

Chronology of Sherwood, HSSM and Opendore

Sherwood, New York		Howland Stone Store Museum (HSSM)		Opendore (Isabel Howland House)	
1827	Emily Howland born	1837	Slocum Howland builds cobblestone store	1837	James Davis builds the original house
1859	Isabel Howland born	1845	Slocum's son William becomes partner in store.	18??	Purchased by Henry Fisher
1881	Slocum Howland passes	1881	William takes over the Stone Store and two-years later builds The Block building next door	1851	Purchased by William Howland
1891	Sherwood Equal Rights Association formed	1883	Isabel and Hannah Howland create Reading Room and a Museum in The Block	1888	William enlarges house, names it Shade Lawn
1904	William Howland passes	1904	Isabel & Herbert inherit the Stone Store and The Block	1905	Inherited by Isabel & Herbert Howland
1929	Emily Howland passes	1942	The Koons inherit the Stone Store and The Block	1910	Isabel significantly expands and remodels house; names it Opendore
1942	Isabel Howland passes	1950	Library and Museum moved to the Stone Store (approximate year)	1926	Herbert conveys his partial ownership to Isabel
		1966	Cayuga Museum takes ownership of Stone Store with stipulation it remains open as the <i>Isabel Howland Museum</i> -- Eventually closes	1944	Acquired by Laura Cleveland
		1991	The Friends of the Howland Stone Store takes possession of the store from the Cayuga Museum	1953	Sold to Albert and Lucille Cleveland
		1996	NYS Board of Regents grants an Absolute Charter to the Howland Stone Store Museum	1961	Sold to Edwin & Eleanor Cleveland
2006	The Preservation League of NYS names Sherwood on "Seven to Save" list	2004	Heritage New York designates the HSSM site on the state's Underground Railroad Heritage Trail	1965	Sold to William Blair
2008	The National Register of Historic Places lists the Sherwood Equal Rights Historic District comprised of 27 properties			1970	Sold to E. Deschl
		1999-2012	<i>Excluding the 2011 EPF grant for \$400,000, the HSSM has received 14 grants totaling over \$106,000.</i>	2008	Cayuga County takes possession of house
				2008	The HSSM Board takes ownership of the house
				2011	\$400,000 Environmental Protection Fund for Historic Preservation grant: For the estimated \$800,000 restoration/revitalization of house: (a) removal of portions beyond salvage, (b) restoration and development of saved portion to meet needs of Museum, and (c) new construction attached to the restored structure, with heat, water, and public restrooms.
				2012	Capital campaign begins to raise \$600,000.