

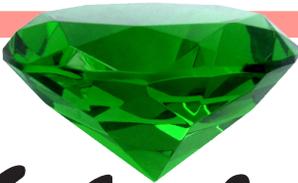
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embracing Excellence

Celebrating THS, TPL and Local History Makers

Throughout 2016 the Troy Historical Society is celebrating fifty years of conserving history; connecting people with their heritage and with one another; and our shared commitment to continuing this work through new and exciting initiatives. On Wednesday May 18, all are invited to attend the Third Annual Embracing Excellence Dinner at the Troy Community Center from 5:30 - 8pm.

This year's event will include an exhibit highlighting THS members and their significant accomplishments since 1966 to establish the Troy Historic Village. It will also include a special tribute to the Troy Public Library, which is 45 years old this year. Many will recall that the Troy Historic Village was administered

through the Library Department for many years. Another key component of the exhibit will be video clips of local immigrants' oral histories recently compiled through Many Stories, One Heritage, a project made possible by a grant from the Michigan Humanities Council.

The evening will feature a cocktail reception beginning at 5:30 pm, live music and a buffet dinner followed by presentations. We are delighted that Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson is scheduled to attend Embracing Excellence, provide comments, deliver a proclamation to THS, and acknowledge the recipients of new History Maker Awards.

The Troy Historical Society recognizes that individuals have helped build Troy

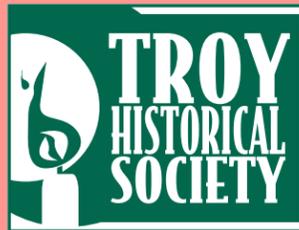
as a creative community through their individual leadership, actions, and ideas. Research affirms that creative communities are built on a foundation of Visionary Thinking, Ethnic and Cultural Diversity, Business & Philanthropy, Health & Fitness, Art & Culture, Environmental Stewardship, and Education. History Makers are men and women who have excelled in one of these key areas. The 2016 History Maker Award recipients will be selected from nominations submitted by the general public.

Nomination forms are now available online at www.troyhistoricvillage.org or at the Troy Historic Village. They can be submitted electronically, mailed or faxed to Troy Historic Village. The deadline for submissions is April 13th. Winners will be selected by a committee of Troy community leaders and will be announced on April 18th.

Tickets for Embracing Excellence are also available through the website or at the Village. Tickets can be purchased for \$35 per person until May 11. Tickets may be purchased the week before the event or at the door for \$45. For more information please call 248-524-3570.

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THS News



Please contribute to the Spring Appeal

In the next few weeks you will receive our emailed Spring Appeal. Using the internet for this request saves us paper and postage at a time of year when our coffers are running low. The Spring Appeal is your opportunity to make a 50th anniversary gift to the Troy Historical Society and receive a special thank you gift from us. If you wish, you can also check a box to forego your gift and apply your entire contribution to THS.

We understand that everyone is bombarded with appeals from numerous deserving organizations. So we deeply appreciate your support for THS, which enables us to keep

offering programs at the Village that connect thousands of kids, families, and adults with history. Over a third of our revenue comes directly from program fees, Village Store sales, and facilities rentals. Forty-five percent of our revenue is derived from corporate sponsors, fundraising events, and grants. However sixteen percent comes from individual donors like you. This spring we need to raise \$13,000. Thank you for helping us reach this critically important goal.

THS Hiring

The Troy Historical Society is hiring a part time Facilities Attendant and is advertising the position first to our members and volunteers. We are seeking a responsible adult with a flexible schedule to provide onsite supervision when the Village is rented for weddings, meetings, and private parties. This position requires evening and weekend hours. For a complete position description and application form please go to the website or call 248-524-3301.

Village Online Experiences Grow

THS continues to connect people with history and one another through our website and Facebook page. The Quill, our new weekly Blog, recently received over 1,000 views and nearly 1,800 people are now following us on Facebook. This spring these online visitors will also enjoy an all-new virtual exhibit on the history of the Village. The pictorial exhibit shows our buildings on their original foundations, as they were moved, and as they were restored in the Village.

Join the fun. Follow us on Facebook and at www.troyhistoricvillage.org. Encourage others to follow us online too!



