



Brighton Old Village Cemetery Tour 2012

Brighton Historical Society ANNUAL MEETING: 2013 ELECTIONS

CALL TO BAHS MEMBERS

On Sunday, November 18 the BAHS Annual Membership Meeting will be held at the Lyon School to elect the 2013 Board of Directors including Officers. A pot luck gathering at 1 pm will celebrate friendship and enable members to exchange pleasantries.

The official business will start at 2:15 pm. Reports of the 2012 activities will be summarized and potential plans for 2013 will be shared. Directors are invited to share their experiences for the past 12 months. There are several changes to update the Bylaws that are proposed. Discussion and voting will conclude these updates. Elections for 2013 Officers and Board of Directors will follow.

BAHS has been a wonderful functioning organization. Much

community good will has been fostered. Historical records for the community are being enhanced weekly. This speaks volumes to the dedication of all members but specifically the leadership provided by the different directors. If you would like to get involved with the team of directors talk to a director and inquire about the effort. There are many projects and ways to assist the organization. Feel free to give me a call.

Jim Vichich
BAHS President
810-250-7276

BYLAWS REVIEW

As is proper procedure, the Society Board has reviewed the Bylaws.

Changes were made to more adequately define its purpose

and its procedures.

It was determined board meetings will be held each month excluding December instead of each month. Director absences at board meetings are to be reviewed by the board to consider absentees as having resigned. Written reports and documents are to be filed in the Society headquarters by the secretary instead of in the custody of the secretary.

The adoption of these changes will be considered at the Annual Membership Meeting. Members wishing a copy may contact the Society.

Bylaw Revision Committee: Marieanna Bair, Joe Collins, Jerry Damon, Mindy Kinsey, Larry Lawrence, Jim Vichich, and Dick Weaire.

THANK YOU TO DAVE BALL!

As one looks at the BAHS website and Trail Tales monthly newsletter you will notice a format that looks fresh and inviting. All these updates including our recent logo change has been done by BAHS Director Dave Ball. Dave helped to get the new "Brighton Area" book into motion. The Society has been very fortunate to have hooked up with Dave. Dave is a genuine technology guru. He loves history and working to preserve old cemeteries. Dave has served on the board of directors for about 4 years before he found it necessary to resign. A change of job assignment required Dave to reduce his extracurricular time that impacted family and job. The historical society benefitted tremendously from Dave's talents. We wish him good luck and a hearty thank you for his tenure with the Brighton Area Historical Society!

POINTS OF INTEREST:

CALL FOR ANNUAL MEETING NOVEMBER 18, 2012

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THE STORY OF CIVIL WAR VETERANS BURIED IN OLD VILLAGE CEMETERY CONTINUES.

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BRIGHTON AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY BY THE NUMBERS:

193 the number of members in the society in 2012.

13 the number of life members in the society.

16 the number of corporate members in 2012.

4 the number of corporate life members in the society.

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Thanks and Recognition

Thanks :

The BAHS recognizes the following people for their contributions

- Bert and Marieanna Bair, Larry Lawrence, Tammy Sexton and Jim Vichich who prepared the September issue of Trail Tales for mailing.
- To those who notified the mailing chairman with address changes. The Society's non-profit mail plan returns undeliverable issues—at the cost of 1st class mail. When you will not be home for a time, contact the Society and those issues will be held. Notice of address changes is requested. The society endeavors to be responsible with its funds. All can help with this.
- Pat Nelson for her donation to Society Projects with her membership.
- Norma Jean Pless and Jane Tomlinson for their Friends of Lyon School donation with their dues.
- Patricia Franklin for her matching gift from Amica Companies Foundation in memory of her parents, Beth (Hall) and Bill Franklin.

- Whitney Kimble for Brighton State Bank mementoes and photos of Brighton.

Membership :

PATRON : Emil and Joan Engel (2013)

FAMILY/INDIV : Mary Ann Catrell, Gerald and Susan Murphy* Patricia Nelson*, Norma Jean Pless (Roscommon), Jane Tomlinson.

It is heartening to the Board of Directors when renewals new memberships are received.

- A hearty welcome to new members Gerald, Susan and to Patricia.

