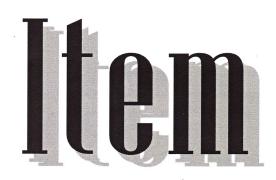
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CHANGE OF RHPS MEETING TIME AND PLACE

It is the start of a new year of meetings for the Rochester Historic Preservation Society and there are some changes. Our meetings will now be on the fourth Tuesday, September, January, March and May with a December Holiday Treats to share the first Tuesday. Meetings will be held in the Community Room at the Library at 7:00 p.m. Our September meeting will be on the 24th. Our speaker will be Mike Kienzler, former editor and reporter with The State Journal Register. He will speak on The Sangamon County Poor Farm. Please attend and help RHPS continue to be an active organization.

Getting Your RHPS Newsletter via Email versus U.S. Mail

We're sure you have seen or even experienced the most recent increase in postage (stamps costs) by the U.S. Postal Service. As a result, we have decided to start sending the RHPS Newsletter via Email, versus U.S. Mail. This method provides for more efficient and timely delivery of our Newsletter to the membership.

For those of you who have provided an Email address when joining as a new member or renewing an existing membership, you should have gotten this Newsletter at that Email address. For anyone who has not provided us with an Email address, we will continue to send the RHPS Newsletter to you via U.S. Mail.

However, due to the increase postage costs, our preferred method of delivery for the RHPS Newsletters is via Email. So, if you have an Email address and are getting this Newsletter via U.S. Mail, please consider sending us your Email address so we can use that for future Newsletter mailing. You can use the RHPS Email address, rochesterhistorical2018@gmail.com, to send us your Name and Email address or any other questions you might have for the Rochester Historical Preservation Society (RHPS).

The RHPS needs YOU!

We need members! You might ask, "Why should I be a member of the RHPS?"

Check the following list for some of the top reasons for joining this group.

- 1. Tiered, tax deductible membership offerings.
- 2. Learn about the history of the community.
- 3. Help support what is going to be happening at the Historical Park.
- 4. Supporting the community through historical development.
- 5. Help preserve the past for generations to come.
- 6. Make new friends.
- 7. Informative newsletters sent to you.

The RHPS Thanks



2024-25 RHPS Meetings

Tuesday, September 24

Tuesday, December 3
Tuesday, January 28
Tuesday, March 25
Tuesday, May 27
All meetings in the
Community Room
At the Library
7:00 p.m.

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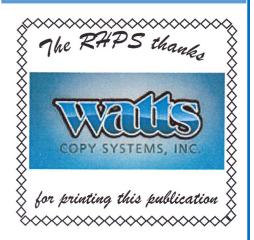
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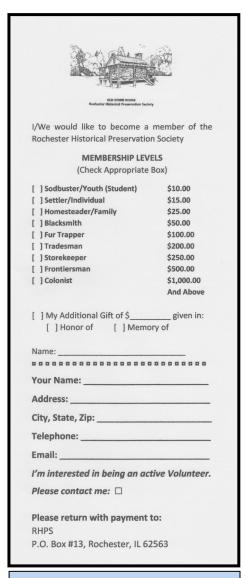


Attention Docents

During this season several dedicated docents have helped during the Open House Sundays. Thanks go to Rita Bass, Jeannie Eilering, Ann Rowley, Carole Strick, and Junior Docent, Emily Soerensen. Very few visited this season but that will change during the Fall Festival.

The Festival is scheduled for Saturday, October 19. Hours are 9 am-3 pm. During the Fall Festival there is a Car Show on the grounds of the Stone House. The organizers of the Car Show make a generous donation to the RHPS. Last year we had over a hundred visitors. It is very important that we be prepared by having an adequate number of docents. We will need a minimum of 4 people for the morning shift which is 9 am -12 pm and 4 people for the afternoon shift which is 12 pm -3 pm. Extras would be appreciated just in case someone needs a break. Please consider helping with this Fund Raiser.

Contact Cheryl Soerensen by email at csoerensen@att.net.



If you have lost your membership form or just forgot to return it, the above form may be used to either renew your membership or become a new RHPS member.

Attention Children

STONE HOUSE CONTEST

Pick *up a template* of a paper house formation on the bottom. Return at the library. Decorate the Template of the house to look like a Log Cabin or a Stone House Use any materials you choose. Optional: Attach it to a base to create a yard. The base should be no larger than 5.5 x 8.5 inches. Attach a paper

with your name and contact init to the Library by Oct 5, 2024 for judging. Cocoa Blue gift card Prizes will be awarded at the Old Stone House on October 19, 2024 during the Fall Festival in the amounts: 1st, \$30, 2nd,\$20 and 3rd, \$10.

ROCHESTER FALL FESTIVAL CAR SHOW



The 3rd annual Rochester Fall Festival Car Show will be held on the Old Stone House grounds at the Rochester Park on October 19th.
Registration will be from 8:00—11:30 am, judging at noon, with the awards at 3:30. Proceeds will benefit the Rochester Historical Preservation Society and Public Library. For more information contact: Grover Schrock

217-638-0905 blustang70@gmail.com .



Come out and support The Fall Festival and the Car Show. The Old Stone House will be open so it is a chance to show off this Rochester "gem". Being a docent is fun and new docents are always welcome. No experience necessary.

SESQUICENTENNIAL ITEMS TO HANG IN THE VILLAGE HALL COMMUNITY ROOM



Debbie Taft tells about making the quilt

"Nanci Kieffer and I were asked by the Sesquicentennial Committee to make a quilt to hang in the Village Hall using the picture of the Stone House as the center of the quilt. We both have a lot of books and patterns that have quilt blocks that were popular in the Civil War era. We both picked out the ones we liked and used Civil War reproduction fabrics that we both collect. Nanci made blocks that had ladies dressed in period dresses and there is a union soldier also in one block. It also includes some pictures of Abraham Lincoln. Some of the blocks I did came from a book about the underground railroad. Really no name for it. It took 4-5 months to

pick out blocks that would fit around the center picture, put it together and hand quilt."

A big thanks to Nanci and Debbie for their beautiful handiwork. Arrangements are being made to soon hang the quilt and several large framed posters from the sesquicentennial in the Village Hall Community Room.



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*NOTE: The above listing of the 2024 RHPS Membership is compiled from new and renewal membership forms received as of September 1, 2024 from the Annual Membership Campaign. If there are any questions, please contact Max Dillahunty at 217-498-9709

ROCHESTER HISTORICAL **PRESERVATION SOCIETY NEEDS**

Available on Website

A new "Newsletter" webpage has been added to the Rochester Historical Preservation Society's (RHPS) website (www.rochesterhistoricalsociety.org) that contains an archive of old Newsletters. The current archive goes back to Newsletters from calendar 2018. All future Newsletters will be added to the website which will allow members and visitors to see what has been happening at past meetings and with other activities.

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