Executive Director... Loraine Campbell

So here are some numbers to ponder. Since 1966 the Troy

Historical Society has contributed:

- \$1.3 million dollars in cash to move and restore eight buildings in the Village
- \$1.1 million dollars in volunteer support if valued at \$8/ hour (Today the State of Michigan values volunteer service at \$21/ hour)
- \$1.77 million dollars to operate the Troy Historic Village since 2011

This equals a total investment of \$4.17 million dollars in 50 years, an astounding number for a nonprofit organization with less than 300 members.



But while the numbers are impressive and significant, the total value and community impact of those contributions cannot be measured with a dollar sign. Similarly, the value of our educational fieldtrips and new History to You (H2U) outreach programs far exceeds the revenue that they generate. Matt Hackett reported that when he arrived at Susick Elementary School with H2U, he was greeted by the principal who welcomed our crew and offered to carry their boxes of program materials. "I can't tell you how delighted we are that you are bringing this program to our students

through your grant," he said. "We have no money for any special programs or fieldtrips. We are so excited to have you at our school today." At the conclusion of another H2U outreach day, a third grader stopped Matt in the hall. "Will you come back next year?" he asked. "My brother is in second grade and I want him to do what we did today!"

We also understand that historic preservation is not just about conserving artifacts. It is equally important to preserve the stories, experiences, and authentic voices of the people who owned and used the objects and to present those stories to contemporary audiences in a way that is meaningful and relevant to them. That is why we are in the

midst of compiling the oral histories of 20th century immigrants and why we feel it is important to offer monthly Constitution Cafés. It is why we provide adults and kids with opportunities to create new art in the tradition of 19th century artisans. People need to connect with history in tangible ways.

Finally, our world often equates value with size. But sometimes bigger is not better nor is quality determined solely by quantities. The Troy Historic Village is small compared to other historic venues. We have less space, a smaller staff, and far fewer resources than many regional history museums. Yet I firmly believe that the quality of our programs, the creativity, spirit, and vision of those who work and volunteer here and the achievements and tenacity of the Troy Historical Society throughout its 50 years are beyond comparison and are, in fact, priceless.



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Hours:
Mon - Fri: 10am - 3pm
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Admission:
Adults: \$5
Seniors: \$3
Children 6-12: \$3
Children under 6: Free
Moms visit free May 9-13

Villager:
To sign up to be a villager see back page.

Donate:
To support the village through donation, mail a check payable to the Troy Historical Society or call 248-524-3570 with your credit card.



Volunteer Corner

Marketing Team

Have you noticed? Recent issues of the Village Press are a bit easier to read and the THV website is a lot more user friendly. THV staff has been interviewed on local TV twice in less than a year. There are more articles in the local newspapers about our programs and activities. Our Facebook friends have doubled in less than a year. It's not a coincidence. It's our small but mighty Marketing Team at work.

Meet volunteers Flo Schultheiss and Jeni Carino and Graphics Design Consultant Laura Rangos. Each week this trio meets over laptops and smartphones to write press releases, schedule e-blasts, and coordinate promotions for all the upcoming programs, events, and fundraisers at the Village. Their individual talents dovetail seamlessly to promote everything we do through print and online outlets, social media, old-fashioned flyers, banners, postcards, and creative media alerts.

Flo Schultheiss is a self-employed Marketing Consultant with 16 years of corporate experience. She lives right here in Troy with her husband, loves exploring history, and loves helping Troy Historic Village gain exposure in the media through her PR efforts. She often brings her family and her young nephews to Village events and wants others to also learn more about the Village and all the wonderful and fun programs and events they have to offer.

Jeni Carino has a BA in Finance and a full and varied career in project management, volunteer and events coordination, and fundraising. She has worked for other nonprofits and schools and resides with her family in Lake Orion. Jeni is our Facebook Guru and is adding time and talent to planning Embracing Excellence.

Laura Rangos graduated Magna Cum Laude from U of M with a BFA in Graphic Design. She has owned her own company for 30 years, providing graphics design services for churches, nonprofit organizations, colleges, school districts, and for profit businesses. She is an artist from head to toe.

