

Trail Tales

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Ryan Eaton and his completed 2019 Eagle Scout Project. Required redesign and rework of existing wooden ramp and deck for a safe and enhanced handicapped egress from the rear of the building. Excellent Job Ryan!

Another Season Has Come and Gone!

Summer has sadly come and gone with little to no programming for the historical society. This period usually is quite busy with our various historical projects and is fun for all of us. CoBACH Center reopened in early September after being shutdown since March. The current exhibit focuses on the Centennial of Women Earning the Right to Vote and is called "Petticoat Patriots." This very informative, must see, **free exhibit** will remain until mid-November. Check the modified CoBACH Center hours on the sidebar of Page 1 and under Dates to Remember on Page 2.

Repair and maintenance work was the summer agenda at the Lyon School site. Remember the storage shed and some contents behind the school were destroyed by a falling tree from the adjacent property in early June. Included in the damage was five sections of our four-board fence constructed with rough sawn oak boards. This fence was repaired last week and repainted to match the other sections.

The ground has been repaired and grass seed is growing as we await delivery of the new replacement shed in early October. The items stored in the old shed were relocated to inside the classroom and made the room unusable. We were fortune that the school was closed due to COVID. Our insurance company was fair and reasonable with the damages. We eagerly await the time to reload and reorganize the new shed.

Replacement of the schoolhouse roof was the major maintenance required for the summer. The tear-off and reroofing was completed early August. Other maintenance focused on touch up painting of the exterior clapboard while several fence repairs were completed. The resident groundhog was evicted from under the wood walkway.

Additionally, the school benefitted from the new wooden exhibit stands for displaying old iron farm implements that came from adjacent farms. This was the third of recent Eagle Scout Projects that have greatly enhanced the appearance and safety within the grounds of Lyon Schoolhouse.

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NEW CoBACH Hours

Friday 5—8pm Saturday 11am—2pm Sunday 2—5pm

Closed all other times

<u>Current Display</u> Through Mid-November "Petticoat Patriots"

Archiving at Lyon School on Buno Road is CLOSED

Check our Facebook
Page for the Opening of
Lyon School.

CHECK OUT FACEBOOK

Frequent postings regarding Brighton History.

Brighton Area Historical Society

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Thanks and Recognition

MEMBERSHIPS: (Are for year 2021 unless otherwise noted.)

IND/FAMILY: Faith Capling, Suzanne Conerway, Tim Hurst, Norma Jean Pless

Renewing and new memberships keep the Society vital. Please see the form on Page 3 if you would like to renew your dues or become a member of the Society.

THANKS:

- Brighton Masonic Lodge, #247, City of Brighton and Dan & Anna Oginsky for their 2020 Platinum sponsorship.
- Norma Jean Pless for her donation to CoBACH Events, Friend of Lyon School and the Larry Lawrence Scholarship Fund along with her dues.
- David Catrell for his donation to the Larry Lawrence Scholarship Fund.
- Howard Bisoski, Joe Collins, Pat Smith and Jim Vichich who moved the dirt around the existing concrete pad for the

- new shed at Lyon School. Special thanks to Howard who brought his tractor with a bucket that made the job easier.
- Carole & Jerry Damon and Jim Vichich for the preparation and mailing of the September issue of Trail Tales.
- Carole Damon, Nancy Fredenburg, Mindy Kinsey, Tom Reinke, Lynn Strong and Jim Vichich for their participation at BAHS booth at the Brighton Harvest Fest.

Enjoy the Month of October

Stay Safe and Be Well

Dates to Remember

COBACH Operations / CoBACH Center: Has reopened since its staff, the society will take the summer off... mid-March COVID-19 closure. Centennial of Women's Suffrage is being celebrated. Exhibit is called "Petticoat Patriots" and runs until mid-November. Current Hours: Friday 5-8pm; Saturday 11am-2pm; Sunday 2pm-5pm.

Lyon Schoolhouse: Lyon School has been closed for archival work during March—September. Follow the BAHS Facebook page for updated opening information.

CoBACH at 6PM. Properly worn face mask and social distancing attend. are required to attend.

Due to COVID-19 and the close working proximity of our senior to COVID-19.

Veterans' Day celebration in Brighton is Saturday, November 7. Regretfully, there will be no programing from the BAHS that day. Veterans' Day Parade-status unknown.

BAHS Annual Membership Meeting and election of 2021 officers and board of directors will be held on Sunday, November 15, 1pm at Lyon School. Business meeting will start at 1pm. Pot luck is cancelled this year due to COVID-19 concerns. BAHS Monthly Board Meeting: Scheduled for October 28 at Properly worn face mask and social distancing are required to

Christmas Program with Santa at Lyon School scheduled for OVC Headstone Restoration Days are CANCELLED FOR 2020. Sunday, December 13, 2020 has regretfully been cancelled due

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If you would like to become a sponsor or have a question, please contact: Jim Vichich, President Brighton Area Historical Society 810-250-7276 or jvichich@comcast.net						

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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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A CHANCE TO WIN THREE BRIGHTON HISTORY BOOKS

Help kick-off our 2021 Membership Drive. Please recruit your family and friends.

This page, has for 37 years, been used for a story regarding Brighton's history. However, we want to take this opportunity to announce a new program that will take place during our 2021 Membership Drive which begins November 1, 2020 and will run through January 2021.

We have noticed with our Facebook postings that many of you share our stories and photos with friends and family. We would like to have those that you share our stories with become members of BAHS. Membership dues and donations allow the society to carry out our mission to "Preserve, Advance and Disseminate Knowledge of the History of the Brighton Area.

NEW FOR 2021, we are offering a <u>Friends and Family Membership Recruitment Program</u>. We will provide a membership invitation with your November Trail Tales which you can forward to your friends and family to ask them to join you as a BAHS member. Everyone who recruits a new member or members will be entered into a drawing. In a similar way, the new members will also be entered into a drawing. The more new members recruited the more chances you have to win.

The winners of the drawings, which will be held in February, will receive a copy of the three Brighton history books seen below.

