Johann Ingold, From Switzerland to the U.P.
Johann Ingold will discuss his life from Switzerland to the U.P. in his talk, "When I Was Young," on Thursday, July 14, at 7 p.m. He will tell about his time working in agriculture in Chippewa County and in the Sault schools, among other topics. The program is co-sponsored by the Chippewa County Historical Society and Bayliss Public Library. It will take place at Bayliss Public Library and is free to the public.

Dr. Ingold wrote a memoir for his family in 2008 entitled *The Life of an Immigrant: A Short Biography*. He will have a few copies to lend out to those who are interested. CCHS and the library each have a copy that may be viewed in-house. Refreshments will be provided. Bayliss Library is located at 541 Library Drive in Sault Ste. Marie. You may call the library at 632-9331 or CCHS at 635-7082 for more information.

Water Street Historic Block Update
The historic buildings on Water Street opened on Engineer's Weekend, with displays and programming. The Johnston House, Indian Agency Office at the Schoolcraft House, and the Kemp Industrial Museum are open for viewing. Docents are available at the Johnston House and the Kemp Museum. Admission is by donation. New this year is a ramp to the Indian Agency Office for easier viewing. The buildings are open daily until Labor Day, from noon to 5 p.m. Sue Askwith and Dave Stanaway perform original songs about the Johnstons and local history on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1-2 p.m. Various Johnston family impersonators, including Peter DeCourcy and Arline Fitzmaurice, will tell stories on Mondays through Fridays, from 2-3 p.m. A new Soo Line train display is being added to the Kemp Museum by CCHS board member Dennis Hank. Artist Bill Morrison is fabricating a new sign bracket for outside of the Indian Agency Office.

Historic Churches of Sault Ste. Marie
The annual Monday evening programs at six of the Sault's historic churches began on June 20 with "The Osborn Bells" program by Bob Krupa and Rev. Robert Aldrich at St. James Episcopal Church. On June 27, at Central United Methodist Church, Bernie Arbic shared his knowledge of local history with a large crowd at his talk on "St. Marys River History." This year the First United Presbyterian Church returns to the lineup with programs on July 18 and August 8. Brochures are available at CCHS, Bayliss Public Library, participating churches and other local businesses.

Here is the schedule of remaining programs:
July 11, St. Mary's Catholic Church, "Celtic Music"
July 18, First United Presbyterian Church, "History of the Presbyterian Church" by John Kenn
July 25, St. George Greek Orthodox Church, "Mount Athos Monastery" Video
August 1, St. Mary's Catholic Church, "Music of Bishop Frederic Baraga"
August 8, First United Presbyterian Church, "Stained Glass Windows of Sault Churches" by John & Barb Kenn

Photos courtesy of Johann Ingold
Historic Churches of Sault Ste. Marie (continued)

August 22, Central United Methodist Church, “A Night of Music” by John & Cathy Wilkinson & sons

August 29, St. James Episcopal Church, “Music for a Royal Wedding” by Rev. Robert Aldrich, organist

Each of the above programs will begin at 7 p.m. The churches will be open from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Refreshments will be provided. All programs are free, the public is welcome and donations are gratefully accepted. All participants are volunteers and we thank them for their efforts. All donations go to paying for the printing of the brochures. (Note: an Icon Workshop will not be held at St. George’s Church this year. Contact Paul Raappana at 906-635-4702 about the July 11-16 workshop at Faith Lutheran Church.)

History Fest 2011

History Fest 2011, the third annual fest, will take place on July 29 and 30. The location will again be on Portage Avenue near the power canal, as well as at the Water Street Historic Block buildings. The event will start at 5 p.m. Friday evening with a German/Polish dinner and music. Tickets for this meal (which must be purchased in advance) are $12.00 for adults and $6.00 for children. Tickets are available at the Sault Area Chamber of Commerce, the Sault Convention and Visitors Bureau and the CCHS gift shop. You may call CCHS and charge your tickets. A walking tour will take place after dinner.

