

BRIGHTON AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

P.O. Box 481

Brighton, MI 48116-0481

Non-Profit Org.

U.S. Postage

PAID

Permit #303

Brighton, MI

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



If your child were to ask, “What Brighton, Michigan was like 250 Year Ago”, you might explain...

250 years ago, Brighton, Michigan was a beautiful area with forests, rivers, and wildlife. The land was home to Native American tribes like the Potawatomi, who lived off the land and had their own traditions and way of life. The Potawatomi people respected nature and lived in harmony with the environment.

There were no buildings or roads like we see today in Brighton. Instead, the land was mostly untouched and filled with trees, plants, and animals. The Potawatomi people lived in villages along the rivers and lakes, where they fished, hunted, and gathered food to survive.

As time passed, European settlers began to arrive in the area and eventually established towns and communities like the Brighton we know today. The landscape changed as more people settled in the area, but the natural beauty and history of Brighton's past are still a part of the community's heritage."

You could also encourage the child to explore further by visiting local historical sites, museums, or libraries to learn more about the history of Brighton, Michigan 250 years ago. This can help foster a sense of curiosity and appreciation for the rich history and cultural heritage of the community.

The photos on this page are from the current display by the Brighton Area Historical Society at the CoBACH Center in downtown Brighton on Main Street, which celebrates America's 250 years. **Please plan on visiting with your family.**

(Thanks to Jerry Damon for the story and photos)