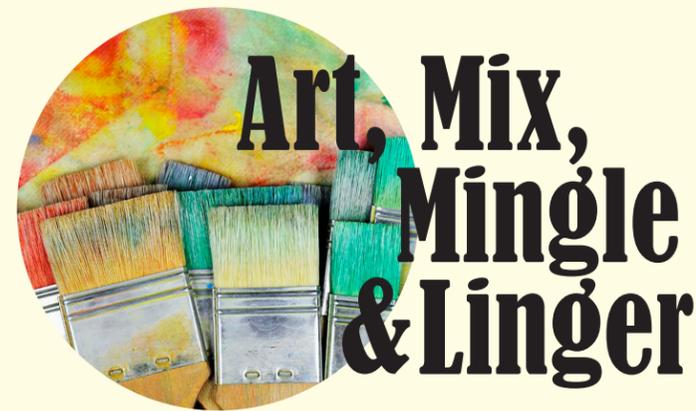
If you stop by the Village on a Tuesday morning you may notice a bit of kinetic energy in the air. Do not be alarmed. It's just the trio transforming new ideas into reality.



Jeni Carino

Laura Rangos

Flo Schultheiss



June 16 - 18, 2016

The Troy Historical Society in partnership with the Image and Arts Council of Troy (IACT) will offer a unique evening of art and history on June 16 at the 2nd Art, Mix, & Mingle. The reception, from 5:30 - 8:00 pm will offer history buffs and art lovers a unique opportunity to meet on a warm summer evening; enjoy the artwork of more than 35 local artists and live music in a historic setting; and mingle over a glass of wine and delightful hors d'oeuvres.

Then, on June 17 and 18 all visitors are invited to tour the art exhibit and the local artists will linger, offering day and evening workshops and demonstrations. Also on June 18 Village Curator Elizabeth Thornburg and assistants will host Art Amble, a behind the scenes tour of the Village collections highlighting examples of 19th century decorative arts. This is a rare opportunity to see handiwork, textiles, and other 19th century domestic arts.

Tickets may be purchased on the THV website (troyhistoricvillage.org) or at the Village. Details and preregistration information for each of the workshops, demonstrations, and the Art Amble are found on the website. Please note that in honor of Father's Day all dads will be admitted to the Village and the Art Amble free of charge on June 18.

Art, Mix & Mingle Evening Event: Thursday, June 16, 5:30 – 8:00 pm. Ages 21+ only. Tickets: \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door. \$10 for artists displaying work.

Art exhibits, demonstrations and workshops, including paper crafting, t'ai chi, blacksmithing and special kids' crafts: Friday, June 17, 10:00 am-8:00 pm and Saturday, June 18, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. All ages welcome. Friday and Saturday admission rate: \$5/adult, \$3/senior, \$3/child 6-12, Free for kids under 6. Fathers visit for Free on Saturday 6/18!

For Children

Day Care, Vacation Bible School & Visiting Camps

Available Monday – Friday;
10 am – 2 pm (thru the Summer)
For reservations 248-524-3598 or ypd@thvmail.org

Pricing Options

Two Hour: \$6/per child-pick two programs (15 child minimum)

Three Hour: \$7/per child-pick three programs (30 child minimum)

Four Hour: \$8/per child-pick four programs-includes Lunch break + Craft (50 Child minimum)

Add a craft or two to your program for extra educational benefit.

Choose One Craft: add \$1 per child

Choose Two or Three Crafts: add \$1.50 per child

Program Choices (Age 4-7):

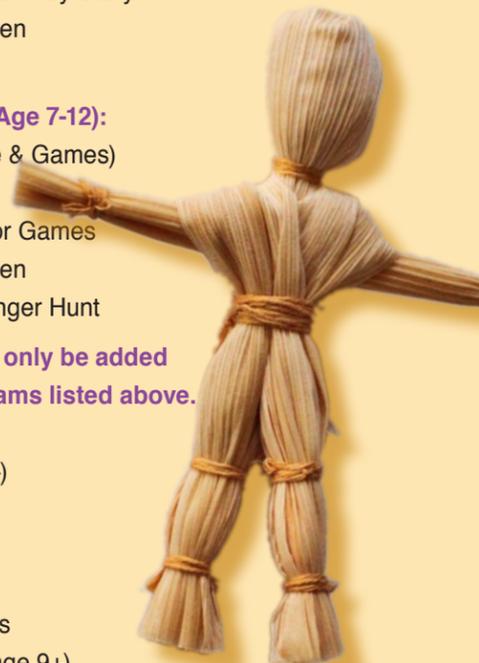
- Ginger & Gingham
- Cabin: settler Skills (Hands-On)
- ABC Garden & Caswell House
- School & Old Fashioned Recess
- Store: Post Office or Troy Story
- Games on the Green
- If I had a Hammer

Program Choices (Age 7-12):

- Shop & Bop (Store & Games)
- Can You Dig It?
- Parsonage & Parlor Games
- Games on the Green
- Mid-Village Scavenger Hunt

Craft Choices: Can only be added to one of the programs listed above.

