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It's About Time

When you read this article, THS will have closed the books on its eighth year as the Village administrator. We've done a lot during that period as you can see in the Tally Board. But, while some goals can be measured in numbers it's time to consider other important accomplishments.

Tally Board: 2011-2018	
Number of school group visits	+1900 groups
Refreshments for 80 teas	2000 cookies & 600 gallons of tea
Hand-dipped beeswax candles	140,000 tapers
Gettysburg Address	Over 50 recitations
Volunteer time	324,000 hours

It's time to translate our local history into the languages spoken in our community. We deeply appreciate the efforts of Julie Tucker's AP Spanish class at Troy High School. Her students translated our Village guide into Spanish as an end-of-the-year project. Our goal is for this work to serve as a "Deep Learning Project" template for German, French, Chinese, and Japanese classes at our high schools. At the same time, we've reached out to the congregations at the Islamic Association of Greater Detroit and the Bharatiya Temple to assist us with Arabic, Hindi, and Telugu translations.



It's time to restore the Niles-Barnard House and open it to the public. Architects have inspected, assessed, and measured every inch of the 181 year old building. This summer the City will have complete restoration plans and will select contractors to begin the interior and exterior work. We promise to offer a series of Hard Hat Tours that explain the processes involved in historic preservation. Mark your calendars now for a gala ribbon cut and celebration in spring 2019.

It's time to open new doors. When the General Store was built in 1989, a temporary stock front door was installed and remained in place for 29 years. It was finally replaced this summer with a beautiful, historically accurate door with two narrow windows. Craftsman Randy Klepinger also made and installed new historically accurate doors in the Wagon Shop, Poppleton School, and the Caswell House. Randy preserved original wood in each of the door frames and replaced only rotted material. The new hardware is also historically accurate. We deeply appreciate Mr. Klepinger's carpentry and restoration skills and the allocation of City funds to complete this important work.

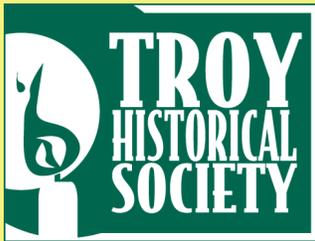
It's time to restore the clock. In May the Troy School District offered the Village the master grandfather clock that kept time for all the classrooms at Big Beaver School. This

beautiful clock has stood silent in the District's administrative offices since the old school was torn down. Recently the

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We're Hiring!

THS is hiring part time Facilities Attendants who provide onsite supervision during weddings and private parties held in the Village. This position requires evening and weekend hours rather than weekday hours and is a great opportunity for young retirees, college students, and other adults looking for a little extra income. For a complete job description and application go to <http://troyhistoricvillage.org/involvement/> or email ed@thvmail.org.

THS Annual Meeting

The THS Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 19 at 7:30 pm in the Village Church. Doors will open at 7 pm for refreshments before the meeting. All are welcome for this important update of the Society's finances, staff, and programs, and its management of the Troy Historic Village. The meeting will also feature an important Niles-Barnard House Restoration update, and if feasible, a walk through that building. Registration is not required.



Welcome Heather Sibley and Thomas Piserchia

Volunteers from Oakland University and Aquinas College are gaining work experience at the Village this summer while rounding out their resumes. Heather Sibley will graduate from Oakland University in the fall with a BA in Communication. Heather is working with the THV Marketing Team to promote the Troy Traffic Jam. She is also a US Army veteran who served four years as a medic. Upon

graduation Heather hopes to work for a nonprofit organization.

Thomas Piserchia is a Troy resident who attends Aquinas College. He will graduate in December with a degree in history. Thomas hopes to become a professional archivist after graduate school and brings experience gained while interning at the Grand Rapids City Archives and Research Center. This summer Thomas will assist with several archive projects including digitizing photographs in our collections.



Eagle Scout Project

Thank you to Joe Williams for building sturdy outdoor benches for the Village as an Eagle Scout project. Joe designed the benches with assistance from City Maintenance Supervisor Dennis Trantham and recruited other scouts to help raise funds for building materials and construct the wood and TREX benches. We congratulate Joe on becoming an Eagle Scout and thank him for his team's excellent work!

Thank you Donors!

