The Clapboard

Fall/Winter 2014

Preserve Historic Sleeping Bear

Partnering with Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore to Preserve and Interpret its Historic Structures and Landscapes

Donor Offers 25K Membership Challenge Match

e're very pleased and excited to announce a new membership challenge match from one of our generous donors. They have offered a \$25,000, dollar for dollar match through February 15th. The intent of the match is to strengthen our base of support. Our donor writes, "My hope for this challenge match is to encourage others to donate, so that together we can preserve even more of these wonderful and historic places we love." And this is where you, our loyal members and our new donors come in.

What Donations Qualify? Four Types

There are four ways that you can help us meet the match. First, donations from new members qualify. If you have never donated to Preserve Historic

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pay online at www.phsb.org



STATUS

Sleeping Bear, this is the perfect time to join! Second, if you were once a member but let your membership lapse (you haven't donated since September 2013), this is your opportunity to make a difference with your membership renewal. If you are not sure of your last donation, please contact us.

Third, if you are a current member and increase your gift from last year by at least \$25, that portion of the gift will qualify. Finally, anyone that joins our Plowshare Society (a commitment to \$500 or more annually) will qualify. We hope all of you will embrace this opportunity and double the impact of your gift!

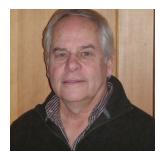
As of today, we have raised over \$11,000 thanks to some generous donors. We have \$14,000 to raise in the next 60 days. In addition to your qualifying donation, you can



help by inviting your friends to join in the match through email, or sharing our Facebook post about the match on your Facebook page.

A donation form can be found in the back of this newsletter, and current members will receive a letter in the mail with a donation envelope. Of course, you can always give online at phsb.org. The clock is ticking. Thank you for helping us meet the match!

A Message from Our Chair



This is the time of year that makes me happy—happy and proud. The federal fiscal year concludes at the end of September and Park staff spend the first part of October gathering data about the past year. All types of metrics are to-

taled to profile the year's work such as number of visitors, number of campers, number of school groups etc. At the same time, Susan Pocklington, our executive director, pulls together similar numbers for *Preserve* to add to the Park's yearly report. Susan lists the number of projects and the value of materials donated and purchased. She tracks the number of hours each volunteer has worked during the past 12 months, and determines the dollar value for the labor donated to the Park. With all of this information, she comes up with the total contribution *Preserve* made to the preservation of the historic resources of Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore. this year that number is \$149,104.

For years, around late fall, I have seen the final report and I am always impressed with how much has been done. During the year we are aware of a handful of volunteers working a long weekend or two, repairing a historic building. This is also happening several times a summer and also in the spring and fall. Individuals arrange to undertake small projects, groups schedule work sessions, and your contribution pays to hire professionals for projects that require specialized skills. This all adds up, and I am once again impressed, pleased, and proud of this organization and what it is able to accomplish year after year with all the people that help us, especially our donors and volunteers. You will see the details of this year's contribution by *Preserve* elsewhere in this newsletter and I hope it makes you feel a part of something special—because these resources are extraordinary.

However, this total of volunteer hours, contributions of money and materials is only part of the impact Preserve has on the preservation of the park's historic buildings and landscapes. Promoting a wider awareness of the Park's many diverse cultural resources through activities like our farm tours, the Port Oneida Fair, guide books, and other special events has a direct impact on the Park's commitment to historic preservation. Each year Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore's end of the year report lists the numerous historic preservation project undertaken by the Park staff using Park funds and it is an impressive number of projects. Preserve's advocacy for historic preservation and creating a public that understands, enjoys and appreciates these landscapes keeps historic preservation a priority. Thank you for your yearly support which allows us to do this work.

Welcome New Board Members



Mary Crane—With a 72 year association with Port Oneida, Mary has personally experienced what others consider history. Mary has a B.A. in American History and has served as

Chair of the Canton MA, Historical Commission, and years as a docent for *Preserve* as well as for Historic New England, and Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural Site in Buffalo, NY. She is also a talented writer. After living many winters in New Hampshire, Mary and her husband Frank have relocated to Grand Rapids, MI during the "off-season" so they can be closer to their Port Oneida home.



Fred Siegmund—grew up in Michigan and has life-long connections to Leelanau County and a home in Leland. He started with *Preserve* as a volunteer on mainland projects in 2007

and has worked on the Katie Shepherd project the past six years. He made a living as an economist for the U. S. Dept. of Labor doing analysis, forecasting, and writing monographs, reports, newsletter and journal articles. He did some teaching and a variety of writing and research through, or for, the District of Columbia Government, Howard University, University of the District of Columbia and others.

