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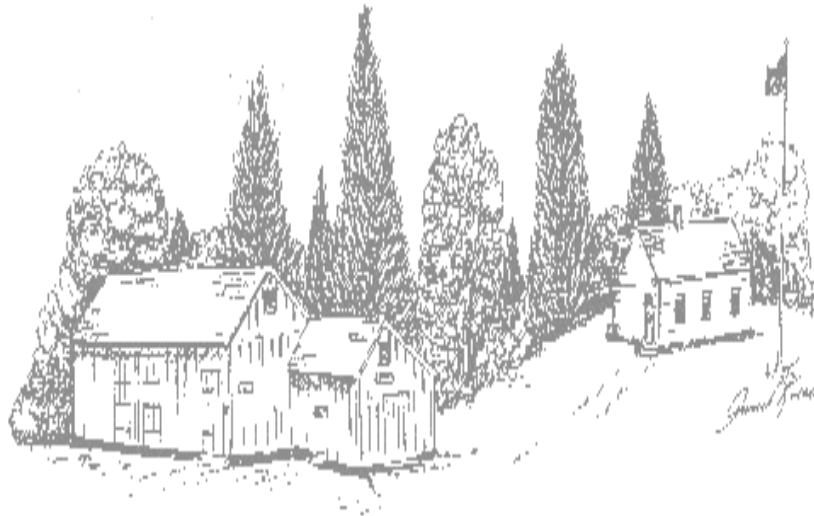
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**Upcoming Events**

**Tue Jan 10 @ 6:30**  
Special BOD @SKH

**Thu Jan 19 @ 6:30**  
BOD @ SKH

**Mon Jan 30 @ 6:30**  
REG @ SNRCTR

*Harwinton Historical Society*

**January 2012 Newsletter**

Happy New Year and thank you for affording me the honor of serving as your president for 2012. Thank you to past presidents Ellie Woike and Bruce Mosher for all of their years of service to the society. I look forward to their continued support.

Let me share my plans for our organization.

I am committed to the restoration of the Harwinton House.

I am committed to the strengthening and growth of the Harwinton Historical Society.

To support these commitments I will:

- Fully support our involvement in StEPs-CT which I am pleased to announce has accepted our application into the program.
- Embark on a partnership with the region 10 school district and the local scouting organizations for the purpose of promoting historical activities and projects on the part of our young people. In addition to the long term investment I hope to gain some immediate parental involvement.

- Increase the publicity and public relations output relative to the society and its' projects and activities.
- Increase our involvement with our neighboring historical organizations.

### **Harwinton House**

I have called a special Board of Directors meeting to discuss our participation in this project. We need to get more specific about our involvement and level of commitment. Those of us on the Harwinton House town committee need to tell you what we've been up to and we need to hear from you regarding your expectations. We'll do that on Tuesday, January 10, @ 6:30, at the Skinner House.

### **StEPs-CT**

StEPS (Standards and Excellence Program for History Organizations) is a voluntary, self-assessment program developed by the American Association for State and Local History for small and medium sized museums, historic houses, historical societies and other history organizations. We will need formal BOD commitment and authorization to proceed. Details on Tuesday.

### **Regular BOD Meeting**

Will be held on Thursday, January 19, @ 6:30 at the Skinner House. Primary purpose is to prepare the plan and budget for the year.

### **Regular Annual Meeting**

Will be held on Monday, January 30, @ 6:30 at the Senior Center. A program on Mark Twain will be followed by our annual meeting. Annual reports regarding 2011 accomplishments will be reviewed and the plans and budget for 2012 will be submitted for approval.

I expect a busy, productive year for the society. I look forward to your support, input and involvement.

Dick