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**Upcoming Events**

**Nov 26 @6:30@SC**

Mike Rybak-Using  
Public Records for  
Historical Purposes

**Dec 8 @4:00@SKH**

Open House Holiday  
Gathering

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## *Harwinton Historical Society*

### **November, 2012 Newsletter**

Roger Plaskett's "Mysteries of Harwinton" program on Monday, October 22, was a rousing success. Literally, standing room only.

On Saturday, October 27, we opened the Country Store in conjunction with Harwinton's 275<sup>th</sup> birthday party at the fairgrounds. We provided free mulled cider and sold a few books along with some of Theo's calendars. Lots of society members turned out, many performing double and triple duty with other Harwinton organizations. Thanks for your support.

On Sunday, October 28, we were treated to another outstanding program by Craig Hotchkiss entitled "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn". Thanks to our program committee, Candace Jones-Pacholski, Luella Bartes and Loda Sheehan for an outstanding job all year long.

Then along came Sandy. Many lost power. We had power, but lost our cable connection. No phone, no TV or Internet access. Read a lot.

The Harwinton House project gained some momentum recently from the Greater Litchfield Trust which has agreed to match as much as \$12,000 in state grant money for a site feasibility survey and for building plans for the project. In addition the Harwinton House Committee will hold a special

meeting on Tuesday, November 20 to interview four architectural firms that submitted bids to evaluate the proposed site and to develop plans for the reassembly. Thanks to the committee for all the time and effort.

Roger and I put up the Harwinton House thermometer on Marion Thierry's corner of Bentley Drive. Thank you Marion.

Our regular meeting scheduled for Monday, November 15, will feature a program by Town Attorney Mike Rybak entitled "Using Public Records for Historical Purposes". We also have arranged for a dinner from Lucky's at the Post Office Plaza consisting of chicken parmigiana with pasta, tossed salad, bread, butter, soft drinks and dessert for \$10 per person. We will need a count no later than Wednesday, November 21. Please contact me by email at [dickpski1010@charter.net](mailto:dickpski1010@charter.net) or call me at home at 860-485-9343. The evening will start at 6:30 with a short business meeting, followed by dinner and then the program. The main item of business will be the election of officers for 2013.

The program committee is working on an Open House Holiday Gathering at the Skinner House from 4 – 6 PM on Sunday, Dec 8. More details to come.

Roger Plaskett has completed the Citizen of the Year write ups and pictures on the Harwinton History web site ([www.harwintonhistory.com](http://www.harwintonhistory.com)). Check it out. He also has prepared a black and white companion scrapbook featuring each Citizen of the Year. Maybe he can bring it to the dinner meeting for all to see. Thanks Roger, for all you do to promote Harwinton's history.

Thank you all for your continuing support.

Dick