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Sangamon County Historical Society Newsletter

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Fireside Chat, Annual Dinner, Play, Photo Scanning, Bus Tour Ahead as Society Revvs Up for a Busy Summer Schedule

Society members will have a lot to do and see this month and next, with a series of nearly back-to-back events designed to boost your knowledge of history.

You can make your reservations, where required, by filling out the form on page 7 and mailing it to the Society.

Here's what's planned:

Wednesday, June 8, "Fireside Chat," 7:30 p.m. Iles House, 628 South 7th Street, Springfield. Free, but phone reservation required at 553-0055.

The Society co-hosts this special presentation with the Iles House Foundation featuring *Deep Creek* authors Dana Hand (Will Howarth and Anne Matthews). A fiction thriller, the story-line



HOWARTH

was drawn from the real-life massacre of Chinese gold miners in 1887 in a remote area of the Idaho territory.

A long-time volunteer Iles House volunteer, Howarth is the son of former Springfield mayor Nelson Howarth.

Retired from teaching at Princeton after more than 40 years, he learned about the events at Deep Creek in 1981, while on assignment in Idaho for **National Geographic**.

Matthews writes about American places facing sudden, often unwanted change. Her book, *Where the Buffalo Roam* was a non-fiction Pulitzer finalist. She has lectured and taught at Princeton, Columbia, and New York University.

Tuesday, June 21: Sangamon County Historical Society Annual Dinner,

6:30 p.m. (cash bar), 7 p.m. (dinner). Panther Creek Country Club, 3001 Panther Creek Drive, Springfield. Reservations required: \$35 members, \$40 guests, by **June 17** (\$5 surcharge for checks received after June 17). **See form, page 7.**



MANN

Former president Curtis Mann will be the keynote at this annual event that also includes the election of new officers and board members. (see story, below).

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Founders Fund Nears \$9,000 Mark; There's Still Time to Contribute

The Sangamon County Historical Society's new Founders Fund has raised nearly \$9,000 since it was launched in April, president David Scott announced.

Proceeds from the fund-raising campaign will be used exclusively for special projects that expand and support programs. "I am delighted with the response so far and hope that other members and friends of the Society who have not yet done so, will also contribute to this worthwhile effort," Scott said.

At press time, 71 members or 20 percent of the membership have contributed to the drive that helps celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Society. The donations came in response to a letter from Scott mailed to members in April, detailing the fund and its purposes.

If you would like to add your name to the current list of donors (see page 6), clip out and mail in the donor card reproduced on page 6.

Annual Meeting to Salute Past Presidents, Elect Officers and Board Members

When the Society gathers for its annual meeting on Tuesday, June 21 at the Panther Creek Country Club, members will be doing more than sitting down for dinner and voting for new officers and board members.

The event, helping mark the Society's 50th anniversary, also will honor the past presidents with a display of a plaque listing the names of all those who have served in the top leadership position in the past 50 years. A special invitation is being sent to all past presidents for whom the Society has a mailing address.

Keynote speaker Curtis Mann, manager of the Lincoln Library's Sangamon Valley Collection, will reflect on the long relationship between the Collection and the Society. As part of the event, special attention also will be given to the Society—its activities and presidents in its early years—including advocacy for the saving of the Executive Mansion from demolition.

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Looking Back: Historic Preservation Shaped Our Early Years



David Scott

Historic preservation was the impetus for the founding of the Sangamon County Historical Society 50 years ago. Specifically the founders wanted the preservation of the Old State Capitol.

The Formation of the Society

The impetus came from members of the Springfield Historic Monuments Commission established by Mayor Nelson Howarth in 1957. Of these, attorney Frank Sullivan was the one most responsible for leading the way to the establishment of the Society on June 12, 1961. The influence of Springfield preservationists on the decision by the state to preserve and rehabilitate the building cannot be measured. However, its importance to the founders is indicated by the Society adopting the building as its logo in 1962

In an oral history interview Sullivan stated that "at his urging in 1961," the Monuments Commission sent out about 400 invitations to attend a meeting marking the centennial of a speech given by Stephen A. Douglas at the Old State Capitol in 1861. The invitation stated that there would also be a discussion about forming a county historical society. Sullivan was the chairman of the meeting and satisfied that there was considerable interest he appointed a committee to organize the Sangamon County Historical Society.

