



FREE EVENT

**CHRISTMAS 2016 AT LYON SCHOOL
WITH SANTA AND MRS. CLAUS**

FREE EVENT

On Sunday, December 11, 2016, from 1PM—4PM the Brighton Area Historical Society will host Santa and Mrs. Claus at Lyon School on Buno Road in the township. The 1885 one-room school will be decorated with an early 1890's theme for the Christmas holidays. This is a wonderful time of the year for families to visit and tour the school that instructed children in Brighton Township from the 1880s through the 1950s. Allow your children to experience history at the one-room school that was rural America!

Meet Santa and Mrs. Claus and take your family holiday photos

Enjoy fresh cookies and hot chocolate

Enjoy many old fashioned Christmas decorations

Supervised "Make and Take Projects" for your children

Great day for kids. **BRING YOUR CAMERA!!**

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THE BAHS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE BEGINS THIS MONTH

The BAHS is involved in many efforts to preserve our local history. Including the ongoing support of the Lyon School, the digitizing of thousands of archives including newspapers, photos, and maps. Efforts also include the cemetery preservation program, the headstone preservation program, and CoBACH (Old Town Hall) programs, and displays.

Please consider renewing your membership so these programs can continue.

ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

On Sunday, November 20, 2016, the BAHS Annual Membership Meeting will be held at the Lyon School to elect the 2017 Board of Directors including Officers. A potluck gathering will begin at 1pm.

The Official Business Meeting will begin at 2:15pm.

**Please consider how you
can participate.**

EXHIBITS at CoBACH

Sunday—Friday 5—8pm

Saturday 11am—5pm

Closed Monday

CoBACH Display
Nov. 16—Dec 24
"Christmas Exhibit"

SYMPATHIES OF THE SOCIETY TO THE FAMILIES OF

**Harold "Pete" Leitz and-
Constance Sherman** on
their passing. Both Pete
and Connie were a long
time members of the
Society.

CHECK OUT FACEBOOK

Daily postings regarding
Brighton History.

**Brighton Area Historical
Society**

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Thanks and Recognition

Memberships:

PATRON: Roland & Jane Owens

FAMILY/INDIV: Sam & Brenda Ocholdnicky (2017), Dave & Marilyn Pettigrove (2017), David Rebiger (2017), Carole Scott (2017).

- Marieanna Bair, Jeanette Johnson, Larry Lawrence, Jane Tomlinson and Jim Vichich for folding, taping, labeling and sorting the October issue of Trail Tails for mailing.
- Bob & Pauline Schaffer for their donation to the Lyon School, David Rebiger for donating to the Old Village Cemetery fund with his dues and Carole Scott for her donation to BAHS CoBACH Events with her dues.
- Charlene Kull for her donation of extensive genealogical records of the Westphal family and their life in Genoa Township.
- CoBACH volunteers for October Joe Collins, Jerry & Carole Damon, Nancy Fredenburg, Mindy Kinsey, Bob & Shirley Knight, Larry Lawrence, Lin Millar, Bonnie Riutta, Lynn

Strong and Jim Vichich.

- Thursday History Archivists at Lyon School: Marieanna Bair, Joe Collins, Jerry Damon, Mindy Kinsey, Larry Lawrence, Lin Millar, Lynn Strong, Peggy Van Sickle and Jim Vichich. Stop by and share some old stories from 9am—12nn every Thursday.
- Dave Doss for donation of postcards and paper ephemera of the Brighton area.
- Diane Taeckens for sharing photo of Case house at Grand River Avenue, Church Street and Rickett Road, circa 1900s.
- Al Callewaert for sharing photos of the logo used on the Woodland Lake Golf Club's dinnerware and servingware in late 1920s-30s.
- Cheryl Stockwell Academy Honor Roll students and teacher Phil Smith for volunteering their afternoon to cleanup and clear brush at the Old Village Cemetery on October 7.
- Piet Lindhout for sharing a map of Brighton to be used in future exhibits.

Dates to Remember

Nov. 16—December 24: CoBACH Center Exhibit, **FREE!** Christmas exhibit.

November 1—14: CoBACH Center — Kaleidoscope by Brighton Art Guild. The Brighton Art Guild will be using the entire first floor for the Annual Art Show Gallery Sales. This is a great time to visit and purchase items less than \$100.

November 3,10,17; 9am—12nn: Archiving/Open House at Lyon Schoolhouse. **CLOSED ON THANKSGIVING DAY, NO ARCHIVING.**

November 16,20,30; 5—8pm: BAHS hosts at CoBACH Center on Sunday and Wednesday.

November 16; 6pm: BAHS Board Meeting at CoBACH. **Note:** This is not the 4th Wednesday. If Thanksgiving follows the 4th Wednesday, the meeting is always moved to the 3rd Wednesday. This is

the last board meeting of 2016. There will be NO December meeting.

November 12; Saturday: Veterans' Day Observance in Brighton 10:00am—VFW American Legion Main St. Parade. Starts at Refrigeration Research.

10:15am—Main St. at Millpond, VFW Commander Presents

10:30am—Brighton's Veterans' Memorial at Millpond. Recognition of area veterans.

10:45am— BAHS Old Village Cemetery Rededication and Memorial Program for Civil War soldiers Private Homer Goucher and Private Charles Goucher. Headstones for these brothers have been restored.

11:00am — Conclusion. Rifle Salute & Taps by Sons of the Union Veteran Camp #120.

