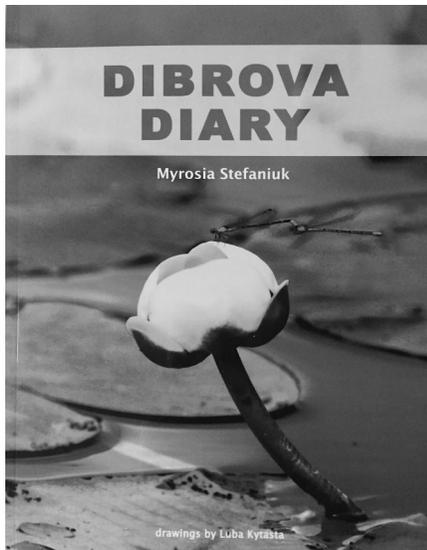
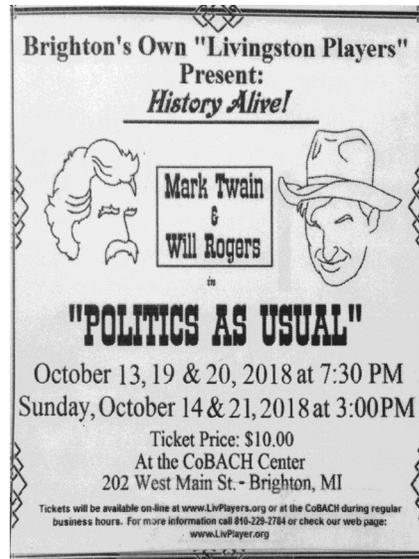


TWO UPCOMING EVENTS OF HISTORICAL INTEREST



Special Free Presentation on DIBROVA in the Woods.

Most people that travel Maltby Road have passed the gated area that says "DIBROVA" and wondered what is it? Located west of Scranton Middle School on the south side surrounding Thomas Lake you will see a Trident mounted on the access gate. No reason to wonder anymore. Myrosia Stefaniuk has spent summers there over the past 50+ years and has written a book. Dibrova Diary. This details life behind the gates of this beautiful rustic woodlands. You will learn the history of this special place hidden under the canopy of mature oaks that is the summer retreat for many Ukrainians of metro Detroit. Mira's presentation on DIBROVA will be at the CoBACH Center **Sunday, October 28 from 1—2:15pm. Seating is limited to (45) guests.**



Politics as Usual

The Livingston Players will present "Politics As Usual" by Brighton's Mark Twain and Will Rogers. This performance will lighten up the CoBACH Center for several weekends in October. You will enjoy the humor as these two famous American satirists jab at each other on the issues seen in current politics. You will discover that the politics from over 100 years ago is little different from concerns of today. Tickets are \$10 and available on line, www.LivPlayers.org or at the CoBACH Center.

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EXHIBITS at CoBACH

Sunday—Friday 5—8pm
Saturday 11am—5pm
Closed Monday

CoBACH Display
October through
Mid November

Free Exhibit

**"WW1
Armistice Centennial"**

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Daily postings regarding
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Thanks and Recognition

MEMBERSHIPS:

PATRON: BUS/PROF: Weld Mold Company*(2019)

*Welcome to new member: Weld Mold Company

THANKS:

- Carole Damon, Mindy Kinsey and Lynn Strong for taking down the previous exhibit at CoBACH and putting up the current display.
- Bill Zink for the loan of his WWI military items for our current exhibit at CoBACH Center, "WWI Armistice Centennial."
- Pat Cole for donating a Mortgage document dated July 17, 1884 between the James McDonald Family and the Baetcke & Fry Business of Brighton for Beaubien Farm outlots in Detroit.
- Jerry and Carole Damon for donating a Civil War book titled Howell Goes to War, 1861-1865.
- Work of Headstone Restoration Team in restoring (5) large headstones in the Old Village Cemetery during the August workday. Great teamwork by Joe Collins, Jerry Damon, Bill Dixon, Dave Fuller, Mindy Kinsey, Bob Knight, Ernie Nagy, Bob Pettengill, Dave Pettigrove, John Rawcliffe, Dave Rebiger, Pat Smith, Jim Vichich, Ed Vitez and Dick Weaire.
- Anna and Dan Oginsky, City of Brighton and the Brighton's Masonic Lodge for their generous Platinum Level sponsorships.
- The CoBACH volunteers who assisted visitors during September: Nancy Fredenburg, Mindy Kinsey, Bob Knight, Lin Millar, Bob Pettengill, Norma Pless, Lynn Strong, Peggy Van Sickle and Jim Vichich.
- Marieanna Bair, Joe Collins, Jerry Damon, Mindy Kinsey, Norma Pless, Lynn Strong and Jim Vichich for preparing the September issue of Trail Tales for mailing.
- Jerry and Carole Damon in preparing the September Trail Tales newsletter for publication.

