

# The Village Press

## Spring 2022

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## THE GOLDEN AGE OF RADIO

The “golden age of radio” refers to a period in the U.S. from the 1920s to the 1950s when radio was the dominant broadcast medium and filled with a variety of formats and genres.

During the first three decades of radio communication, or “wireless telegraphy” as it was first known, circa 1887-1920,

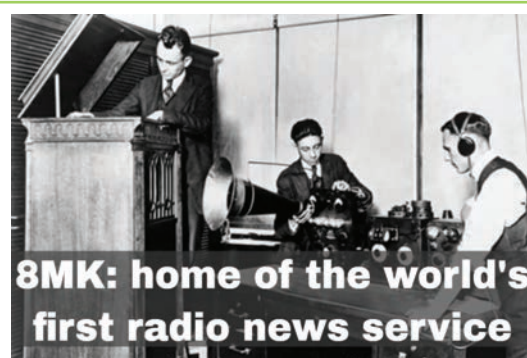
the technology of transmitting sound was undeveloped. The information-carrying ability of radio waves was the same as a telegraph. At the sending end, an operator tapped on a switch which caused the radio transmitter to produce a series of pulses of radio waves that spelled out text messages in Morse code. At the receiver these sounded like beeps, requiring an operator who knew Morse code to translate them back to text. This type of radio was used exclusively for person-to-person text communication for commercial, diplomatic and military purposes, and hobbyists.

Serbian engineer and inventor Nikola Tesla created a basic design for radio as early as 1892. He publicly demonstrated how to transmit radio signals without wires in 1893.

The first technology for transmitting sound by radio was developed between 1900 and 1920. Among its pioneers was Canadian-born inventor Reginald Fessenden who discovered amplitude modulation, or AM, radio. Known as the “Father of Voice Radio,” one of Fessenden’s major achievements was the first transmission of speech by radio in 1900.

Italian engineer Guglielmo Marconi is credited with inventing the radio. Building on the work of earlier experimenters like Tesla and Fessenden, Marconi’s work with long-distance radio transmission and radio telegraph systems was crucial to the radio’s commercial success. However, it was not until 1916

when a Westinghouse Electric Corporation engineer named Frank Conrad played records for his friends over the air that the idea of radio as a public medium took shape.



Did you know the first radio news program was broadcast in Detroit in 1920? The station 8MK was owned by *The Detroit News*, which used it to cover local election results. 8MK later became WWJ Newsradio AM 950.

*Image: Detroit News, 20 August 1920.*

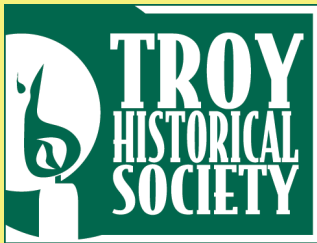
Technological advances and the creation of broadcast networks such as NBC and CBS transformed radio from a consumer curiosity into a mass media powerhouse after World War I. Radios became smaller and cheaper. They became the central piece of furniture in a living room where families crowded around the set to hear the latest installment of their favorite show.

Early radio supplied the listeners with the same genres that television and streaming services provide today: news, situation comedy, drama, music/variety, westerns, game shows, science fiction, mysteries, thrillers, and soap operas.

This spring, we’ll bring some classic radio sitcoms and commercials to life. Turn to page 6 for details on our Old-Time Radio Comedy Show, coming to a Village near you on April 2 and 3!

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# THS News

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## Publishing Schedule

**Spring:** March - May

**Summer:** June - August

**Fall:** September -  
November

**Winter:** December -  
February

*Enjoy your seasonal  
Village Press!*

## Grant Updates

This winter, THS received a \$19,500 Operational Support Grant from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts. This grant will help pay the salaries of our history interpreters and programming staff. We are thrilled that MCACA and the NEA recognize and support the outstanding work of our staff in bringing quality programs to students of all ages!



THS received Community Grants from Home Depot and Walmart. For years, Home Depot has supported the Village through donations and discounts. Our volunteers helped foster this relationship and used items to build outstanding Trick-or-Treat displays and other fun “extras.” The \$1000 Home Depot grant will be used to purchase materials for upcoming projects as well as replace worn out items like door mats. The \$250 Walmart Community grant was awarded to support the 2021 Trick-or-Treat event. Thank you to businesses big and small that support our local community!



**TROY** COMMUNITY FOUNDATION This winter, the Troy Community Foundation (TCF) awarded a \$500 grant to support the Winter Explorers Challenge. This enabled us to use a fun new app called GooseChase to set up a scavenger hunt set of challenges around the community. Thank you TCF for supporting the Village and the Community!

