

# SANBORN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## *SALUBRIS*

### President's Message

I am humbled by the board naming the new building after me. The building would not have happened without the expertise and help of many others. We saw that the building was under funded and worked together over the past 3 years to complete the building including a fine kitchen within the constraints of the funds available.

I am sorry at the loss of our **Curator, Linda Jackson**. Linda will be missed for her dedication to work on the Farm Museum in its formative years since conception of the museum when the farm was purchased 2002 as well as the many fund raisers over the years

I recognize that we are all getting older and I appreciate that many of you have supported our numerous functions when requested over the years. I have asked the board to scale back on our fundraisers so that we have no more than one fundraiser in any given month..

We are looking forward to another active summer. I thank our board for their **"above and beyond the call of duty"** support. We are only as strong as our weakest link. I appreciate the support of each of you as well as our members that help in, **"Getting the job done"**. **I THANK ONE AND ALL!**

*Gary Townsend*, President

### **Your Board of Trustees (Museum Ph 731-4708)**

(Board Meetings are held at the Museum on the 3rd Tues at 7:30 PM )  
(MUSEUM ADDRESS- 2822 Niagara St, PO Box 172, Sanborn, NY 14132)

President... **Gary Townsend (731-4578)**

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Schoolhouse Curator-**Hilda Snyder (731-9883), Farm Museum Curator- Bonnie Haskell (990-6909)**

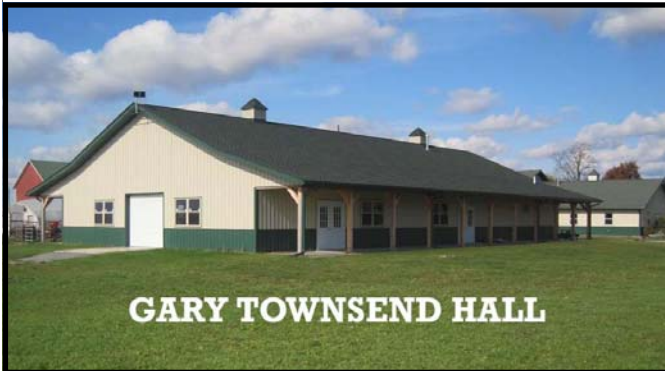
Local Historian Consultant- **Marcia Rivers (731-3693),**

Tuscarora Indian Nation (Reserved Position) ..... **Kenneth Patterson (417-7764)**

Tn. of Lewiston Historic Preservation Comm. (Reserved Position) .. **Michael Rhoney (731-9726)**

## THE TOWNSEND HALL

The SAHS Board at a recent board meeting appropriately name our new building the **Gary Townsend Hall or Townsend Hall for short.**



**Gary is very deserving of this honor.** Soon after receiving the Architect's drawings through Advanced Design in Lewiston, Gary saw no need to pay their management fee and took over the job as Project Manager of the building program. This alone saved us a lot of money that was put to good use allowing us to complete the building with a great working kitchen in addition to the much need restrooms. With his business sense and his 22 years as Fire Control coordinator for the Town of Lewiston, he had the knowledge and contacts that allowed us to have this fine structure complete within the budget funded by the \$260,000 grant and extra \$16,000 provided by the Town of Lewiston. We are now in the process of getting ready for the dedication of the 5000 sq ft "**Gary Townsend Hall**" with its 2000 sq ft side porches.

Many have asked if we are going to rent out the building to other groups. As of now, we are working on a document that allows our members use of the hall. After this is in place for a while, we will see about renting it to others. We do not have parking available in the wintertime so we are unable to even use it for our own regular meetings since most are held during the winter months.

**FARM MUSEUM CURATOR, BONNIE HASKELL (990-6909)**

We are getting ready to start another season

on the farm with our opening Wednesday April 23 this year. This would not be possible without all our volunteers, our farm museum sitters and the help of the work release workers from the jail.

