



The Bulletin

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Annual Meeting, Dinner and Auction January 28th, 2016 Heritage Park Event Center

The 2016 Annual Meeting and Dinner will be Thursday, January 28th, at 6:00 pm at the Heritage Park Event Center. Our speaker this year will be local resident Kim Conant. She will be discussing the Civil War. After Kim's presentation, members will enjoy a meal catered by Sweet Amy Jo's of Hanover. The dinner will include ham and chicken with mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, vegetable medley, salad, rolls and dessert.

Following the meal the Society's Annual Meeting will begin. There are various positions up for election this year. President, Vice President, and two Director Seats are open. This is the meeting where all members are eligible to vote on all business at hand. In addition to the election, this meeting awards our Volunteers of the Year, and gives thanks the numerous local farmers that make our agricultural vision possible.

Once the meeting is adjourned, our 2nd Annual Auction will take place. There will be an array of wonderful items that have been donated by generous community members. Horton resident Dave Green will be auctioneer. This was a fun addition to the meeting last year. Some beautiful and fun items were purchased by various community supporters.

The cost will be \$18 per person and reservations are required. You should be receiving an invitation in the mail soon after the holidays. If you have any questions please feel free to call the HHAHS office at (517) 563-8927 Monday through Friday 8:00 am until 12 noon. Information will also be continually added to our facebook page as it becomes available.

If you are not a member and would like to become one, call Pat in the office and she will send you the information.

2016 Winter Events

January 2016	February 2016
<p>15th- Community Potluck Dinner 6:00 pm gather 6:30 pm dinner</p> <p>28th-Annual Dinner 6:00 pm @ Heritage Park Event Center</p> <p>23rd - Bluegrass Bonanza 7:00 pm</p> <p>Happy New Year!</p>	<p>27th- Bluegrass Bonanza 7:00 pm</p> <p>19th- Community Potluck Dinner 6:00 pm gather 6:30 pm dinner</p> 

Some tour highlights of 2015!

By: Marge Barden

August 20th we hosted the Lloyd Ganton Retirement Center from Jackson. Twenty visitors arrived, including 6 in wheelchairs and 4 with walkers. Encouraged by their 5 assistants and our 4 docents, everyone was able to get around throughout the museum. They all seemed to enjoy the experience.

October 6th, a Ladies Mystery Tour arrived. Janette Weimer agreed to be the sole hostess as there were only 6 ladies from Holland Michigan. According to Janette, they were excited to be among so many organs. They checked out the other rooms, but returned to the organs where a couple of the ladies took turns playing to everyone's delight.

We also hosted a group from Illinois October 17th. This was a group of 30.

We can always use a few more docents on our list to contact for help hosting these tours. If interested, call Pat in the office.



“Christmas in the Park”



Our annual Christmas Open House was a success again this year! We had around 50 children come to visit Santa, have treats and partake in various holiday crafts. The children were able to make Christmas tree ornaments, string popcorn or froot loops, and decorate sugar cookies. Christmas stories were read and Santa was very popular. This event has become one of our larger events and takes some dedicated volunteers to make it possible. Thank you to all that donate their time and decorations to make this event a continued success.

Heritage Park Event Center



The Heritage Park Event Center is a great place to host your next gathering. Whether you are expecting a small crowd or a full house, the event center can accommodate your needs. If you are interested in renting either room, please contact the Hanover-Horton Area Historical Society office at (517) 563-8927 or Jim Allen at (517) 563-9135.

Bean Creek Reed Organ Festival

May 13 - 15, 2016

Presented by the Fayette Opera House, Fayette, Ohio

The Bean Creek Reed Organ Festival is a weekend of workshops, tours, history, majestic instruments and beautiful music in the heart of the Bean Creek Valley. The Fayette Opera House is home to five reed organs brought back to life by master restorer, Don Glasgow. To celebrate these beautiful instruments and the legacy of music they have brought to Fayette, the Opera House is presenting a weekend festival.

Although the Fayette Opera House is the host, the festival travels to: the Conklin Museum to get up close and personal with 95 reed organs, the Jackson Symphony Orchestra Hall for an organ concert with Rodney Jantzi and Lynn Long, and historic Jackson State Prison, a surprising arts facility, before finishing the festival at the historic Fayette Opera House with a celebratory lunch followed by Rodney Jantzi in concert at the magnificent 1890 Mason and Hamlin reed organ.



Festival Schedule

Friday May 13, 2016 (optional) tour of the Brunson Collection, Dundee, Michigan

This is a rare opportunity to see this exquisite private collection.

Saturday May 14 - Morning - Conklin Reed Organ Museum, Hanover, Michigan hosts a tour and workshops. Explore 95 restored reed organs and participate in workshops led by experienced organ restorers and technicians.

Afternoon - Tour historic Jackson State Prison home to the Armory Arts Village, unique artists' live/work space.

Jackson Symphony Orchestra Hall - Concert featuring Rodney Jantzi and Lynn Long

Sunday May 15- Fayette Opera House

Visit <http://www.operahouse-fayette.org> for information, schedule and registration

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