## New Faces!

Kevin Enright recently joined the Board of Trustees. Kevin and his wife Ivana have been members of THS for more than 5 years and actively enjoy the Village! Kevin has taken several blacksmithing and coppersmithing classes and looks forward to some hands-on work as a THS Trustee. Kevin is retired from Oakland Community College where he taught culinary arts and led teams in the ACF Student Competitions in cooking. He loves history and museums and is excited to be part of preserving Village buildings and producing great programs.



Please welcome our new Volunteer Coordinator and Administrative Assistant, Barbara Hubbard! Barbara has a degree in History and English and spent five years at Greenfield Village where she managed staff and volunteers in the Historical Transportation area. If you ever had a question about how to drive those Model Ts or want to hear a great story about giving a service dog a ride, ask Barbara! She is excited to see the grounds of the Village in the spring and summer, getting to know the volunteers, and is ready to help support our amazing programs.



This fall we have brought on two retired to teachers to add some flexibility to our scheduling. Deb Kellett and Carolyn Teufner will teach onsite field trip programs on an as-needed basis so other staff members can facilitate History 2 You or Virtual Field Trips. This will give us the flexibility to provide a range of school programs as schools continue to adjust to the spring semester.



# Executive Director...

Jen Peters

## The Roaring 20s – Then and Now



As we entered 2020 many of us looked forward to a decade of excitement—a new Roaring 20s—but so far, we’ve mostly gotten face masks, Zoom meetings, and hard lessons in Epidemiology. No glittery dresses or fedoras and very few big parties. I’m optimistic that those days are coming! Until then, I’ve been thinking about the great changes the 1920s brought to the country and to Troy.

Did you know the “new” Township Hall was built in 1927 for \$33,000? This beautiful brick and slate building at the corner of Wattles and Livernois was quite an extravagance for a small farming community. For years, meetings and events were held in a one-room wood framed structure. For a rural community with a steady population of around 1,500 from 1850-1910, that building was enough. But the community was growing and changing. Morris Wattles led the way in building a modern structure. Modeling it after a New York inn, the Dutch colonial building was a nod to the past as it looked towards the future.



In the 1920s the United States officially flipped from a majority rural to a majority urban nation. Labor for the booming auto industry came from farm fields across Michigan and across the country, and immigrants flooded in from Eastern Europe. Other industries were booming as well. Things like electricity (which came to Troy in the 1900s) made household appliances and radio sets possible and popular. Following

the Great War, American factories that were untouched by bombs and warfare were producing the world’s goods. This created an economic boom.

At the same time, Americans who were less tied to farming and had more money in their pockets were able to enjoy things like travel, theater, and sporting events. The 1920s featured Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, and Jack Dempsey. Michiganders filled the newly built Michigan Stadium in Ann Arbor to watch college football. And by the end of the century, more than 40% of Americans had radios in their homes, hearing the latest news, music, and radio shows at the flip of a switch.



The Troy Township census indicates that the sleepy farming community was beginning to change, moving from 2,520 in 1920 to 3,867 by 1930. Many still farmed in the community, but the work force included electricians, mechanics, golf course groundskeepers, and even theater projectionists. Troy began to roar to life in the 1920s!

Have I piqued your interest? If you want to take a deeper look at how things were changing in Troy and across the country, join us for the “Troy in the Twenties” Thursday Tea this coming May!

### Troy In the Twenties

Thursday, May 26th | 2:00pm  
THS Member: \$8 | Non-member: \$9  
Details on page 4.



### Address:

60 W. Wattles Rd.  
Troy, MI 48098

### Website:

[www.troyhistoricvillage.org](http://www.troyhistoricvillage.org)

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### Spring Hours:

Monday – Friday, 10am – 3pm  
Select Saturdays & Sundays  
for special events and rentals

**Closed: Memorial Day  
May 30**

### Admission:

**Adults \$7, Seniors \$5,  
Children 6-12 \$5  
Children under 6 FREE  
Troy Historical Society  
Members FREE**



### A New Roof!

The cold didn’t stop us from putting a new roof on the Caswell House this past winter! We are grateful for a City that recognizes and protects its historic treasures!



FREE | Select Sundays | 2:00pm

Utilizing the Socratic Method of inquiry, engage in civil discourse to 'create' a new Constitution. Sponsored by Oakland County Bar Foundation.

**March 13:** Making New States, Article IV, Sec. III, cl. 1

**April 10:** Territories and Congressional Power! Article IV, Sec. III, Cl. 2

**May 1:** A Republican Form of Government, Article IV, Sec. IV.

Register: [www.troyhistoricvillage.org/programs/constitution-cafes/](http://www.troyhistoricvillage.org/programs/constitution-cafes/) or call 248.524.3570.