Saturday’s activities will be from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. In addition to displays by vendors and local historical societies, we’ll have many interactive activities. Come and enjoy tale telling at the encampment and fish camp and watch spinning, quilting, rug hooking and other activities. The historic Water Street buildings will be open with enactors and docents. Once again we’ll have a bus to transport people to other historical venues, among them the Soo Theatre, City Hall, and Maple Ridge Cemetery.

LSSU professor Dennis Merkel spoke about “Chippewa County and the Land Economic Survey” at CCHS’s annual meeting in April. Elections of Board members and officers also took place. Bernie Arbic, Ginny Cymbalist, Don Cooper, and Patty Olsen are continuing as Board members for terms ending in April 2014. Karen Sabatine and Jim Dwyer are new Board members with terms ending in April 2014. 2011-2012 officers are listed on page 7. Our thanks to Leanne Barnes Deuman, Mary M. June, Bob & Margaret Money, Marie Carter, Tony Stackpole of Cup of the Day, and Susan James for providing refreshments.

Dinner with the Johnstons

Our dinner theatre fundraiser returned this year after a one-year hiatus and was sold out. In fact, we were short a few tickets. It took place on June 25 and 26 at Lake Superior State University. The first night was for the public and the second night was for LSSU’s Upward Bound students and their families. Peter DeCourcy was the featured actor (John Johnston) and director of the performance. We had new actors (Jay Gage, Kody Wagner, Michael Nelson, Kitty Drocton, John Schaefer, Karen Sabatine), new musicians (Jean Louis Lemieux on vocals, Benjamin Gulder and Matthew Wilkinson on fiddle, Amy Kerchaert on native flute), new servers (Amy Kerchaert, Alicia Askwith, Susan Drockton, Sault High Pom Pon girls — thanks to Deb Gardner — who provided much needed assistance). Our returning actors were
Peter DeCourcy, Otto Bacon, Ray Bauer, David Drockton, James Drockton, Matt Zook, and Dyke Justin. Voyageurs/servers were Mike Bennett and Ed Herman. The evenings were a great success. Thank you to everyone who participated, including the LSSU Cisler Center staff and assistants. Thank you to CCHS shop volunteers, as well as the Sault Area Chamber of Commerce, and the Sault Convention and Visitors Bureau for selling tickets. Our thanks to Carolyn Person and Amber Clement, who decorated the Crow’s Nest with objects borrowed from Phyllis Bigelow, Carolyn Person, Mary M. June, Dee Stevens, Colleen Arbic, Alberta House Art Center, Bayliss Library, CCHS and Austin’s Oak. Mary M. June and Susan James also assisted. Bernie Arbic, Mike Bennett, Ed Herman, Peter DeCourcy, Alicia Askwith, Amy Kerchaert and Karen Sabatine helped with the takedown. Sharon MacLaren helped with seating plans and costumes. Our thanks to Tux Deluxe for providing tuxes for Otto Bacon (Charles Ermatinger) and Michael Nelson (Henry Rowe Schoolcraft). Thank you too to Heidi Witucki and the Upward Bound program for their support. We hope to see everyone there again next year!

Lillian B. MacLaren Memorial Fund

Lillian MacLaren, the mother of Sharon MacLaren, former CCHS Board member and current volunteer and docent, passed away in April at age 95. Lillian and her late husband Duncan were good friends and strong supporters of CCHS over the years. A memorial service was held in June and donations have been made to CCHS in her honor. Thank you to the following donors: Carol S. Andary, Bernard and Colleen Arbic, Betty Barber, Mary L. Bray, Virginia and Gilbert Cymbalist, Peter and Georgia Gianakura, Susan James, Mary M. June, Maurit Kubich, Louise Rose, Karen E. Sabatine, Rosalie Sasso, Nancy and Dallas Steinhaus, John H. Steve and Barbara S. Disharoon. If you would like to make a donation in her honor, please send it to: Lillian B. MacLaren Memorial Fund, CCHS, P.O. Box 342, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783.

