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SHARON KELLY BECOMES PRESIDENT
OF SAUGATUCK-DOUGLAS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MAY 10, 2013 -- Saugatuck's Sharon Kelly has been elected president of the Saugatuck-Douglas Historical Society, succeeding outgoing president Marsha Kontio.

Kelly is an attorney who by her own description has "managed to figure out how to live in Saugatuck and practice in Ann Arbor". Owning a home here for about 10 years, she has been a full-time resident for the past two, becoming increasingly active in the community. She was elected to the SDHS Board in 2012, and wrote the successful \$12,000 grant awarded to the Society by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs this year (2013). She also is a member of the City of Saugatuck Planning Commission.

Having graduated *magna cum laude* from Nazareth College, she received her Masters Degree in Russian History from the University of Michigan and obtained her law degree from the University of Detroit School of Law where she graduated *summa cum laude*. Her practice focuses on divorce matters, particularly those cases involving complicated economic situations.

The Historical Society was founded in 1986 with seventy Charter members, "to discover, procure and preserve whatever may relate to the civil, religious, social, cultural and natural history of Saugatuck, Douglas and surrounding area". As a volunteer-based, not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization with membership open to all, the Society roster now exceeds 400 individual, family and corporate members. Activities are funded by contributions from members, friends and grants, and from the proceeds of special Society events. For more information about the Society and its many volunteer opportunities, visit www.sdhistoricalsociety.org.

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Saugatuck's Sharon Kelly wins top Historical Society post