

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Special Fall Programs at CoBACH and Lyon School

November 2, Saturday, 2—7 pm, CoBACH & AMP

Join the community for a family friendly fun-filled afternoon at the AMP as the BAHS, St Paul's and El Arbol jointly celebrate Dia de los Muertos/Day of the Dead. This celebration will feature face painting, crafts, live music by Mariaci Cristal, 5-7 pm, food and beverages, guided tours of Old Village Cemetery at 2&5 pm, and a Photo Booth. St Paul's Historic Chapel will be open for candle lighting and personal prayers for our departed loved ones. The CoBACH Center Exhibit of Local Cemeteries features photos and information of the many cemeteries of the Brighton area.

November 9, Saturday, 12noon, CoBACH Center

Following the 11am Veterans Day Parade and program at the AMP you can warm up and enjoy a special **FREE presentation** inside CoBACH. You will learn the many customs and observances started as a result of America's War of Rebellion (Civil War). Veteran Ed Vitez a member of the Sons of Union Veterans, Camp 120 is a wonderful speaker who engages his audiences especially the young as he shares information about the evolution of the day and cultural practices dedicated to memories of United States Veterans.

December 8, Sunday, 1—4pm, Santa at Lyon School

Bring your young children, siblings, and grandparents to this very popular setting. Experience a wonderful afternoon at the barrier-free Lyon School with the very enjoyable Santa and Mrs. Claus. The elves will guide and assist children with a fun make and take tree ornament in the archive room. The 1885 schoolhouse will be beautifully decorated for Christmas and the setting is perfect for your family Christmas photos. Parents will always remember those excited faces and plentiful smiles as each child presents their gift list to Santa and Mrs. Claus. Plenty of free parking.

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**NOTE: CoBACH will be closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
November 27 through December 2.**

FREE Fall CoBACH Exhibit: "Local Cemeteries"

CoBACH Winter Hours
November thru March
Thursday & Friday 5—8pm
Saturday 11am—5pm
Sunday 2—5pm
Closed Monday

**Archiving at Lyon School
on Buno Road
Every Thursday
9 to 12nn**

CHECK OUT FACEBOOK
Frequent postings regarding Brighton History.

**Brighton Area Historical
Society**

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Thanks and Recognition

MEMBERSHIPS: (Reflect dues paid for year 2025 unless otherwise noted.)

IND/FAMILY: Dale Karolak*, Dave Schoewe

PATRON: Norma J. Pless

Welcome to new member*: Dale Karolak

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE BEGINS NOVEMBER THROUGH JANUARY

We hope you will renew your membership using the form on Page 3 or the insert. Through your dues and donations we are able to continue the work of preserving Brighton's history.

THANKS:

- To our members who have renewed their dues for 2025 and beyond.
- John Cameron, MD, Lake Trust Credit Union, John Park, Madeline Kingston-Park and Wallflower Mercantile for their 2024 Platinum Sponsorships.
- Norma Pless for her donation to Friend of Lyon School and the Larry Lawrence Scholarship Fund along with her dues.
- Dave Schoewe for his donation to Old Village Cemetery along with his dues.
- Tom and Bonnie Riutta for their donation to the Society.
- Ann Bollin, Representative 49th House District for her State of Michigan recognition to BAHS for Old Village Cemetery Rehabilitation.
- Pauline Schaffer for her donation to the Larry Lawrence Scholarship Fund, Friend of Lyon School, CoBACH Events and Old Village Cemetery.
- Nancy Fredenburg, Mindy Kinsey and Lynn Strong for setting up the new display at CoBACH and taking down the GM display.
- Steve Black, Nancy Fredenburg and Ed and Joyce Vitez for assembling new shelving and panels at the CoBACH Center.
- John Rawcliffe for his donation of prints, thank you cards and a news-letter folding machine.
- Pauline Schaffer for her donation of jewelry for the BAHS spring fundraiser.
- October CoBACH volunteers: Nancy Fredenburg, Mindy Kinsey, Bob & Shirley Knight, John Rawcliffe, Bonnie & Tom Riutta, Lynn Strong, Peggy Van Sickle and Jim Vichich.
- Pleasant Valley Cemetery volunteers that attended the September 23 workday.
- Thursday morning Lyon School workers for October: Steve Black, Ron Cyr, Nancy Fredenburg, Mindy Kinsey, Lynn Strong and Jim Vichich.
- Day of Dead November 2nd planners: Judith Coebly, Mindy Kinsey, Lynn Strong and Jim Vichich.
- October Silhouette removal team: Jerry Brock, Joe Collins, Jerry Damon, Dave Pettigrove and Jim Vichich.

Dates to Remember

PLEASE SEE PAGE 1 FOR NEW WINTER CoBACH HOURS

CoBACH: October —November FREE Exhibit: "Local Cemeteries"

October 28, Monday; 9am—12nn: Pleasant Valley Cemetery Restoration Workday.

November 7,14,21; 9am—12nn: Lyon Schoolhouse Open. **Closed** November 28 for Thanksgiving.

November 2, Saturday: 2pm & 5pm—Old Village Cemetery

FREE Tours: "Day of the Dead"

November 2; 2—7pm: CoBACH/St. Paul's/El Arbol/AMP/OVC: Join Day of the Dead/All Souls Day Celebration at Brighton's most historical setting—the Millpond area.

November 20, Wednesday, 6pm, CoBACH: BAHS Board Meeting. Third Wednesday due to Thanksgiving holiday.