Eckerdt and Olsen Painting

Two of the largest and perhaps most visible projects we took on last summer were the painting of two historic structures. *Preserve* provided funding for, and worked directly with, the painting contractors. Partial funding came from one of our donors who loves Port Oneida. The project also required replacing deteriorating siding prior to painting. Thanks to the Park's Bob Bertschy, Lee Jameson and their maintenance crew for collaborating with us by efficiently taking on that task, with new boards provided by *Preserve*.

Charles and Hattie Olsen Barn

The Olsen Barn needed new paint on its nearly bare wood siding. We hired SEEDS for the job, requiring the use of a lift. It took some testing to get the color right but the result is beautiful. Two days after it was completed photographers began stopping by to capture the barn boasting its handsome new red coat!



Left: SEEDS in the bucket lift painting Olsen barn; Right: a photographer takes advantage of the early morning light on the barn

Eckerdt Farm

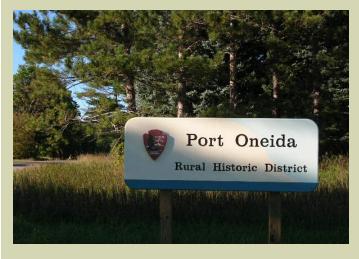
Preserve contracted with a professional company to scrape and paint the exterior of the Eckerdt farmhouse which was peeling badly. Based on family history and evidence of old yellow paint under the red siding, we restored the house to its original color.



Before and after shots of the Eckerdt farm painting project

We're Adopting!

Preserve Historic Sleeping Bear has officially become part of MDOT's adopt-a-highway program. We have been on the wait list for some time to adopt the section of M-22 that runs the length of the Port Oneida district. The Zonta Club has been the adoptee for that section for several years, and has agreed to have us partner with them. Both organizations will have their name on one side of the signs going in each direction, and will share in the clean-up, including a joint effort in April. We look forward to this partnership with the Zonta Club, and keeping Port Oneida beautiful.



Adopt-A-Building/Landscape

Last year we launched both an adopt-a-building and adopt-a-landscape program for historic properties. We continue to improve and expand the maps and documents for this program, to be released this spring. Thank you to those that have already adopted a site. Last summer we saw how helpful the adopt-abuilding program is. One couple reported damage at their adopted site to us immediately and the Park responded quickly. Without the program it could have been weeks before the damage was noticed. The adopt-a-landscape program involves more hands-on activity such as pruning orchards, removal of non-native species, or field mowing. Please contact us if you are interested in adopting!

Burfiend on the Bluff

It was a glorious day in July for the thirteen Preserve Historic Sleeping Bear volunteers who arrived at the Carsten Burfiend farm for two mainland projects. Side-by-side white clapboard farmhouses look out over Lake Michigan from a grassy meadow in the Port Oneida district. If its not the best place in Leelanau to spend a day working outdoors it must be close to it. Long-time Preserve volunteer and professional builder-contractor lack Boss took charge of five of the volunteers in a day- long carpentry project to restore the west-facing porch on the north farmhouse. Seven others joined Steve Stier in a window restoration workshop.

WINDOW PROJECT

Preserve volunteers often find dried, broken and missing window glazing on the building projects we take on. It may be a dying art in suburbia but not at Preserve—we've done several windows over the years. It's a messy job to clean up those sashes and get them ready for some new putty. It takes lots of chipping and maybe some heat using a hair dryer, which John Flynn found helpful as seen here (right).





The finish work is more fun as Steve Young and Margo Detzler could see, watching Steve Stier put the finishing touches on a new bead of putty. Window restoration is needed throughout the Park, and we will continue to in-

clude window projects in our annual work. As a result of this workshop, Preserve now has seven volunteers more familiar with window restoration-John Flynn, Peter Katz, Margo Detzler, Steve Young and Director Susan Pocklington. Thanks to Steve and all.



PORCH PROJECT

Rot and sagging were the issues with



the porch, but Jack Boss cautioned, "save the cedar siding; that's serious money." We always take great effort to salvage as much original material as possible. Preserve supplied the hemlock from its barn storage stash to rip new custom beams. It was a tight fit but lack's portable table saw made the cuts easy and volunteers supplied the muscle to put them up. Notice the repaired corners on the deck (above). The cedar siding was put back and it was time to plumb the posts, fit the trim boards and finish with painting the new wood. Great job! Many hands make light work.



