SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
thru April 29, 2019

Schedule of events will be updated on the Sesquicentennial website
southhaven.org/150
FRIDAY - MAY 10

Farm History Day

Location: Michigan Flywheelers Museum / 06285 68th Street
Time: 9 AM to 2 PM

Open to area schools and home-schoolers, “Farm History Day” offers students, teachers, and chaperones a chance to learn about life on a South Haven rural farm in the early 1900s. Take a self-guided outdoor tour around the museum and participate in hands-on displays like candlemaking, pressing fruit and using a two-man saw!

FRIDAY - MAY 10

Community Picnic

Location: Stanley Johnston Park / 202 Dyckman Avenue
Time: 4 PM to 7 PM

South Haven’s kick off event for its sesquicentennial celebrations.

SATURDAY - MAY 11

150 Years at the Scott Club

Location: The Scott Club / 652 Phoenix Street
Time: 1 PM to 4 PM

Historic open house at the Scott Club, featuring historic displays and refreshments.

FRIDAY - MAY 24

Blessing of the Fleet/Season Kick-Off Picnic

Location: Michigan Maritime Museum / 260 Dyckman Avenue
Time: 5 PM to 8 PM

Join the Michigan Maritime Museum for a celebration of the 2019 summer season. Festivities will begin with an exciting major announcement about the future of the MMM followed by our annual Blessing of the Fleet. Tall ship Friends Good Will, Museum vessels, and other South Haven harbor boats participate in a ceremony for a safe and successful season. The Blessing is followed by the kick-off fish fry at the most picturesque location in the heart of South Haven’s maritime district.
SATURDAY - MAY 25
Historical Association of South Haven 2019 Opening Exhibit

Location: Historical Association of South Haven / 355 Hubbard Street
Time: 6 PM to 8 PM
Opening for the Historical Association of South Haven's new exhibit for 2019, featuring photos of downtown South Haven from over 50 years ago with photos of "today" for reference.

THURSDAY - MAY 30
4th Annual Harbor Walk

Location: Michigan Maritime Museum / 260 Dyckman Avenue
Time: 5:30 PM to 7 PM
Please join the Michigan Maritime Museum for the 4th Annual Harbor Walk. The Harbor Walk runs from pier head to pier head in South Haven’s Maritime District. A historic guided tour will point out some of South Haven’s maritime history along the way. From start to finish it is roughly 3.2 miles (5K). A great way to get in those 10,000 steps all while getting some great South Haven maritime history. There is no registration or fee for this event. Just come on out and appreciate 150 years of South Haven history!

SATURDAY - JUNE 1
South Haven Bark Peelers Vintage Baseball Games

Location: Kid's Corner Park / 82 Monroe Street
Time: 12 PM
Vintage baseball games hosted by the South Haven Bark Peelers, playing against the Kalamazoo Continentals and the Livery Brewers.

FRIDAY, JUNE 14 - SATURDAY, JUNE 15
HarborFest Hosting Mermaid MegaFest

Location: Downtown South Haven
Annual festival celebrating maritime history in South Haven! HarborFest and Mermaid MegaFest features concerts, dragon boat races, kids events, arts and crafts, merpeople and more!
MORE INFO
SATURDAY - JUNE 15
38th Annual Antique & Classic Boat Show

Location: Michigan Maritime Museum / 260 Dyckman Avenue

Time: 10 AM to 4 PM

The Michigan Maritime Museum presents the 38th Antique & Classic Boat Show during HarborFest weekend in South Haven. This event celebrates all kinds of antique and classic small craft from power boats to paddle boats. Woodworkers and collectors alike will show their boats, demonstrations on boat building techniques will be featured, and toy boat building will be available for kids. Our aim is to help perpetuate the building, restoration, and use of classic boats and small craft and to give participants and the public an entertaining and informative learning experience.

WEDNESDAY - JUNE 19
What You Can Learn From Old Photographs

Location: Historical Association of South Haven / 355 Hubbard Street

Time: 7 PM

A presentation by Alice Clark from the Van Buren County Genealogical Society.

SUNDAY - JUNE 30
Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social

Location: Historical Association of South Haven / 355 Hubbard Street

Time: 2 PM to 4 PM

An annual event featuring neighborly conversations, Sherman's Ice Cream, the Casco Band, vintage lawn croquet and children's activities.

THURSDAY, JULY 4
4th of July Parade

Location: Downtown South Haven

Time: 11 AM

This year will be a special one for the community of South Haven. Not only is the town commemorating its 150th anniversary with a year-long series of events, the Fourth of July Parade will be celebrating its 170th anniversary. To honor these significant milestones, the Fourth of July committee has established the theme:
"South Haven: Honor our Past, Focused on the Present, Imagining our Future." The theme should lend itself to a wide variety of ideas for parade entries, from ones that reflect the pioneer spirit that helped create South Haven, to entries that imagine what the future holds for the community. To reflect this special year in South Haven's history, several plaques will be awarded based on the theme:

Best Overall Entry
Best Entry Reflecting South Haven's Past
Best Entry Reflecting South Haven's Present
Best Entry Reflecting South Haven's Future
Best Late 1800's Clothing Attire
Best Late 1800's-style Beard and Mustache
Best Pageant Entry
Best Children's Entry
Most Patriotic Entry

For more information, contact Becky at the Tribune, 269-637-1104

SUNDAY, JULY 7
South Haven Rotary Club Pancake Breakfast
Location: Downtown Dyckman Pavilion
Time: 8 AM to 12 PM

SATURDAY - JULY 13
Annual Fish Boil Dinner Fundraiser
Location: Michigan Maritime Museum / 260 Dyckman Avenue
Time: 5 PM to 8 PM
Enjoy a delicious Great Lakes fish boil dinner at the Michigan Maritime Museum. This annual event is a fundraiser for the Museum where local organizations and businesses come together to donate everything from the food to tablecloths. 100% of the proceeds help the Museum! Don’t miss out on this delicious summer meal with a great view of the harbor!