Farm Museum hours are all Sundays from 2 PM to 4 PM and Wednesdays 1 PM to 4 PM from Wednesday April 23 to the middle of October except April 6 (our Antique Show at the Wheatfield Legion Post). Contact **Bonnie** if the museum is needed to be opened at a special time or if you have any questions. Many more exhibits have been added so look around during our activities or stop in with your friends during normal visiting hours. Again, we thank all who help make our farm a great place for all to visit and enjoy.

The **Friendship Club** will use the Farm Museum for their meetings on June 24, July 8, July 22 & August 5 (all Tuesdays) from 10AM to 3:30 PM) for their regular meetings with 30 to 35 present.

**SCHOOLHOUSE MUSEUM- Hilda Snyder, Curator (731-9883)**

Visiting time for the Schoolhouse Museum will be every Sunday of the month between 2 to 4 PM beginning April 13 (except closed for for Easter April 20) or by special request. Contact **Hilda** if you have a special request for opening. The museum exhibits are updated as new artifacts come in so stop in for a revisit & bring your friends.

The American Legion Post 969 members are holding their regular meetings at the Schoolhouse on the first Monday of the month for April & May and their Auxiliary on the third Monday of the month for April.

**APRIL 5 & 6 NIAGARA-SANBORN ANTIQUE SHOW & SALE**

**Bob Deull, Ph 731-9623 & Bonnie Haskell, 990-6909 Co-Chairpersons with Jane Schultz, Ph 731-9404**, in charge of the Basket Auction. Our eleventh Antique Show and Sale will take place at the Wheatfield American Legion Post #1451, 6525 Ward Rd. (Rt. 429).



**Basket Auction Committee**

**L-R: Bonnie Bagwell, Joan Shaw, Fran Haskell, Hilda Snyder, Glenn Wienke, Chairman- Jane Schulz, Lynn Hoffman and Valerie Dumpleton.**

The event will be held 9 AM to 4 PM on Saturday and 10 AM to 4 PM on Sunday. A Basket Auction will run concurrent with the Antique Show and Sale with the drawing taking place on Sunday at 4 PM. You don't have to be present to win. Admission is \$3 that covers both days. Food will be available at reasonable prices.

**POT LUCK DINNER MEETING SET FOR APRIL 22**

Chairman Glenn Wienke reports that we will have our 13th annual potluck dinner just prior to our April 22nd meeting. This is for all members and friends that want to participate by bringing their own table service and a dish to share. This could be a food dish and/or a dessert. Rolls, butter, and beverage will be furnished. We will start to eat promptly at 6 PM so that we can start the regular meeting at 7 PM. The doors at the Fire Hall will be open at 5:30 PM so come early to select a spot and set up. The evening program will be "Transcript of 19th Century Documents" presented by Ray Wigle from the Niagara Co History Center in Lockport. Won't you make a special effort to join in the fellowship?

**PROGRAM FOR MAY**

Our program for May 27 will be "Cobblestone Houses" presented by Frances

Gallagher, the Wilson Town Historian. We continue to thank Glenn Wienke for the great programs and Ruth & Earl Carmer, Ross Johnson Sandy Manente, and Marilyn Wittkowsky for making the meeting reminder calls. We also thank Valerie Dumpleton and her helpers for continuing to secure and serve the goodies after the program and you, our members, for furnishing the goodies and attending the program.

**FARM MUSEUM FESTIVAL, Bonnie Haskell (990-6909)- Chairmen**

Our annual festival will be a two-day extravaganza this year to celebrate our 10th anniversary. so save Saturday July 26 and Sunday July 27 for a fun time. A committee meeting was held on March 8 with 19 participants in attendance. Our next committee meeting is planed for Thursday, May 29 at 7 PM at the farm. Bonnie thanks those that came out in support of this years event. Many of the long lead tasks have been completed such as letters to sponsors and tractor people and letters and contracts to food and flea market vendors. Our Sanborn Fire Company Band has agreed to play again this year. We are also able to bring back for

both days, Randy Green with the Native America Niagara River Dancers and Rosemary Hill with her Native American Beadwork Exhibits and her providing a "Jitter Bug" Making Experience" for those interested. This program is funded by the New York State Council on Arts (NYSCA) with



**Randy Green of Niagara River Dancers**

the support of **Governor Andrew Cuomo** and the New York State Legislature, Administered by Arts Services Initiative of Western NY.

