



Grand River Trail

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Brighton Area Preservation News

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The membership is composed of people who feel this purpose is worthwhile and should be promoted.

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IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER IS IMPORTANT TO THE SOCIETY, ITS MEMBERS AND OTHERS.

MAILED TO A LOCAL ADDRESS EACH COSTS THE SOCIETY .111¢ (OUTSIDE OF BRIGHTON THE COST IS .124¢). THE COST OF PRINTING PUTS THE NEWSLETTER BILL AT MORE THAN \$200. PER MONTH. (AND THERE IS AN ANNUAL \$85. NON PROFIT MAILING FEE.)

DUES PAYING MEMBERS SUPPORT THIS EXPENSE AND THAT OF MAILING TO OTHERS WHO HAVE EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN THE SOCIETY'S GOALS AND PURPOSES. IT IS HOPED THAT NON MEMBERS WOULD WISH TO ASSUME THEIR RESPONSIBILITY AND MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO THESE EXPENSES.

THOSE NOT WISHING TO BE ON THE MAILING LIST MAY CONTACT THE EDITOR.

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| *FEB. 6, 7 P.M. BOARD WILL MEET TO CONSIDER PLANNING FOR PROGRAMS FOR GENERAL MEETINGS. | MAR. 7, 7 P.M. LIVINGSTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEETING. PROGRAM ON PUBLISHING: 227-1760. |
| * 10, 9-11 A.M. WORK IN ARCHIVES. | 17, 4-6 P.M., GREEN OAK TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING, FIRE HALL, 9384 WHITMORE LAKE RD. CIVIL WAR TOPIC. |
| 15, 5-8 P.M. MARGE WILCOX AT THE BRIGHTON LIBRARY TO ASSIST WITH GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH. | 21, 7:30 P.M. GENERAL MEETING. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. WATCH FOR MORE INFO. |
| 17, NOON - 2 P.M. TEDDY BEAR TEA AT PLYMOUTH MUSEUM. 313/455-8940 FOR RESERVATIONS. | 31, 9:30-5 P.M. 23RD MICHIGAN ANTI-QUARIAN BOOK & PAPER SHOW. NEW LANSING CENTER, 333 E. MICHIGAN AVE., LANSING. 517/332-0112. |
| * 22, 7:30 P.M. BRIGHTON HISTORY BOOK COMMITTEE. | MAY 3, MICHIGAN ONE ROOM SCHOOLHOUSE ASSOC. CONFERENCE. MARSHALL, MICHIGAN. 313/459-6800, EXT 235. |
| 23/25, "SOUTHFIELD PAVILION ANTIQUES EXPO". SOUTHFIELD CIVIC CENTER, 26000 EVERGREEN. | |
| * 26, 7:30 P.M. SOCIETY BOARD MEETING. | |

*@ OLD TOWN HALL, UPSTAIRS, 202 W. MAIN.

(CONT. NEXT COLUMN, PLEASE)

PATRON: GAY DEAN LUNDIN, ROLAND & JANE OWENS, JOAN PINNEY-RICE (CA), PAUL & KAY SPANGLER, DICK & BARBARA SMITH (97), DR. GERALD & EVA WHALEN (FRANKENMUTH).

COUPLES/INDIV: DAVID BARTON, JEFF & DIANA BARTON, B.T.O. CLARK (SHEPHERD), BILL & MARIANNE COMISKEY, GENE & JUDY DAHLIN, JOE & IRENE ELLIS, DOROTHY R. FOSTER, DOROTHY HARTMAN, MERRILL & RUTH HERBST, JO HYNE, JEANETTE JOHNSON, BRENDA McCARTY, BILL & BARBARA McCRIRIE, MARK & CAROL McMACKEN, PATRICK & KIM McMACKEN, TIM & LESLIE McMACKEN, HELEN MICHAELS, BETTY POLASKE, DORIS PRIESKORN, KEVIN & JULIETTE RILEY, JOHN & NANCY SALHORN, ED & CONNIE SHERMAN, DON & ALICE WYLAND.

SEVERAL OF THE ABOVE MEMBERSHIPS ARE GIFTS. JEANETTE JOHNSON, MARK & CAROL McMACKEN AND ARLOA WASHBURN ARE TO BE COMMENDED ON GIVING A MEMBERSHIP TO RELATIVES AND NEIGHBORS. SOMETHING ONE MIGHT CONSIDER.

THE FINAL ACCOUNTING OF 1995 MEMBERSHIPS IS BEING RECORDED. IF YOU'VE BEEN RECEIVING TRAIL TALES, AND HAVE NOT PAID 95 DUES, IT IS HOPED YOU'LL CARE ENOUGH TO REMIT DUES. (1996 DUES CAN ALSO BE REMITTED AT THE SAME TIME.)

RESPECTING THE PRIVACY OF SOCIETY MEMBERS THE LIST IS AVAILABLE ONLY TO BOARD MEMBERS OR PROJECT CHAIRMEN (ONLY FOR SOCIETY USE). IT IS NEVER OPENED TO COMMERCIAL VENDORS.