- Wooden Top
- Ball & Cup (age 7+)
- Candles (age 7+)
- Postcard (age 7+)
- Butter Making
- Buzz Saw Spinners
- Corn Husk Dolls (age 9+)
- Tin Punch



2:00 pm on the second Sunday of each month at the Village. FREE to attend, but advance registration is recommended. Call 248-524-3570 to register.

Thomas Jefferson believed that Americans should examine and rewrite the U.S. Constitution every two decades! If you could scrap these parchment pages and redraft the text, what elements would you include, amend or leave out entirely? Utilizing the Socratic Method of inquiry and discussion, you have the chance to be like our Founding Fathers each month as we look at the Constitution, engaging in civil discourse to 'create' a new Constitution.

Qualifications to be President

Sunday, April 10 at 2:00 pm.

The Supreme Court

Sunday, May 1 at 2:00 pm.

The Freedoms in the First Ammendment

Sunday, June 12 at 2:00 pm.

Sponsored by the Oakland County Bar Foundation and The Kresge Foundation



Scouts & Scholars

Programs take place from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm, unless otherwise noted, and are designed for ages 6 to 12. Scout, homeschool and other groups welcome. Price: \$8 per Scout, Scholar or participating sibling, \$5 per adult. Advance registration required—space is limited.

Letterboxing!

Saturday, April 9
from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Kids ages 6 – 12 draw a simple image on an eraser (we supply) and then adults in the group carefully cut the image for each child to have their own personalized stamp. Using these stamps, small groups follow clues to find and “collect” stamp images leave their mark for others to see. Find clues to lead to hidden “letterboxes” in the Village—similar to geocaching, but Victorian Style! Conclude with a visit to our Print Shop for more images from the past.



If you would like more programs like Scouts & Scholars, join us for Throwback Thursdays from 4-8pm. See the June Calendar for more information.

Ultramarathon Update to Fundraise for Troy Historical Society

Five pairs of shoes, over 1,000 training miles run, and nearly \$700 raised for the Troy Historical Society...it's hard to believe the Indiana Trail 100 race is almost here! On April 30, Adult Programs & Services Director Stephanie Suszek will toe the line of her first 100-mile ultramarathon.

The sport of modern-day ultramarathon racing is relatively new in the United States. Many races have interesting back stories:

- The Western States Endurance Run was originally the 100-mile Tevis Cup horse race. In 1974, veteran trail rider Gordon Ainsleigh opted not to saddle up, but to run with the horses instead, finishing the race in less than 24 hours.
- The Leadville Trail 100 was designed by Ken Chlouber in 1983 to stimulate the struggling economy of his beloved home city, a former mining boomtown in Colorado.

- The Barkley Marathons held in Tennessee since 1986 were inspired by James Earl Ray's 1977 prison break from nearby Brushy Mountain State Penitentiary—race founder Gary Cantrell figured he could have made it much farther than Ray did.

Part of the Midwest Grand Slam of Ultrarunning, runners who complete the Indiana Trail 100 this spring and four more 100-mile trail runs—Kettle Moraine, Mohican Trail, Burning River, and Hallucination 100—this summer and fall will become “Super Slammers.” While that's not Stephanie's goal this year, she will keep moving this summer with a number of triathlons and shorter running races.

In the meantime, you can still support the Troy Historic Village through Stephanie's ultra fundraiser! Visit www.troyhistoricvillage.org for the online donation site link, or stop by the Village Gift Shop between now and April 29.



Stephanie cross training on her “fat bike,” which is designed to navigate through snow.

Thursday Teas at Two

Sip a cup of tea while enjoying a slice of history with a different delightful topic each month! Presentations begin in Old Troy Church at 2 pm and last one hour. Guests are welcome to bring their own china cup and saucer if preferred. Price: Member: \$7 per Tea ticket, Non-Member: \$8 per Tea ticket or purchase a Summer Season Pass (June 23-Aug 25) for \$18/THS member or \$21/non-member. Includes admission and entry into our teacup prize drawing. Register in advance as space is limited. No refunds, no exchanges.

Hardtack & Coffee

Thursday, April 28 at 11 am or 2:00 pm.