Life — Business — Professional Members

Life Members:

Tom Archer — John & Deb Armstrong — Paul & Kathryn Bair (MI) — Sharrell (Munce) Blakeley (CA) — Janice Beach — Donald & Shari Black (FL) — Steve Black — Marilyn Campbell (IN) — Jack Collett — John & Jenny Conely — Bonnie Corrigan — Kelsey Corrigan — Timothy & Giannine Corrigan — Jerry & Carole Damon — Patricia LewAllen DeFoor (GA) — Frank & Jo Del Vero — Bill & Margaret Dixon — Joan Engel — Tony & Beth Ferreyra — Nancy Fredenburg — Dave & Jacque Fuller — Lee & Deb Gough — Stephen & Marilyn Harrington — William & Lenore Harris — Betsy & Bob Herbst — Kathy Jacoby (OR) — Claire & Aaron Jusino — Kate Lawrence — Jim Leith (IN) — Stephen Leith — Seth & Shannon Lemke (TX) — Ray & Bessie Maltby — Jere & Kay Michaels — James & Janis Miller — Randy & Linda Venno Needham — Greg & Pamela Park (OH) — John G. Park & Madeline Kingston-Park — Richard Park (IL) — Kathy Lueker Pearson — David & Marilyn Pettigrove — Bob & Donna Phillips — Douglas & Carole Rearick — Brigitte Ritsema — Tom & Bonnie Riutta — Pauline Schaffer — Bruce & Betty Schuman — Anne Stratigos — Lynn Brady Strong — Jim & Vicki Vichich — Michael & Jennifer Vichich — Linda (Skeman) Wintermute — Karen Wirth — Alice Wyland

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

Advance Craft Builders (2024) — Archer Huntley Financial Services ** — Brewery Becker** — Brighton Area Women's History Roll of Honor** — Brighton District Library ** — Brighton Lions Club (2024) — Brighton Veterans Memorial Comm.** — Buckley-Jolley Group ** — Clark/Tait Eye Center (2024) — Mark Francuck, DDS, PC (2024) — Kimble Appraisal Group, Inc.** — Liberty Title Agency (2024) — Lindhout Associates** — Liv. County Convention & Visitors Center (2023) — Lawrence Auto Body ** — Masonic Lodge No. 247 ** — Patrick Financial Group, LLC ** — Power House Electric, Inc. (2025) — Preview Properties (2024) — Promess, Inc.** — Refrigeration Research ** — Serra Brighton Automotive (2024) — Tee-Bone'z Tavern (2024) — Wallflower Mercantile**

2024 Sponsorships:

Platinum: John Cameron, MD — Lake Trust Credit Union — John Park — Madeline Kingston-Park — Wallflower Mercantile

Gold: Paul & Kathy Bair — Lawrence Auto Body

Silver: Kathy Lueker Pearson

Bronze: Brighton Light House — Judith Coebly/Gary Reutter — Carolina DeLuca

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: _____
		E-Mail: _____	

Membership Plan:	Additional Donation to—Check as Desired:		Amount of Donation:	
<input type="checkbox"/> New	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5 Student	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Patron or More	<input type="checkbox"/> Larry Lawrence Scholarship	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10
<input type="checkbox"/> Renew	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20 Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> \$75 Business/Professional	<input type="checkbox"/> Friend of Lyon School	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30 Family	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500 Life	<input type="checkbox"/> BAHS CoBACH Events	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25
			<input type="checkbox"/> Friend of Old Village Cemetery	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50
				<input type="checkbox"/> Other \$ _____

The Brighton Area Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit AND a 509(a)2 Public Charity Organization . All donations are tax deductible.

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).

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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Current BAHS Leadership

President Jim Vichich	Directors Ron Cyr
Vice President Nancy Fredenburg	Tony Ferreyra
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Webmaster Debbie Armstrong	John Rawcliffe
	Lynn Strong
	Trail Tales Editor Jerry Damon

BAHS: How to Contact Us or Find Us

If you would like to contact us, please use the following options:

E-Mail:
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US Mail:
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Brighton, MI 48116-0481

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 AND a 509(a)2 public charity 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



LATEST NEWS.....

2025 Membership Drive

Our membership drive begins this month and continues through January 2025. Please see the insert to renew your dues.

We want to thank all our members who renewed their membership in 2024. Your membership is very important to us and allows us to continue our mission of preserving Brighton's

THANK YOU....

The Brighton Area Historical Society would like to thank the following organizations, individuals and families for helping to make our General Motors Providing Ground display at the CoBACH Center a huge success:

- GMPG for the number of photos, videos, maps and the copy of the 20th and 40th Anniversary books.
- Milford Historical Society.
- Family of Tom Nelson
- Family of Albert Buxton
- Family of Charles Brady
- Family of William McIntyre
- Family of Jack Padley
- GMPG Retiree Club
- GMPG Retiree Historical Club: Special thanks to: Dick Krueger, Jim Lafferty, Bill Langhorst, Chuck Rhein

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, December 8, 1—4pm

Santa and Mrs. Claus at Lyon Schoolhouse
11455 Buno Road, Brighton
Bring the kids and grandkids!

Get your Christmas photo in the 1885 holiday decorated schoolhouse.



FOR SALE..... \$325 (6 Available)

Original seats from the Rialto Theatre. The theater was located at 307 West Main Street in downtown Brighton. These seats have the Heywood Wakefield manufacturing tag.

Contact: info@BrightonAreaHistorical.com or 810-250-7276.