Area Organizations :

Sept 23/Oct. 14: Ypsilanti Historical Society. Quilt exhibit at the museum.

www.ypsilantihistoricalsociety.org

Oct. 4: Livingston County Genealogical Society, "An Evening w/General Custer."

www.rootsweb.ancestry.com

Oct. 6: Michigan Oral History Association Annual Conference, Monroe. 517-321-1746.

Oct 26: Historical Society of Michigan. Advanced Archives workshop.

www.hsmichigan.org

2012 Business / Professional Members:

Acorn Deck Accessories, Inc.
Advance Craft Builders
Fred Bonine, DDS, MSPC
Brighton Bar and Grill
Robert Clark Eye Center, M.C., P.C.
Susan Doyle, realtor
Grace Pointe Church
Frank Mancuso, attorney
Schoolhouse Family Dentistry
SOS Livingston
Synergy Environmental, Inc.
Yum Yum Tree

The Society expresses Sympathies to the family of Billy Tomlinson on his passing

Dates to Remember

October 3, 4, 7, 10, 11, 14, 17, 18, 21, 24, 28, 31: 5pm-8pm

BAHS hosts at CoBACH Center on Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday during October.

October 4, 11, 18, 25: 9am-12 noon

Archiving/Open House at Lyon School. Visitors are welcome and your Brighton experiences of the past need to be shared.

October 6:

Presentation on the Archeological Findings at the Warner Farm. Presentation will be in Lansing at the Michigan Historical Museum, located within the Michigan Library and Historical Center, 702 W. Kalamazoo Street. (517-373-3559). Archeological fieldwork has been in progress for six years at this 1841 Brighton Township farm. The farmhouse is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Tim Bennett, a Warner de-

scendent, will discuss findings and present results of recent analytical studies of site materials. Admission and parking is free this day only.

Presentation title; *Pioneer Farmers of Pleasant Valley: Rediscovering a sesquicentennial farmstead, in Brighton Michigan.*

October 13: 5 pm, 8pm, and 10pm

Brighton's Old Village Cemetery Fall Tours. **Advanced registration and advance \$5 ticket donations are required.**

Experience the exciting tours by Tammy Sexton as she tells stories of the Civil War veterans and their families buried here at Brighton's oldest cemetery. The 10 pm tour will also include a "Spirited Tour" for the Halloween faithful. At the conclusion of the 10 pm tour, participants will be able to experience the work of the Crystal

Moon Paranormal Society. CMPS investigators will answer questions and explain their equipment and how it is used. Tours are about (45) minutes in length. The CMPS program will conclude at 11:30 pm. Contact Jim at 810-250-7276.

October 21: 16: 1-4 pm

Open house at Lyon School

October 24: 6pm

BAHS Board Meeting at CoBACH

This month at CoBACH through October 28, Tues-Sun, 5-8, also Sat 9am-12noon

Enjoy old school photos and memorabilia showcasing the styles and memories of past periods in the Brighton Schools.

Next month through November:

Experience the past history of Brighton's St. Patrick's Church with their exhibit titled "180 years of St Patrick's Church". See historic photos and documents in their display.

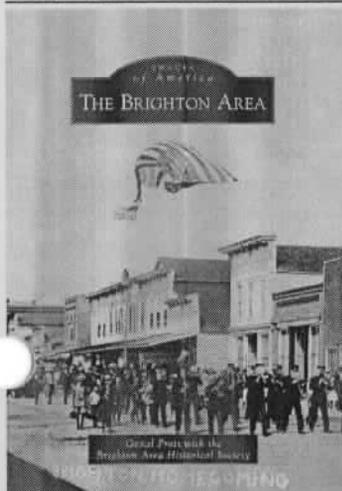
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Support BAHS: Become a Member or Donate

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 the form below.

Mail check or money order payable to: Brighton Area Historical Society P. O. Box 481 Brighton, MI 48116-0481		Name: _____	Phone: () _____
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		City: _____	State: _____ Zip Code: _____
		E-Mail: _____	
		How would you prefer to receive Trail Tales: <input type="checkbox"/> Email <input type="checkbox"/> US mail <small>(PLEASE CHECK ONE)</small>	
Membership Plan:		Friend of Lyon School:	BAHS Projects Fund:
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New book released

Images of America: The Brighton Area

by Genal Pratt with the Brighton Area Historical Society

128 pages, and includes 199 pictures

\$20.00

Description: This new book contains a treasured collection of photographs and provides a fascinating historical record of the people, farms, and businesses that drove the growth of Brighton through the 19th and 20th centuries. The architecture, landscape, and cherished character of Brighton tell the stories that embody the foundation of our community today.