Afternoon shot of carpenters (L to R) Leonard Marszalek, Doug Detzler, Fred Siegmund, David Watt and Jack Boss at the table saw.

The Katie: A Six Year Reminiscence

By Fred Siegmund



Arriving at the dock in Leland—loading the Park boat with 10 days of gear, food and some tools for North Manitou Island historic preservation project

The Katie Shepard Hotel restoration on North Manitou Island continued for the sixth year with another ten days of on-site work starting August 15. A crew of 14 veterans and four adventurous newcomers arrived in Leland to board the Manitou Island ferry for the 12-mile trip across "Big Blue." They came from the far reaches of Grand Rapids, Battle Creek, Holland, Lansing,

Newaygo and Kalkaska counties and close by Benzie and Leelanau counties.

These are a dedicated bunch, up at the first crack of dawn determined to use every minute of daylight to work, explore, and talk until the pitch dark of night and exhaustion cry out for Preserve volunsleep. teers become the guests of the National Park Service able to use comfortable buildings with bunkrooms, bedrooms, full baths, a spacious



Early evening hike at the Maleski Farm .L to R: Vincy Sadoswksi, Stacie Hill, Sally Byle, Elizabeth Wheeler, Mark Wilson, Fred Siegmund, Doug Detzler, Karen Wells, Mike Tenbrock, Margo Detzler, David Watt. Photo—Meggen Watt Photography

nce Sadowski, and veteran Park employee, Mark Wilson, one of many Park staff ready to help and support us. Two big groups made the 6.1 mile round trip to the Maleski farm site on the north bluffs and then another 7.5 mile hike to the elusive McComber Monument, a survey location on a remote ridge on the eastern edge of the island.

It was a tough and determined group that slogged through heaps of soggy leaves and bushwhacked up the hillsides to the top

kitchen, and indoor and outdoor areas for sitting and talking. Newcomers find themselves in a miniature social

of the ridge; no one complained when we got there. The next evening another ambitious group set off south

system that resembles the summer camp of their youth.

Volunteers tend to arrive with lots of do-it-yourself work behind them. Those who can handle a scraper and a paint brush learn there is plenty of work for them, but those with carpentry and construction know-how often find themselves in a challenge of problem solving that tests their skills and their creative energies. Veteran project director, David Watt, has mastered the delicate art of managing volunteers with a combination of planning, suggesting, asking, coaxing and trusting.

After six years of hard work we are ready to show off our results, for which we feel justly proud. All of the extensive structural repairs are finished, along with exterior repairs and painting including the wrap-around porch. The spacious and elegant parlor and four first floor guestrooms have replacement or restored tongue and groove beaded paneling. The upstairs hallway and two of its guestrooms had paneling installed this summer. Three upstairs guestrooms still need paneling, but restoration nears completion.

After work there is the lure of a remote island and an eagerness to learn island history and explore cottage row, the lumber mill and its 15 thousand acres of open space. This year we had the benefit of two experienced island hikers: newcomer Vince Sadowski, and veteran

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to explore the Stormer lumber camp on a 9.1 mile trek that ended after 10:00 o'clock, when all gave praise for the headlamp.

Having room and board in close quarters generates lots of socializing. Over the years there are some stories to remember along with the daily discussions, chit-chat, and razzmatazz. Who could forget David Taghon's stories of Empire and the eccentric brothers written into Anna Marie Ooman's play "Whaddaya Give." Then there were Arvin and Sally Byle's sailing adventures aboard the tall ship Madalene; Ray Webb's tales of prospecting for hidden treasure in the Michigan U.P.; and David Watt's annual humor readings of Traverse City life from a bygone era.

Over the years there was some fine dining. Let's not forget Jim Fuscaldo's Lemon Chicken, or the Webb family Lasagna, or Meggen Peterson's fillets of whitefish served with cherry lentil pilaf, corn on the cob, warm and crusty French bread. Memorable deserts include Meggen's fresh apple pie made from a shirt full of island apples gleaned from a cottage row apple tree.



Long live the memories of work, fun, and friendship. And long live the Katie, which was dilapidated and dangerously close to collapse when *Preserve* took on the project six

Arvon Byle reinstalls ceiling board in parlor

years ago. Now it is saved by Preserve Historic Sleeping Bear in cooperation with the National Park Service and the efforts of its volunteers, Director Susan Pocklington, and the foresight and generosity of its donors.