Dates to Remember

CoBACH Center Exhibit — FREE!! October—mid November: "WW1 Armistice Centennial" **October 24; 6pm, CoBACH Center:** Historical Society monthly board meeting.

October 3,4,7,10,11,14,17,18,21,24,25,28,31; Sunday, Wed. and Thurs., 5pm—8pm: BAHS Volunteers at CoBACH Center. **October 28; 1:00—2:30pm, CoBACH Center:** Special **FREE**

October 4,11,18,25; 9am—12nn: Archiving/Open House at Lyon Schoolhouse. Speak with archivists and visit the 1900s classroom. Closes promptly at 12nn. presentation on DIBROVA located on Maltby Road. Enjoy memories of Mira Stefaniuk as she relates stories of the summer haven where five generations of Ukrainians cherished the rustic woodland near Brighton. Her book, Dibrova Diary, will be available for purchase.

October 13, 19 & 20; 7:30pm

October 14 & 21; 3pm

CoBACH Center: Mark Twain & Will Rogers in "Politics As Usual." Presented by Brighton's Own "Livingston Players."

www.LivPlayers.org, 810-229-2784, Tickets \$10.

November 10; 11:45am—12:10pm: BAHS and Sons of Union Veterans sponsors Veterans' Day Observance at Old Village Cemetery. Special rededication ceremony on restored headstone for Civil War Soldier, Pvt. Charles Pease.

October 22; 9am—2pm: Last Old Village Cemetery Headstone Workday for 2018.

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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.

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WILL CARLETON ??



Michigan’s unofficial poet laureate, Will Carleton, was born in a pioneer farmer’s cabin in Lenawee County, Hudson, Michigan October 21, 1845. Of English ancestry (to America in 1600s) his family had, in 1837, moved from a comfortable village home in New Hampshire, to Michigan where land was \$1.25 an acre.

His father, John H., born October 16, 1801, decided to follow the call to “Go west” and get some of that inexpensive fertile land. With the fertile land came the usual wolves, bears, mosquitoes, etc. Any settler who delivered to the county office one dead wolf, would receive \$5. A good shot could earn some cash.

Will’s education was acquired in nearby Hillsdale, where he attended school. At 17 he entered Hillsdale College for a year, then began teaching, later graduating in 1869. Utilizing his rare ability to paint pictures with words he began writing newspaper articles and poems. Lecturing opportunities about everyday scenes of life of that day, took him throughout the country; also Canada and Great Britain.

The Bard of Michigan wrote of life in early rural Michigan, late 19th century, employing the rural manner of speaking. His poem “Over the Hills to the Poor House” was inspired when he saw a 70 year old woman actually trudging her way to the Hillsdale Poor House. Widely published, this poem is credited with a nationwide movement to improve conditions in homes for the elderly.

Michigan State legislature passed a law, in 1919, memorializing the birthdate of Michigan’s “Pioneer Poet” as a special day dedicated to the recognition of all literature in all Michigan schools. Without any penalty involved, the law was disobeyed and is now forgotten.

Brighton historian Bill Pless, writes that had Will Carleton known about the law, he’d not care about being forgotten. His many writings tell us that.

(Compiled by Marieanna Bair from: Bill Pless writings; “Will Carleton—Poet of the People” by Jerome A. Fallon and data from Judy Bair. Additions/corrections requested: 810-229-6402.)

Over The Hill to the Poor House (1872)

Over the hill to the poor-house I’m trudging my weary way -
I, a woman of seventy, and only a trifle gray -
I, who am smart an’ chipper, for the years I’ve told,
As many another woman that’s only half as old.