Some Early Presidents

Sullivan served as president in 1968-69 but is not as well known today as other early presidents. Dr. Emmett Pearson is remembered, among other achievements, as the developer of Clayville. Floyd Barringer is remembered for his many preservation interests and his books on historic homes and other sites in Springfield; and Carroll Hall for his endowing a fund to support special projects for the Sangamon Valley Room.

The first president of the Society was John Trutter, a Springfield native and one of the most prominent statewide of any Society president. His many accomplishments in the general field of history is described by another Society President, Janice Petterchek in her 1997 book *John Thomas Trutter: A Profile of Legacy and Leadership*.

An Advocate for Historic Preservation

High on the early agenda for the Society was the preservation of the Executive Mansion. Built in the 1850s, the building had deteriorated 1961 when Governor Kerner and his family moved in. Could the Society and many other protestors get the Governor to change his mind and support restoration rather than demolition?

The story about the eventual saving of the Mansion is found in *At Home With Illinois Governors*. A copy of this richly illustrated book will be available free of charge to each household in attendance at the annual meeting on

Tuesday, June 21. With the saving of the Mansion becoming secure, the Society put on Governor's appreciation events in the second half of the 1960s. Also as a result of these preservation interests there was a tendency to hold meetings at historic sites.

Restorations at Clayville were under way at the same time as the founding of the Society and the Society provide considerable support for its development. In late 1961, the newsletter (the name *Historico* had not yet been adopted) reported that, with the cooperation of Dr. and Mrs. Pearson, the Society conducted an open house for the public at the recently renovated Clayville Stage Coach Tavern at which "over 2,000 people thronged the historic house and grounds..."

In 1966, the Society held the first of several craft festivals there, an event that also drew several thousands, according to the *Historico*. During Sullivan's presidency, the Society took stands in support of plans for the federal government taking over the management of the Lincoln Home and surrounding area. The historic ambience of the home was under threat from further commercial encroachment. Society leaders worked with Congressman Paul Findley and Mayor Nelson Howarth in this successful effort.

Other Activities of Society

The Society today is no longer the activist group it once was. It no longer has a Heritage House Committee or a Historic Markers Committee, but the founders had a broader view of the purposes of the Society well beyond the preservation of one particular building and beyond preservation in general. I discussed these other early interests in recent *Historicos*. They included interests in gathering and housing historic papers and historic furnishings. Thus there was an interest in involvement with a library, which materialized with the establishment of the Sangamon Valley Room; and an interest in a museum function, which did not. The first constitution indicated an interest in involvement with schools and in publications; the first interest was rarely carried out while the later early-on became a priority of the Society.

Membership expansion and retention, of course, has always been an ongoing activity of the Society as well as occasional fund-raisers. An example from 1964 was an antique sale. Society members contributed antiques and other historic items for an auction. The sale garnered \$1,500 and was used to cover the costs of meeting its obligations to clean up and maintain the Pioneer Park area recently donated to the Society. Our most recent fund-raising effort is the current drive for donations to the Founder Funds in recognition of our 50th anniversary.

Society's ANNUAL REPORT: What A Year!

As he completes his term, President David Scott shares the high points of the 2010-2011 year, key decisions and activities that took place over the past 12 months.

One of several activities recognizing the Society's 50th years was the reception at UIS for John Mack Faragher, author of *Sugar Creek: Life on the Illinois Prairie*; his lecture followed the reception. Dick Hart led a fall bus tour of the Sugar Creek area.

Historic sites were the setting for a number of gatherings: the Freeman-Hughes House for fall teas; the Brinkerhoff House for the Christmas party; Clayville to hear a talk by its archaeologist Annie Reiken; Lincoln Memorial Garden for a presentation on its origins and history; and the Lincoln-Herndon Law Offices for a tour and review of plans with Site Manager Justin Blandford.

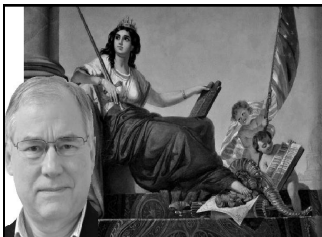
Other programs focused on researching the history of a family from the Rabbit Row neighborhood, the role of music in the Civil War era, State House art, and William Butler's little known ties to Lincoln.