## Preservation Conversations

Select Mondays | 10:00 am

THS Member: FREE | Non-Member: \$7

Join us inside the newly restored 1837 Niles-Barnard House for these monthly, informal conversations about Historic Preservation. Spring topics:

**March 28: Preservation Resources: HABS HAER HALS.** The three H's of preserving structures by recording them started in the Great Depression and continues to be a wealth of knowledge.

**April 25: Describe it!** The basic vocab you need to describe houses and the architectural features that distinguish them.

**May 23: Researching a House 101.** We'll walk through the basics of doing research on a historic home so you're ready to jump into the field!

Register: [www.troyhistoricvillage.org/programs/preservation-conversations/](http://www.troyhistoricvillage.org/programs/preservation-conversations/)



Select Thursdays | 2:00 pm | THS Member: \$8 | Non-member: \$9

Join us each month for history talks led by guest presenters or Village staff on a variety of topics. Supported by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts.

### March 24: A Woman's Place is Under the Dome: The Michigan State Capitol and the Woman's Suffrage Movement



On January 5, 1921, Eva McCall Hamilton of Grand Rapids stepped into the history books when she walked onto the Senate floor. That day she took the oath of office and was sworn in as Michigan's very first female legislator. Join Valerie Marvin, the Historian & Curator of the Michigan State Capitol, to explore how Michigan's three Capitols quickly became the heart and center of the state woman's suffrage movement.



### April 28: Food, Fads, and Funky Dishes

Visit the home of a successful middle-class family of the Victorian era and you might see a very special luxury item: a vase specifically designed to display...celery! Celery vases, rhubarb triangles, sugar beet farms, gelatin everything--join us for some tasty history with a special focus on unique trends and Michigan's food and agricultural heritage.

### May 26: Troy in the Twenties

In 1927 we opened the doors to the brand-new Troy Township Hall at 60 West Wattles, but what did the rest of the township look like? Were the Caswells still living in their home? What was the latest news down at the General Store? Find out what life was like in quiet little Troy Township during the Roaring Twenties.



Register: [www.troyhistoricvillage.org/programs/teas-at-two/](http://www.troyhistoricvillage.org/programs/teas-at-two/)



# Great Michigan Read

This spring the Village will host a variety of programs related to Mary Doria Russell's *The Women of the Copper Country*, the 2021-22 Great Michigan Read. Make sure to register for these programs at [TroyHistoricVillage.org/programs/great-michigan-read](http://TroyHistoricVillage.org/programs/great-michigan-read) or 248.524.3570 as space is limited.

## Exhibit: "Tumult and Tragedy: Michigan's 1913-14 Copper Strike"

March 1-April 1 | 10am-3pm (Mondays-Fridays) | THS Members: Free  
Non-Members: \$7/adult, \$5/senior or child 6-12, free/children 5 & under

Explore one of the greatest upheavals in Michigan history and an important part of *The Women of the Copper Country* story. Visit the "Tumult and Tragedy: Michigan's 1913-14 Copper Strike" touring exhibit, on loan to us from the Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections. You can tour the exhibit any time you visit the Village from March 1 – April 1; it is included with general admission.

## The Women of the Copper Country Book Discussion

Wednesday, March 16 | 6:00pm | THS Members: Free | Non-Members: Free

Troy Historic Village presents a free book discussion on Mary Doria Russell's riveting account of 25-year-old Annie Clements who stood up for the Upper Peninsula miners and their families during the 1913 Calumet copper strikes. You are not required to have read the book for the discussion.

## The Art of Coppersmithing

Wednesday, March 23 | 6:00pm | THS Members: \$8 | Non-Members: \$9

Did you know that copper has tremendous capacity to both stretch and compress at the same time, making it one of the most shapeable metals? Find out why and how when you join the Village's resident metalsmith, Rose Weiss, for a tactile experience to discover firsthand what copper feels like in various stages of the ages-old process of coppersmithing.

## Michigan Women In and Around the Labor Movement, 1930-1950

Wednesday, April 20 | 7:00pm | THS Members: \$8 | Non-Members: \$9

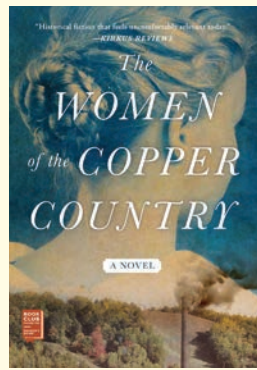
Women were instrumental in the rise of unionization in Michigan and were involved in various labor conflicts during the middle of the twentieth century. In addition, many women who worked for wages were not heavily involved in their unions but simply tried to hold jobs to help support themselves and their families. Dr. Daniel Clark of Oakland University provides an overview of these experiences before focusing on the lives of several women who were autoworkers in the 1940s and 1950s.