All who have worked on the Katie want to see it put into use as a primitive hostel or inn for backpackers and lovers of the island's open space. The National Park Service calls this adaptive reuse. For the volunteers it's the last and logical step to realize their goal to preserve part of a quaint and graceful summer life so much a part of historic Sleeping Bear.

Volunteers Impact Cultural Landscape

It was a rather discouraging sight. Only two years earlier, SEEDS had cleared invasive black locust trees from the knoll and fields between the Olsen farm and Schoolhouse, and along the Bayview Trail to the Miller Barn. Now the vegetation was back, growing profusely and quickly, covering the hillside and encroaching the trail. What to do? *Preserve* decided to not only focus our summer field restoration project here, but also to put the area up for "adoption" (see *article on pg. 3*) as a maintenance strategy.



Supervisor Fran Alfs and Karen Wells at work

At our two-day June project, six volunteers led by Fran Alfs, used loppers in knee-high, wet grass to remove large bushy saplings, and treated sumps to prevent re-growth. We captured Sleeping Bear Dunes biologist Becky Hill's training on video so we could offer this project to other groups looking to help. Three volunteer groups continued our work.



Knoll covered with Black Locust saplings

Cherry Republic employees spent a few hours in June chipping away where *Preserve* had left off. TCAPS students furthered the effort on a warm July day. And this fall we coordinated a project with the Christian Brigade of East Lansing. The contribution of their young men and leaders, along with Sleeping Bear Dunes Volunteer Coordinator Matt Mohrman, finished off what we'd started. The difference in the landscape is marked. We'll be at work restoring other landscapes next year. Please join us!

Historic Log Structures Being Preserved

Faust Cabin

Many have admired this beautiful cabin at the top of Inspiration Point in Leelanau County overlooking Glen Lake. The structure, reminiscent of Adirondack style lodges, was sold to the National Park willingly by the family of former life-long owner Mary Faust. Dubbed "**Glen Craig**" by Faust, the cedar log home was built in 1929. Faust designed and had the cabin built on property she purchased from D.H. Day, the Glen Haven entrepreneur. Rustic furnishings grace the home, and due to the family's generous donation, most of the furnishings will remain with the property.

Laura Quackenbush, Museum Technician for the Park has been working with the family to select and catalog the furnishings, and Preserve funded their appraisal for the family's tax return. Retaining the original furniture with the structure is a wonderful way to help tell the story of the Glen Lakes Resort Community. The building is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

The Park is exploring how best to use the structure for the public's enjoyment and education. *Preserve* has begun fundraising efforts for its restoration which includes extensive window repair, foundation repair, lead-abatement and electrical services at an estimated \$132,500. With the help of the first donor who has contributed an initial \$5,000, we hope to begin working on window repair in collaboration with the SEEDS organization. We have created a promotional video for fundraising that will be launched in January.



Kraitz Cabin

This past year *Preserve* took the important first steps to save the Park's oldest pioneer log cabin. The iconic cabin was built about 1860 by Francis Kraitz and his family. and had been left in altered, but good condition. Unfortunately, its age and original purpose were subsequently misidentified and it was determined not to be historic. More than a decade of deterioration followed which intensified when a large tree fell on the structure, damaging the roof.

This past winter we asked the Park's help in removing two contemporary additions to restore the cabin to its original footprint. Then, last spring Preserve submitted documentation to establish the historic significance of the cabin, receiving approval for eligible listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

We located a huge heavy duty



tent-tarp, and with the help of a group of young adult employees from the Culvers fast food restaurant in Cadillac, and Matt Mohrman, supervised by *Preserve's* Bill Herd, and our hired contractor, we covered the entire cabin. The tarp not only protects the interior but also protects the exterior log walls. Next, our volunteers attacked, with a Park-approved application, the fungus that had been thriving on the damp interior of the cabin after heavy rains and snow of last winter. The cold dry winter air will continue to dry out the logs and deter growth of the fungus.

Over the winter we will work with the Park staff and (Continued on page 8)

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local log cabin experts to prepare a plan for the restoration of the cabin, hopefully next summer. We will also be looking for grants and donations to fund the project. This unique structure will be preserved for future generations of Park visitors who will be able to see and feel a real log cabin built by a pioneer family, and one of the finest examples of log construction in the area.