### ***MONEY RAFFLE***

**1st PRIZE- \$500, 2nd PRIZE- \$250, 3rd PRIZE- \$100**

**DRAWING- JULY 27, 2014**

At Sanborn-Lewiston Farm Museum Festival  
2660 Saunders Settlement Road, Sanborn

**Donation:** 1 Ticket- \$1.00 Book of 6 Tickets - \$5.00  
(Do not need to be present)

**Proceeds to:** *Sanborn Area Historical Society*

No donation necessary

### **Sample Raffle Ticket**

We are having a **money raffle** again this year to help us defray expenses with **Claudia Beane** coordinating the sale of tickets. A book of 6 tickets for the raffle is included with this newsletter. Please try to sell this book or buy it yourself. Return the money for tickets sold together with the stub of the tickets to our PO Box 172 or bring to the Farm Festival or give to our Treasurer **Glenn Wienke (Ph-731-5982)**. Of course **Claudia (531-5090)** and **Glenn** have more tickets if you need them.

Contact our Chairmen **Bonnie Haskell** for general information, **Bob Deull** at 731-9623 for information on the Classic Car Cruise and **Bill Read** at 731-9570 for the Antique Engine and Tractor and Equipment exhibits. More information will be provided in our July newsletter or look on our web site, [www.sanbornhistory.org](http://www.sanbornhistory.org).



**Tractor Parade**

**SUNSHINE COMMITTEE- Sandra Manente, chair, Ph 731-5769**

Please call **Sandy** with names of those members needing "**Thinking of You**" or their families that need "**Bereavement**" cards so they can be signed at our meeting and sent out or sent out directly by Sandy. Member **Charles Decker and Curator Linda Jackson** passed away since our last reporting.

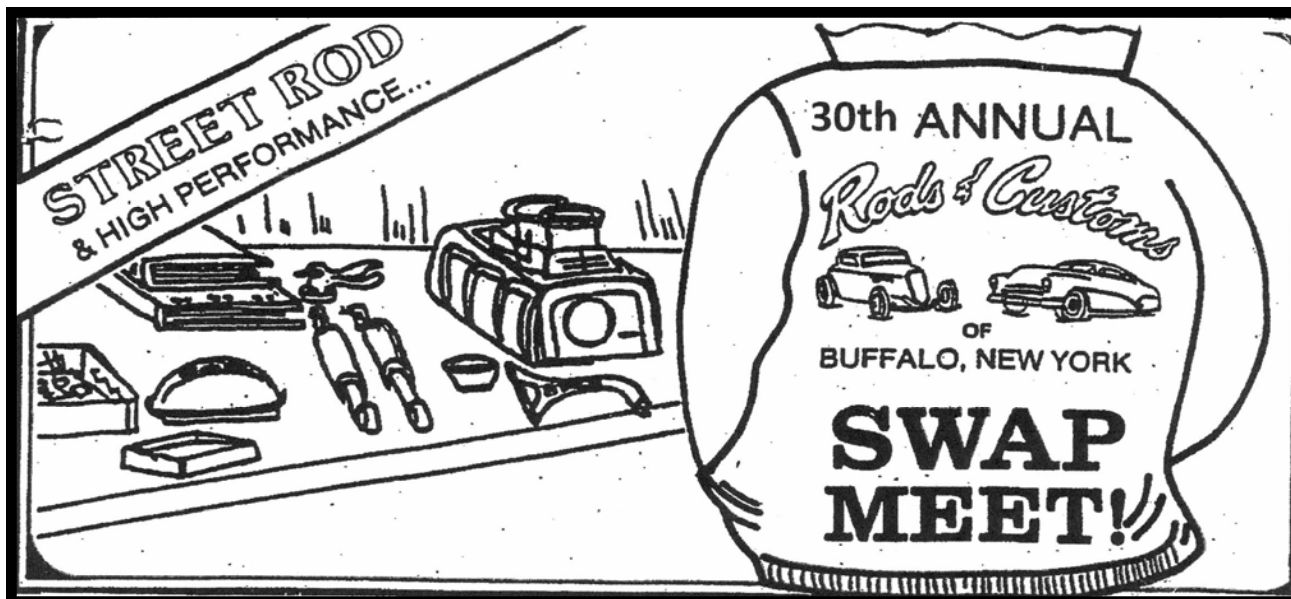
**FARM BEAUTIFICATION: Joan Shaw, Chmn- (731-5653) assisted by Valerie Dumpleton**