## Film Screening: Red Metal: The Copper Country Strike of 1913

Wednesday, May 18 | 7:00pm | THS Members: Free | Non-Members: Free

We'll wrap up our Great Michigan Read Copper Country programming with a film. Join us to watch Emmy® Award-winning filmmaker Jonathan Silvers's *Red Metal* documentary. The film explores the strike's cultural legacy, which influenced national discourse, music, and legislation during the Progressive Era and the New Deal.

The 2021-22 Great Michigan Read is presented by Michigan Humanities and supported by national, statewide and local partners, including the National Endowment for the Humanities, The Meijer Foundation, and Martin Waymire.



# Thursday Walking Group

FREE

March: 5:00pm

April & May: 6:00pm

Walks cover a variety of scenic 1.5-3 mile routes in or around Troy. Program is free, and all ages and levels of fitness are welcome! For meeting locations, route details or to sign up, please call 248-524-3570 or email [ssuszek@thvmail.org](mailto:ssuszek@thvmail.org).

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## Beaumont

# Niles-Barnard House Tour

Tuesday May 3 | 5:30pm

THS Member: \$12

Non-Member: \$15

Register:

[TroyHistoricVillage.org](http://TroyHistoricVillage.org)

Explore the Niles-Barnard House and learn three tales of Troy: early settlement in the 1840s, founding a city in 1955, and today. Get a look at the original timber framing in the basement and climb the steep steps for a behind the scenes look at the preserved features on the second floor. *Due to the historic nature of the building, not all spaces are handicap accessible.*





## Old-Time Radio Comedy Show

Saturday April 2 at 7:00 pm and  
Sunday April 3 at 3:00 pm

THS Member: \$13 | Non-Member: \$15

Live and in-person! Use your imagination to travel with us back to the golden age of radio. Actors will perform scripts from classic radio situation comedies and commercials. Desserts and coffee/tea will be served at intermission. "Tune in" while spots are still available! Program is held inside Old Troy Church at the Village. Register online at [troystorichvillage.org](http://troystorichvillage.org).

## What Do Your Dollars Do?

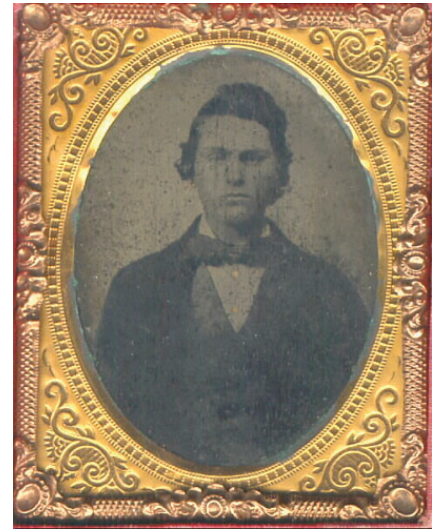
Your donations support the Village Staff and programs in so many ways! For Victorian

Christmas we were able to purchase small candles to replicate the look of Victorian Era Christmas trees without risking a house fire. Thank you for your continued support!



## Write Soon

We are often asked if we have any Civil War letters or journals. The Village does possess a small collection of letters, all from Chester Farrand of the Second Michigan Volunteer Infantry to his cousin Theodore Eldred of Troy. "Chet"-as he signs his letters- was a resident of Royal Oak who joined the Second Michigan Infantry in May of 1861.



Chester Farrand;  
Courtesy Archives of Michigan

The letters (there are six in total) are very typical of other letters home. Chet writes of his conditions (often poor), the food (usually insufficient), and the goings on (very little). He speculates about the war and tells of the skirmishes so small and numerous that you won't find them in any history book. Interestingly, Chet tells his cousin that the rebels "hate the Mich. boys the worst of any" and believe that "if not for the Mich. Devils they could soon wipe out the rest of them [the Union soldiers]."

Chet's letters reflect the sentiments of other soldiers most strongly though in his closings: "write soon." Soldiers lived for letters from home; they were a connection to their families and friends and provided a much-needed morale boost and distraction from the tedium of army life. Based on their letters, soldiers seemed to be widely of the opinion that their loved ones did not write often enough, occasionally concluding that the post must have lost letters, rather than believe people at home were not writing.

Notably missing from the record is what the civilians were writing to soldiers. The rough and practical nature of military life means that most of the letters they received were not preserved. We are left to make inferences based on the responses from the soldiers. They largely wrote of home and family news, as well as business and practical concerns. Topics such as these serve as a reminder that while there was a war going on, life at home continued.

Unfortunately for Chet, he did not finish out his three-year enlistment. He was killed in action May 31st, 1862 at Fair Oaks, Virginia.



