



Salem Area Historical Society

PRESENTS

Belle Isle Boathouse

ON

WEDNESDAY, March 25th – 7 PM

AT

Salem Township Hall (9600 Six Mile Road)

At the end of the SAHS membership Meeting, there will be a presentation by David Carleton, a vocal supporter of saving the boathouse and the lead developer of the \$30 million-\$35 million public-private project that would restore the Belle Isle Boathouse.



This new development would create a new welcome center for the Detroit River island, opening it to the public with a new marina and boating options, restaurants, restored event space and expanded areas for nonprofit rowing and sailing programs.



The Detroit Boat Club, a private club with facilities on Belle Isle starting in 1891, built the current boathouse in 1902. It is one of the oldest concrete structures in the country and the building became susceptible to water damage due to lack of maintenance over the past several decades. The city

purchased the facility in 1996 when the Detroit Boat Club organization moved out of Detroit.