



REDEDICATION OF THE LT. COL. JOHN GILLULY MONUMENT

Many have read of the volunteer work at the Old Village Cemetery over the past six years. A large number have also visited this 1838 burial ground to see the vast improvements in the grounds and the many restored monuments.

On Saturday, November 8 you need to attend the rededication of the recently restored headstone to one of our local Civil War heroes, Lt. Col. John Gilluly. This rededication will be held in the Old Village Cemetery and will be part of the Brighton Veterans' Day Observance Program. This will immediately follow the program at the new Veterans' Memorial next to the Millpond.

The Lt. Col. John Gilluly headstone has been broken and laying in the dirt for decades. It is now standing tall and provides a respectful display for the Brighton man who gave so much. Lt. Col. Gilluly was killed while riding his horse and leading his men into action at the battle of Fredericksburg in 1862.

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John was 16 when his family relocated from Boston to the Brighton area. He became a Brighton school teacher and then graduated from the University of Michigan Law School and became a practicing attorney in Brighton. He answered President Lincoln's call for volunteers when the War of Rebellion started in 1861.

The Veterans' Day program will commence with a parade in downtown Brighton on Saturday, November 8 at 11:30 am. Please join with the community as we honor all our veterans with the parade and solemn remembrance at the new Brighton Memorial!

Jim Vichich (810-250-7276)
President, Brighton Area Historical Society

Our Sympathy

To the family of Marge White, Brighton Area Historical Society Treasurer from 1989 through 2001 who passed on September 21. She will be remembered for her sense of humor and desire to have fun!

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Thanks and Recognition

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STUDENT: Tommy Hill

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THANKS:

- Marieanna Bair, Larry Lawrence, Jane Tomlinson, Jackie Damm and Jim Vichich for preparing the September newsletter for mailing.
- CoBACH volunteers for September: Nancy Fredenburg, Joe Collins, Hank Winegar, Bonnie Riutta, JoAnn Bellmard, Bob Knight, Denise Daddino, Larry Lawrence, Sheryl Vigmostad, Mindy Kinsey and Jim Vichich.
- The donation of time and energy in the keeping of the business minutes by our secretary Lin Millar is deeply appreciated by the members of the board!
- There is not enough room to thank our VP Marieanna Bair for all the work that she does for the good of the Brighton Area Historical Society! She has been an actively involved member for over 30 years and a non-stop advocate for local history.
- Special thanks to our members that make up our 2014 Board of Directors. Your donation of time for meetings and events and your guidance is appreciated by all!

- The Old Village Cemetery headstone preservationists who are restoring the broken headstones in Brighton's oldest cemetery. The help of these volunteers is critical in preserving these family monuments. Thanks to the August volunteers: Joe Collins, Dave Pettigrove, Jerry & Gunnar Damon, Larry Lawrence, Bob Knight, Lin & Clark Millar, Paul Hunkele, Ed Vitez Don Thomas and Jim Vichich.
- The Brighton area history preservationists who archive every Thursday from 9am to noon at the 1885 Lyon One-room Schoolhouse. The weekly volunteers are: Joe Collins, Jerry Damon, Marieanna Bair, Lynn Strong, Lin Millar, Sue Garcia, Larry Lawrence, Mindy Kinsey, and Jim Vichich.
- Lyon School has been repainted where paint blistered off the south and west exterior walls due to the brutal winter last year. Prior to the final paint coat, scraping and priming was needed. Our local Rembrandts were: Joe Collins, Jerry Damon, Mindy Kinsey, Tammy Sexton, Lynn Strong, Larry Lawrence and Jim Vichich.
- Lin Millar, Mindy Kinsey, Joe Collins, Marieanna Bair and Jerry Damon for their work in rearranging and updating the museum room at the Lyon School.

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CoBACH Future Exhibits:

Do you have items to loan?

Nov-Dec: "An Old Time Home Christmas"

Jan-Feb: "Winter in Yesteryear Brighton"

**If you're not a member of the
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Dates to Remember

October CoBACH Exhibit: "Boo!" Halloween Exhibit and see Two Classic Halloween movies. Start off the evening with Movie Trivia, a short tour of three gravesites in the Old Village Cemetery at intermission. Movie showing on October 24,25 (7:30) is the 1932 version of *The Mummy* with Boris Karloff and Nov. 1 (7:30), Nov. 2 (2:00) the 1948 version of *Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein*. **FREE admission but RSVP is required due to limited seating.** Halloween attire is welcome for this event.

Information and reservations: 810-250-7276

October 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 12, 15, 16, 19, 22, 23, 26, 29, 30; 5pm—8pm: BAHS hosts at CoBACH

Center on Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday.

October 2,9,16,23,30; 9am—12nn: Archiving/Open House at Lyon Schoolhouse. Tour the school or share photos and stories with archivists.

