Hill, Susan & Mark Humecky, Morgan & Sherry Keller, Crystal & Hockey, Randy Kimmel, Maureen

Kneisel, Lynn & Ken Kryka, Tony Kwantes, Cathy & Ellens, Dan Lau, Jo & David McCrary, Bob & Marcia Michalek, James Michno, Aileen Moebs, Barb & Lawrence Obarzanek, Laura Packard, Garry Pearson, Bradley J. Raymond, Sandra Ringo, Chris & Tom Roberts. Steve Sanctorum, Carol & Joe Schroeder, Ellen Shepherd, Doug & Toni Staebler, David Theeke, Tina & Herman Truman, Cynthia & Bob Van Sickle, Tillie Waite, Bob & Beverly Whittaker, Gary & Sherry Williams, Kay & Karl Wirthlin, Bryan

SAHS Publication

Two new publications have been added to the collection of available publication from the Salem Area Historical Society. They are: Historical Monograph XIV "Salem Railroads and Democracy" by Bob Olender and Historical Monograph XV "Salem Farming Stories" by Jonathon Bennett. Here is the catalogue of all the SAHS Publications. You can use this form to purchase any or all of them or do it via the SAHS Website at https://sahshistory.org/?page_id=114.

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\$5.	.00	=		I	The Railroad Comes To Salem
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Salem Area Historical Society

PRESENTS THE ANNUAL

BARN DANCE

ON FRIDAY, September 9th -- 7 PM to 10 PM AT Three Cedars Farm (7897 Six Mile Road, West of Curtis Road)

Admission at the door is \$5 per person

"Bow to your partner, bow to your corner...." will be heard often at the Annual Barn Dance. Admission at the door is \$5.00 per person. The Square Dance Caller will assist dancers with all levels of experience. Families and groups are encouraged to attend. Proceeds will be used for the upkeep of the Salem Area Historical Society's South Salem Stone School and its Dickerson Barn. Cider and donuts will be available for purchase.

SAHS Major Sponsors:

Salem Tool AA Anchor Bolt Karl's Cabin Restaurant & Bar Plymouth Salem Storage Gardner-Westcott Three Cedars Farm

More information can be found at the Salem Area Historical Society's Facebook page or Website (www.sahshistory.org) or via an email request to Salem_Area_HS@yaoo.com.



Salem Area Historical Society Annual Dinner & Auction N SUNDAY, October 2nd -- 6:00 PM

Cost if purchased prior to or on August 28th: \$45.00 per person or \$40.00 per SAHS Member Cost if purchased after August 28th: \$50.00 per person or \$45.00 per SAHS Member Cost for a Table for 8: \$320.00

Includes : Multi-Course Buffet Dinner with Silent and Live Auctions

Auction items will include tickets to area attractions, sports memorabilia, artwork, historical items and restaurant gift certificates.

All Proceeds will be used to maintain the South Salem Stone School and the Dickerson Barn.

Make check payable to: Salem Area Historical Society Mail to: SAHS, P. O. Box 75011, Salem, MI 48175

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# of Tickets	@ \$50 each =	(Non-Member)
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# of Table of 8	@ \$320 each =	

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Local Upcoming Events

Brighton Area Historical Society

Current CoBACH Exhibit: "Let's Go Camping" Tuesday—Friday 5—8pm; Saturday 11—5pm; Sunday 2—5pm; Closed Monday Old Village Cemetery Tour, Veteran Gravesite Tour – August 28 & Sept. 24; 2-3:30 pm. Donation \$5 – Limit of 20 per tour. To reserve a spot call Jim at 810-250-7276 http://www.brightonareahistorical.com/

Canton Historical Society

12th Annual "B4" (Bands, Beer, Brats, Barn) event will be held on Saturday, Sept. 10th, at Preservation Park (500 N. Ridge Rd.) from 6 to 6 pm. Live music, beer, mugs, and brats at the barn. Tickets on sale at

https://events.beerfests.com/e/brewbratsandban dsatthebarn/tickets

Dexter Area Historical Society and Museum and Gordon Hall

Gordon Hall Fundraiser - Friday September 9 7-10PM featuring Billy Mack & the Juke Joint Johnnies. Snacks are included with beer, wine & pop. Help us fund the restoration of Gordon Hall. Tickets are \$75.00 per person but a group of 6 is only \$300 (\$50 per person!). You can call (734) 395-4106 for tickets or purchase at <u>http://www.dexterhistory.org/</u>.

Gordon Hall Days -- September 10 and 11 There will be guided tours of Gordon Hall, craft displays and demonstrations, model trains and more! Cost is just \$5 per person or \$20 per carload. All proceeds benefit the restoration of Gordon Hall.

Northville Township Historic Fund

The Northville Township Historic Fund (on behalf of the Historic District Commission) will be hosting a "Yard Sale" at Thayer's Corner Nature Center. The sale will be on August 13, 2022. To participate, please call 248-207-0765 for further details.

Milford Historical Society

MHS Home Tour is Back! The 44th Home Tour will be held Sept. 17th & 18th. Five homes will be on this year's tour. For more information, go to https://www.milfordhistory.org/index.html

South Lyon Area Historical Society

DEPOT DAY will be held on September 10th, 10am – 4 pm. South Lyon Historic Village

Museum on Main Street (WCHS)

Does History Have Your Number? - Find out at the Exhibit at the Museum on Main Street in Ann Arbor. A number is a mathematical object used to count, measure, label and identify. They tell us how things work, where to go, when and how to get there - if you know where to look and how to read and use them. This fun and family friendly exhibit includes some of the numbers of local history, the history of some numbers and numbersrelated activities for kids and adults. There are games and puzzles in the middle room for you to play with, learn from, figure out and challenge your numbers skills. You can take your numbers brain teaser test home, as well the answers...if you need them! The Museum is open on Saturdays and Sundays, 12 noon-4pm and weekdays by appointment.

The Museum on Main Street is at 500 N. Main at the corners of Brakes, E. Kingsley and Main Street. <u>https://www.washtenawhistory.org/</u>

Please use the form below to make a donation to the SAHS or to join us as a member for 2022.

SAHS Annual Memberships will last until March 31, 2023. Consider becoming a SAHS Lifetime Member. SAHS is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization and contributions to it may be tax deductible. You can also use this from 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. Another option is to join using the form on our Website or via PayPal where a credit card can be used: <u>SAHS Membership Page</u>

SAHS Membership Application

Make check payable to: Salem Area Historical Society Mail to: SAHS, P. O. Box 75011, Salem, MI 48 Name:				
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+ Donation:	\$10 per Senior	\$15 per Individu	ual	
Amount Enclosed:	\$25 per Family	,		
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