HISTORICAL SOCIETY’S JULY 12 “TUESDAY TALK”
All-Board the Historic Trolley!

JUNE 27, 2016 –Find out how the trolley car impacted the way people lived 100 years ago as it highlights the next Saugatuck-Douglas Historical Society “Tuesday Talk” on July 12, at the Old School House History Center, 130 Center Street, Douglas. The one-hour program begins when the school bell rings at 11 a.m. Public attendance is invited and audience participation is welcomed to further the discussion.

Tuesday Talk admission is free for current S-DHS members. Non-member guests are encouraged to attend with a donation of five dollars, or become new members with initial dues payment at the Talk. For all, limited space puts seating on “first-come, first-served” basis.

S-DHS Executive Director and trolley history guru Nathan Nietering will showcase his knowledge of trolley cars in a three-part slideshow presentation. The presentation will include: the development of trolley cars in America, the trolley museum he worked at in East Haven, Connecticut and history of the local Saugatuck interurban.

Nietering graduated from Western Michigan University with a Bachelor’s Degree in Public History, then went on to receive his Master’s of Historic Preservation from Eastern Michigan University. He moved to the area a year ago to be the Executive Director of the S-DHS after nearly four years of employment with the Shore Line Trolley Museum in Connecticut, one of the oldest trolley museums in the country.

A summer tradition since 1996, Tuesday Talks present entertaining and informative insights into our community life weekly throughout July and August. This Tuesday Talk is sponsored by the The Interurban.

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For more information about the Saugatuck-Douglas Historical Society, its Museum and Old School House History Center, or its activities planned for 2016, visit www.sdhistoricalsociety.org.

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Restored streetcars from the 1910s and 1920s line up to take passengers for a ride at the Shore Line Trolley Museum, East Haven, Connecticut. The development of the trolley car and the collection of the Shore Line Trolley Museum will be discussed during the July 12 Tuesday Talk program.