Offered twice! Choose program time when registering

Actor, author and historian Robert Myers portrays Corporal Martin W. Stafford in Hardtack & Coffee, a one-man show about the American Civil War. The common soldier's view of the conflict comes to life in this presentation based on the experiences of a veteran from Niles, Michigan. Stafford enlisted in the 2nd Michigan Infantry in 1861 and served from the First Battle of Bull Run through the Siege of Vicksburg to the Wilderness Campaign.

King Tut's Tomb

Thursday, June 2 at 2:00 pm.

Maureen Esther's wonderful presentation covers the tomb discovery, excavation, and disposition of the most important archeological find to date. Travel through time and space with a discussion of Egyptian culture at the time of the Pharaohs. Get the dirt on King Tut's family—his father Ankenaten, step-mother Nefertiti, and wife Ankhesenamun. Also discussed are the meticulous nature that Howard Carter used to, against all odds, locate and empty the tomb and his friendship with his financial backer, Lord Carnarvon.

Psychology of Color

Thursday, June 23 at 2:00 pm.

Join Linda Shears, President of the Image & Arts Council of Troy, for a look at the color trends of American home décor by decade. Linda will put special focus on homes of the Civil War era, like our 1860s Caswell House which features brightly colored trim, painted wood flooring and boldly patterned Oriental wallpaper. We'll see how color affects mood and how trends have changed over time.



Friday Forays

Explore with the Troy Historic Village! Join us for monthly day trips to experience the history, culture and food of other cities in our great mitten state. Many of these are individualized tours arranged by the Village, and are not normally available to the public. Trips are for Members of the Troy Historical Society. Don't have a membership? Sign up today for access to these exclusive opportunities! Price: \$40/person. Registration required, please book as early as possible. Bus to and from provided; please arrive at the Troy Historic Village at 9:15 am. Please note: Tours involve a moderate amount of walking.

Coffee & Wisner House

Friday, April 1

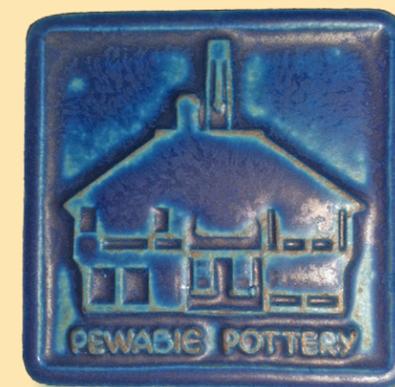
We will start our morning experiencing a bit of Michigan history in the home of the Mitten State's 12th governor, and brief Civil War colonel- Moses Wisner, and of course a tour of the house and grounds! We'll break for lunch at the delicious Lafayette Market. Then it's time to grab your mug as we head over to the Great Lakes Coffee roastery where we will learn the ins and outs of roasting and the other sciences of coffee. (Lunch will be arranged but not paid for by the Village).

Tea and Tiles

Friday, May 6

Sip and sample delicious tea at Eli Tea in Birmingham! One of their resident tea experts will walk us through a variety of teas and provide samples of each.

After lunch (lunch will be arranged but not paid for by the Village) we will receive a guided tour of the famous Pewabic Pottery studio and museum including the production area where we will see pottery masters at work creating the beautiful tiles and pottery that make Pewabic Pottery unique. Bus to and from provided; please arrive at the Village at 9:30.





Cheddar's Preschool Story Hour

Join Cheddar the Village Mouse in listening to a classic tale in our monthly program for little historians! A simple craft and a yummy treat will make your child's visit complete. Wednesdays, 10:30 – 11:30 am. Members: \$5/adult, \$3/child. Non-members: \$6/adult, \$4/child. (Non-member pricing starts in June) Appropriate for children ages 2-5; child must be accompanied by an adult. Advance registration required.

At the Zoo

Wednesday, April 6

May Flowers

Wednesday, May 4

Bugs & Insects

Wednesday, June 1

Ice Cream

Wednesday, July 6

A Bit of History

Troy Historic Village Turns 50 - what was 1966 like?

By Matthew Hackett

Parachute into 1966, here in southeast Michigan, and you'll find some pretty interesting things. The City of Troy is among the youngest in the state. Like Madison Heights and Northville, Troy was incorporated in 1955 – there was a dedication of the “new” City Hall at 500 W. Big Beaver; Episcopal Bishop Richard Emrich was among the speakers for the occasion. At the helm of city government is Mayor of Troy, Vincent McAvoy, (1964-1968) and the City Manager is Paul York (1964-1969).