Employees from Culver's restaurant in Cadillac strike a proud pose last fall after volunteering in the Park to help protect the Kraitz cabin

PRESERVE HISTORIC SLEEPING BEAR CONTRIBUTIONS for FY 2013-2014

CASH DIRECT TO PARK	\$1,972
CASH IN KIND TO PARK	
Preservation, Interpretation Preservation Projects C. Olsen Farm house kitchen and door re C. Olsen Barn exterior painting Carsten Burfiend porch repair Eckerdt Farmhouse siding repair; exterior Kraitz Cabin stabilization Barn Workshop	
Orchard Grafting Katie Shepard Hotel Olsen House/Interpretation	\$11,736
Olsen House History Ctr. Oral history ROOTStories	
Horse and Wagon Tours Exhibit Development and fabrication	
IN-KIND TO PARK Volunteer hours – 3606 hrs TOTAL CONTRIBUTION:	\$81,315 \$149,104

Saving the Antique Orchards



Yes, this is cherry country—but apples were also important to the early settlers in this region, with many antique varieties here in Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore. The Park has done extensive inventory and identification of fruit trees on the mainland, and it's important to preserve these rare varieties for the future.

Toward this end, a new orchard grafting project was initiated this past year. Preserve Historic Sleeping Bear is providing funding for the collaborative project with the Park, DeYoung Farm/Leelanau Conservancy and the Leelanau Conservation District.



In addition, every May the Park offers an apple and pear pruning workshop for the public. This training provides the qualifications necessary to adopt an orchard through *Preserve's* adopta-landscape program. And finally, last

October, *Preserve* participated in an Antique Apples program hosted by the Park to raise awareness of the antique orchards, their locations, and why they were important in the Port Oneida Rural Historic District.

PHSB PROJECTS for 2015

PHSB takes on major projects that take extensive planning. They call for funding of materials and/or contractors, training volunteers in specialized trades, logistical and volunteer coordination and documentary research. The following projects are planned for 2015.

ESTIMATED PROJECT EXPENSES \$117,200

Tractor purchase - \$60,000 Ole Oleson Farmhouse

• Exterior Painting - \$7,000

Charles Olsen Barn

- Repair and coating of roof \$4,000
- Repair west barn door \$100

Carsten Burfiend Farmhouses (2)

- Exterior painting \$11,000
- Window repair

Port Oneida Schoolhouse

- New roof \$6,000
- Electrical upgrade \$2,000

Antique Orchard grafting - \$500

Historical Research - \$500

Landscape restoration materials - \$100

Katie Shepard Hotel – North Manitou Island - \$6,000

- New roof
- Complete installation of ceiling boards
- Repair and paint screen doors and windows
- Cultural landscape restoration

Bufka Farm—paint barn doors Riggs Cottage on NMI - \$1000

- Clean out deteriorated debris; repair partial ceilings
- Window repair

Kraitz Cabin Restoration - \$15,000

Glen Haven Historic Village— \$4,000

Roof two houses—materials

Faust Cabin Restoration stage 1- \$15,000

Tweddle School Porch Repair - \$500

On Your Mark, Set, Go!

The Port Oneida 5K Run/Walk is *Preserve's* main fundraising event of the year. Mark your calendars for next year's event on Saturday, August 1, 2015. Some changes and additions are in store so stay tuned!

Thanks to all who participated last summer. Rachelle Christensen, age 26 from Macomb, MI was the overall female winner with a time of 22:46, and the overall male winner was Jimmy Seekamp, 18 years old from Interlochen timed at 19:15. Mark McCurties, 33 from Elsah, IL came in second at 20:48. A complete list of winners can be found on our website at phsb.org.



Much thanks to our Supporting Cash Sponsors— Art's Tavern, Riverfront Pizza & Specialties, and Serbin Real Estate, and Patron Sponsors Cottage Bookshop, Haystacks, Leelanau Coffee Roasting, and Northwood Hardware. Special thanks to our food donors Cherry Republic, Oleson's Food Stores and Stonehouse bread! And to the following businesses for donating prize giveaways: Anderson's Market, Bay Wear, Black Star Farms, Bluebird Farm Soap, Crystal River Outfitters, Lake Affect, Leelanau Vacation Rental, M-22 Store, Miser's

Hoard, Momentum of Glen Arbor, Riverside Canoe Trips, Sleeping Bear Surf and Kayak, and Totem Shop.



