



FLUSHING AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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St. Robert Catholic Church

The September 21 presentation was “a reflection thru time of St. Robert Catholic Church” by George Saucier. George started working at St. Robert’s church and School in 1960. He began in the maintenance department and was a faithful employee for 45 years. He dedicated himself to maintaining and improving the parish grounds and facilities, ensuring they remained in excellent condition for generations of parishioners and students.

His many duties included:

- Crossing Guard at Henry Street and McKinley Roads
- Sexton for St. Robert’s Cemetery - including creating a map of all buried parishioners
- Built, repaired, and replaced furniture, walls, windows, desks, and more
- Regular maintenance for all buildings
- Mowed & snow plowed all grounds & cemetery
- Woodshop teacher



St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church today, N. Cherry St.

Member Meeting

Our October 19th meeting at 7pm will be author of several Michigan books, Ron Rademacher. He will be speaking of the many oddities and rarities found in Michigan. Each of these road trips leads to a destination with an unusual feature. Some are unexplained or extremely rare artifacts. Some are architectural, some are natural formations and some are manmade mysteries. Be surprised!



Dan Anderson, Bob Davies



Beth & Dan Roman, Nancy & Bob, Flushing Drama Club

Cemetery Walk

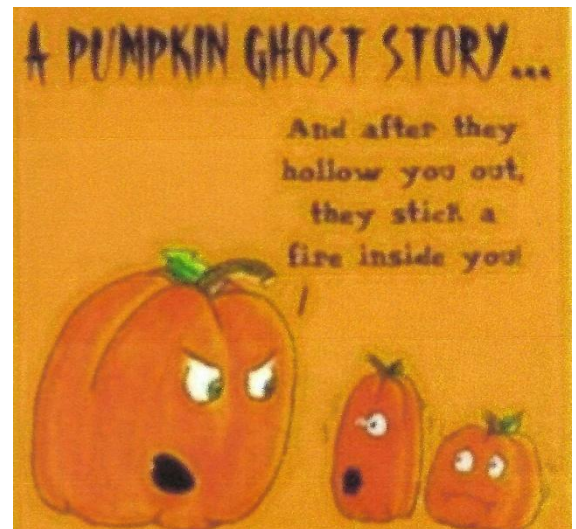
The 'Cemetery Walk' was a huge success with over 300 participants attending. Students from Flushing High School portrayed the departed and really brought their stories to life. It was something to envision our town beginning with just one log cabin. We wish to extend our gratitude to Dan Roman for designing and including the many stories in the 'Cemetery Walk' pamphlet, Flushing Farms for donating apple cider and doughnuts; and Caterer Funeral Home, City of Flushing Parks and Recreation and the Flushing Area Historical Society for sponsoring this event. A special thank you to all the many volunteers that made it possible!

Spiders...

Making surprise athletes
out of women
since
the dawn of time.



The owl is a popular Halloween image. October is known as Owl Month and is associated with Halloween due to their nocturnal nature



MUSEUM HOURS

Tuesday 9 AM - 1 PM
Sunday 1 PM - 4 PM

SOCIETY LEADERSHIP & CONTACTS

Museum 810-487-0814
Museum tours & building use
Dan Anderson 810-686-6669

OFFICERS

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(Terms Expire Dec. 31)

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Looking for great gift ideas?

Consider membership to the Flushing
Area Historical Society

Visit the gift shop

Volumes II and III (blue books) of
“Flushing Sesquicentennial History.”
\$20 each or both for \$35 donation.

Get your edition of the
‘Cemetery Walk 2026’
pamphlet at FAHS. \$10 donation

Get photos with Santa

Santa will be here on
Sundays 1-4pm on Dec 6, 13 and 20th.
Appointments are available,
Call Santa Bob at 810-624- 0278
Pets welcome by appointment.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday Oct 3
Fall Fest Downtown..... 9:30 AM - 4 PM

Thursday Oct 15
Downtown Block Party – Haunting on Main 1 PM - 4 PM

Saturday Oct 17
Trail of Terror, Bueche’s..... 6 PM – 10 PM

Monday Oct 19
Ron Rademacher, author of “Oddities Rarities Michigan Back Roads”
Board nominations accepted 7 PM

Monday Nov 16
David Trojan tells of pilot’s superstitions & Board elections will be held .. 7 PM

Dec 3 & 4
Flushing Candlewalk – Model trains on display 6 PM – 9 PM

Dec 6, 13 & 20
Visit Santa – Photo Op 1 PM – 4 PM

Time to turn in your Genesee County Passbook.

Hope you got your FAHS stamp. If you have 5 or more stamps, take
your Passbook to Sloan Museum Gift Shop for your token coin. We
really enjoyed the program, and all the new visitors it brought to the
museum.

See the 250th displays before they are gone
Go on our Scavenger Hunt
Shop at our Gift Shop
Visit our story & craft area



Please save labels!

