



Mackinaw Area Historical Society eNewsletter September, 2015

What a great summer MAHS has had! Our lecture series has brought record number audiences and our visitors and their donations at Heritage Village have been up as well. All of this has been because we have a great board and wonderful volunteers.

Speaking of volunteers, we just had our Volunteer Recognition Reception on Sept. 20 at our own Pavilion. It was a beautiful day and those who were in attendance received recognition for their work as docents, event volunteers, grounds helpers, committee members and board members. If you were not there, we want you to know that you are greatly appreciated. We could not do all the wonderful things we do without your participation. So a great big **Thank You** goes to each and every one who had some presence at Heritage Village this past year!

In the month of October, we still have many things happening. October 18 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., we will have our 2nd annual Ghost Supper to which all are invited. Bring your own table setting and a dish to pass that was a favorite of one of your ancestors. A portion will be fed to the sacred fire for the souls of our ancestors and the rest will be shared with all who come. And then, drumming will follow!

On October 24 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., our annual Triple Fright Night will occur. Park at Heritage Village and take the trolley to McGulpin Point and back. Dress in costume and view the Haunted House at McGulpin Point and “trick or treat” at Heritage Village and take the Dark Sky Challenge and walk to see the stars! We have a great time and the kids seem to have a wonderful time, too!

In October we have a visit from a school group out of Petoskey and also we finish up our Road Scholar lectures and lunches. We will move our Indigenous People’s house onto its foundation and secure it for the winter. And, we will clean up Heritage Village and button it up for the winter.

And finally, October begins our membership drive. Please do become a member for 2016 and help support all of the events and buildings in which to house these events. Without your memberships and donations, we could not educate the children and adults in this area by experiencing the incredible history in the Straits area!

Don’t forget our Annual Meeting on October 12 at Pinecrest Village at 7:00 p.m. Come hear about the wonderful plans we have for next year and meet our new board members. We look forward to seeing you there!

Just a reminder for those of you who shop on Amazon. When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon donates 0.5% [point five percent] of the purchase price to Mackinaw Area Historical Society. Bookmark the link <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/38-3371014> and support us every time you shop. It is a great fundraiser for us. So thanks for all your help!

Sincerely,

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