History of Sault Area Schools

CCHS annual meeting and program will take place on Wednesday, April 21, at 7:00 p.m., at our building at 115 Ashmun Street. John Kenn, local historian and retired Sault High librarian, will speak about the “History of Sault Area Schools.” John was Sault High librarian from 1968-84 and a CCHS officer from 1967-85. He has also served on the Board of Sault Historic Sites. He has written articles on various topics of local history, including about area schools. He was instrumental in the creation of history booklets written by Sault school students in the 1960s and 1970s, and in the 1984 book on the history of Sault schools.

Nancy Steinhaus served as Secretary, Vice President, and President over the past 15 years and was instrumental in the acquisition of our new building and in its renovation, as well as grant writing, and a myriad of other tasks, along with her husband Dallas and other family members. She plans to continue to help with CCHS projects and to continue to serve on the City’s Historic Development Commission. Jack DeWeese served as our building manager and was instrumental in helping with building renovation work. He and his family have been of great help with our used book fundraiser at the Summer Sidewalk Sales. We will greatly miss their contributions and wish them well.

Officers being nominated are President, Mary M. June; Vice President, Membership and Fundraising, position open; Vice President, Programs and Publications, Susan James; Treasurer, Bernie Arbic; and Secretary, Virginia Cymbalist, Dennis Bank, Amber Clement, and Sharyn Faunt are candidates for three-year terms ending in April 2013. Thank you to all of the nominees. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the annual meeting.

Judge Joseph H. Steere Program

Our January program, “Judge Joseph Steere: A Man and His Island,” and meeting were held at Bayliss Public Library. 68 people attended the talk and Power Point presentation given by author Deidre Stevens and library director Ken Miller. The Steere log cabin, located on Steere Island near Rotary Park, is in need of preservation. Various suggestions were offered that evening by attendees. The Historic Development Commission has approved a plan to fund chain link fencing and a gate to be installed around the cabin for security. Thank you to Dee and Ken for a very successful talk.

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Save These Dates:

Bayliss Public Library Author Talks:

Each month Bayliss Library will feature authors to discuss their work. A list of upcoming author talks can be found in next newsletter. Some of the actors from the dinner may tell their stories, that would be great! Please contact CCHS Board member Mary M. June for more information about the Sault Historical Society, the creation of a vision statement.

Summer Volunteer Opportunities

CCHS will again have a table at the following events:

The Sault History Fest on July 30 and July 31; the Sault Summer Arts Festival on August 3, 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.; and the Sidewalk Sales on August 6, 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. and August 7, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. We would like to sign up volunteers in two-hour shifts and for setup and take down. Let us know if you are interested in helping.

Used Books Needed

CCHS is in need of used books for our table at the August Sidewalk Sales. If you have books to donate, please drop them off during office hours or give us a call. Mondays are the best time to reach us through the back entrance from the parking lot. Once the gift shop is open in late April, you may bring donations through the front door. Thanks for your help!

Building Work

Arbor Construction completed our stairwell to the second floor and installed a fireplace and fire door. Plastering and painting will take place later this week. The kitchenette project on the main floor of the building will be completed soon by Ledy & Affiliates. Filing and painting has been done.

EUPHC Spring Meeting

The Eastern Upper Peninsula History Consortium's spring meeting will be held on May 1, hosted by the Bayfield Historical Society. The topic is to be determined. Call us closer to the date for more information.

Museum Class

Board members Mary M. June and Ginny Cymbalist, along with CCHS members Sue Ashworth, Mary Jane Bernier, Amber Clement, and Annegret Goehring, among others, participated in the second session of museum classes hosted by the Sault Tribe. A third series is planned. Already it is being put to good use, with the proposed revisions of CCHS museum statements and bylaws to be used at our annual meeting, and the creation of a vision statement.