Preserving a Piece of History

By Bernie Arbic

We don’t know a lot about Harold C. Lawrence, but he left quite a gift to us — people he would never know. He was a surveyor in Wisconsin and the U.P. in the first half of the twentieth century, and decided to preserve some tangible artifacts of early surveys of our northern forests. For example, he carefully salvaged surveyor marks (apparently as he carried out his own surveys) that had been placed on trees in the mid-1800s when this area was first surveyed by the U.S. government. With great care, he documented the materials, varnished them, and prepared them for display. CCHS was given a collection of Lawrence’s work about two years ago. Some of the items will be loaned to the River of History Museum, which is currently putting together a new exhibit to showcase logging history in the E.U.P.

Back in the day when logs were driven down rivers in the spring, and taken to sawmills in large rafts pulled by tugs, it was necessary to be able to mark logs in such a way that ownership between different logging outfits could be determined. Just as cattle were branded out on the range, logs were “branded” with log marks that were registered in the County Clerk’s Office. A blacksmith would fashion the design out of iron, and mount it on the business end of a large hammer, which could then be used to embed the mark in the end of each log before it started on its way downriver. Mr. Lawrence found a couple of logs in 1930 that had jammed in rocks years earlier and never made it to the mill. He removed a portion of the end of each log, and mounted them together as one display. One of the photos shows the two end pieces, bearing the log marks of John Hunter and the Chesbrough Brothers. The other photo shows Lawrence’s neat and careful documentation on the backside of the display piece — typical of the attention to detail used by Mr. Lawrence as he created his collection. We’re happy he had the foresight, talent and ambition to do it!
Reception Honoring Sharon and Arline
CCHS will honor Sharon MacLaren and Arline Fitzmaurice with a reception at 115 Ashmun Street on Sunday, August 14, from 2-4 p.m. They have been active in CCHS activities for years as fundraisers, coordinators, docents and volunteers. With the passing of Lillian MacLaren this year, they will be spending more time away from the Sault and we would like to thank them for their many contributions to CCHS’s success. Please join us for an event that will feature music and light refreshments. Your donations to help would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Mary June or Susan James.

View of the Past in 3-D
Jack Deo of Superior View Photography in Marquette will return on Saturday, September 10, to present a “View of the Past in 3-D” at the Soo Theatre. Travel back in time to the late 1800s with a presentation of 3-D historic images of the Upper Peninsula. The show is a joint fundraiser by CCHS and the Soo Theatre. The evening event is in the planning stages. Tickets will be available at both organizations. You may contact either one for more information. The Soo Theatre’s contact information at 534 Ashmun Street is 906-632-1930 and info@sootheatre.org.

Stories from the Woods
The traveling exhibit "Stories from the Woods" will be making a stop at CCHS for several months this fall, beginning in September. The exhibit was organized by the Beaumier U.P. Heritage Center at Northern Michigan University in Marquette and is funded by the Michigan Humanities Council. The theme of the exhibit is the storytelling traditions of the U.P., starting with the Native American inhabitants of the region, going right up through to the 20th century and the influence of all the different immigrant groups that came to the U.P. It is a multi-media display that will be a collaboration with Bayliss Public Library, who will feature several programs related to the theme. The organizer of the exhibit, Dr. Daniel Truckey, will give a talk at a time of the opening of the exhibit. More information will soon be available. Contact CCHS or Bayliss Public Library for an update.

Author Phil Bellfy
Our fall general meeting will take place at Bayliss Library in October. Phil Bellfy will speak about his new book, Three Fires Unity: The Anishnabeg of the Lake Huron Borderlands. Dr. Bellfy is a founding member of the American Indian Studies Program at Michigan State University and is an associate professor in the Department of Writing, Rhetoric, and American Cultures. More information about his talk will be available in our next newsletter.

River of History Museum Displays
To preserve original 19th century documents on display at the RHM, artist Bill Gerrish created facsimiles of the ledgers of George and Charlotte Johnston and Peter Barbeau. Check out the three display cases at RHM. It is hard to believe that the books are not the originals. Sault Realism did the scanning. The original ledgers from the CCHS collection will be microfilmed and stored in the climate-controlled Steere Room at Bayliss Library. Toys from the collection of CCHS member Richard Trautwein are now on view in several cases at the RHM.