The THS spring appeal has generated \$2773 in donations to date. We are grateful to those individuals whose contributions will seed new programs and help us maintain the Village. For those who haven't responded, there is still time to support the Village before the end of our fiscal year on June 30th. Thanks you in advance for your continued generosity.



Executive Director... Loraine Campbell



What should be considered part of American History and what still fits in the category “recent events?” When I took a 20th Century history class in 2004, I was the only student in a class of 18 who had vivid personal memories of the Vietnam War, the day the Cuyahoga River caught fire, the Kent State Massacre, or when 1-94 was built in Detroit. I learned that for today’s young adults the Great Depression is only a chapter in a book or perhaps a PBS documentary. And, I daresay for today’s college freshmen a pay phone is as antiquated as a telegram.

Recently Matt Hackett, our Youth Programs Director, asked, “What should we collect from the 20th century? What objects and records belong in our local history museum?” These are important questions. I’ve given them a lot of thought

and I have some ideas based on my own Baby Boomer perspectives. I’ve also solicited suggestions from the rest of the staff and a few volunteers. But it is time to broaden the discussion and include you, our Villagers. What

20th century stories, topics, records, and artifacts do you feel should be or might be included in our collections and reflected in our interpretive programs?

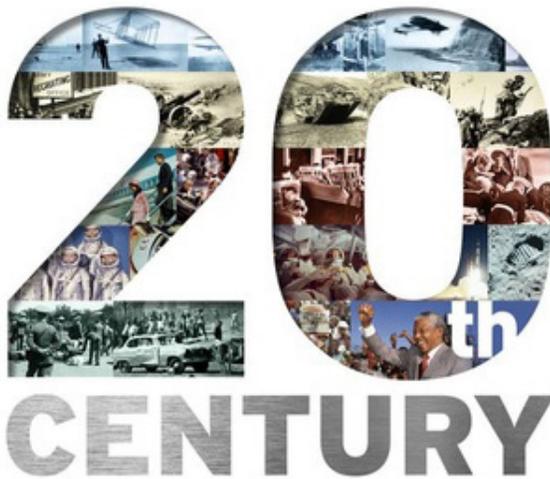
Currently the Troy Historic Village buildings and artifacts present the classic American pioneer story: life in a log cabin, learning the 3Rs in a one-room school, clapboard homes

and farmsteads, blacksmiths, and a time when the general store was the source for dry goods and local gossip. The Village holds meaning for Americans whose ancestors migrated west on the Erie Canal or whose grandparents grew up in American farming communities during the horse-and-buggy era. But our country has changed remarkably since 1900 and so much history has been added to the American Story. What chapters might we add so that the Village has relevance to the diverse regional community we now serve?

So at your next family gathering or as you celebrate the 4th of July, please consider this question. What important 20th century events, innovations, individuals, or topics should be preserved at your Historic Village? We promise not to eliminate or replace the stories revealed in our wonderful vintage

buildings. Rather, our goal is to thoughtfully integrate more recent history into the Village through topics like immigration and technology so that the Village is meaningful and relevant to younger generations and

diverse backgrounds. You can email your ideas to ed@thvmail.org, mail them to the Village, or leave a voicemail at 248-524-3301. Please reference your suggestions as 1900s History. If you wish to be part of a more in depth discussion, let me know and we’ll schedule a group conversation. Your thoughts and ideas are valued and appreciated.



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June 16 - August 25
Mon-Fri: 10am-3pm
Saturdays: 10am-2pm
Closed July 4

Admission:

Free for Members
Adults: \$5
Seniors: \$3
Children 6-12: \$3
Children under 6: Free

Villager:

Sign up to be a Villager!
See back page.

Donate:

To support the Village through donation, mail a check payable to the Troy Historical Society or call 248-524-3570 with your credit card.

Games on the Green

July 12, 13 & 14, 10am-2pm

Try your hand at a few old time and vintage pastimes. Find challenge in Corn Toss, two kinds of Hoops, and knock-the-pins. Many of these diversions move indoors (or to a tent) in rainy weather, so come rain or shine! Free with admission. No registration required.

Saturdays, Sundays, Gardens!

Welcome to Summer in the Village, our THV is open with regular admission on Saturdays from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm; through Saturday August 25 (HONEY HARVEST!)