## Civil War Saturday

Saturday May 14, 10am – 3pm  
Price: \$10/THS Member or  
\$12/Non-member

Experience soldier and civilian life during the American Civil War through costumed interpretation, demonstrations, music, and hands-on activities. Register at [troystorichvillage.org](http://troystorichvillage.org).



# Watercolor Classes: Michigan's Beautiful Flowers & Plants

Every Tuesday and Wednesday, March 29 - April 13 | 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Ages: 16 – adult  
THS Member: \$40/class or \$200/6-class pass | Non-Member: \$45/class or \$250/6-class pass

Join artist and art teacher Megan Swoyer as she leads you through the world of beginner watercolor joy. Capture our state's botanical beauty as you paint sunflowers, irises, lilies, and other plants that are indigenous to

Michigan. All supplies are provided. Sign up for one or more individual classes or register in advance for all six sessions to receive a discount. Please note class(es) may be postponed or adjusted depending on MDHHS Covid-19 recommendations.

Register: [www.TroyHistoricVillage.org](http://www.TroyHistoricVillage.org) or 248.524.3570



## Blacksmithing Classes

Learn the art of blacksmithing in our historic Wagon Shop.



### Adult-Child Blacksmithing

Sundays May 22 – June 5, 1:00-3:00pm

THS Member: \$275/pair | Non-member: \$325/pair

Together, you and your child (age 10+) will learn to forge one "butter machete" utensil.

### Basic Blacksmithing Level 1

Saturdays May 21-June 25, 1:00-3:30pm OR Wednesdays

May 25-June 29, 6:30-9:00pm

THS Member: \$310 or Non-member: \$360

Learn 12 basic hand-forging techniques during this six-week introductory course. Ages 12 & up.

### Basic Blacksmithing Level 2

Wednesdays April 6 – May 11, 6:30-9:00pm

THS Member: \$310 or Non-member: \$360

Build on skills learned in Level 1 class during this six-week course. Prerequisite: Basic Blacksmithing Level 1. Ages 12 & up.

### Basic Blacksmithing Level 3

Saturdays April 2 – May 7, 10am-12:30pm

THS Member: \$320 or Non-member: \$370

In this six-week course you will forge a trivet with emphasis on design. Prerequisites: Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 and Level 2. Ages 12 & up.

### Family Blacksmithing

Offered April – November

THS Member: \$220/group or Non-member: \$270/group

Schedule a private, 2-hour introductory blacksmithing class just for your family or friend group (maximum 4 people). Ages 9 & up.

### Anvil Time

Offered April – November

THS Member: \$150 or Non-member: \$190

Work on a project of your choice. Prerequisite: Basic Blacksmithing Level 1. Ages 12 & up.

Register: [www.troyhistoricvillage.org/programs/blacksmithing/](http://www.troyhistoricvillage.org/programs/blacksmithing/)



# Choose Your Own

## Small Group Activities for Families and Kids

Great activities for scouts, homeschool groups, or just a group of friends. Private bookings available upon request. Call (248) 524-3570 or email [ypd@thvmail.org](mailto:ypd@thvmail.org).

### Digger's Detectives

10:00 am | Ages 5-10

THS Members: \$5/child & \$3/adult

Non-Members: \$6/child & \$4/adult

Meet Cheddar's friend, Digger the Groundhog! She is adventurous and wants to be an archaeologist when she grows up. Digger and our staff will teach you how to use tools and your senses to make observations about mysterious-looking artifacts from our museum. It's a fun blend of social studies and science!

Join us after school on select Saturdays:

**March 5: School**

**April 2: Clothing/Laundry**

**May 7: Tools**

Register:

[www.troyhistoricvillage.org/](http://www.troyhistoricvillage.org/familychildrens)

[familychildrens](http://www.troyhistoricvillage.org/familychildrens) programs

### Shopping Back-in-Time

\$7/THS Member or \$9/Non-member

Visit the Village and join our costumed interpreters as they lead you through a make-believe shopping trip at our 1910s general store. Students will be given various scenarios involving math, history, and economics (such as needs vs. wants, scarcity, bartering, and incentives). Children will also be given an old-fashioned candy or toy to take home! Approximately 60 minutes.

### Tin Crafts

\$8/THS Member or \$10/Non-member

Learn about the importance of tin products in the 1800s as well as today's households. You'll also learn about the job of a tinsmith. Children will be taught how to punch patterns on tin and make crafts to take home. Approximately 60 minutes.

