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Monthly Newsletter of the
South Suburban Archaeological Society
Lecture meetings are at 7:30 p.m. at
The Irwin Center
18120 S. Highland Avenue, Homewood

Schedule of Events

2018

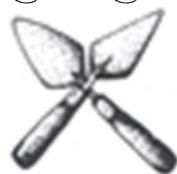
August 25 SSAS Summer Excursion ~ 12:30 PM
Graue Mill & York Tavern, Oak Brook
August 27 Officers' Meeting at Mama & Me Pizzeria
18219 Dixie Hwy., Homewood ~ 7:30 PM

September 20 Ann Keating, Ph.D. ~ 7:30 PM
"Rising Up from Indian Country:
The Battle of Fort Dearborn and
The Birth of Chicago"

Deadline for material to be included in the next
Arkylfacts is two weeks before the monthly meeting.

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August 2018



Saturday, August 25 – 12:30 PM
SSAS SUMMER EXCURSION
Graue Mill & Museum and York Tavern
Oak Brook, Illinois
(630)655-2090

Frederick Graue was born in Germany, came to the United States, and settled in Fullersburg, Illinois, in 1842. In 1849, along with his partner William Asche, he purchased the site of a sawmill that had burned down, and constructed a gristmill there. Limestone for the basement walls was quarried near Lemont; bricks for the rest of the walls were made from clay from the Graue farm and fired in kilns near the mill site; flooring, beams, and posts were from white oak timbers cut along the I & M Canal. The four one-ton buhrstones used for grinding were imported from France. After the gristmill opened in April 1852, it ground wheat, corn and other grains produced by local farmers. The mill was a major center of economic life during the 19th century, and was also used by Fred Graue to hide runaway slaves on their journey to freedom in Canada. Located on the banks of Salt Creek, Graue Mill is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and in 1981 was recognized as an Illinois Historic Mechanical Engineering Landmark by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers—the only gristmill so designated on a national or local level, representative of an important technology and era in the history of America. Today, Graue Mill is the only operating waterwheel gristmill in the Chicago area.

ALL SSAS MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS are invited to tour the Graue Mill & Museum, followed by lunch at York Tavern. Tickets for Graue Mill (at the door) are \$5.00-General Adult, \$4.00-Senior. (Lunch at York Tavern is not included in ticket price.)

Meet at Graue Mill at 12:30 PM at the “outdoor picnic table area.” Directions are provided in the newsletter insert.

Our Next Business Meeting..... will be on Monday, August 27 at 7:30 PM at Mama & Me Pizzeria, 18219 Dixie Hwy., Homewood.

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GRAUE MILL & MUSEUM

3800 York Road, Oak Brook, Illinois

(630)655-2090

Graue Mill is located ¼ mile north of Ogden Avenue, at the junction of York and Spring Roads, in Oak Brook, Illinois.

I-294: If using I-294 north toward Wisconsin. Exit at WEST Ogden Avenue (Route 34) (Exit 27B). Follow Ogden Avenue (west) for approximately a half mile to York Road (second traffic light). Turn north/right. In a very short distance, at the first light, is the Mill parking lot. Turn right into the lot.

Route 83: If traveling north on Route 83, exit at Ogden Avenue (Route 34) EAST. In about a mile, turn left/north at York Road. In a very short distance, at the first light, is the Mill parking lot. Turn right into the lot.

Following our tour of Graue Mill & Museum, we will proceed together to York Tavern.

YORK TAVERN

3702 York Road, Oak Brook, Illinois

(630)323-5090

York Tavern is located on the west side of York Road, north of the Salt Creek Bridge.

Built in 1843 by Benjamin Fuller, York Tavern is believed to be the oldest continuously operating, privately owned eating and drinking establishment in DuPage County. It is a key remnant of a complex of buildings that remain from the original village of Fullersburg.

INFORMATION ON GRAUE MILL, YORK TAVERN, AND OTHER SITES OF “OLD FULLERSBURG” CAN BE FOUND AT <https://www.fullersburg.org/sites-c1/uh>

Ben Fuller Farmhouse

Graue Mill Dam

The Mammoth Spring Ice House

Faith Fellowship Church

Frederick Graue House

Fullersburg Cemetery

Graue Mill & Museum

York Tavern