HOLIDAY WITH HISTORY: The Society's annual holiday party at the Brinkerhoff Home in Springfield provided an opportunity to hear about its history.

The board approved changes in the membership article of the Constitution by eliminating the individual membership category and creating not-for-profit and corporate categories. The board also raised dues for the two categories of household memberships. Membership development included joining Facebook and building a list of member e-mail addresses. The Society moved into its own office on 7th Street in December.

A fund-raising drive was part of the Society's recognition of its 50th anniversary and its founders. The purpose is to fund special projects, notably those identified as program expansion priorities during a strategic planning process that included the Board's July retreat.



CAPITOL ART: Mark Sorensen, president of the Illinois State Historical Society and a former State Archives assistant director detailed the history of state-house art for Society members in February.

*The Panther Creek Country Club will be the site of the annual meeting. Themes will include the Society's early involvement with the Executive Mansion and the recognition of its many presidents. Winter and spring issues of the **Historico** contained an overview of the Society's early history.*

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RESERVOIR PARK, once a fixture of Springfield's north side "Rabbit Row."



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President.....David W. Scott
Vice-President.....Vicki Megginson
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MEMBERSHIP/DONATIONS

The Society is pleased to add the following new members:

LIFE MEMBERS:

Madelyn and Jim Bogue
HOUSEHOLD:
Richard Herndon
Terry Jones
Edward Schultz

And thanks the following for their generous donations:

Larry & Connie Bussard
George Anne Daly
Paul Schanbacher

Annual Meeting to Include Election of Officers, New Board Members

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A free copy of a book on the history of the Mansion will be available to each member household in attendance.

Nominees for Executive Board

Nominated to serve as president to succeed David Scott will be **Nancy Chapin**, who served two terms in that position (2008-2009, 2009-2010). Chapin has held several other posts in the organization over the years and during the past year, served on the executive board as past-president.

Other nominees for the executive board are incumbents **Vicki Megginson**, vice-president, and **Paul R. Mueller** as treasurer. **Carolyn Moore** has been nominated to succeed Pam Van Alstine as secretary.

Nominees for board posts:

(One-year terms ending June 2012)

Jacqueline Jackson, Springfield

A retired University of Illinois at Springfield English professor, Jackson originated the *Reading and Writing and Radio* program that was broadcast in Wisconsin and Central Illinois for over 20 years. An award winning author, she is currently books and poetry editor for **Illinois Times**. A 1950 graduate of Beloit College with a degree in classics, she holds a masters degree in Latin from the University of Michigan from which she was graduated in 1951.



Ruth Slottag, Springfield

Slottag has more than 20 years experience in the public relations and communications industry and currently works at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine's Public Affairs Office. Previously she served as Public Relations Director at the Illinois Association of Park Districts and Community and Media Relations Manager at the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. Slottag serves as chair of the Springfield Commission on International Visitors, on the board of directors for Family Service Center and is a past president of the Central Illinois Public Relations Society of America. She is a member



of Illinois Women in Leadership, Daughters of the American Revolution and formerly on the Springfield Area Arts Council.

(Two-year term ending 2013)

Elaine Hoff, Springfield

Born, raised and receiving her education in Michigan, Hoff taught special education in Michigan and northern Illinois before moving to Springfield in 1967. For most of her professional life she worked in the field of disability rights, most recently as a Policy Advisor for the Illinois Attorney General, retiring in 2003. Hoff has been affiliated with a number of disability rights and community organizations. She was founder of a local group addressing needs of "kids at risk." She also founded an organization that advocated gifted children programs. She hopes to support efforts to preserve and promote the rich history of Sangamon County. Her late husband Larry, and son Scott, are buried in Oak Ridge Cemetery.



(Three-year terms ending 2014)

Robert Brozio, Springfield

A retired civil engineer with the Illinois Department of Transportation, Brozio has been a resident of Springfield for 53 years. He holds two bachelor of science degrees, one in engineering administration from Millikin University, the other from the University of Illinois in civil engineering, and a masters degree in public administration from Sangamon State University. Brozio is a member of the Illinois State Museum Society and the Illinois Society of Professional Engineers. His hobbies include reading, woodworking, running and biking.



