

# THE GATES MILLS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

*If you love village history, make it last. Join The Gates Mills Historical Society!*

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### *2015 was an eventful year for the Historical Society!*

We are a vital organization with an active board. Our year's accomplishments are many. We have:

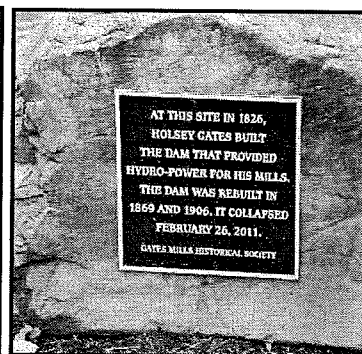
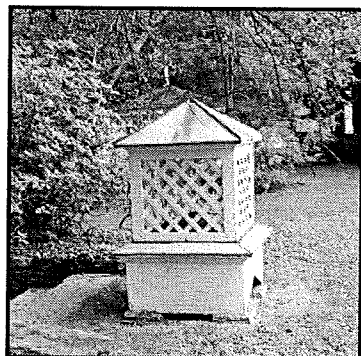
- ☞ created new exhibits at the Museum celebrating village organizations and fascinating personalities
- ☞ installed a plaque marking the site of the dam on the Chagrin River
- ☞ renovated the gardens, lawns and terrace at The Museum
- ☞ rescued the cupola from Cahill's Market and installed it in The Southwick House gardens
- ☞ had a rededication ceremony for the new gardens for Historical Society members
- ☞ held our annual dinner at Burton Court with 4 guest speakers, all lifelong village residents

### *What does the Historical Society have planned for 2016?*

We are moving forward this spring at The Southwick House. Carpeting had been installed on much of the first floor when the village library occupied the Jones and conference rooms. We removed the wall-to-wall to reveal the original floors of pine and poplar. If the floors could talk, they would have over 180 years of stories to tell. We are happy to say that the floors are being refurbished, and we are planning a grand reopening!

Collecting 20<sup>th</sup> Century Tales is ongoing as members are seeking historical accounts from longtime residents. Some tales are humorous while others are lengthy and historical. Do you have a tale to tell before the memories fade away? Contact Jim Stafford to make plans to write down your story: 440.539.7403 or jim\_stafford@progressive.com.

Please join the Gates Mills Historical Society, learn about our village, and support our efforts to preserve its unique history in the valley. Your checks are tax-deductible.



THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY RELIES SOLELY ON MEMBERSHIP DUES AND PRIVATE DONATIONS.

Thank you for supporting The Gates Mills Historical Society.

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- Student (18 years old & younger): \$10.
- Individual: \$ 25.
- Family: \$ 60.
- Archivist: \$ 100.
- Benefactor: \$ 250. or more

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