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**RECAP OF JANUARY GENERAL MEETING**

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...Jarvis Men's Store, Chamber of Commerce, Ubiers and Citizen's Trust for stocking Society tiles for sale.

...Evelyn Hyne Doughtie for donating a copy of the 1907 Brighton Hometown Book and the program book of the 1920 Brighton Memorial Day observance. It lists living soldiers of the Civil War and the Brighton casualties.

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

...Ray & Marie Wilcox. **Patron Dues. Many pay donations in addition to their committee service; others pay Patron dues because they are unable to serve in any other way. In any event Patron dues are welcome evidence of support for the society and its goals.

MANY THANKS TO ALL.

Paid your 1987 dues? The year for which dues have been paid is noted on the mailing label. If there's an '87 your dues are paid.

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Various fund raising activities are being persued by the Finance Committee. This committee meets at the Old Town Hall, 202 W Main. Anyone interested in helping please contact Dick Davis, 229-8356. In September the Society presented a check for $400 to the Brighton Area Schools in order that work could begin on the Lyons School Restoration Project. That project and the restoration of the Old Town Hall will need a "loota" money. All administration expenses of the Society are paid from dues. All proceeds from fund raising projects and events are designated to the Historic Preservation and Restoration Fund.

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