

# CUDAHY HISTORICAL SOCIETY



JUNE 2017

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MAIL: PO BOX 332, CUDAHY, WI 53110

*The Purposes of this organization are exclusively educational and shall be to preserve, advance, and disseminate knowledge of the history of Cudahy Wisconsin.*

## *From the President's Desk... Jill Gestwicki*



Dear Members—

*It's officially summer! We've been busy at the Depot.*

*Our "Bikes & Blooms" event was a success!*

*A little downpour of rain didn't hamper our wonderful day! We had lots of bikes to offer, many furniture and school items from the Cudahy School District, a fire hydrant from the City, and beautiful flower baskets and planters from Bluemel's.*

*Charlene Peltier volunteered on behalf of our Society at the Summer Reading Kickoff Carnival at the Cudahy Family Library on June 3, 2017. Thank you Charlene!*

*The 2nd Annual Art Show will take place on Friday, June 23 at the Depot. Please join us for this special event featuring 3 local artists, live music by "Winter in the East", food, beverages, a 50/50 raffle and lots of fun! Thank you to Stramowski Heating, Inc. for sponsoring the tent and including this event in their radio ads. We are grateful for their generosity! Please spread the word and invite your family and friends to this event.*

*The Cudahy Historical Society will have a float at Cudahy's 4th of July parade. If you can help plan and decorate please contact me.*

*Picnic in the Park, featuring the South Milwaukee Municipal Band will be held September 10. We need more helping hands. Please contact any of the Board members for info.*

*This year the Cudahy Historical Society will be taking part in the Doors Open Milwaukee event on September 23 and 24. Our doors will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. for visitors to share*

*our beautiful Depot and history.*

*The tenant has moved out of the Annex building and we will be looking for a new tenant in July. If you know of a small business looking for office space, have them contact one of the Board members for details.*

*Have you participated in our Sponsor A Month program? For a donation of \$500.00 toward lawn and maintenance of the Depot grounds, you will be recognized on the marquis sign, on the website, and in the newsletter. This is also a great gift "in honor" or "in memory" of someone. You may choose any month available. See page 5 for more information.*

*I look forward to seeing you on June 20 at the General Meeting! This is a great year! I encourage more members to get involved with helping hands.*

*Gratefully, Jill*

## *Memberships—DUE*

The Cudahy Historical Society membership year runs September 1—August 31. Yearly dues may be mailed (see back of newsletter), paid online ([www.cudahyhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.cudahyhistoricalsociety.org)) or paid at the general meeting. Checks are made payable to Cudahy Historical Society. Membership cards will be given upon request. If you have any questions please contact Membership Chairperson Jill Gestwicki at (414) 481-7341. Thank you!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

June 20, 2017  
General Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

June 23, 2017  
Art Show, 6:00—10:00 p.m.

June 24, 2017  
Open House, 10 am—12 pm

July 04, 2017  
Cudahy 4th of July Parade, 12 pm

July 29, 2017  
Open House, 10 am—12 pm

August 26, 2017  
Open House, 10 am—12 pm

September 10, 2017  
Picnic in the Park  
Featuring SM Municipal Band

September 19, 2017  
General Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

September 23—24, 2017  
Doors Open Milwaukee  
10 a.m.—5 p.m.

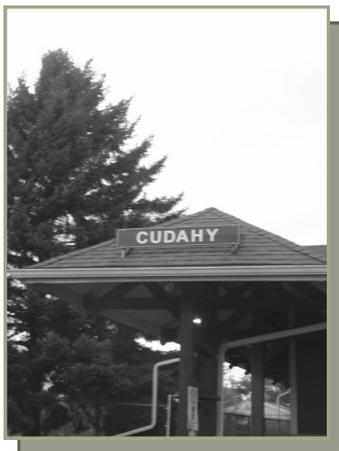
October 17, 2017  
Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

November 18, 2017  
Pie-A-Palooza, Depot

November 21, 2017  
General Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

December 02, 2017  
Christmas at the Depot, 10:00 a.m.





### Officers / Board

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- President Jill Gestwicki 414-481-7341
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“ALONE WE CAN  
DO SO LITTLE...  
TOGETHER WE  
CAN DO SO  
MUCH”.

HELEN KELLER



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**Fiber Made -**  
**A Community Experience**  
**Art Show**

**Friday, June 23**

**6pm-10pm**

**Cudahy Train Depot**

**4647 S. KK Ave**

**3 Local Artists**

**\*GREAT ART**

**\*50/50 RAFFLE**

**\*FOOD & BEVERAGES**

**LIVE MUSIC** By "Winter In The East"

**FUN for ALL!!**

# Meet the Artists

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**ASHLEY DUGAN SCHETTL** I am a self-taught basket weaver having worked in the medium for twenty years. Originally from Oshkosh, Wisconsin, I moved to Milwaukee in 2003 and have continued to refine my craft here. My specific focus has been to enhance the structural elements as well as the overall design of each piece of handcrafted work. Color pairing plays an integral role in my process as I work to create sculptural and functional baskets. All of my basket work is done by hand and each piece is one of a kind.



In the past few years, I have begun to work on a floor loom exploring color, shape, and texture in textiles designed with the home in mind. I have been experimenting with wall hangings and rugs with various weave structures. Much of my work on the loom is intended to be an extension of the color and shape found in my baskets.

**SARAH EICHHORN** is an Assistant Professor and Chair of the Fashion Department at Mount Mary University in Milwaukee, WI. She received her MFA in Costume Design from Florida State University, as well as her BFA in Fashion Design. While pursuing her master's degree, Sarah continued to improve her skills while learning different methods of surface design through design assignments. These skills are still evident in her personal design work, both fashion and textile, that is showcased today.



