



Petticoat Patriots

Did you know that **NO women** voted for the winning governor of Michigan in 1915? Democratic Governor Woodbridge Ferris, Michigan's 28th Governor, did not receive one female vote! The same pattern was seen two years earlier when President Woodrow Wilson did not receive the vote of a women in his 1913 presidential election win. Do you know the reason for this strange occurrence?

The Brighton Area Historical Society and its generous sponsors are providing the entire story of this seemingly strange voting practice. In fact, this practice of one gender voting was no stranger in the voting booths of Michigan at all. Women were not allowed to vote in state elections until 1919 and federal elections until 1920. The City of Brighton Arts, Culture and History (CoBACH) Center is presenting a **special FREE exhibit during July—August** to celebrate the Centennial of Women's Suffrage. "Petticoat Patriots: How Women Won the Right to Vote" is the title of this special display that presents the story from 1848—1919 of how women struggled to get the basic right of representation. Why did it take the government representatives so long to get this fundamental American right on the ballots and approved? Well, the politicians had it on several ballots in earlier years but remember **ONLY MEN COULD VOTE!**

This lengthy process of fighting for equality is documented and wonderfully presented within CoBACH Center on many professional banners that are on loan from the Michigan Women's Historical Resource Center in Lansing. This **FREE exhibit** needs to be shared with all. Bring the kids, your spouse and get a special free commemorative button that reads "Votes For Women 1919". Today, it is difficult to understand that women could not vote until after World War One. Stop by and learn about the people that fought for this change and the struggle they encountered for women to get this basic right.

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CoBACH Hours

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

July — August CoBACH Display

**Centennial of Women's
Suffrage in Michigan.**

**The Petticoat Patriots
Exhibit Celebrates "How
Michigan Women Won
the Vote."**

Free Exhibit

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Society**

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THANKS:

- City of Brighton and Val & Kathy Jacoby for their generous 2019 Platinum Sponsorships.
- Carolina DeLuca for her 2019 Bronze Sponsorship.
- Marieanna Bair, Joe Collins, Jerry Damon, Mindy Kinsey, Norma Pless, Lynn Strong and Jim Vichich who prepared the June issue of Trail Tales for mailing and Carole Damon who keeps the addresses up-to-date.
- Jerry & Carole Damon, Nancy Fredenburg, Mindy Kinsey and Lynn Strong for setting up the Petticoat Patriots display at CoBACH.

- Joe Collins, Jerry Damon, Dave Fuller, Bob Knight, Bob Pettengill and John Rawcliffe for setting up the silhouette characters throughout downtown Brighton.
- Michigan State Questers Board for their donation in honor of Judith Coebly, Quester State President, which will be used towards the preservation of Civil War soldier headstones.
- The team of people planning, installing and volunteering for the Women's Suffrage Program being held at CoBACH Center this summer: Jerry & Carole Damon, Caitlyn Perry-Dial, PhD, Nancy Fredenburg, Sheryl James, Mindy Kinsey, Norma Pless, Lynn Strong, Susan Trucker, Peggy Van Sickle and Jim Vichich.
- Mona Shand, liaison to US Representative Slotkin, for her guest appearance and opening remarks for Women's Equality Day.
- Women's Equality Day Special PowerPoint presentation by Dr. Caitlyn Perry-Dial on June 9th.
- To all those who made donations to the Society in the memory of "Jacque" Armstrong and Larry Lawrence.

Dates to Remember

July—August; CoBACH Center: FREE—Centennial of Women's Suffrage in Michigan

The Petticoat Patriots Exhibit celebrates "How Michigan Women Won the Vote." **SEE BELOW FOR DATES OF SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS.**

September; CoBACH Center: Centennial of Brighton Gardens Subdivision.

July 4; Parade on Main Street: Theme of parade is Centennial of Women's Suffrage. Visit CoBACH Center for special Women's Suffrage Exhibit.

July 11,18,25; 9am—11:59am: Open House at Lyon Schoolhouse. Stop by and meet the archivists and tour the one-room schoolhouse. **CLOSED July 4.**

**CoBACH Special Suffrage Performance
Suffrage Debate — "Yea or Nay"**

July 12,13,19,20 at 7:30 pm

July 14,21,at 3PM

Presentation by Brighton's Own Livingston Players; Tickets \$10
www.livplayers.org

July 22; 9am—2:30pm: OVC Headstone Team Workday. Additional 2019 dates: Aug 26, Sept 23, Oct 28.

July 24; 6pm: CoBACH Center: BAHS Board Meeting.

August 18; 3pm: CoBACH Center — FREE

"Equal Rights Amendment" Celebration; Presentation by Dr. Caitlyn Perry-Dial.

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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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Timothy Warner Bicentennial

This year the Warner Homestead celebrates the 200th birthday of its founding pioneer, Timothy Warner. Timothy was born on September 14, 1819 in Livonia, Livingston Co., NY. He arrived with his parents in Brighton Township in July 1837 and began his agricultural career by farming land on shares.

Pioneer life was tough and according to his biography, Timothy was involved in trade with local Native Americans exchanging beads for venison to make ends meet. The biography also notes that “young as he was, and inexperienced in organization, Mr. Warner was called upon to assist in organizing the township, and in giving its name.” Brighton Township was officially set off on December 30, 1837, just a few months after he arrived.

On October 16, 1841 he purchased 80 acres on Pleasant Valley Road for \$384 that founded the Warner Homestead, a parcel of unbroken wilderness. A log cabin was built there and by 1850, half of his 80 acre parcel had been cleared. He married Lucretia Jones of Lyon Township in May 1847. They had six children. George, Henry, John, Lovisa, Alfred and Charlotte. In 1855, he built an upright and wing Greek Revival home.

Like many pioneers in the 19th century, Timothy speculated on land. In 1873 he was the 2nd largest landholder in the township and 11th in Livingston County. In all, he held 14 different parcels totaling 653 acres over time. The 1875 plat map lists him as a “Genl Farmer, Grain, Sheep, Cattle, Horse and Fruit raiser, Dist. No 8”.

Timothy was active in the community, serving as Township Treasurer in 1863 and 1865. His biography also notes that he served as road commissioner and Justice of the Peace. From

1867 to 1871, Timothy partnered with Thomas Woulds as co-owner of the Livingston Mill, formerly known as the Woodruff Gristmill. He also held several positions at the Lyon school from 1848 to 1884, including teller, moderator and director for five consecutive terms. In 1884 he served on the building committee to present proposals for the construction of the school.

Timothy died at his home on December 20, 1900 at the age of 81. The house he originally built in 1855 is listed in the national Register of Historic Places. It is now in its 6th generation of ownership, marked with six green stars above the parlor door. More information on Timothy Warner is available at www.warnerhomestead.com.

This story was submitted by Tim Bennett.

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