We couldn't have this event

without our awesome volunteers serving food, manning the trail, parking cars, handling registration and more! Thanks to all our volunteers (listed on page 13).

Port Oneida Fair—Always a Changin'

Every year there's something a little different about the Port Oneida Fair. From the button collector at Thoreson Farm, to the new Pasties vendor at the Olsen Farm, and an old-fashioned cricket game at the Burfiend site, there's something for everyone. Many visitors say that is the reason this special event in August is one they plan their vacations around. No matter what the age, young or seasoned, it's a family event that bridges the gap in years and promotes sharing of long-ago lifeway practices.

It's the single largest event hosted by Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, co-organized by Preserve Historic Sleeping Bear and a few community members. Demonstrators, staff, and volunteers welcomed, entertained, and educated about 3,300 visitors. One reason for its popularity is that visitors understand and feel the authenticity of these buildings and landscapes. Nothing was relocated here to re-create a historic community—this *is* a historic community. It's a—museum meets county fair—feeling.



Music from inside a barn invites children in to dance; large oxen are stroked by tiny hands; men try a two-man saw; the whistle and smoke of the steam engine draws curiosity; a historic food cooking demonstration inside whets the appetite

for home-cooked pasties outside. Honey, quilt and rope making foster appreciation and questions. And a oneroom school session emphasizes values and patriotism not to be forgotten. Sprawled over many acres, whether traveling by car, horse and wagon, hiking or shuttle, from one farm to the next, gives visitors a real-time experience of the Port Oneida community that it was.



All of this costs money of course, and as the Fair fiduciary once again, Preserve encourages people to con-

sider this when they find a milk can at each site inviting donations crucial to funding the Fair. The Park also pays a portion of expenses, and our generous business sponsors, and participants of the silent



auction help offset the costs as well. August 7 and 8, 2015 is the date for next year. You won't want to miss it—there's always something new, even if it's just the conversation it spurs with your family!



The multi-use Sleeping Bear Heritage Trail is making its way to the Port Oneida Rural Historic District next spring. The trail will be on portions of the Bayview Trail (left) and

come directly behind the barn at the Olsen Farm. Clearing of the trail already took place in the fall. Plans call for an aggregate, rather than asphalt surface in Port Oneida,

Heritage Trail Coming to Port Oneida

which *Preserve* strongly supported. We also supported a change in trail location to prevent cutting through the orchard at Kelderhouse farm (a future Park visitor station). Of course the trail will bring more visitors to Port Oneida and we will be ready with our new exhibit opening in the spring. *Preserve* also hopes to offer food on the trail in one of the buildings in Port Oneida as an incomegenerating activity. We are pleased that more people will experience Port Oneida through biking and hiking to maintain the peaceful setting of this historic landscape.

Horse and Wagon Tours a Hit



By Bill Herd

Tom Cyr's horse and wagon rides have been a popular part of the Port Oneida Fair for many years. Last summer, in cooperation with Tom's Black Horse Farms, *Preserve* provided horse and wagon tours of the Port Oneida Rural Historic District on a more regular basis. We gave tours several weekdays in July and August to individuals, families and groups, and hoped they would be popular. I tagged along as tour guide on most trips.

I have given tours of Port Oneida for over 30 years to all kind of groups and using different means of trans-

portation. For me, the horse and wagon tour is by far the very best way for a group to experience the historic Port Oneida community. The wagon is mobile enough to see a large part of the district, but still moves slowly enough to be able to point out features and talk about them as we move along. We do not feel that we are passing through the landscape but are actually in it – experiencing some of the same sights, sounds and smells as its early residents.

For a donation of \$18 for adults and \$11 for children ages 4-12, folks who took the wagon tour were more than pleased. They agreed that it is a fun and informative way to expe-



rience Port Oneida. Several lucky kids got to ride up front with Tom and even give the horses commands.

Still everyone, young and old, had a great time. Volunteer Margo Detzler and her grandchildren developed a treasure hunt that goes with every tour and keeps the children (and adults we found!) curious about what to look for. Thanks also to Jean Jenkins who allowed Tom a place to store his wagon in Port Oneida, and for being our first tour guide in training—she did a fantastic job! With the success we had this year we plan to continue the wagon tours next summer. Anyone want to be a tour guide? Contact our office.

