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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.

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 R H P S 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

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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
7:00p.m.

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.



2024 MEMBERSHIP LIST *

Charter – Life	Fur Trapper	Blacksmith	Settler
Elliott Bell Terry & Tammy Campbell Patricia Creviston Chelsea Gerberding Fred & Carolyn Gerberding Gabe & Angela Gerberding Linda Grimm David & Arlene Grubb Dean & Renee Housel Dennis & Nancy Keiffer Allen & Barb Mendenhall Carl O. "Bud" Moore Lee & Carol Shafer David & Debbie Taft Steve Taft Ron & Ann Tucker Bill & Barb Voisin Nate & Carol Wilcoxon	Richard & Karen Alexander Roy & Trudy Ballinger Grant & Alison Blasdell Gary Bottrell Mike & Sandy Brewer Mike & Sharon Cortelyou Susan Cull George Anne Daly Robert Dean Max & Debbie Dillahunty Brian & Mary Fairchild George & Phyllis Fairchild Randy & Brenda Hawkins Harold & Jane Hendrickson Robert Hendrickson Bill & Penny Hinrichs Kim & Cinda Klickna Nancy Leach Stu & Sandy McMillan Carolyn Moore Pat Palmer Mark & Suzanne Pettyjohn Rich & Ann Ramsey Bill & Sandy Sheppard Don Taft James & Ruth Ann Theis Rosemary Weistart Richard Williams	Lyle & Donna Behl John & Sue Endsley Henry & Mary Gartner Ron & Sue Green Sara Hopper Tim & Priscilla Kluge Mike & Glenda Long Darrell & Denise Maxheimer Sandie Nuding Jerry Orban Jerry & Reba Robertson Gina Roccaforte Ann Rowley Tris Schnepfer Cheryl Soerensen L. Keith Steiner Ben & Mary Tuxhorn Dwight & Marcia Van Pelt Lois & John Weissberg Ron & Kahla Wiggins Curt & Kathleen Winhold Debbie Yeaman Homesteader Mark & Cynthia Anderson Terry & Diane Arthur Wayne & Anita Beck	Tom & Michelle Betrand Ray & Pam Bruzan Paul Carlson Jeffrey & Andrea Deters Tom & Cherie Doherty Rick & Jeanne Eilering Sharon Evans Dennis File Henry & Beth Haupt Don & Gayle Highley Forrest & Mary Lou Holsapple Don & Becky Honigman Elaine Hundley David & Fay Ann Jostes McDevitt Family Ken & Nancy Miller Scott & Suzanne Moss Tom, Stacia & Logan Munroe Nick & Stephanie Palazzolo Henry & Margaret Patterson Mark & Nancy Poffenberger Loree & Carolyn Riggs Randall & Suzann Segatto Sandy Wheeler Dick & Lorine Wallin Deidre Zobrist Sodbuster Jan Catalano *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.

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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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