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ANNUAL MEETING, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12
Tuesday, November 12, 6:30 p.m., the annual Meeting of the Society will be held at Miller Community Center, 950 Spencer.
A 6:30 Pot Luck dinner will be served. Bring a dish to pass and your table service. Beverage will be provided. At 7:30 there'll be a business meeting with election of Directors for 1986-88. Short reports from Board members will be offered. The proposed budget will be presented for acceptance by the members. There will be opportunity for those in attendance to ask questions or make comments. The 16mm movie of Brighton's Centennial, 1967, given to the Society by the Brighton Library, will be shown. There is no sound track but it is hoped a tape can be prepared, with the help of experts for use by our posterity.
Nominating Chairman, Alice Newsom, will present the nominees for Directors' positions. They are Ruby Herrman, Pat Frupa and Allen Walby. The Society is grateful they have consented to serve. Nominations may be made from the floor.

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...Citizens' Insurance for printing of Society Membership cards.

...Dick Davis for hauling the rake from Mr. Parker's yard.

...Clayton and Ruth Dundas for the 75th Argus Anniversary edition.

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...Jarvis', Senior Citizens and Ubens Drug for selling tiles.

...buyers of raffle tickets.

...Michigan Bank Livingston for the buggy and case which had been in front of their building for several years.

...Old Kent Bank for printing of this newsletter.

...Wally Jollits, Bert Bair and Dick Davis for running the Garage Sale.

...Mr. A. Parker for giving us an 80 year old hay rake.

...Paul and Ed Weber for c. 1913 picture of the "Little" (Rickett) School; 1912-13 picture of 3rd and 4th grades at that school; pictures of the 1922 Brighton High School baseball and football teams; a picture c. 1919 of boy scouts on the steps of the old Union School. (On Rickett Road south of the "Little school.")

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BAKE SALE REPORT

Saturday, October 5, was a rainy, windy, cold day and the crowd was smaller than usual, but thanks to our faithful members we had full tables of baked goods for our bake sale. The profit for the day was $234.25. I want to thank Jane Tomlinson and Chuck Beach for helping set up and sell. Also the callers who contacted all the membership: Evangelene Bell, Pauline Chenoweth, Irene Ellis, Mary Pat Layton, Frances Clerce, Dorothy Pennala, Billie Oberstaedt, Celia Schaffin, Karen Wirth, Sandy Bansback and Lois Reets. We couldn't do it without all of you. Many thanks. Janice Beach - Chairman.

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OPEN HOUSE, DECEMBER 1, 1985

The Society will be hosting its fifth annual Open House at the Chamber of Commerce building 2-6 p.m., in cooperation with the merchants of Brighton and their promotion that day. When the committee chairman call please give whatever assistance you can. Watch the Argus for more information and support the Society with your attendance.

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NAME PHONE

ADDRESS

New ( ) Renewal ( ) Please send a copy of Society Bylaws ( )

Activities in which I'd like to participate: ( ) Bake sale ( ) Meeting programs ( )

( ) Board Member ( ) Membership committee ( )

( ) Fund raising ( ) Newsletter publication ( )

( ) Genealogy ( ) Oral history ( )

Other thing I'd be willing to do:

Dues $2.50 per couple

50.00 individual

25.00 patron

25.00 business/professional

send to: Brighton Area Historical Society

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HELP...HELP...HELP...HELP...
we need...
people to serve on the Lyons School Historic Preservation Committee
a chairman for a house tour committee
...a number of antiquities for the Society booth at the antique show March 22, 1986.
...a place to store the hay rake and buggy.
...someone to plan a historic resource survey.
...people to serve on the 1986 Board of Directors.

BUDGET 1986

RECEIPTS
Pies 75 @ 8. $600.
70 @ 5. 350.
15 @ 25. 375. $1325.

Fund Raising Proj.
Sales (statery, etc.)100. 1600.
Bake Sales 150.
Flea Market 300.
Antique Show 400.
Spag. Dinner 500. 3250.

Historic Proj.
Donations (undesign.)150.
(design.) 300.
(Memor.) 300. 650. $5225.

DISBURSEMENTS
P.O. Box Rent 920.
Mailing Fee 40. 60.
Eqip & Pictures 25.
Membership in Hist. assoc. & reference materials 80.
Meetings (prog, etc)50.
Officers 270.
Newsletter/Publicity Labels & Printing 400.
Postal 1225.
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Fund Raising Proj.
Sales Items 1050.
Events 50. 1100.

HISTORIC PROJECTS
Hist. Marker 100.
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