We Need Your Help

We are asking our members to step up and get involved. Can you fill one of these jobs?

Web Site Administrator

Proficient with Joomla CMS; experience with HTML/CSS, graphic design, web servers a plus.

Treasurer

Bookkeeping experience needed, knowledge of Quickbooks a plus: Current Treasurer willing to advise.

BAHS Leadership

President

Jim Vichich

Vice President

Marieanna Bair

Secretary

Judith Coebly

Interim Treasurer

Mindy Kinsey

Trail Tales Editor

Jerry Damon

Directors

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BAHS: How to Contact Us or Find Us

If you would like to contact us, please use the following options:

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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.

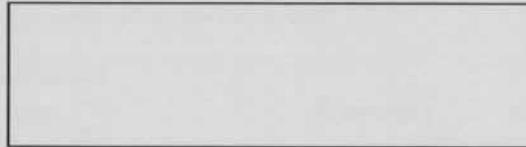
The BAHS accepts monetary support and donations of historical artifacts. Please consider supporting us with your generosity.

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Civil War Veterans Resting At Old Village Cemetery (Part 18)

Having served in Co. C. in New York Infantry regiment during the Civil War, **Benjamin Hogan** was probably born in New York, c. 1844. This writer assumes Hogan came to Michigan following his service, where he met and married Elizabeth Fonda (b. 1849 MI), daughter of pioneer Lewis B. and Sophia Fonda.

In 1889, daughter Elizabeth Sophia was born. Benjamin died in 1900 and is interred in the Old Village Cemetery. Daughter Elizabeth was living in Duluth, MN, when she died at age 20. Her mother and grandmother, Juliette Fonda, accompanied the remains to be placed next to her father. Mother Elizabeth died in October, 1928, which brought to a close this small family.

In the ranks of the 9th Michigan Infantry Regiment were nearly 200 Livingston County men; mostly in Co. K., but also Companies A., D., H., and I. **Josiah Hayner** enlisted in Co. K. August, 16, 1861. These volunteers, recruited by Cpt. John A. Tanner, left October 9, 1861, for Ft. Wayne. The 9th Regiment left Detroit October 25, 1861, for service in the southwest department of the war by a steam boat to Salt River, KY, for the winter. "During their stay at that place the men of the 9th were terribly afflicted with measles and other disorders, as many as four hundred being on the sick list at one time." While at Murfreesboro, TN, they were attacked by 3500 Confederate cavalry. A number of Union soldiers were captured and exchanged for Confederate prisoners. By February 6, 1863, the 9th became Provost-guard at Army Headquarters in Chattanooga. Following furlough in December, 229 re-enlisted. The 9th participated in the operations of the Army of the Cumberland during that summer and fall of 1864.

September 10, 1864, Josiah was transferred to the invalid Corps, discharged with the rest of the survivors of Co. K. Josiah and Maria had eight children, one of which, Mary, died at one year in 1861. The 1870 Brighton Village Census records Josiah's occupation as a Teamster. Josiah died in 1878 and is with little Mary in the Old Village Cemetery. In 1880 Maria is doing house work with three of the younger ones at home. The others are employed locally which would help supplement the widow's pension for which she would have been eligible from Josiah's service. Maria died in 1888, joining her husband and daughter.

(Compiled by Marieanna Bair from: Census Records: 1880 History of Livingston County: Old Village Cemetery transcription by John and Janice Field: Obituaries compiled by Milton Charbonau.

(Corrections /additions, requested. 810-229-6402.)

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Dates to remember Continued from page 2

November 18: 1-4pm

Annual membership meeting will be held at Lyon School including elections of 2013 board of directors and officers. Updates to the Bylaws will be voted on. Potluck will take place from 1-2 pm and the membership meeting including elections will run from 2:15pm—4pm.