Have a Hot Time during Open House Sundays on the second Sunday of each month from 1:00 until 4:00,—with FREE admission and activities! Purchase food from AAA Ice Cream, Mean Weenie and Nosh Pit on July 8: Fun and Games. Come on August 12: Day of Doing!--Try cabin chores, print a souvenir, and have fun in Town Hall. Look for AAA Ice Cream and Mean Weenie!

Big Tops, Trains & Three-Ring Fun!

It's not all about acrobats, jugglers, and clowns! With its collection of artifacts, curated exhibits, and curiosities from all over the world, the American circus of the 19th century was similar in many ways to the modern day museum. (Visit the Village during a second grade field trip and you may see even more three-ring resemblance!)

In the days before broadcast media and in US towns that had yet to establish their own permanent cultural institutions, the circus was a very popular form of entertainment. Its itinerant nature was key—the circus worked well in the US because it could pack up, move, and entertain in the new towns that sprang up as the population grew and people moved west. In 1872, P.T. Barnum capitalized on the transcontinental reach of the railroad to load his “Greatest Show on Earth” onto 65 train cars and haul it hundreds of miles across the country.

Another feature of the American circus was the Big Top tent, first adopted by showman Joshua Purdy Brown of New York in 1825. Brown's circus act was barred from performing in Wilmington, Delaware, where city leaders had embraced the spiritual revival and moral reform of the Second Great Awakening, to the detriment of extravagant public performances like Brown's circus. Rather than abandon his would-be audience—and a potential profit—Brown instead created his own canvas “pavilion” just outside of town, beyond the reach of city authorities. The pavilion might have been temporary, but the large tent concept endured.

This fall, we invite you to step right up...to Trick-or-Treat at the Village! Our “Three-Ring Halloween” event takes place on Saturday October 27 from 12:30 – 3:30 pm.





Thursday Teas at Two

Sip a cup of tea while enjoying a slice of history. A different delightful topic each month! Presentations begin in Old Troy Church at 2 pm and last one hour. Guests are welcome to bring their own china cup and saucer if preferred. \$7/THS Member, \$8/Non-member. Register in advance as space is limited for this popular series. No refunds, no exchanges.

Tulipimania

Thursday July 26

We know spring has arrived when tulips blossom! Many good gardeners know tulips come in dozens of varieties and colors. But few know this wonderful plant originated in the remote and desolate mountains in Asia or that the simple tulip bulb was once worth more than gold. Learn the heritage of the tulip and fascinating lore of Tulipimania from Village Executive Director Loraine Campbell.

Jane Austen & the Regency Woman

Thursday August 23

Step back in time to the fashionable world of Jane Austen! Join artist and fashion designer Cynthia Rindt in exploring the fascinating changes in dress, customs, and manners that occurred following the French Revolution, setting the stage for the Regency era in early eighteenth century England.

Our Fires Still Burn: The Native American Experience

Thursday September 27

This exciting and compelling one hour documentary invites viewers into the lives of contemporary Native American role models living in Michigan. It dispels the myth that American Indians have disappeared from the American horizon, and reveals how they continue to persist, heal from the past, confront the challenges of today, keep their culture alive, and make significant contributions to society. Watch the film with us, then stay for Q&A with the filmmaker, Audrey Geyer.

Place *of* Worship Tours

Let's meet up! Join the Troy Historical Society in visiting diverse places of worship. We'll hear the history of these congregations and see the beautiful and unique architecture of their buildings. Advance registration required, call 248-524-3570. Price: Free/Troy Historical Society Members; \$5/Non-members.

Temple Beth El

Wednesday July 18, 11:00 am

7400 Telegraph Rd, Bloomfield Hills

Founded in Detroit in 1850, Temple Beth El was home to the first Jewish congregation in Michigan and has long been a leader in the Reform movement. Visit this congregation's iconic synagogue in Bloomfield Hills, which was designed by World Trade Center architect Minoru Yamasaki. Please note: this program takes place in the morning.

Dharma Gate Buddhist

Wednesday August 15, 7:00 pm

60 W. Wattles Road, Troy

(Troy Historic Village)

This month, we take a virtual tour of Dharma Gate. Meet in Old Troy Church at the Village for an exploration of history, practices, and core concepts of Buddhism, a 2,600-year-old religion. Venerable Hoden of Dharma Gate Zen Center will give an overview of who the Buddha was, subsequent migrations, and the development of later Zen concepts and schools. We will also explore the stunning art and architecture of Buddhist sites through the years.