**Joan** will soon be starting her work sessions on farm beautification as weather permits. The committee with the help from the work release workers, will be doing spring clean up and plantings. We need your help so please come out when times are scheduled.

They will be assisted by **Key Bank employees** the afternoon of May 14 during **Key Bank's** annual Community Involvement day.

**LIBRARY/COLLECTIONS, Jane Schultz, Chairperson (PH.-731-9404)**

Helping **Jane** are **Joan Shaw, Valerie Dumpleton** and museum secretary **Pat Korpolinski, Claudia Beane and Gerry Treichler with the Schoolhouse and Farm Museum Curators**. Work Times at the Schoolhouse Museum are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 9 to 11 AM, to accept artifacts, take pictures, etc. Please call **Hilda Snyder (731-9883)**, School House Curator or **Bonnie Haskell (990-6909)**, Farm Museum Curator, if you have any artifacts to donate. Those who bring artifacts to the museums are asked to tag them with the donor's name and phone number and a brief description of the item(s) on the form provided so that proper credit and logging can be made. Those items dropped off without proper documentation will be considered "anonymous donor". Items not accepted will be used at our discretion or discarded.



**30TH ANNUAL RODS & CUSTOMS CLUB SWAP MEET AT THE FARM, SUNDAY MAY 4, FROM 7 AM TO 3 PM-**

SAHS is hosting this **Car Parts Swap Meet at the Farm with Bob Deull as Coordinator** between both organizations. We are told to expect over 130 Car Parts Dealers with hundreds of followers. This is a win-win project for our organizations.

The **Rods and Customs Club** has a place to hold their event with the responsibility for the publicity and the layout and directing the spotting of the dealers and public parking at the farm.

**SASH** receives the proceeds from the \$1 charge for public parking as well as \$1 from the fee charged each parts dealer. SAHS also has the food concession for breakfast, lunch and snacks in between with **Hilda Snyder** as Chair Person. More importantly, SAHS will be able to Show Case their Farm Museum to a new group of people.

**SANBORN BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL ASSOC, Bonnie Haskell, Pres-**

The **SB&PA** has selected “**Sanborn Old General Store**” as Sanborn’s Business of the year. Their **Autum Fest in Sanborn** scheduled for Oct 4 & 5 at

the farm is in the planning stage.

**MEMBERSHIP, Shirley Simrell, Chmn (731-3357)**

We thank those that renewed their membership or joined as new members. To date for 2014, we have received 214 units (individual & family) for a **total membership of 324** including 14 new members. Our new members since last reporting are **Kate Fava and the Nalbo Family.**

We appreciate the support of our members near and far and hope you enjoy our quarterly newsletter. We encourage our new (and old) members to take advantage of our monthly program meetings held at 7 PM on the 4th Tuesday of the month at the Sanborn Fire Hall. We have a short business meeting of about one half-hour reporting on activities of the previous month and then get into the program. After the program we have refreshments and fellowship. Please join us. There are no regular membership meetings June, July, August and December.

