



Christmas 2018 — FREE EVENT

HO! HO! HO! MERRY CHRISTMAS

Santa & Mrs. Claus visit Lyon School on Sunday, Dec. 9 from 1pm—4pm

Looking for a great Christmas photo with your family? This is the opportunity for your family to enjoy a wonderful Santa experience. The kids will enjoy making a tree ornament while being supervised by adults. Enjoy homemade cookies and apple cider.

The 1885 one-room Lyon School house, with its fresh coat of exterior paint, will be decorated in a classical Christmas look. Santa and Mrs. Claus will greet your children, invite them to visit and tell them their Christmas wishes and pose for your photos. The atmosphere and setting is warm and friendly. You will truly remember this Merry Christmas at the Lyon School!

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Veterans' Day Program — Saturday, November 10, 2018

11am — Veterans Parade on Main Street, Brighton
11:15am — 11:40am — Veterans Program at Millpond Memorial
11:45am — 12:15pm — Veterans Program in the Old Village Cemetery

Civil War Private Ernest Crippen will be honored. The story of Brighton's (5) Crippen brothers and their service to the Union during the Civil War will be shared.

EXHIBITS at CoBACH

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

CoBACH Display
November 1—18
Free Exhibits

“WW1
Armistice Centennial”

Nov 20 — Dec 21
“Old Fashioned
Christmas”

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**Brighton Area Historical
Society**

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Thanks and Recognition

MEMBERSHIPS:

IND/FAMILY: Norma Pless (2019)

PATRON: BUS/PROF: Joan Naylor (2020)

This month begins our 2019 membership drive. Please consider renewing your dues or becoming a member of the Society.

THANKS:

- Norma Pless for her donation to Lyon School along with her dues.
- Jerry and Carole Damon for their donation to OVC.
- Anna and Dan Oginsky, City of Brighton and the Brighton Masonic Lodge for their generous Platinum Level sponsorships.

- Marieanna Bair, Joe Collins, Jerry Damon, Mindy Kinsey, Norma Pless, Lynn Strong and Jim Vichich for preparing the October issue of Trail Tales for mailing.
- Jerry Damon for machining special medallions for the Old Village Cemetery.
- Work of the Headstone Restoration Team in restoring (6) large headstones in the Old Village Cemetery during the September workday. Great teamwork by Joe Collins, Jerry Damon, Bill Dixon, Dave Fuller, Jim Ireton, Mindy Kinsey, Bob Knight, Ernie Nagy, Bob Pettengill, Dave Pettigrove, John Rawcliffe, Dave Rebiger, Pat Smith, Jim Vichich, Ed Vitez and Dick Weaire.

Dates to Remember

CoBACH Center Exhibits — FREE!!

November 1—18: “WW1 Armistice Centennial”

November 20— December 21: “Old Fashioned Christmas”

November 4,7,11,14,18,21; Sunday and Wed. 5pm—8pm: BAHS Volunteers at CoBACH Center. **CoBACH Closed For Thanksgiving, November 21—25.**

November 1,8,15,29; 9am—12nn: Archiving/Open House at Lyon Schoolhouse. Speak with archivists and visit the 1900s classroom. **CLOSED Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 29.**

November 10, Veterans’ Day Observance, Saturday

11:00am—11:35am — Main St. Parade w/program at Brighton’s Millpond Veterans’ Memorial

11:45am — 12:15pm — Program continues in Old Village Cemetery

BAHS and Sons of Union Veterans Camp 120 sponsors Veterans’ Day Observance at Old Village Cemetery. Special ceremony for Brighton Civil War soldier, Private Ernest Crippen.

November 18; 1—4PM, Lyon School, 11455 Buno Road: BAHS Annual Membership Meeting, Election of Officers and Board of Directors Meeting. This meeting will also serve as the last monthly 2018 Board Meeting.

1pm — 2pm—Pot Luck

2:15pm — 4pm — Business Meeting with Elections

December 9; 1pm—4pm: FREE at Lyon Schoolhouse; 11455 Buno Road. Christmas with Santa and Mrs. Clause. Get your family photos and make and take craft.

Life — Business — Professional Members

Life Members:

John & Deb Armstrong — Muriel (Jacque) Armstrong — Tom Archer — Paul & Kathryn Bair (Allen) — Marieanna Bair — Shirley Barton
Charles & Janice Beach — Donald & Shari Black (N.J.) — Marilyn Campbell (IN) — Jack & Heide Clausnitzer — John & Jenny Conely
Bernie & Bonnie Corrigan — Timothy & Giannine Corrigan — Jerry & Carole Damon — Emil Engel — Nancy Fredenburg — William & Lenore Harris
Betsy & Bob Herbst — Dr. John & Barbara Jacoby (MN) — Larry & Kate Lawrence — Seth & Shannon Lemke (TX) — Carol McMacken
Jere & Kay Michaels — James & Janis Miller — Greg & Pamela Park (OH) — John G. Park & Madeline Kingston-Park — Richard Park (IL)
Bob & Donna Phillips — Joyce Powers — Douglas & Carole Rearick — Tom & Bonnie Riutta — Robert & Pauline Schaffer — Bruce & Betty Schuman
Anne Stratigos — Jim & Vicki Vichich — Linda (Skeman) Wintermute

Business /Professional Members: (** Indicates Life Members)