New Acquisition
Rarely do we purchase artifacts for our collection, but recently we made an exception. Lake Forest Antiques near Chicago told us about a lithographic stone they had for sale that featured three circa 1890s images of Sault banks and one of J.P. Haller’s business. The images were likely used for advertising or letterheads. Several Board members have made contributions to help with the purchase. Donations would be appreciated to cover the $75 still needed. Board member Ginny Cymbalis, and her husband Gil, picked up the stone when they were in the area. Artists are needed to help determine if we can produce prints from the stone.

Donations to the Capital Campaign
We welcome additional contributions to our Capital Campaign to help us pay down our loan for the purchase and renovation of our building. Recent donors are listed on our “Thank you” page. Special thanks to Al and Ginny Swanson for their donation to help us pay down our loan.

Donation to the Collection
Ken and Dee Ann Miller donated the funds to purchase two benches or pews from the Chippewa Theatre Guild (formerly the Elim Lutheran Church founded in 1904). They are on view in the exhibit area at CCHS and will provide seating at our events. We thank the Millers for their generosity and for helping to preserve our local history. (Note: other such benches are in use at the new Soo Brewery Company on Portage Avenue.)

CCHS Building
The kitchenette is now complete. Ledy Cabinetry has installed additional cabinets in the kitchenette. The flooring was laid by Northern Hospitality and our new Sears refrigerator has been installed. Architects have
been through our building recently and found some structural issues, especially on our third floor. Work may be done this summer prior to nearby road construction.

**Gift Shop**
The CCHS gift shop at the front of our building is open, Monday through Friday, from 1-4 p.m. For a list of the books we have for sale, check out our website www.cchsmi.com. If you are interested in placing an order, please call during shop hours to use a credit card, or you may send a check by mail. Bernie Arbic’s classic book Sugar Island Sampler has been reprinted by CCHS and is still $12. Connie Thompson’s new book, A Fascination for Feathers is available for $15.50. Rudyard Historical Society’s book, Rudyard Area Schools: Welcome to Rudyard Bulldog Pride, 1883-2008, is now available in the shop for $20. Limited edition prints of the 500 Block of Ashmun Street circa 1953 by Sault artist Genevieve Usimaki are available for sale. The print is four feet long, like the original watercolor in the collection of Marian and Jon MacLeod that is on loan to CCHS. The prints are $75 if shrink-wrapped on foam core; $70 if rolled. This is the first time that Gene Usimaki has had prints made of her artwork; other prints by Gene are now available at Alberta House Arts Center. We are grateful to Gene for her support of CCHS’s fundraiser. Thank you to volunteers Caroline Grabowski, Norajean Wilcox, Mike Bennett, Mary M. June, Sharyn Faunt, Bob Arfstrom, Ginny Cymbalist and Susan James, who have helped in the shop this season.

**Summer Volunteers**
Volunteers are needed to man the CCHS booths at History Fest on July 30, the Arts Festival on August 2, and Sidewalk Sales on August 5 and 6. Please contact us by phone or email if you have a few hours to assist us on one or more of those days.

**Did you solve our mystery?**

**“Dirty Jobs” Display**
The “Then and Now” display of photos by Walter Materna paired with current images by Bernie Arbic is on view at CCHS. Bernie’s and Dee Stevens’ book Then and Now: The Changing Face of Sault Ste. Marie is available for purchase through CCHS and area businesses.

**Chart of Lake Superior Fundraiser**
By Amber Clement

Bayliss Public Library has initiated a fundraising campaign to restore their 1823–1825 Chart of Lake Superior by Lieutenant Henry Bayfield. After an inventory of the Judge Joseph H. Steere Room, it was “rediscovered,” but it badly needs repair and preservation. Bayfield spent three years surveying Lake Superior from his headquarters at Fort William in Thunder Bay, Ontario. He had only one assistant with him to survey all of the islands, coasts, inlets and rivers of Lake Superior. The survey was mostly done in two small eight-oared open boats, but he was also provided a schooner for transport of supplies. The chart was in use on the lake by navigators for over fifty years. The library purchased the chart in 1930 from Alden LaBonte, the great-great-grandson of George Johnston, the son of local fur trader John Johnston. George worked as subagent, interpreter, and trader with the Native Americans, alongside his brother-in-law, Henry Rowe Schoolcraft.