Not far from City Hall, near Livernois and Big Beaver is one high school serving all of Troy (at today's Troy Community Center). Some familiar names are found in Troy Community Schools Administration. One expects you've heard of Rex B. Smith, Superintendent of Troy Schools and Boyd R. Larson, Assistant Superintendent.

Among the younger set, bold colors and pop-art are finding their way into fashion and fabrics. Part of the news at Troy High School in 1966 is that Spanish has been added as a new foreign language (joining French and Latin). Troy High School sports teams in 1966 are called Gladiators. Businesses supporting the yearbook are Cowser's Store, Storm Seal (at 2771 Rochester Rd.), Costello Appliance, T. J. Torpey Meat Market, Schroeder Insurance, and Houghton & Son small engine repair. (Readers in 2016 should find a current business and Troy Schools and Streets among this list.)

A new interstate highway connects much of Michigan, including Troy, with the largest city in the state. (Detroit is about to drop from fourth to fifth largest in the country.) With a population of about 1.6 million, Detroit has Jerome Cavanagh as Mayor. In 1966, he is to become the first Mayor to live in the Manoogian Mansion. I-75 (the new interstate highway) will help bring baseball fans to the City. Playing for the Detroit Tigers in 1966 are Bill Freehan, Mickey Lolich, Gates Brown, Denny McLain, Willie Horton, Norm Cash, and future Hall-of-Famer Al Kaline. (Many of these players are well-remembered because of something the Tigers will achieve in 1968.)

In March, U.F.O.s are reported in Wash-tenaw County and sightings continue around Michigan until September. This becomes a national news story.



'66 Sounds of Motown include Gladys Knight and the Pips, the Isley Brothers, and the Temptations. After Martha Reeves hit in 1964, other areas of music are “getting ready for a brand new beat”—the Beach Boys, Simon and Garfunkel “Sounds of Silence,” and the Beatles. It is also remembered that getting your kicks in '66 includes the Rolling Stones.

In contrast, kicking your habit has a new label. By order of the Surgeon General, all cigarette packages and advertising have to carry the warning “Caution! Cigarette smoking may be hazardous to your health.”

Artisan ARTS

Join our experienced artisans in using old time trades and crafts to make unique pieces of art. No experience is necessary to participate. Must register in advance. Space is limited!

Papercrafting

Learn folding techniques that you can use to create beautiful and unique works of art from paper. No experience necessary to participate. Classes take place from 6:30 – 8:30 pm. Price for THS Members: \$23/class, or register for all three classes for \$66. Price for non-members: \$25/class, or register for all three classes for \$69. Supplies list provided at registration.

Thursday, April 14: Origami

Learn the Japanese art of folding a square piece of paper into functional forms without using cuts or glue. Attendees will learn to make a folded circle flower, secret pop-up box and interlocking gift box.

Thursday, May 12: Paper Flowers

Attendees will make small flowers from cardstock using punched shapes which can be used to embellish a gift box or card. We will also learn to fold a “kusudama” flower with 5 folded petal shapes.

Thursday, June 23: Iris Folding

Iris folding is a paper craft technique that involves folding strips of colored paper to form a shape reminiscent of the iris diaphragm of a camera lens. In this class, participants will create iris-folded images of flowers, teapots, shapes (squares, triangles) which can be used on the front of a greeting card.

Blacksmithing Sampler

Saturday, April 30 from 1:30 – 3:00 pm. Ages 8 and up. Price: \$35/student, includes 90 minutes of instruction and materials.

Get in front and up close as you step alongside the forge. Know what it's like to “make the anvil ring”, as you learn how to forge your own nail.



Basic Blacksmithing

Saturdays, May 7 – June 18 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. Ages 12 and up. Price: \$240/student, includes materials and 12 hours of instruction.

Experience the art of blacksmithing as it was in the 1850s. Work at the anvil, build a fire and operate the amazing forge. Discover how malleable hot iron can be as you learn 8 basic hand forging techniques. Make your own hand tool and more. Instructor: Rose Weiss, Resident Metalsmith.

Parent-Child Blacksmithing

Sundays, May 8 – May 22 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. Ages 8 & up. Price: \$180/one parent & one child, includes materials and 6 hours of instruction.

Discover the world of Blacksmithing as you forge iron and a special experience with your child. Together you will learn proper hand tool use and make fun and useful objects. Makes a unique Mother's Day gift! Instructor: Rose Weiss, Resident Metalsmith.