Mary Alice Davis, Springfield

Davis holds a bachelor of arts degree from Denison University, Ohio and taught for four years before becoming the co-owner of a children's clothing store for 10 years. She has also co-owned a chain of fast food stores for 35 years. She served on the board of

Old State Capitol Foundation and was vice-chair of the Illinois State Museum Society Board. She is a Life Member of the Sangamon County Historical Society and a past vice-president of the Land of Lincoln Girl Scout Council board.

Kathy Hoffmann, Springfield

A retired mathematics teacher, Hoffmann spent the majority of her career at Springfield High School, retiring in 2001 as department chair. She holds degrees in mathematics from Nebraska Wesleyan University and Sangamon State University. She has served on several community boards including Lincoln Memorial Garden, The Hoogland Center for the Arts, and Goodwill Industries. Hoffmann currently chairs the Docent Program at the First Presbyterian Church. Her husband Fred, is a former president the Society.



Brenda J. Holmes, Springfield

Born in Charleston, Illinois, Holmes holds a bachelor of science degree in Education from Eastern Illinois University and a masters degree in history from Sangamon State University. Holmes taught history and government in Pawnee, Illinois before joining the Illinois Senate staff, staffing the education committee. She also served two terms on the Illinois State Board of Education. She is a Life Member of the Society,



Doug Polite, Sherman

A semi-retired real estate broker who owns the historic Flagg Farmstead B&B in Sherman, Polite graduated from Knox College in Galesburg, Illinois in 1964 and received a masters degree from the University of Tennessee in 1969. He and his wife served on the historic committee for the 150th anniversary of the Village of Sherman and hosted part of that event at their home. He and his wife share a love for antiques and historic properties.



Mix of June, July Activities Filling Society's Calendar

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Mann, manager of the Sangamon Valley Collection at Springfield's Lincoln Library and historian for the City of Springfield, served as Society president from 2000 to 2001. His talk will focus on the long-term relationship between the Sangamon Valley Collection and the Society and is entitled "The Best of Both Worlds." Originally from southern Illinois, Mann studied history at several Illinois universities and received his master's degree in Library Science from the University of Illinois

Tuesday, June 21, Thursday, June 23, & Saturday, June 25: Photo Scanning for the final State Journal Register book in its "Springfield



Memories" series. 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday, and 10 a.m.

to 1 p.m. on Saturday, all in Carnegie Room North, Springfield's Lincoln Library, 326 S. Seventh Street, Spring-

field. Here's a chance to volunteer to help those bringing in photos from the 1970s through 2000 to be considered for the final edition of *Springfield Memories* that will be published in November. Lots of fun, and a chance to sneak preview what will be in the book! Call the office at 525-1961 to sign up.

Saturday, July 9: "The Lighter Side of Springfield History" Theatre Party. 8 p.m., Indoor Visitor's Center Auditorium, Theatre in the Park, Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site, Route 97, Petersburg. Tickets \$10, available from

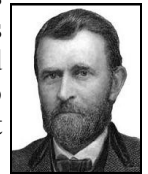


the Society (See order form, page 7). The Society has purchased a block of tickets for this original comedy by Tara McAndrew that will be performed at the indoor auditorium in the Visitor's Center at New Salem. The play highlights some of the funny people and events from Springfield's and Illinois' past including political corrup-

tion, Springfield's downtown (once notorious for its mud, trash, and roving livestock) and interesting historical characters from the 1800s. The play is based on real people and events, with some creative license thrown in for humorous effect. Society member McAndrews, a prolific writer and playwright, pens the history column for the *Illinois Times*.

July: Bus Trip Marking The 150th Anniversary Of Grant's March From Springfield To Quincy. Plans are being made for a special one-day, mid-July bus trip that will follow part the 90-mile route taken by the 603-

member 21st Illinois Regiment led by Ulysses S. Grant when it marched from Springfield to Quincy on July 3, 1861 at the start of the Civil War. The tour will go as far as Naples, at the Illinois River, where the regiment encamped. If you are interested in taking the trip, call the Society office at 525-1961.



Society Members Look Back 75 years to Lincoln Memorial Garden Founding

Society members enjoyed an illustrated history of Lincoln Memorial Garden on May 17, presented by its Executive Director, Jim Matheis. Rare photos showed the woodland Garden as a treeless field on the shore of the new Lake Springfield. The Garden is currently celebrating its 75th Anniversary.