“Dirty Jobs” Display
CCHS created a photo and artifact display as a companion to the Michigan Notable Author events, sponsored by the Library of Michigan, which took place at Bayliss Public Library in mid-June. Working Words: Punching the Clock and Kicking Out the Jams, was the featured book and Detroit poet M.L. Liebler, the featured author/editor. The display consisted of photos from the collection at Bayliss Library and artifacts from CCHS and collector Richard Trautwein. Photos of the building of the power canal, the locks, St. Mary’s Church, and the Mackinac Bridge, as well as mail delivery by snowshoe, lumbering, etc., were featured. Various tools, a hard hat, a mining helmet, milk bottles, baskets, a digging stick by Bill Morrison, etc., illustrated the harsh conditions and tasks of U.P. working people. CCHS Board members Amber Clement and Susan James created the exhibit.

**Photo, detail of chart, courtesy of Bayliss Public Library**

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**Bentley Historical Library of the University of Michigan** in Ann Arbor will preserve the chart. The library must raise $4,050 to re-adhere loose and torn pieces, fix holes, and deacidify the 1823–1825 chart. If you would like to make a contribution for the conservation of this chart or would like a copy of the fundraising brochure, please contact Nancy Steinhaus at 906-632-9331 or send your contribution to Bayfield Chart Fundraiser, Bayliss Public Library, 541 Library Dr, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783. Donations of $250 or more will receive a copy of the chart suitable for framing. A Welcome Home reception will be held when the chart returns to the library after conservation.
EUPHC Spring Meeting
The EUP History Consortium held their May meeting at Bruce Township Hall. It was hosted by the Bruce Township Historical Society and the Pickford Historical Society. Carolyn Person gave a brief history of Bruce Township and Amber Clement and Annegret Goehring provided information on photography preservation. The next meeting will take place in Cedarville in October.

U.P. History Conference
Mary M. June, Amber Clement, Susan James and Carolyn Person attended the U.P. History Conference in Marquette in June. Some of the highlights of the conference included talks by journalist and filmmaker John Pepin, authors Frederick Stonehouse and Jack Dempsey, archaeologists James Paquette and John Anderton, workshops on exhibit planning and historic districts, Finnish music, and a walking tour. In June 2012, the Sault will be hosting the U.P. History Conference, the first time since 2005.

New City Hall
The New City Hall (formerly the Federal Building that housed the Post Office, and later Tendercare Headquarters and the River of History Museum) has been renovated and it opened for business in June. The Grand Opening will take place in September.

SAVE THESE DATES:
CCHS Events (see www.cchsmi.com)
July 14, 7 p.m., Johann Ingold will speak about “When I Was Young,” his life and career from Switzerland to the U.P., at Bayliss Public Library
July 29, 5-8 p.m. & July 30, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sault History Fest
Aug. 14, 2-4 p.m., Reception to honor Sharon MacLaren and Arline Fitzmaurice
Sept. 10, “View of the Past in 3-D” with Jack Deo, at the Sault Theatre

Bayliss Public Library Events (see www.baylisslibrary.org)
July 15, 7 p.m., The U.P. Book Tour 2011, with a panel of authors - Steve Hamilton, Ron Riekki, Keith Taylor, William Olsen, Nancy Eimers, Jonathan Johnson
July 19, 7 p.m., Chippewa County Genealogical Society, “Genetic Genealogy” by Charles Meiser
July 21, 7 p.m., Talk and book signing by author Beverly Waters McBride, Up the Creek from the “One Foot in Two Canoes” series
July 26, 7 p.m., Book signing by author Connie Thompson, A Fascination for Feathers
Aug. 18, 7 p.m., Dr. James Walker will speak about “The Five Greatest Paintings in Western Art”
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Upcoming Event