Coppersmithing

Monday, June 20 – Friday, June 24 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. Ages 10 & up. Price: \$100/student, includes materials and 10 hours of instruction. Must register in advance.

Copper, one of the first metals discovered by mankind, is also one of the easiest to transform into beautiful and useful objects. You will learn 5 basic metalsmithing techniques as you explore copper and create your own ornamental object. Instructor: Rose Weiss, Resident Metalsmith.

Painting Workshop & Artist Talk: Georgia O'Keefe

Saturday, June 25 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. Ages 10 & up. Price: \$25/student, includes materials. Must register in advance.

Learn all about the life and works of Georgia O'Keefe, one of the most noteworthy and fascinating American artists of the twentieth century. Use provided template or create your own version of one of O'Keefe's most famous paintings. Instructor: Carolyn Elston Masnari.

FreshAir Fit *New!*

Revitalize body and mind with yoga and t'ai chi. Classes are held outdoors on the picturesque Village green. Register for the entire series or for individual classes.

FreshAir Fit: T'ai Chi

Wednesday Classes: June 1, June 15, June 22, June 29, July 6, July 20, and July 27 from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. Price: FREE/THS members; \$7/class for non-members.

The practice of t'ai chi is rooted in ancient Chinese martial arts. Today, this mind-body practice has value in treating or preventing many health problems, and is even CDC-approved for fall prevention. Certified t'ai chi instructor Lynn Lim will guide you through this "meditation in motion" outside on the Village green.

FreshAir Fit: Yoga

Monday Classes: June 6 – August 15 (no class July 4) from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. Price: FREE/THS members and Explore Yoga members; \$7 per class/non-members.

Increased flexibility, strength, muscle tone, mental clarity and calmness are just a few of the many physical and mental benefits of practicing yoga. Instructors from Troy-based Explore Yoga will lead students through yoga postures and breath-work in classes appropriate for all levels of experience, from beginner to advanced.

Place of Worship Tours

Let's meet up! Join the Troy Historical Society in visiting diverse places of worship on Wednesday evenings this summer. We'll hear the history of these congregations and see the beautiful and unique architecture of their buildings.

Kirk in the Hills Presbyterian Church

Wednesday, June 15. Tour begins at 7:00pm. Price: \$5 THS members, \$7 non-members. Advance registration required. *Meet at Kirk in the Hills, not at the Village! 1340 W. Long Lake Road.*

Patterned after a 13th-century Scottish abbey, Kirk in the Hills is a stunning example of Gothic architecture. Popular in Europe for 400 years, this architectural style features stained glass and sculptural elements, as well as flying buttresses, pointing arches and a cruciform design. Tour the church and learn how such a structure came to stand on Island Lake in Bloomfield Hills.

Book Club



Introduce your child to other cultures in fun and engaging ways.

Join us from 10:30 am – 12:00 pm on select Saturdays for a book club like you've never seen before! We'll read and discuss books, try foods from different cultures, make a craft, sing a song or two—every Book Club meeting will feature a different way for your child to learn about our diverse world.

Price: Free with admission, but advance registration is required. Appropriate for ages 6 – 10. Assigned reading for each session will be given at registration.

Planting Seeds for our Future

Saturday, April 9
from 10:30 am – 12:00 pm.
Celebrate awakening of nature and explore natural wonders. Plant the seeds in nature. Create a bird feeder and learn how to meditate.

Tour the World

Saturday, May 14
from 10:30 am – 12:00 pm.
Celebrate natural and architectural wonders. Travel through history and explore world geography, cultures and people from the Grand Canyon to the Great Wall of China.



April 2016

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Visit our very own Village Store where the shelves are always filled with Village souvenirs, kid's items, locally made products, and seasonal merchandise.

Planning a Mother's Day Brunch or a special family gathering? Stop by the Village store for Michigan maple syrup, honey, and jams and browse our new selection of spring merchandise.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 2pm Constitution Cafés The Supreme Court	2	3 10:30am Cheddar May Flowers	4	5	6 9:15am Friday Forays Teas and Tiles	7
8 1pm Artisan Arts Parent-Child Blacksmithing	9	10	11	12 6:30pm Artisan Arts Paper Crafting / Paper Flowers	13 9am Civil War Days	14 9am Civil War Days 10am Artisan Arts Basic Blacksmithing 10:30am Book Club Tour the World
15 9am Civil War Days 1pm Artisan Arts Parent-Child Blacksmithing	16 9am Civil War Days	17 9am Civil War Days	18 9am Civil War Days 5pm Embracing Excellence Celebration	19	20 10am Artisan Arts Basic Blacksmithing	21 10am Artisan Arts Basic Blacksmithing
22 1pm Artisan Arts Parent-Child Blacksmithing	23	24	25	26	27 10am Artisan Arts Basic Blacksmithing	28 10am Artisan Arts Basic Blacksmithing
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Facilities

