

# Clinton County Historical Society

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# 50 Years

## CCHS 50th Anniversary News

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## Year-Long Celebration Begins February 28th

We're looking forward to celebrating our past. 2024 marks the 50th anniversary of CCHS.

The plan is to keep you in the loop with this monthly e-mail. Look here for information regarding events, acquisitions, accomplishments, and news.

First a little boasting. In our 50 years, VOLUNTEERS have established and maintained the Museum Complex in St. Johns and the Archives near DeWitt. We encourage you to visit both venues during the year and attend the planned events.



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<https://opennet.us/cchs>

Julie Peters is the Director of the Archives. She strives to preserve the paper and photographic records of Clinton County's families and to make the information readily available to researchers in person and online.

Did you know that the Archives has indexed many of its books and papers? Take advantage of this site when doing your genealogical and historical research.

FOR SALE: History of Clinton County, Michigan; 1980.; used; \$50. Contact Archives

WANTED: 1931 Rodney B. Wilson High School yearbook, missing in Archives collection.

### February 28th Open House

Join us for a special open house on the anniversary date of our founding on February 28, 2024, at the St. Johns railroad depot from 3-5.

There will be displays, refreshments, and a sneak preview of some of the events we have planned for this year.



106 Maple St., St. Johns

[CCHistoricalMuseum.org](http://CCHistoricalMuseum.org)

Did you know that the Museum Complex is made up of the Paine-Gillam-Scott House (which is the oldest brick house in St. Johns), a carriage house, and a general store building? On display are artifacts of importance to the county's history.

The Museum recently named a new director, Kelly Jurman. She comes with a fresh outlook and works with Karen Kusenda, new Co-Director, to make the buildings attractive, authentic, and enlightening.

Although the Museum complex is currently closed (on its winter schedule), the staff has repaired the deteriorated foundation of the carriage house and is now restoring the exterior and polishing up the interior to be ready for the spring opening.

Volunteers are vital to our existence. A current volunteer is Emma Cribley who multi-tasks at the Museum by helping with displays and programs.