Michigan History Continental

Start your week with a cup of joe, light breakfast and fascinating tales from Michigan's past, presented by some of our favorite local history speakers. Select Monday mornings this summer, 10:00 am – 11:00 am, inside air-conditioned Old Troy Church. Price: \$7/THS Member, \$8/Non-member. Register in advance, space is limited.

Grand River Trail, Then & Now

Saturday July 23

Originally a Native American trail, Grand River Avenue has been a westbound route from the Straits of Detroit to the eastern shores of Lake Michigan for more than a thousand years. Authors Jon Milan and Gail Offen take you on a visual tour along one of Michigan's true "Blue Highways," which has served as a stagecoach route, a plank road, and ultimately, one of America's first two-lane highways.

Orphan Train in Michigan

Monday August 20

Did you know 12,500 orphans from New York City and the Boston area were placed in Michigan homes from 1854 to 1927? Al and David Eicher, historians and television producers, explore the reality of the young Orphan Train Rider: the placement, selection process, and Orphan Train Agents.



The Troy Historical Society's premier fundraising event, the Troy Traffic Jam, will take place on Sunday August 5th at the Columbia Center on Big Beaver Road at Livernois.

Construction of the new Stony River Steakhouse and Grill on the Columbia Center site will be nearly complete by August so the dust will be gone and the site ready for a great cross-section of automotive design and technology. Once again the Traffic Jam will feature nearly 300 cars from a classic Duesenberg to street rods and muscle cars. The show will open to the public at 10 am with the Star Spangled Banner and a color guard from Selfridge ANG Base. Guests will enjoy great music, summer food including burgers, hotdogs, grilled sandwiches, salads, and ice cream. This year the show will feature a new opportunity for teens who are interested in automotive tech careers. We invite those exploring career paths and their parents to visit our Connect with Careers tent sponsored by the Suburban Collection. Talk with regional tier two automotive businesses and get information on education and training programs through the Oakland Intermediate School District, and Oakland and Macomb Community Colleges.

Car guys and gals can go to www.troytrafficjam.com for more information about the show and to register a vehicle by mail or online. To volunteer at the show please go to www.SignUpGenius.com/go/60B094EAAAC2BA7FC1-volunteer1.

Finally we encourage everyone to invite their family and friends to this free, family-friendly event that supports THS. We'll see you at the only traffic jam everybody likes!

Bit of History: Traffic Trivia

By Colete Morlock

To set the mood for the Troy Traffic Jam, here's a bit of traffic trivia for you. Would you believe... the world's first paved road was right in Detroit? Wayne County poured the first concrete on Woodward Ave between Six and Seven Mile Roads in 1909. That pavement was extended twenty-seven miles to Pontiac in 1927.

When did road signs and traffic signals appear? The very first documented stop sign was installed in Detroit in 1915. It had black letters on a white background. In 1922 the octagon shape was adopted and signs were black text on yellow. But when fade-resistant enamel paint was invented (1954), the color was changed to red with white lettering. Did you know that yield signs were invented to reduce traffic accidents? They were first seen in Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1950 thanks to a State Highway Trooper's idea. It would be another twenty-one years before they were used by all states! Traffic Lights are commonplace today, four-way three-color lights, the idea of Detroit Police Officer William Potts, first appeared in 1920. The red, yellow, and green signals were originally used by railroads! And did you know that the very first traffic light was installed on the corner of Woodward and Michigan Avenues?

We take highways for granted. Few people know that the Federal-Aid Highway Act in 1944 was enacted to build a highway system that connected the states; but was never funded. It took approval of President Eisenhower's signature legislation, The Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1956, to establish the interstate highway system. Now all interstate roads all have an "I" in front of their number, such as "I-75" or "I-275". Which state had the first interstate highway? Missouri, Kansas, and Pennsylvania all claim that status, but the 260-kilometer stretch of Pennsylvania Turnpike between Irwin and Carlisle opened on Oct. 1, 1940 and may be the oldest limited access expressway used by motorists.