**LEGION BUILDING MOVE**

Now that the \$175,000 funding has been approved for the move of the Legion building to the farm and its modification we are in the final planning stage. We have

to take care of the necessary paper work for getting the building permit and the suppliers under contract and scheduling the work. Hopefully we can complete the foundation for the building before years end with the possible move across the fields taking place in the winter months next year.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST- Paul Otto, Chmn, June 8 at the Farm**

Paul Otto and his group will have their all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast fundraiser on Sunday June 8 from 8 AM to 1 PM. Come out and bring your friends to support this event.



**Paul Otto & some of his crew**

**BEADWORK CLASSES**

Rosemary Hill has been given board permission to hold her raised beadwork classes at the farm. Monthly classes for the various items that will be worked on will be held Mondays in 2014 from 5 PM to 8 PM to the following schedule: April 21, 28, Strawberry Pincushion or Ornament; May 5,12,19, Medium Picture frame; June 2,9,16, Medium Pocket Purse; August 4,11,18, Necklace; and September 8,15,22, Mini Wallpockets (2).

Please contact **Rosemary at ph 523-6945**, if interested in taking a class. We are fortunate to have a national renown raised beadwork artisan in our vicinity willing to teach us this art craft that her ancestors have passed down from generation to generation.

**SAHS WISH LIST-**

We are in need of a good 2<sup>nd</sup> hand tractor for use on the farm; full mannequins for use in our museum displays; funds for a mop sink for the storage room and a commercial grade freezer for

the kitchen. Also, we still need funds to purchase 20 more chairs at a cost of \$20 each.

**PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR SOCIETY-**

Please consider the Sanborn Area Historical Society as part of your tax-deductible, long term as well as short term giving program, and in your will or for special recognition and endowment gifts. Your generosity will help assure the completion of our goals and the long-term viability of our historical society and our museums. .

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

- **Antique Show & Sale With Basket Auction, April 5 & 6-** See earlier write-up.
- **30th Annual Rods & Custom Car's Club Swap Meet at Farm Sunday May 4 from 7 AM to 3 PM-** See earlier write-up.
- **Federation Annual Congress, Saturday May 31 from 9 AM to 2:40 PM** the Federation will host their annual Congress The program is on the Erie Canal. The charge is \$20 that includes a box lunch. **Contact our Rep, Lynn Hoffman 731-2491 by May 27** if interested in attending. **This is open to all members and their guests.**
- **Pancake Breakfast at the Farm, On Sunday June 8, from 8 AM to 1 PM** we will host an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast at the Farm Museum with Paul Otto, Chairman, in charge.
- **Old Sanborn Days- July 12 and 13 are the dates for Old Sanborn Days** sponsored by the Rotary Club at the Sanborn fireman's field. Plans are to have our booth setup and manned both days. Chm **Bill Read (731-9570)** needs your help.
- **Tonawanda's Canal Festival, July 13-20:** We will have a float in the **parade** to take place **July 15. at 6:30 PM**
- **Farm Museum Festival, July 26 and 27-** See earlier write-up.

**SCHOOLHOUSE MUSEUM SITTEES**

Please call Glenn (731-5982) to sit open dates.

**Open Sunday. 2 to 4 PM**

**Date Museum Sitters**

April 6 **CLOSED (Antique Show/Basket Auction)**  
April 13 Bud & Marelene Stevens  
April 20 **CLOSED (EASTER-)**  
April 27  
May 4 **CLOSED (Rod & Customs Swap Meet)**  
May 11 (Mother's Day)  
May 18 Bill & Janice Treichler  
May 25  
June 1 Earl & Ruth Carmer  
June 8 Janice Hall & Jane Schultz (Pancake Break  
June 15 Carol Beutel (Father's Day)  
June 22  
June 29

**FARM MUSEUM SITTERS-**

**Please call Glenn (731-5982) to sit open dates.  
Open Sun 2 to 4 PM & Wed 1 to 4 PM**

**Date Museum Sitters**

April 23 Gerry Treichler  
April 7  
April 29  
May 4 Beth Boyles & Marilyn Miller  
(Rods & Customes Swap Meet)  
May 7  
May 11 (Mother's Day)  
May 14 Marilyn Wittkowski  
May 18 Al & Betty McGreevy  
May 21  
May 25  
May 28 Gerry Treichler  
June 1 Beth Boyles & Marilyn Miller  
June 4  
June 8 Eric & Rosemary Warren (Pancake Breakfast)  
June 11  
June 15 (Father's Day)  
June 18  
June 22 Bill & Janice Treichler  
June 25 Gerry Treichler  
June 29