WEDNESDAY - JULY 31
Vintage Postcards
Location: Historical Association of South Haven / 355 Hubbard Street
Time: 7 PM
Presentation by Dianna Stampfler, CTA from Promote Michigan.

SATURDAY - AUGUST 3
South Haven Bark Peelers Vintage Baseball Game
Location: TBD
Time: 12 PM
Community vintage baseball game, presented by the South Haven Bark Peelers.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8 - SUNDAY, AUGUST 11
National Blueberry Festival
Location: Downtown South Haven
South Haven’s signature event since 1963, the National Blueberry Festival began when a group of South Havenites got together to plan a small event to celebrate the blueberry harvest. South Haven is the epicenter of highbush blueberry production and a large part of the economy and cultural heritage is connected with the prominence of agriculture in the region. Combined with the blueberry’s charms of being beautiful, delicious and oh-so-healthy, the Blueberry Festival quickly became a very popular and successful event! The early festivals were largely focused on baking competitions, recipe exchanges, and the ever-popular Blueberry Festival parade.
MORE INFO

SUNDAY - AUGUST 11
47th Annual South Haven Rotary Club Fly-in Pancake Breakfast
Location: South Haven Regional Airport / 73020 County Road 380
Time: 7 AM to 12 PM

SATURDAY - AUGUST 17
6th Annual Boat Walk
Location: Michigan Maritime Museum / 260 Dyckman Avenue
Time: 12 PM to 4PM
The 6th Annual Boat Walk will feature a variety of stunning vessels docked here in South Haven harbor. Set up like a home tour, your ticket gets you on all of the participating vessels for a chance to meet the owners/captains and check out above and below decks. You also get admission to the Museum! This is your chance to go aboard many vessels you’ve only dreamed about.

SATURDAY - AUGUST 17
South Haven in Stories and Song
Location: Listiak Auditorium, South Haven High School / 600 Elkenburg Street
Time: 7 PM
"South Haven in Stories and Song" is a delightful way to learn about South Haven's history, including the timeless art of story-telling to the toe-tapping sing along songs that celebrate the experiences of growing up along Lake Michigan's shore.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
Antique Engine & Tractor Show
Location: Michigan Flywheelers Museum / 06285 68th Street
Time: Thursday through Saturday - 8 AM to 8 PM / Sunday - 8 AM to 4 PM
One of the largest shows of its kind in the state, the Antique Engine, and Tractor Show features hundreds of old farm machinery, demonstrations, parades, live entertainment, plenty of kids activities and more. All four days are filled with things to see and do for the entire family.

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 7
South Haven Bark Peelers Vintage Baseball Games
Location: Kid's Corner Park / 82 Monroe Street
Time: 12 PM
Vintage baseball tournament hosted by the South Haven Bark Peelers, playing against the House of David Echoes and the Livery Brewers.

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 7
Lakeview Cemetery Guided Tour
Location: Lake View Cemetery
Time: 1 PM
Join us for a guided tour of South Haven's storied residents, from famous names to little known stories, we'll visit the final resting places of the people who made South Haven such a wonderful place.

**TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 24**

**Researching House Histories**

**Location:** Historical Association of South Haven / 355 Hubbard Street  
**Time:** 7 PM

Presented by Lynn Houghton of Western Michigan University's Archives and Regional History Archives. Learn what records will lead you to discovering the stories of the residents before you, and how you can access the information that will help tell a home's story.

**THURSDAY - OCTOBER 10**

**South Haven Area Emergency Services Fire Safety Fun Night**

**Location:** Station Three / 90 Blue Star Highway  
**Time:** 5 PM to 8 PM

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18 - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19**

**Haven Harvest**

**Location:** Downtown South Haven  
Prepare yourself for fall flavors and fright-filled nights! Taste the flavors of fall as hayrides roll, pumpkins fly, headless horsemen ride, and haunted houses awaken. Experience a true South Haven harvest with apple orchards, bonfires, pumpkin chunkin', and delicious good-as-grandma's pies. So grab some cider, dance to live music, and see South Haven transform!

**SATURDAY - OCTOBER 19**

**Walking Tour of the North Side Resorts**

**Location:** Bunde's Bakery / 89 North Shore Drive  
**Time:** 10 AM

The Historical Association of South Haven welcomes Joe Ashen for a spirited tour of the North Side's resort locations. There's always more to the story than the glitz and glam, and with Joe there's always one more story.
Bring your walking shoes, and rain or shine it's showtime!

TUESDAY - OCTOBER 22
South Haven Storytellers

Location: Historical Association of South Haven / 355 Hubbard Street

Time: 7 PM

Guided by host and experienced storyteller Joan Wendland, this group has developed it's own following with a variety of topics and talents. With fond remembrances, hilarious tales of childhood and adult insight into times gone by, it's a casual evening of laughing, listening and learning.