The monthly meeting was held at the Nature Center in the Garden, now a 100-acre site conceived as a living memorial to Abraham Lincoln. The Garden includes six miles of trails, footbridges, pond, restored prairie, and eight stone council rings. Trees and shrubs are native to the states in which Lincoln grew up--Illinois, Kentucky and Indiana.

Local actors Don and Linda Schneider portrayed Jens Jensen and Harriet Knudson, the visionary founders of Lincoln Memorial Garden. Linda Schneider concluded their program by

singing an anthem to the Garden set to "Finlandia," discovered in the Garden's archives.

"That song was sung by an octet in 1940 for a special event at the Garden," Mrs. Schneider explained. "I don't know if Mrs. Knudson sang or not."



RECREATING HISTORY: Actors Linda and Don Schneider portrayed Harriet Knudson and Jens Jensen, the visionary founders of the Lincoln Memorial Garden, for the Society's meeting.

Donna Catlin photo

The concept for the Garden originated with Knudson, a Springfield Garden Club leader. She got the Springfield City Council to set aside land on Lake Springfield, won the support of the Garden Clubs of Illinois, and persuaded Jensen, dean of America's landscape architects, to design the Garden without a fee. Knudson, Garden Club members, Scouts, and other volunteers worked tirelessly planting acorns, seedlings, and wildflowers.

"It was wonderful to see the photos of Harriet and her friends, including Myrtle Walgreen of the Walgreen Corporation, planting in their flowered dresses, hats, and pearls. The Walgreens eventually dedicated a bridge in the Garden," noted SCHS board member Donna Catlin

After the presentation, Society members took a sunset tour in the Garden guided by Betsy Irwin and Larry Miller of the Garden staff.



CELEBRATING: Board member Connie Bussard slices into the Society's 50th Anniversary cake at an April 26 reception at the University of Illinois, Springfield, marking the event. Fellow board member Roger Whitaker awaits his slice. The reception was part of an evening long-program that included a lecture by noted historian Dr. John Mack Faragher.

Still Time to Donate to Founders Fund to Support Society's Mission

Founders Fund Donors as of May 27, 2011

Trailblazer (\$500)

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 Pioneer, \$50 Phone _____
 Other: \$ _____ e-mail _____

Make check to SCHS and return to SCHS, P.O. Box 1834, Springfield, IL 62705

Annual Dinner Reservation Form

Tuesday, June 21, 2011

Panther Creek Country Club, Springfield

Cash Bar: 6:30 p.m. Dinner: 7 p.m.

Members: \$35 Non Members: \$40 (There will be a \$5 per ticket surcharge for reservations received after June 17).

Your Name: _____

Phone: _____ e-mail: _____

Number of reservations: _____

Names of Guests: _____

Checks should be made payable to the Sangamon County Historical Society. Mail your check with this form to SCHS at 123 South Seventh Street, Springfield, IL 62701. (Checks must be received by June 17 to avoid the \$5 surcharge).



"Lighter Side of Springfield History" Theatre Party

Saturday, July 9 - 8 p.m. - Indoor Visitors Center Auditorium, Lincoln's New Salem Historic Site, Petersburg

Tickets: \$10 per person

Enclosed is my check for ___ tickets to the July 9 performance.

Name: _____

Address: (street, city, zip) _____

Phone: _____ e-mail: _____

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2011-2012 Membership Renewal Form

Please renew my membership for 2011-2012 in the Sangamon County Historical Society.

General Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____ City & Zip: _____

e-mail address: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell: _____ Business Phone: _____

Category of Membership:

- Household: \$25 \$ _____
- Sustaining Household \$100. \$ _____
- Life Membership, Household (one-time payment of \$700) \$ _____
- Not-for-Profit Organization, \$20 \$ _____
- Corporate, \$250. \$ _____

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Want to become more active in the Society? We welcome it. Here's some of the areas that you may be interested in. Please check off those you'd like to pursue or make a suggestion for others! You'll be hearing from us!

- Membership Hospitality Tours Special Events Fundraising Finance Publicity
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Household Life Membership, one-time payment of \$700.
Not-for-Profit Organization, \$20
Corporate, \$250.

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Indoor Auditorium. Visitors Center
Lincoln’s New Salem State Historic Site. Petersburg
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