New ROOTStories Shares Descendants History



ROOTStories is a program inviting descendants of historic properties in the Park to come back and share their family history— stories of life at their farm, log cabin or inn. Last July, we enjoyed having Norbert Bufka for our first official program. Mr. Bufka was the last Bufka born at their farm now in

the Park, near Good Harbor. In a two-hour program he took us back in time to the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Starting at the Olsen Farm he shared memorabilia, then continued to the Bufka farm for an up-close tour of the buildings inside and out. Mr. Bufka, who is



Historic photo of the Bufka Farm in Good Harbor

retired and lives in Midland with his wife Sue, has written three books related to his family history which are available at the Olsen house.

Preserve at Work in the Park

































The Clapboard Applauds Our Volunteers!



Our volunteers are the backbone of the work we do. Their work benefits Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore and all of those that visit the Park. *Preserve's* Board and staff applaud and thank all of our volunteers for partnering with us.

If you'd like to volunteer, please sign up on our website at www.phsb.org.

Fiscal year 2013-14 3,606 Volunteer hours = \$81,315 value

OPERATIONS

Cheri Boss Ed Crippen Maureen Doran Bill Herd Jim Horn Steve Rader Linda Stevenson Ty Stuber Jim Vachow

DOCENTS/TOURS

Norbert Bufka Mary Crane Bill Herd Jean Jenkins Nancy Olsen Dorie Price Charlotte Smith Linda Stevenson Tom Van Zoeren

PORT ONEIDA FAIR

Fran Alfs Chris Armbrecht Frank Crane Mary Crane Maureen Doran Jean Jenkins Scott Jenkins Heather Koch Donna Novak Nancy Olsen Jim and Linda Phillips Dorie Price Steve Rader Charlotte Smith Linda Stevenson TCAPS Jim Vachow Jill Webb

David Doran

Olsen Site Fair Presenters Kathleen Bridson Cherry Republic Marge Habegger Bill Herd Mike Hulbert Jerry Kloock Peg Kloock Heidi Neiderer Amy Peterson St. Mary's Quilters

Tillers Int'l Tom Van Zoeren Shari Whittaker Joel Wright

PORT ONEIDA BBQ

Chris Armbrecht David Doran Maureen Doran Nancy Gerould Bryan Gerould Bill Herd Heather Koch Linda Stevenson Jim Stevenson Karen Wells

PROJECTS Burfiend Porch Jack Boss

Doug Detzler Jim Kelderhouse Leonard Marszalek Fred Siegmund

Burfiend Windows Margo Detzler John Flynn Peter Katz Susan Pocklington Steve Stier David Watt Steve Young

Gardening Maureen Doran

David Doran

Field Restoration

Fran Alfs Cherry Republic Christian Brigade Doug Detzler Margo Detzler Peter Katz Fred Siegmund Jim Vachow Karen Wells TCAPS

North Manitou Arvon Byle Sally Byle Gray Carlson

Jerry Conroy Doug Detzler Margo Detzler lim Fonte Stacie Hill **Jim Kelderhouse** Meggen Petersen Susan Pocklington Vince Sadowski Fred Siegmund Libby Siegmund Mike Tenbrock Mark Vysoky David Watt Ray Webb Karen Wells Elizabeth Wheeler Tom Whitaker

Olsen Interior

David Adams Jack Boss Doug Detzler Margo Detzler Bill Herd Jim Kobberstad Janice McCurties Steve Rader Fred Siegmund Linda Stevenson TCAPS

Exhibit

Julie Avery

PORT ONEIDA RUN

Andrew Beck David Doran David Doran Jr. Maureen Doran Megan Gerould Nancy Gerould Barb Kobberstad Jim Kobberstad Kelly Kobberstad Colin Johnstone Don McNew Peggy McNew Fred Siegmund Libby Siegmund Jill Webb

If we have missed anyone please let us know!

The **MILESTONE MARKER**

The following volunteers have reached new benchmarks in volunteer hours. Congratulations and special thanks for your

devotion!

<u>700 hours</u>

Doug Detzler TCAPS

<u>500 hours</u>

Margo Detzler Fred Siegmund

<u>400 hours</u> Maureen Doran Stacie Hill

300 hours Ed Crippen

<u>200 hours</u> Bill Herd Meggen Petersen Linda Stevenson Tom Van Zoeren

<u>100 hours</u> Mike Tenbrock Ray Webb

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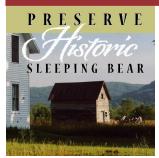
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