Summer Event & Programs!

This is turning out to be one of the most eventful summers ever for the Historical Society. The opening receptions for the new “Working World” exhibit at the museum in May and the “Painting the Past” exhibit at the Depot in June were both very well attended. They brought in new Patrons and members, and netted about $6000. The “Working World” exhibit impressed two visitors so much they donated $1000 on the spot for what one of them claimed was “one of the best exhibits I’ve ever seen anywhere.”

And it’s not stopping there. Coming up:

**Tuesday, July 19 at the Charlevoix Public Library, 6:30 p.m.:** “The Life and Works of Earl Young, Part I” program by David L. Miles. This program covers our noted builder in stone’s life from his arrival in Charlevoix in 1900 at age 11 to the completion of the first phase of his residential home construction in 1954.

**Friday, July 22 at the Depot, Depot Beach, 7:00 — 11:00 p.m.:** Annual Venetian Festival Fireworks Potluck Dinner for Society members and their guests only. Bring a dish to pass, plates, cutlery, serving utensil, blanket and viewing chair if needed. We supply folding chairs, hot dogs, buns, condiments, lemonade and Styrofoam cups. BYOB. Arrive on time to get a parking spot as the beach area fills up fast that night.

**Tuesday, August 2 at the Depot, 7:00 p.m.:** “Fact of Fiction? —Writing History” program by Society Board Director Chuck Cleland, an exploration of the technique of turning historical documentation into fictional narrative.
Tuesday, August 6 at the Library, 6:30 p.m.: “Streamline Fashions of the Early 20th Century” by MSU Professor of Apparel and Textile Design Sally Helvenston Gray.

Tuesday, August 16 at the Library, 6:30 p.m.: “The Coming of the Resorts—A History of Charlevoix’s Belvedere and Chicago Clubs” program by David L. Miles, repeated by popular demand after last year’s capacity-plus crowd.

Tuesday, August 23 at the Library, 6:30 p.m.: “The Life and Works of Earl Young, Part II” program by David L. Miles

SPRING MUSEUM HOURS

The Historical Society Museum will be open Monday through Saturday 12-4 p.m. through September 3. As always, the side door facing the bank is open at 11 a.m. for those who need to conduct Society business or talk to a curator before regular hours.

Message from the President

We are thrilled with the success of the “Painting the Past” Grand Opening Reception fundraiser at the Depot on June 14, as well as the attendance at the exhibit during the subsequent three weeks it was open to the public. Many of these attendees were from out of state. In total, around 375 guests were in the Depot during this time, and I would say most were quite enamored with the paintings on display, all from the Society’s own collection.

The Society wishes to thank all of you who attended the reception, and extends sincere appreciation to our sponsors: Deborah Buchanan & Gary Foster, Craig & Debbie Mann, and the Charlevoix Country Club. We are also very grateful for the generous support of Burt & Suzy Farbman.

The work on the South Pier Lighthouse has commenced! You will be seeing it bright red again in the weeks following the Venetian Festival.

Hope to see you at the upcoming programs or the Venetian Potluck!

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The Society welcomes new Patrons: Tim Hoffmann, Burt & Suzy Farbman
The Society welcomes new members: Steve & Kathy Libert, Jamie McClain, John & Jeri Duerr (Life), Ann Puffpaff, Rebecca Glotfelty
Donations (unrestricted) received from: Tom & Maryalice Armstrong,
Ralph & Mary Lynn Heid, Chuck & Joan MacGillivray, Pamela Himmelrich
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  Mary Beth Soellner, Douglas & Betsy Reynolds
Donations received in memory of Dale Boss from:
  Elizabeth Hoffmann, Jordan & Rhoda Raider, Barbara Steele