### Spies, Lies, and Mysteries

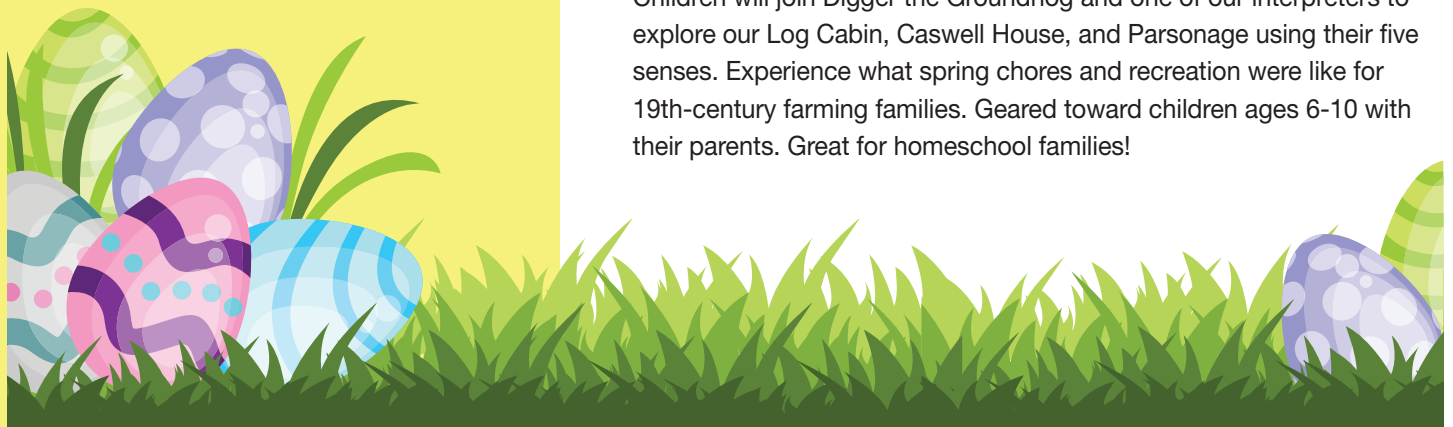
\$12/THS Member or \$15/Non-member

Learn about some historic spies. Explore spy tools and techniques like fingerprinting while you work with your group to solve a Village mystery. Great for upper-elementary kids! Approximately 90-120 minutes.

### Sense of the Past with Digger: Spring Edition

THS Member: \$7 | Non-member: \$9

Children will join Digger the Groundhog and one of our interpreters to explore our Log Cabin, Caswell House, and Parsonage using their five senses. Experience what spring chores and recreation were like for 19th-century farming families. Geared toward children ages 6-10 with their parents. Great for homeschool families!





# Adventure!

## For Scouts

\$9/person unless otherwise noted. Call 248-524-3598 or email ypd@thvmail.org to book your group.

### Letterboxing

Design your own stamp, then follow clues to find and “collect” stamp images.

### Playing the Past

Be a student in the one-room school and try chores from the past.

### Scouts Woodworking

(\$11/scout & \$9/adult) Make individual projects and one birdhouse or bat box for the den or troop.

### Night Owl

Chat with someone who works late, explore nature at night, and learn nighttime history.

### Earth Rocks

Utilize maps, minerals, and materials to show how Michigan rock resources are used.

### Investigate Senses

Use immersive activities to experience the past, historic buildings, and artifacts.

## Village Egg Hunt

Friday April 8, 4pm-7pm and

Saturday April 9, 10am-3pm

Advance registration:

\$7/THS member \$8/Non-members

At the door: \$8/THS member

\$9/Non-member

Hop on over for an ‘Egg’stra Special Day at the Village. Find all the buttons in the button field, make a craft, play a Village-wide game of I-spy to find all the eggs, win springtime goodies, and more! Event has outdoor elements, so please dress accordingly. Masks and preregistration are required. Head to [troyhistoricvillage.org](http://troyhistoricvillage.org) for more details.



## Cheddar's Preschool Story Time

10:30 am | Ages 2 -5

THS Members:

\$5/child & \$3/adult

Non-Members:

\$6/child & \$4/adult

Join Cheddar the Village Mouse and Mrs. Laura each month for story time. We'll read a book, talk about an artifact from the Village, and do a simple craft or activity together.