Help us raise money. No cost to you,
just collect Our Family® barcodes
and place them in the orange
container at the museum or at
Bueche’s service desk.

It is that easy!

Notes from Dan's Desk

Greetings and welcome to Autumn. Here at the Museum, we're looking forward to the end of a busy year. But let's look back at this past year. All year long we have been celebrating America 250 at the Museum. We have displays telling the story of the United States from Betsy Ross to now. Flushing Service Members are listed on our Wall of Heroes. We tell the story of the State of Michigan from fur traders to lumber jacks to miners. The story of the Underground Railroad and Ships and Sailors on the Great Lakes. The story of Flushing is on display too, one room schoolhouses and the story of Joe Gage. The history of Bueche's is on display, along with the history of the Flushing Pickle Factory and other companies and people in Flushing. As we come to the end of the year the next event that is upcoming is Candlewalk. We will have the trains set up on December 3 and 4th. Come and see the trains and have some cookies and punch. We will also be open on the Sundays afterwards with Santa Clause at the Museum. So come and visit us on Sundays and enjoy learning about our history.

We are not aging.

We are ripening to perfection.

Legend has it that Irishman "Stinky Jack" fooled the devil. Therefore, he wasn't allowed in either Heaven or Hell. Instead, he spent his days roaming the earth carrying a lantern. He went by the name of "Jack of the Lantern."

IN THE KITCHEN

"A" PUMPKIN PATCH FAVORITE



Autumn brings traditional fun "Fall stuff" like corn mazes, hay rides and pumpkins! Here's an all-time favorite pumpkin recipe.

Pumpkin Bars

4 eggs	1-2/3 cups sugar
1 cup vegetable oil	1 can (16 ounces) pumpkin
2 cups flour	1 tsp ground cinnamon
2 tsp baking powder	1 tsp baking soda
1 tsp salt	

Icing:

1 pkg (3 ounces) cream cheese, softened
2 cups confectioners' sugar
1/4 cup butter, softened
1 tsp vanilla extract
1 to 2 Tbsp milk

In a mixing bowl, beat eggs, sugar, oil and pumpkin. Combine dry ingredients; gradually add to pumpkin mixture; mix well. Pour into an ungreased 15" x 10" x 1" baking pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 25-30 minutes. Cool completely.

For icing; beat cream cheese, sugar, butter and vanilla in a small mixing bowl. Add enough milk to achieve desired spreading consistency. Spread over bars.

Yield: 2 dozen

-Old Fort A's

Q: Why was the Jack-O-Lantern afraid to cross the road?

A: He had no guts!

Q: How do you fix a damaged Jack-O-Lantern?

A: You use a pumpkin patch!



BECOME A VOLUNTEER

Help Keep the Depot Alive

The Historic Train Depot Museum is entirely volunteer-run.

Everything visitors experience — the stories, the open doors, the preserved building — happens because community members give a little of their time.

You don't need to be a historian. You don't need railroad experience.

You just need an interest in local history and a friendly attitude.

MEMORIAL FUND

The Flushing Area Historical Society extends its sincere thanks to members and friends who make donations in memory of a loved one or friend. Contributions to the Memorial Fund are placed in trust, and the interest earned helps support the operation, maintenance, and preservation of the Depot Museum. The Flushing Area Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit Michigan corporation.

No memorial donations were received during the past month.

MEMBERSHIP REMINDER

Please check the mailing label on your newsletter for your membership renewal date. If the date is highlighted, your membership is now due for renewal. We are grateful to those members who renew for two or three years, as this reduces administrative costs and saves considerable paperwork. To receive your newsletter electronically, simply provide an e-mail address on the membership form below. Please add both of the following addresses to your address book or safe-senders list to help prevent messages from being filtered into a spam or junk-mail folder:

fahs@att.net and info@flushinghistorical.org

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NEW MEMBERSHIP, UPDATE, & RENEWAL

- ☐ New member
☐ Renewal
☐ Membership card requested

Make Checks Payable to:

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431 W. Main St.
Flushing, MI 48433-2035

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Address: _____

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MEMBERSHIP LEVELS **Includes voting privileges (one vote per membership)*

*Senior	1 year \$4_____	2 years \$8_____	3 years \$12_____
*Individual	1 year \$5_____	2 years \$10_____	3 years \$15_____
*Family	1 year \$7_____	2 years \$14_____	3 years \$21_____
Business	1 year \$10_____	2 years \$20_____	
*Life membership	\$150_____		

PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

Supporting	1 year \$10_____	2 years \$20_____
Contributing	1 year \$25_____	2 years \$50_____
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*The Grand Trunk depot in Flushing, now home to the
 Flushing Area Historical Society Museum.*



MOVING?

VACATION?

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From (date) _____ to (date) _____, please send to:

Name: _____

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