THANKS THANKS THANKS

...UBER'S FOR STOCKING POST CARDS, TILES MILL POND PICTURES AND COVERLETS FOR SALE FOR THE SOCIETY.

...BOOK NOOK FOR STOCKING POST CARDS AND COVERLETS FOR THE SOCIETY.

...ED AND CONNIE SHERMAN AND DAVE BARTON FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO TRAIL TALES MAILING EXPENSE. (PERHAPS OTHERS COULD CONSIDER MAKING A SIMILAR CONTRIBUTION OCCASIONALLY.)

...BERNICE CHAPPEL AND CAROL McMACKEN RE: POSSIBLE IDENTIFICATION OF THE SCHOOL PICTURED IN LAST MONTH'S ISSUE.

RECYCLE GREETING CARDS

YOUR CHRISTMAS CARDS CAN BE REUSED. CUT OFF THE FRONTS AND SEND TO: SAINT JUDE'S RANCH, 100 SAINT JUDE ST., DEPT. MN, BOULDER CITY, NV 89005. THEY TAKE THE SCENES AND MAKE NEW CARDS.

ARCHIVES: HOLIDAYS, MEDICAL MATTERS AND TIME CONSTRAINTS ALL COMBINED TO EFFECT CANCELLATION OF REGULAR MEETINGS. SECOND SATURDAY, 9-11 A.M. MEETINGS WILL BEGIN IN FEBRUARY. OTHER MEETING TIMES CAN BE ARRANGED. YOUR HELP IN SORTING OR YOUR DESIRE TO CONTRIBUTE PHOTOS, LETTERS, MAPS, HISTORIES, ETC., ETC. IS NECESSARY. CALL MARIEANNA BAIR, 229-6402 FOR MORE INFORMATION.

BRIGHTON HISTORY BOOK: AT A RECENT 'BRAIN STORMING' SESSION A LIST OF LOCAL LONG TIME RESIDENTS WHO MIGHT BE ABLE TO LOAN MEMORABILIA, PHOTOS, ETC., WAS COMPILED. A LETTER IS BEING SENT TO EACH BY FEBRUARY 1, REQUESTING THESE KINDS OF ITEMS. A 'BRAIN STORMING' SESSION IS LIKELY TO MISS SOMEONE. IF YOU DIDN'T GET A LETTER BE SURE TO CONTACT CAROL McMACKEN, 231-2957, OR MARIEANNA BAIR, 229-6402, WITH YOUR OFFER TO LOAN THE MATERIALS NEEDED.

HOME BUILDERS ASSOCIATION: YOU'VE SEEN THE PROTECTIVE STRUCTURE AROUND THE FRONT OF 132 E. GRAND RIVER. GO IN AND ASK TO SEE WHAT'S GOING ON. A RESTORATION IS UNDERWAY. HBA MEMBERS AND OTHERS ARE CONTRIBUTING CASH, LABOR, MATERIALS TOWARDS THE PRESERVATION AND REUSE OF THIS EARLY BRIGHTON BUSINESS SITE. INCOME TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS CAN BE MADE VIA THE BRIGHTON AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY. A PORTION OF CASH CONTRIBUTIONS ARE DESIGNATED TO THE SOCIETY'S LYONS SCHOOL PROJECT.

THE SOCIETY'S CONDOLENCES
TO THE FAMILY OF
CLARENCE TAYLOR

HE WAS A LIFELONG
RESIDENT OF THE AREA.

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

THE 1995 TILES ARE HERE!

AS EARLY AS 1837 GERMAN LUTHERANS SETTLED IN GENOA TOWNSHIP. THE ST. GEORGE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF GENOA, MICHIGAN, WAS ORGANIZED APRIL 23, 1845, BY REV. FREDERICK SCHMIDT, A CIRCUIT RIDING GERMAN MISSIONARY. THE FIRST CHURCH WAS BUILT ON THE SITE OF ST. GEORGE CEMETERY ON HERBST ROAD. IN 1884 THE SECOND BUILDING WAS CONSTRUCTED ON THE CORNER OF HERBST AND HUBERT ROADS. IN 1922 THIS BUILDING WAS DISASSEMBLED, MOVED AND RECONSTRUCTED AT THE CORNER OF 4TH AND MAIN STREETS IN BRIGHTON WHERE THE CONGREGATION PRESENTLY WORSHIPS AND WELCOMES THE COMMUNITY.

THE TILES ARE AVAILABLE AT UBER'S DRUG STORE OR BY CONTACTING A BOARD MEMBER. TILES FROM EARLIER YEARS ARE ALSO AT UBER'S.



**1884 - ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH - 1922
GENOA TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN
1995**

BRIGHTON AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

COVERLETS: AVAILABLE AT UBER'S DRUGS, BOOK NOOK OR NANCY FREDENBURG, 229-9100, THESE BLUE/BEIGE REVERSIBLE COVERLETS HAVE SCENES OF EARLY BRIGHTON WOVEN INTO THEM. DR. TIM MELLUS, GRAND-NEPHEW OF DR. H.P. MELLUS, CALLED TO CORRECT A TYPO IN THE DESCRIPTIVE BROCHURE WHICH ACCOMPANIES THESE COVERLETS. IT'S DR. H.P. MELLUS, NOT J.P. THANK YOU DR. TIM.