Join us on select Wednesdays:

**March 2: At the Zoo**

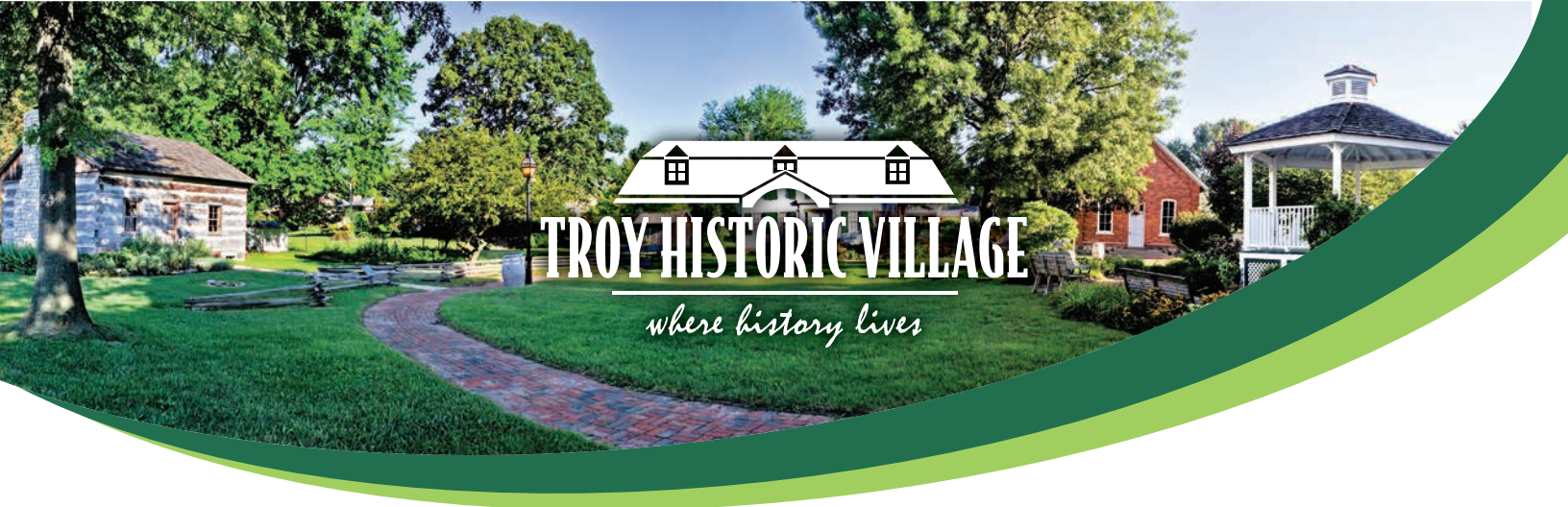
**April 6: Dinosaurs!**

**May 4: Flower Frenzy**

**June 1: Bugs & Insects**

Register:  
[www.troyhistoricvillage.org/familychildrensprogram](http://www.troyhistoricvillage.org/familychildrensprogram)





# TROY HISTORIC VILLAGE

*where history lives*

## Become A Villager

*It's More Than a Membership!*

When you join the Troy Historical Society, you become a Villager. Your membership preserves local history and supports hands-on learning for all ages at the Troy Historic Village. You also join an enthusiastic group of folks who appreciate history, preservation, learning, and community. To join or renew, visit [TroyHistoricVillage.org/membership](http://TroyHistoricVillage.org/membership) or fill out the form on the back of this newsletter.



### Individual Membership \$35

One adult 18 or older

Additional Benefits:

- 2 "Plus One" passes to select public programs so you can share the Village with a friend!
- 10 complimentary high-resolution scans of photos for a family archive



### Patron Membership \$150

Up to 6 adults and/or children

Additional Benefits:

- 2 tickets to the annual Barnard Bash
- 1 free Group Gather history program  
OR 10% Discount on a Simple Event rental  
OR Cheddar Birthday Party



### Household Membership \$55

Up to 6 adults and/or children

Additional Benefits:

- 10% Discount on a Simple Event rental or Cheddar Birthday Party



### Barnard Benefactor Membership \$350

Up to 6 adults and/or children

Additional Benefits:

- 4 tickets to the annual Barnard Bash
- 1 free Meeting Rental

## All Members Enjoy:

- Free General Admission to the Village which is open year round
- Our quarterly Village Press and regular E-News sent to the email provided
- Discounts on Public Programs, Classes, and Events
- An Invitation to our Annual Members Meeting with an Ice Cream Social

All memberships are for one year and start when you submit your payment.



# MARCH 2022

- March 1-April 1 **Tumult & Tragedy Exhibit M-F**  
10:00am-3:00pm
- March 2 **Cheddar's Story Time** 10:30am
- March 3 **Walking Group** 5:00pm
- March 5 **Maple Syrup Time (Stage Nature Center)**  
9:00am-3:00pm
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- March 10 **Walking Group** 5:00pm
- March 12 **Maple Syrup Time (Stage Nature Center)**  
9:00am-3:00pm
- March 13 **Constitution Café** 2:00pm
- March 16 **Great Michigan Read: Book Discussion**  
6:00pm
- March 17 **Walking Group** 5:00pm
- March 19 **Maple Syrup Time (Stage Nature Center)**  
9:00am-3:00pm
- March 23 **Great Michigan Read: Coppersmithing Talk**  
6:00pm
- March 24 **Thursday Teas** 2:00pm
- March 24 **Walking Group** 5:00pm
- March 28 **Preservation Conversations** 10:00am
- March 29 **Watercolor Class** 6:00pm
- March 30 **Watercolor Class** 6:00pm
- March 31 **Walking Group** 5:00pm