**Historical Corner by Gerald E. Treichler-**  
**The following are remembrances written**  
**by Ralph Casselman, an early pioneer who**  
**came to Sanborn and started the Sanborn**  
**Home Telephone Company in 1912.**

**I Remember when by Elmer Crosier as told to R. E. Caeselman**

**When** I was a boy I went to school at the Baker District just East of the old homestead where Clarence Kline now lives. Some of the other pupils attending school at that time, were Herbert Crosier, Walter Baker, Fanny House, Walter Reidpath Ed. Baker,

Geo Schuler, Lily Schuler and others.  
Some of the teachers were, Emma Root, Jenny Baker and Lottie Kitchner.

The old school building was an old board building and the wind blew thru the cracks in Winter and it was almost impossible to keep the room warm, infact your dinner froze in the dinner pail.

**II Remember when by Elmer Crosier as told to R. E. Casselman**  
**When** my wife and I were married April 9th. 1896 at the home of my wife's parents, the Elijah Saxton's, there were some hundred guests present. The minister's name was Rev. Staples Porter of Warren Corners Methodist Church. All the guests that came, came in horse drawn rigs, and it was a real job to take care of all the horses. After the Ceremony a huge home cooked dinner was served, turkey, ham and chickens and all the fixens. Of all those who attended the wedding Alice McEwen, Alice Beeber and Bertha Crosier are the only ones still alive.

**IRemember when by R. E. Casselman**  
I came to Sanborn to promote the organization and building of an Independent Telephone Company, in 1912, that fruit growers in this Northern section of Niagara County were still using teams of horses and wagons to haul their produce to market.  
Starting at Pekin to the South the road had been improved to a black top, but was very rough, as the roads to the North were still dirt many of the farmers would use two teams of horses to haul their loads up the hills as far as Pekin or Sanborn, then go on from there to Buffalo with one team, taking nearly all night to make the trip.

**In 1912** the year I came to Sanborn the following were some of the names of the Business men who were doing business here at that time:  
Frank Stover, Lumber Albert Schoelles was working for Stover then.  
Albert Pearce, General Store.  
Wm Pike, General Store and Post Office.  
R. T. LeVan, General Store.  
Hudson Bros., J.B. and B.L. Feed Mill.  
Albert Wendt, Hotel.  
Gus Doring, Farm Machine Supplies.  
Wm. C. Ferris, Harness repair shop.  
Wm. Richardson, Blacksmith Shop.  
Charles Treichler, Small Green House.  
Gus Latts was the operator in the N.Y.C. Station.

**If you have comments or items of interest for inclusion in the newsletter, please contact Gerry Treichler at 731-9510 or mail to 5530 Townline Rd, Sanborn, NY 14132 or e-mail- sanborngerry@gmail.com**

**SANBORN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE**

(All at the Sanborn Fire Hall- 4th Tuesdays at 7:00 PM)

**PROGRAM**

**Potluck Dinner Mtg - April 22 ..... Potluck doors open 5:30 PM (See Below)**

**Regular Meeting - May 27..... “Cobblestone Houses”**

**Special - June 8, 2014 ..... Pancake Breakfast 8AM to 1PM at the farm**

**June, July and August ..... No Regular Meetings**

**Program for the April 22nd Meeting:  
At 7:00 PM (after potluck dinner)**

**“Transcript of 19th Century Documents”  
Presented by Ray Wigle, Niagara Hist Ctr**

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**Membership Application: *Sanborn Area Historical Society***

**(Annual Dues are \$15 for Family; \$10 for Individual; \$100 for Patron, Business, Professional)**

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