Sarah feels very strongly about sustainability, and sources her textile materials and natural dye supplies domestically here in the United States. Aside from her formal fashion and costume background, she is also an avid urban gardener and homesteader.

I am a fiber artist who focuses on sustainability and connecting with nature. I utilize the technique of ori-nui, or stitching, shibori while weaving my handwoven panels. This shibori technique creates irregular patterns that are reminiscent of clouds in the sky, water ripples in a pond, or the sun's rays shimmering in the breeze.

I source my textile materials domestically, ensuring they are organically grown and when using them, leave the smallest carbon footprint possible. By using natural dyes in my artwork, I am ensuring that our water systems remain clean and free of toxins.

Using organic cotton yarns, the woven shibori technique and natural dyes, I am drawing my inspiration from Nature and unpredictability. Through the hand woven process, the yarns are minimally processed, leaving bumps and blemishes that appear throughout the finished weaving. The colors obtained for natural color vary season to season, and variables of time of day, temperature and harvest amounts can impact color. For these reasons, the outcome of the final piece of art is left to chance. The shibori resist patterns that are released at the end of the dye bath are like meditations, with each one suspended in a different moment in time.

**HOPE HOLUBOWICZ** Hope recently graduated from the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee earning a Bachelor of Arts degree with a concentration in fibers. She is currently teaching classes at Wild Haven Fiber Company, and is working on establishing herself as an artist in the Bay View community.



Natural dyeing, sewing, quilting, and knitting are included, but not limited to the many forms of fiber work she practices. Hope's favorite part of the world of fibers is the opportunity to teach others, and share her love for this timeless form of art.

Large portions of her work consist of crocheting and knitting allowing organic bodies of work to be created. Having worked as an ABA therapist for three years, she has created weighted crocheted sacs that act as sensory toys for children with Autism. Installation pieces that scale in size and weight are one of her favorite articles to make, allowing people of all ages to engage in a tactile experience. In the near future she hopes to work on a collaborative piece with fellow fiber enthusiasts that will have a positive impact on the community.

Our beautiful depot building is on the National Register of Historic Places! Quite a treasure for the nation and especially for the city of Cudahy!! Our grounds surrounding the building are immense—both north and south parks. It requires \$6,000+ per year to keep them looking neat and trim. They are truly the “gateway to the city” - one of the first things people see on their way into Cudahy traveling to town from the west. Our fundraising efforts do help, but general operating costs (i.e. heat, electric, water) eat up most of our money raised from these events. We are asking for help! **A tax deductible donation of \$500** will “sponsor a month” of lawn and landscaping of our grounds in 2017. You can choose from any of the 6 remaining months, or choose a month in 2018! **Your donation will be recognized on our marquis sign in the front of our building, in our newsletter and on our website** at [www.cudahyhistorical society.org](http://www.cudahyhistorical society.org) for the month you sponsor. This is a great chance to “give back” to your community, honor a family member, memorialize a loved one, give as a gift, or for any reason you choose. Please consider this opportunity and contact Fundraising Chair—Kathy Lorum at 414-281-4548 with questions or mail in your donation to **Kathy Lorum Attention: “Sponsor a Month” 1532 W. Grange Avenue, Milwaukee WI 53221 using the form below!**

**\*\*Checks made payable to Cudahy Historical Society\*\***  
**\*\*Your cancelled check will serve as your receipt\*\***



**CUDAHY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**  
**“SPONSOR A MONTH”**  
**LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE PROJECT**

Name & phone \_\_\_\_\_

Your preferred Month to sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

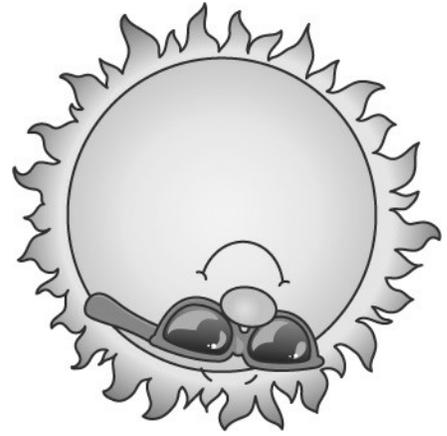
Enclosed is my donation of \$500 to be designated toward lawn and landscape maintenance of the Cudahy train depot grounds. I would like to sponsor the month of

\_\_\_\_\_. The donation is being made in honor of, in memory, in celebration of, etc....

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*If your preferred month is already spoken for we will recognize your contribution in the next closest month.*

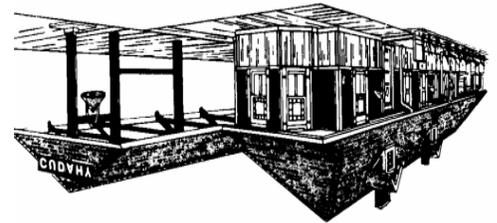
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# MEMBERSHIP FORM

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State, Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Donation to Statue/Park Maintenance

\_\_\_\_\_ \$3 Student Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ \$10 Individual Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ \$15 Family Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25 Business Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100 Lifetime Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ Additional Donation

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in serving as:

\_\_\_\_\_ Baker

**NEW:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Gardening

**RENEWAL:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Newsletter

\_\_\_\_\_ Publicity

\_\_\_\_\_ Officer/Board Member

\_\_\_\_\_ Social Helper

\_\_\_\_\_ Fundraising

\_\_\_\_\_ Depot Maintenance

\_\_\_\_\_ Other (special talent) \_\_\_\_\_



The Cudahy Historical Society meets 5 times per year—February, April, June, September and November. Meetings are held the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Depot. A newsletter is sent to members prior to each meeting.

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