Rental Availability

Looking for a unique site for a wedding, family reunion, class picnic, or business retreat? The Troy Historic Village is available for outdoor gatherings of up to 200 people! Our

meeting room in the historic church offers seating for 110, an LCD projector with retractable electric screen, and computer connectivity. The church has space for serving beverages, snacks,

and for holding catered meals. A 20 X 40 foot banquet tent is available for an outside event during the summer. For more information, contact Sue at busmgr@thvmail.org



Troy Garden Walk

Wednesday, July 13th, the Troy Garden Club will present Poetic Gardens, our 42nd annual garden walk.

The Troy Historic Village will become a destination for hundreds of guests eager to visit artisans at our Arts & Crafts Boutique or shop for bargains at Fabulous Finds. Many arrive early to purchase an unusual plant at our Plant Sale, all donated by garden club members. For many visitors, this may be their first peek at the Troy Historic Village. **Entry to the Village is FREE on July 13th with Troy Garden Club activities from 9:00 am - 6:00 pm.**

Garden Walk ticket holders have the opportunity to visit 8 private gardens at 6 venues between the hours of 9:30 am - 3:00 pm & 5:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Advance tickets may be purchased for \$10 at Telly's Greenhouse, Uncle Luke's, Auburn Oaks Garden Center or the Troy Historic Village. On walk day, the price is \$15 with tickets only available at the Village.

The Troy Garden Club is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit founded in 1971. The garden walk is our major annual fundraiser. Net funding generated from our 2015 walk will be distributed to over 30 organizations and individuals this year to support their horticultural programs and educational pursuits.

**For information visit our website:
www.TroyGardenClubMI.com
or phone: 248-952-5938.**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10:30am Cheddar Buns & Insects 6pm FreshAir Fit: T'ai Chi	2 2pm Thursday Teas at Two King Tut's Tomb 4pm Scouts & Scholars 4-8pm #TBT: 1800's	3	4 10am Artisan Arts Basic Blacksmithing
5 6pm FreshAir Fit: Yoga	6 6pm FreshAir Fit: Yoga	7	8	9 4-8pm #TBT: 1800's	10 10am Artisan Arts Basic Blacksmithing	11 10am Artisan Arts Basic Blacksmithing
12 2pm Constitution Cafés The Freedoms in the First Amendment	13 6pm FreshAir Fit: Yoga	14	15 6pm FreshAir Fit: T'ai Chi 7pm Place of Worship Tours at Kirk in the Hills	16 4-8pm #TBT: 1800's	17 10:30am Art, Mix, Mingle and Linger Event!	18 10am Artisan Arts Basic Blacksmithing
19 10am Artisan Arts Coppersmithing 6pm FreshAir Fit: Yoga	20 10am Artisan Arts Coppersmithing 6pm FreshAir Fit: Yoga	21 10am Artisan Arts Coppersmithing	22 10am Artisan Arts Coppersmithing 6pm FreshAir Fit: T'ai Chi	23 10am Coppersmithing 2pm Teas at Two Psychology of Color 4-8pm #TBT: 1800's 6:30pm Paper Crafting	24 10am Artisan Arts Coppersmithing	25 10am Artisan Arts Georgia O'Keefe Workshop
26 6pm FreshAir Fit: Yoga	27 6pm FreshAir Fit: Yoga	28	29 6pm FreshAir Fit: T'ai Chi	30 4-8pm #TBT: 1800's		

Throwback Thursdays #TBT

Visit us on Thursday evenings (4-8pm) for special activities and demonstrations. Each month features a different decade, and every Thursday evening is different. The month of June features

1800s pioneer life, cooking, cottage industry and old time trades. We visit the 1920s in July with a look at the Detroit Tigers in the roaring twenties, kitchen technology, Detroit architecture and

twenties music. The 1960s come alive in August as we celebrate the Troy Historical Society's 50th anniversary and try out '60s crafts. Visit our website or Facebook page for dates and pricing.

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- E-Newsletter - Monthly

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