# APRIL 2022

- April 2-May 7 **Basic Blacksmithing Level 3 (Saturdays)** 10:00am
- April 2 **Digger's Detectives** 10:00am
- April 2 **Old-Time Radio Comedy Show** 7:00pm
- April 3 **Old-Time Radio Comedy Show** 3:00pm
- April 5 **Watercolor Class** 6:00pm
- April 6 **Cheddar's Story Time** 10:30am
- April 6 **Watercolor Class** 6:00pm
- April 6-May 11 **Basic Blacksmithing Level 2 (Wednesdays)** 6:30pm
- April 7 **Walking Group** 6:00pm
- April 8 **Village Egg Hunt** 4:00pm-7:00pm
- April 9 **Village Egg Hunt** 10:00am-3:00pm
- April 10 **Constitution Café** 2:00pm
- April 12 **Watercolor Class** 6:00pm
- April 13 **Watercolor Class** 6:00pm
- April 14 **Walking Group** 6:00pm
- April 20 **Great Michigan Read: Labor History Talk**  
7:00pm
- April 21 **Walking Group** 6:00pm
- April 25 **Preservation Conversations** 10:00am
- April 28 **Thursday Teas** 2:00pm
- April 28 **Walking Group** 6:00pm

# MAY 2022

- May 1 **Constitution Café** 2:00pm
- May 3 **Niles-Barnard House Tour** 5:30pm
- May 4 **Cheddar's Story Time** 10:30am
- May 5 **Walking Group** 6:00pm
- May 7 **Digger's Detectives** 10:00am
- May 12 **Walking Group** 6:00pm
- May 14 **Civil War Saturday** 10:00am-3:00pm
- May 18 **Great Michigan Read: Film Screening** 7:00pm
- May 19 **Walking Group** 6:00pm
- May 21-June 25 **Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 (Saturdays)** 1:00pm
- May 22, 29, June 5 **Adult-Child Blacksmithing** 1:00pm
- May 23 **Preservation Conversations** 10:00am
- May 25-June 29 **Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 (Wednesdays)** 6:30pm
- May 26 **Thursday Teas** 2:00pm
- May 26 **Walking Group** 6:00pm
- May 30 **MEMORIAL DAY Village Closed**
- June 1 **Cheddar's Story Time** 10:30am

## Saying Goodbye

It is with a heavy heart that we say goodbye to two of our biggest supporters and lovers of history: Ray Lucas and Judy Siess. Just last year Ray had "retired again" from his volunteering at the Village after clocking more than 2,500 hours of research. We will miss his humorous outlook on life and quick wit. Judy was a long-term board member who loved attending Village Teas and other activities. Even as her health declined, she never lost her enthusiasm for life or new ideas, and generously supported the Village and our education programs.

- Kids & Families
- Health & Wellness
- Adults & Seniors
- Artisan-Led Classes
- Community Events

# Become a Villager Today!

Support quality, engaging education for all ages and enjoy

- Free Admission to the Village
- Discounts on Public Programs
- Quarterly Village Press and regular news updates
- An invitation to the Annual Members Meeting and Ice Cream Social
- Additional benefits for each level as listed

**YES! I want to be a Villager.** Please process my Troy Historical Society membership at the following level:

- \$35 Individual**  
Additional benefits include 2 “plus one” passes to select programs so you can share the Village with a friend and 10 complimentary high-resolution scans to start your family archive
- \$55 Household** (*Up to 6 adults and/or children*)  
Additional benefits include a 10% discount on a Simple Event Rental or Cheddar Birthday Party
- \$150 Patron** (*Up to 6 adults and/or children*)  
Additional benefits include 2 tickets to the annual Barnard Bash, 1 free Group Gather for your business or social group OR 10% discount on a Simple Event Rental or Cheddar Birthday Party
- \$350 Barnard Benefactor** (*Up to 6 adults and/or children*)  
Additional benefits include 4 tickets to the annual Barnard Bash and 1 free Workshop Rental for your business or social group

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Email my quarterly Village Press

## Already a Villager?

I would like to make an additional donation to the Troy Historic Village.

Please put \$ \_\_\_\_\_ towards the general fund to support preservation and programs at the Village.

### Payment Options:

Enclosed Check / Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Call the Village at 248-524-3570 or visit [www.troyhistoricvillage.org/membership](http://www.troyhistoricvillage.org/membership) to pay by credit card

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