November 23-27: CoBACH Closed. Thanksgiving Holiday.

Life — Business — Professional Members

Life Members:

John & Deb Armstrong —Tom Archer—Paul & Kathryn Bair (Allen) — Marieanna Bair — Shirley Barton — Charles & Janice Beach Donald & Shari Black (N.J.) — Marilyn Campbell (IN) — John & Jenny Conely — Bernie & Bonnie Corrigan — Timothy & Giannine Corrigan Jerry & Carole Damon — Emil Engel — Nancy Fredenburg — William & Lenore Harris — Betsy & Bob Herbst — Dr. John & Barbara Jacoby (MN) Larry & Kate Lawrence — Seth & Shannon Lemke (TX) — Carol McMacken — Jere & Kay Michaels — James & Janis Miller Greg & Pamela Park (OH) — John G. Park & Madeline Kingston-Park — Richard Park (IL) — Bob & Donna Phillips — Joyce Powers Douglas & Carole Rearick — Tom & Bonnie Riutta — Robert & Pauline Schaffer — Bruce & Betty Schuman — Anne Stratigos Jim & Vicki Vichich — Linda (Skeman) Wintermute

Business /Professional Members: (** Indicates Life Members)

Acorn Deck Accessories (2016) — Advance Craft Builders (2016) — Archer Huntley Financial Services ** — Brighton Art Guild (2016)

Brighton District Library ** — Brighton Veterans Memorial Comm.** — Buckley-Jolley Group, LLC (2016) — Clark Eye Center (2016)

Davis Multimedia, Inc. (2016) — Kimble Appraisal Group, Inc. (2016) — Lindhout Associates** — Lawrence Autobody **

Make Believe Manor, LLC (2016) — Masonic Lodge No. 247 ** — Patrick Financial Group, LLC ** — Preview Properties (2016) — Promess, Inc.** Refrigeration Research **

Support BAHS: Become a Member or Donate

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.

Mail check or money order payable to: Brighton Area Historical Society P. O. Box 481 Brighton, MI 48116-0481	Name: _____ Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ E-Mail: _____	Phone: () _____
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A NEW BOOK FROM THE BAHS

A selected compilation of the columns Marieanna Bair has written faithfully over the past 35 years. The reader will encounter here a glimpse of the merchants that plied their trade. You will also meet the farmers and local residents who walked the streets, worked the farms, worshiped in the local churches, and recreated along the plentiful Brighton area lakes for the past 150 years.

This book can be purchased at Lawrence Autobody and CoBACH Center or by calling 810-250-7276. Cost \$20

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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.

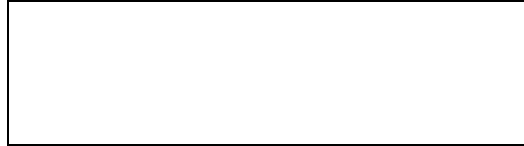
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Early Roads in Genoa Township — Brighton, Brady and King

Brighton Road, west bound from Brighton, extends into Marion Township to Pinckney Road, about six and one-half miles. It is the main thoroughfare across the top of Sections 30 through 36 of Genoa Township.

Its existence can be located on the earliest Livingston County maps. Rather obviously it was called Brighton Road because it led to Brighton Village. Almost the straightest road in the township, it skirts Lime Lake and Coon Lake. Brighton Road's cargo of buggies, wagons and cattle drives are in the long past. Hundreds of homeowners in the pastoral landscape utilize it for the nonce.

Two miles west of Chilson, on Brighton Road, one finds Brady Road. One mile long it runs north/south, on the center line of Section 31, between Brighton Road and Schafer Road. In 1875, Phillip Brady, born October 11, 1827, in Ireland, is the owner of two 80 acre pieces, one on each side of the road, which Phillip bought from his father, Matthew, January 3, 1857, who had purchased it January 2, 1847. The 1895 plat map notes "M. Brady et al" as owners.

Phillip arrived in Michigan in time to marry Mary Ann Barron, January 4, 1863, who was born in Michigan January 4, 1845. Records indicate Phillip and Mary Ann had nine children.

Youngest son, Joseph, born January 9, 1886, in partnership with Paul Brogan, operated the grocery at Chilson, serving the railroad and fishermen and campers at Crooked Lake. Phillip, the farmer, died October 26, 1906. Detroit Edison selected that family name when designating addresses to which to send bills for electricity in the 1930s. Brady descendants still reside in the area.

An early 1859 trail south from Brighton Road to the Hamburg Township line ran on the section line between Sections 32 and 33. Not until the Detroit Edison Company extended power to rural areas, c. 1930-35, does one find King Road named on the map.

The 1880 census records indicate James M. and wife Ella M. King (m. October 30, 1878), daughter of Orin Case, were farming on that site. In 1915, Ella is noted as the owner of that property at the north end of King Road. Her father, Orin, was an early landowner in Genoa Township, and had owned that property previously. He had purchased it in 1869. Earlier, Mr. J.M. King was a clerk in the Ira W. Case Store on Grand River in Brighton. The Case store sold dry goods and shoes. The store opened in mid 1856 and went out of business in 1931. James and Ella King moved to their daughter's home in Highland Park in 1915. Mr. King died February 20, 1918.

(Compiled by Marieanna Bair from: Census records; Plat maps; Case family genealogical records from Stephen Leith; Calvary Cemetery transcription and "Landowners and Settlers of Livingston County" by Milton Charboneau. Additions/corrections requested 810-229-6402.)