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**SAUGATUCK-DOUGLAS HISTORICAL SOCIETY
SEEKS UPSCALE ITEMS FOR OLD SCHOOL HOUSE SALE**

SAUGATUCK, JUNE 12, 2009 -- An "Upscale Sale" fund-raising event at the Old School House Discovery Center, being planned by Saugatuck-Douglas Historical Society for mid-July, provides a "win-win-win" opportunity to help support the completion of this unique community resource and the Society's other volunteer programs, while clearing out unwanted high-quality household items and gaining a tax deduction in the process.

Donated items may be dropped off at the Old School House, 130 Center Street in Douglas, Saturdays from 9 a.m. to Noon on June 20, June 27 and July 11, and Tuesdays from 4 to 7 p.m. on June 23, June 30, July 7 and July 14.

The planned sale anticipates a focus on "value" items such as antiques, framed art, collectables, jewelry, musical instruments, cameras, recorders, personal electronics, small power tools, sports equipment, housewares and small-scale furniture or appliances.

The sale will not include home electronics, computers and peripherals (unless unused and in original packaging), large-scale furniture, exercise equipment, clothing or small, low-value items.

For additional information or questions about whether specific items will be welcomed, or to inquire about a donation pick-up, call (269) 857-5751.

The Historical Society has been refurbishing the landmark Old School House in Douglas since early in 2007, aimed at preserving and converting the building into a community Discovery Center where children and adults alike can explore the area's genealogy, history, culture, ecology and architecture through recreational activities, educational programs, special events and access to the Society's growing archive of local artifacts, photos, records and newspapers.

The Society is a not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization with membership open to all and a mission "to provide leadership in enabling the community to connect with and understand its past, to preserve the quality of community life and to use the area's history to shape its future." To learn more about the Historical Society, its Old School House Discovery Center and its Museum, visit www.sdhistoricalsociety.org.

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