

# NEWSLETTER

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# **Grey Gables Holiday Dinner Returns**

After a year of being unable to host one of our most popular events, the Society's annual Holiday Dinner is again on the calendar to celebrate the spirit of the season at the **Grey Gables Restaurant**, **308 Belvedere Avenue**, **Wednesday**, **December 8 at 6:00 p.m.** A holiday cheer cash bar and social hour with old and new friends will precede the Gables' always quality offerings. Dinner will begin at 7.

The menu choices will be sent in our eNewsletter by mid-November. Those members who have not signed up for this constant update advantage, just go to the Charlevoix Historical Society home page, www.chxhistory.com, and click on "Subscribe." Please call the Museum at Harsha House, (231) 547-0373 for reservations, with number in party and menu choices, by December 1. Those who are unsure if they can attend until the last minute needn't worry. Just show up at the Gables at the appointed hour. No prepayment required. Payment will be accepted upon entry at the rear dining room door

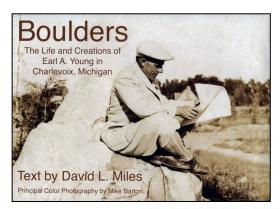
# Historical Sign on Indigenous People Erected on Channel

The unveiling of the new sign on the channel took place October 5, with sign sponsors, design team members and other guests in attendance. The sign is a partnership between Charlevoix Main Street and the Historical Society, with participation from members of the area tribes. Pictured, from left, Bob, Alessandra, Julius and Zeze Jess, Trevor and Lindsey Dotson, Jessica Dominic, Ryan Deery, David Miles, Craig Mann, Denise Fate and Debbie Mann.



#### **Another Accolade for Boulders**

Last March, we reported that our latest publication, Boulders: The Life and Creations of Earl A. Young in Charlevoix, Michigan had received a 2021 Notable Book award from the Library of Michigan. Just recently, another recognition was granted to the book with the arrival of the Historical Society of Michigan's State History







# **President's Message November 2021**

I think we can be very proud of what has been accomplished this year, thanks to the support of our members, grant providers and others we have formed relationships with along the way. I hope you have all enjoyed and learned from our cultural awakening to cover more of the history and talents of Indigenous people in our area. I know I have. The Society will continue to evolve as we navigate our changing, post-pandemic world. We will adapt as needed to meet the needs and interests of our audiences, while sharing and preserving our beloved history! I hope to see many of you at Grey Gables in December. Happy Holidays!

- Denise

# **Welcome to Our New Layout!**

At long last, you are seeing the first of our refreshed newsletter, complete with color photos and added content. We are pleased to be able to include a complete listing of our current members in this edition. The printed version will be mailed three to four times per year. If you would like to receive a pdf. of it by email, please send an email to info@chxhistory.com. To receive up-to-date news on happenings at the Society in between, be sure to subscribe to our eNewsletter from the home page of our website, chxhistory.com.

You will also notice that we have included a form for membership renewal in this edition, rather than sending it by separate mail. You can return this, or renew online.

#### Grants Awarded for Harsha House Renovations

The Historical Society has been awarded two additional grants to support second floor renovations at the Harsha House. The Frey Foundation supported the project with a \$2,000 grant earlier this year. In September, the USDA, Rural Development, approved \$7,000 for the installation of ductless a/c units. We are very grateful for this financial support of these major capital improvements at the museum.





Other portions of the renovations at the Harsha House got underway this summer. These include electrical upgrades for lighting, ethernet connections, and additional power supply to the new work areas, repaired plaster and new drywall. Coming up soon, besides the a/c installation, will be further electrical service upgrades, new or repaired flooring and other improvements. Once all of the work is completed, we will begin migrating office and workspace upstairs to the fresh, refurbished environment. With this will come updated IT requirements for the building, which we are in the process of

# **Membership Campaign**

As this year of transition from pandemic to a sense of normalcy is coming to a close, we are extremely grateful to all of our members for your ongoing support. It is with this support that the Society came through these challenging years in a healthy state.

Sales of our latest book, *Boulders*, continue to be strong, as are events at the depot, museum visits and bus tours in Charlevoix. All of this contributes to the well-being of the Society. And, with our programming now in-person and on Zoom and YouTube, we are able to share the rich history of Charlevoix to visitors near and far.

It is now time for our annual membership campaign, and we would like to ask all of our members to renew. In keeping with the new ways of doing business, we are handling the campaign in a different manner this year. Simply complete and clip the renewal form below and return it to us with your membership dues, or go to https://chxhistory.com/become-member/ and renew online.

Your membership includes a subscription to the newsletter, free admittance to all programs and exhibits, and a 15% discount on museum store purchases, including online.

If you are not already, please consider becoming a Ralph Hamilton Circle member with a gift of \$150 or more. Ralph Hamilton members enable the Society to do even more and are honored at a reception each year.

Please be sure to include or update your email address, and subscribe to our eNewsletter via our website to stay up to date about the Society's activities.

Thank you so much for your continued membership, and we look forward to seeing you in 2022.

Denise Fate, President

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