October 27; 9am—2pm: The Headstone Preservation Project Team meets at the Old Village Cemetery for the last organized workday for 2014. Your help is needed as we rebuild broken headstones. No experience necessary. You can learn as we work together. Info call Jim at 810-250-7276

October 22; 6pm: BAHS Board meeting at CoBACH.

November 16; 1pm—4pm: Annual member-

ship meeting with elections. Potluck from 1—2pm and business meeting with elections at 2pm.

December 14; 1pm—4pm: Lyon School Christmas with Santa and Mrs. Claus.

WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS:

October 12: Pioneer Day. Waterloo Area Historical Society.

www.waterloofarmmuseum.org

October 16: "The J.L. Hudson Building". Milford Historical Society.

www.milfordhistory.org

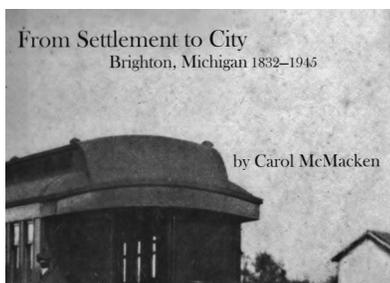
October 20; 7pm: "The Willow Run Story." Wixon City Hall. wixomhistory@yahoo.com

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The BAHS relies on participation of its members and the generosity of its patrons. If you would like to make a donation or become a member, please mail to the address provided on the form below.

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This large volume hardcover book offers the reader an opportunity to gain insight into the chronology of the first one hundred and thirteen years of Brighton's existence. Through text and an extensive-photo collection it is possible to appreciate the effort of the early inhabitants as they endeavored to establish a viable community.

This book can be found at Lawrence Autobody and CoBACH Center or by calling 810-250-7276

We Need Your Help

We are asking our members to step up and get involved. "Can you fill this need?"

Volunteers at CoBACH

Welcome desk, help set up displays, loan of personal items for displays of the early days of Brighton.

Contact Jim Vichich at 810-250-7276

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Lyon School

11455 Buno Road, west of Pleasant Valley Road. The 1885 Lyon School is a fully restored, barrier-free one-room schoolhouse and serves as our organization headquarters.

CoBACH Center

202 W. Main Street, in downtown Brighton next to the Millpond. CoBACH is formally known as the City of Brighton, Arts, Culture and History Center. It is located in the historic 1879 two story brick building, also known as the Old Town Hall.

The BAHS is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Please help us fund our mission while also helping yourself with a tax-deductible contribution.

The BAHS accepts monetary support and donations of historical artifacts. Please consider supporting us with your generosity.

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In a Brighton Argus editorial, dated January of 1930, action was needed to address the increase in accidents on state highways and the soaring crime rate in Michigan. Reasons for the increase in crimes were thought to be the use of alcohol by children, child labor laws, parental indifference and lack of school supervision. In a 1931 issue of the Argus, it was stated that Brighton was being considered by the state as the possible best location for a new State Police Post. Officials from the city were scheduled to meet with the Governor to discuss the matter.

It was official! The northwest corner of U.S. 16 (E. Grand River) and Old U.S. 23 was to be the site of a newly created Michigan State Police Post.

The State of Michigan rented quarters for the new "Flying Squadron" officers until the funds were acquired and 33 workers were employed for 4 months to construct the building. By December 1936, four State Policemen moved into the new building containing an administrative office and sleeping accommodations.

This traditional two-story brick Works Progress Administration building served as the post and barracks. The familiar design is a hallmark in many communities throughout the state. The building still stands today and serves as a real estate office. You can still see the Michigan State Seal on the front wall of the building.

In 1985, the Brighton Post relocated to a larger, leased facility further north on Old U.S. 23 in Brighton Township. In February 2013 a new Michigan State Police Brighton Post was officially dedicated. The new building, located at 4337 Buno Road, will better serve the Post's needs today since the Brighton and Ypsi-

lanti Posts merged in 2011, the post now includes Livingston and Washtenaw counties.

Please take time to thank our Michigan State Police for their service. Their work is difficult but their job is to enforce the law.

State Police Blotter, 1958

In August of 1958, Deputy U.S. Marshall Allie of Minneapolis stopped at the Brighton State Police Post to ask for assistance in locating two quart jars of nitroglycerin, supposedly buried next to a house behind the Log Cabin Inn by Lake Chemung in 1948. The house was owned by Mrs. Arlene Trabman of Detroit. This nitro tip was given by Alex DeGoode, then a prisoner in North Carolina. He told the U.S. Marshall about breaking and entering crimes and 'safe jobs' committed in the Brighton area. After digging a hole about 10 x 14 feet, 4 feet deep, police doubted DeGoode's story...especially since the inmate also told the U.S. Marshall about a murder and hidden body in Minnesota that couldn't be found.

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