Acorn Deck Accessories (2018) — Advance Craft Builders (2019) — Archer Huntley Financial Services ** — Brighton Art Guild (2017)
Brighton District Library ** — Brighton Veterans Memorial Comm.** — Buckley-Jolley Real Estate Team (2018) — Clark Eye Center (2018)
Concord Mortgage (2018) — Davis Multimedia, Inc. (2018) — Golfview Painting (2019) — Kimble Appraisal Group, Inc.** — Lindhout Associates**
Lawrence Autobody ** — Masonic Lodge No. 247 ** — MI Backyard (2018) — Neighbors Magazine (2018) — Patrick Financial Group, LLC **
Precision Vinyl Group (2018) — Power House Electric, Inc. (2018) — Preview Properties (2018) — Promess, Inc.** — Refrigeration Research **
Tee-Bone’z Tavern (2018) — Weld Mold Company (2019)

2018 Sponsorships

Platinum Level: Brighton Masonic Lodge No. 247 — City of Brighton — Dan & Anna Oginsky

Bronze Level: Frank & Jo Del Vero

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 on the form below.

Mail check or money order payable to: Brighton Area Historical Society P. O. Box 481 Brighton, MI 48116-0481		Name: _____	Phone: () _____
		Address: _____	
		City: _____	State: _____ Zip Code: _____
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		How would you prefer to receive Trail Tales: <input type="checkbox"/> Email <input type="checkbox"/> US mail	
Membership Plan:		Donation to—Check One:	Amount of Donation:
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BAHS Sponsorship Program

The BAHS sponsorship program has the following levels with the associated annual funding gifts. Sponsors will receive recognition through the Trail Tails newsletter and through sponsorship placards located at the City of Brighton Arts, Culture and History (CoBACH) Center (aka Old Town Hall) and the Lyon One-room Schoolhouse.

Annual Sponsor levels are:

Platinum — \$1,000+; Gold — \$500+; Silver — \$250+; Bronze — \$100+

If you would like to become a sponsor or have a question, please contact:

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BAHS Leadership 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.

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.

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



REMEMBERING ARMISTICE DAY, 100 YEARS AGO

The 11th Hour of the 11th Day of the 11th Month, 1918.

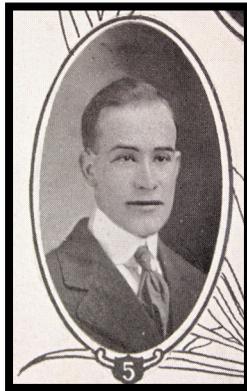
This was the date and time the world leaders (Allied and Central Powers—England, France, Italy) met with the leaders of Germany and signed an armistice (a ceasefire of military operations). Even as it was signed at 5AM, they agreed that the time would start at 11AM, Paris time. The leaders met in a railroad car owned by Marshal Ferdinand Foch, in Compiègne Forest, near Rethondes, France to sign the armistice. The terms were largely written by Allied Supreme Commander, Marshall Ferdinand Foch, French Military Commander. Present were: F. Foch, R. E. Wemyss, Matthias Erzberger, Alfred von Oberndorff, Detlof von Winterfeldt and Ernst Vanselow.

Even though the conflicts and hostilities did not end until mid 1919, November 11, 1918 will always be known as the end of the "Great War", referred to as the "war to end all wars." The Great War consumed over 7.5 million soldier lives before its end. The US lost 49,000 soldiers on foreign land. A total of 112,000 deaths from all causes. Disease and flu epidemic raged on during that time.

Over 100 soldiers from the Brighton area were engaged in the War. We lost 3 local young men in the Western Conflict. They

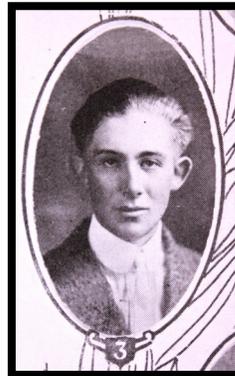
were: Jesse Barton Cooley, John Avis and Clare W. Rorabacher.

Jesse B. Cooley, Private WE 126, Inf 32, was the first local to die. He was killed in action on August 21, 1918, just shy of his 22nd birthday, at Chateau Thierry. The American Legion Post 235 was named in honor of Jesse B. Cooley.

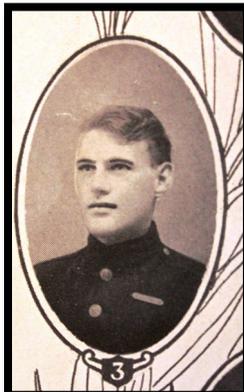


armistice. He went over-the-top 5 times and was killed on the 5th try.

Clare W. Rorabacher, Corporal Co. S, 126th was from Green Oak/Brighton. He was in service from June 19, 1916 and sent overseas on February 26, 1918. He was killed in action on October 26, 1918 in fighting in Argonne Forest.



John Avis, Marine Private Co. 76, 6 Maries 2 Div. from Genoa was in service from 1915. He met and married Jennie Lewis and had a daughter born in 1918. He went overseas on August 12, 1918 and was killed in fighting in the Argonne Forest on November 1, 1918, 10 days before the



November 11 of each year is set aside to remember our brave soldiers who died to not only protect our rights, but to make the world a better place.

(Compiled by Mindy Kinsey and Judith Coebly from the following resources: Roll Call of WW! And the Brighton Argus archives.)