UBER'S ALSO STOCKS EARLY PICTURES OF THE MILL POND AND POST CARDS OF LOCAL SCENES.

SIGNATURE QUILT: TO BE SURE YOUR SIGNATURE IS INCLUDED ON THIS QUILT SEND IT TO THE SOCIETY, WITH A \$10. DONATION. SIGNATURES OF EARLY RESIDENTS OF THE AREA ARE ALSO AVAILABLE.

BRIGHTON AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP FORM

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

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Activities in which I would like to participate:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bake Sale | <input type="checkbox"/> Help with Spec. events | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Research |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality | <input type="checkbox"/> Oral History | <input type="checkbox"/> Restoration |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Genealogy | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

work I would be willing to do: _____

DUES: \$25. Patron
 \$25. Business/Professional
 \$12. Couple
 \$ 7. Individual

\$2. Student (K-12, College)
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MORE "HOLIDAY GREETINGS" FROM THE BRIGHTON ARGUS, 1898
A BOOK OF POEMS BY FRED A BUSH

GEO. W. BROADMORE FURNITURE, PAINTS, ETC.

WHEN LOOKING ABOUT FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD THINGS,
IN BUREAUS OR BEDSTEADS, MATTRESS OR SPRINGS
OR TABLES OR ROCKERS OR COUCHES OR CHAIRS,
JUST STOP INTO BROADMORE'S AND BANISH YOUR CARES;
FOR YOU'LL FIND WHAT YOU NEED IN ENDLESS DESIGN;
FOR HIS NEW STORE IS FILLED WITH A BEAUTIFUL LINE.
IN PIANOS AND ORGANS AND INSTRUMENTS SMALL,
AND UP-TO-DATE MUSIC, HE CAN PLEASE YOU ALL.
AND FOR SEWING MACHINES, WE SAY WHAT WE MEAN,
YOU SURELY SHOULD PURCHASE A GOODRICH MACHINE.
OF COURSE HE HAS OTHERS, BUT THEN, WHY NOT BUY
THE CHEAPEST AND BEST? IT WILL PAY YOU TO TRY.
IF YOU'RE THINKING OF PAINTING, YOU SURELY WILL CALL;
HE HAS PAINTS, OILS AND BRUSHES TO SATISFY ALL.
IN FANCY WALL PAPERS, BOTH COSTLY AND CHEAP,
HIS STOCK MAKES THE HARDEST COMPETITOR WEEP;
IN WINDOW SHADES TOO, HE IS CERTAIN TO PLEASE;
AND LACE AND CHENILE FOR THE PEOPLE OF EASE,
SUCH BARGAINS IN CURTAINS, FROM CEILING TO FLOOR,
I'LL WAGER THE OYSTERS, YOU NE'ER SAW BEFORE.
IN FINE TABLE COVERS OF VARIOUS STYLES,
HIS STOCK VERY QUICKLY ALL TROUBLE BEGUILLES.
HIS ARTIST MATERIALS ARE NONE BUT THE BEST,
JUST SAY WHAT YOU WISH, AND HE'LL DO THE REST.
IF YOU ARE A FARMER, 'T WILL PAY YOU TO TURN
YOUR EYE FOR A MOMENT TO HIS PATENT CHURN;
IF YOU ARE A LADY, I'LL SAY WHAT I MEAN,
IT WILL PAY YOU TO NOTICE HIS WASHING MACHINE.
WHEN YOU DROP INTO BRIGHTON, SOME TRADING TO DO,
HERE'S A BIT OF ADVICE I WOULD GIVE UNTO YOU,
DON'T SPEND ALL YOUR MONEY UNTIL YOU EXPLORE
THE WONDERFUL STOCK OF GEO. W. BROADMORE.

IRA J. COOK BARBER

SHOULD YOU IN BRIGHTON
CHANCE TO STOP
AND SEEK A PLEASANT
BARBER SHOP
TAKE MY ADVICE,
NO LONGER LOOK
BUT TRY THE SHOP OF
I.J. COOK.
WITH RAZORS SHARP AND
SHEARS SO BRIGHT,
HE'LL SHAVE YOU BY
ELECTRIC LIGHT;
AND WHEN YOU ARE SEATED
IN HIS CHAIR,
YOU'LL GET UP-TO-DATE
TOILET WATERS THERE.
YOU'LL GET A HAIR CUT
OR A SHAVE,
OR A FINE SHAMPOO,
YOUR HAIR TO SAVE;
HOT AND COLD CLOTHS
RELIEVE THE DREAD
THAT'S CAUSED BY MANY
AN ACHING HEAD.
WITH EQUAL CHARGES
TO ONE AND ALL,
WHO AT HIS SHOP
PERCHANCE MAY CALL;
YOU'LL MAKE NO MISTAKE
BY GOING THERE,
WHERE BUSINESS IS DONE
UPON THE SQUARE.

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