Car guys and gals may also know that the first dashboard car radio was invented in 1930. Cadillac introduced headlights in 1912, but cars weren't equipped with tail lights and turn signals until 1918. Cars originally had "manual" transmissions, but a Canadian steam engineer patented the "automatic" which shifted gears by itself. This major innovation was first available in GM's 1940 Oldsmobile. Hubcaps protected the wheels so car manufacturers produced them in 1932. Think of what your drive would be if you didn't have some of these inventions!



Cheddar's Preschool Story Hour

Join Cheddar the Village Mouse in listening to a classic tale in our monthly program for little historians! A simple craft and a yummy treat will make your child's visit complete. Select Wednesdays, 10:30 - 11:30am. THS members: \$5/adult, \$3/child; non-members: \$6/adult, \$4/child. Appropriate for children ages 2-5; child must be accompanied by an adult. Advance registration required. Call 248-524-3570.

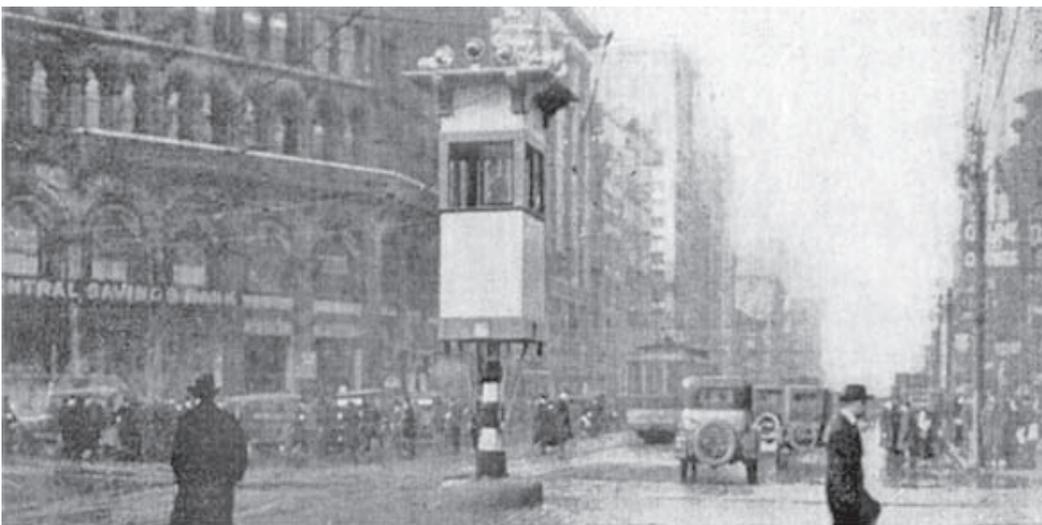
No Cheddar in July

Jugglers, Clowns & Acrobats, oh my!

Wednesday August 1

Grow, Gather and Munch

Wednesday September 5





It's About Time

Cover story continued

Superintendent asked if we would accept the time piece as a donation.

We agreed and Joe Kuechle, a local expert will clean and repair the clock and deliver it to the Niles-Barnard House where it will once again mark the passage of time.

Finally, it's summertime and **the Village is open on Saturdays from 10 am-2 pm June through August.** The sign on our front lawn asks passersby "Been driving by for years? C'mon in... It's about time!" Thank you for coming in and being part of history.

Volunteer Spotlight

By Julie Zaporski with thanks to three great volunteers!

We asked a few of our Village volunteers to tell us why they choose to donate their time and talents to the Troy Historical Society. Here's what they said:

It is very close to my home, so I can be there in 3 minutes. I enjoy doing projects. Every project is different & a challenge. I enjoy the Village Staff. The Staff makes it very enjoyable for the volunteers. – **Bill**

I meet new people, learn new things, eat new foods, go new places, practice new skills, keep active, enjoy new stories, feel good about myself, have hope for my country, feel I am being a responsible human being, teach my grandchildren that volunteering is fun and good for you, keep busy, get out of the house, feel appreciated, make good things happen in my community, feel challenged, enrich my life, bring money to organizations that do good work in my town, make new

friends, and share what I learn with others. Other than that I really have no reason to volunteer and could just sit and grow old and tired. – **JoAnn**

I have always been interested in history, but not the facts and figures, but with the people - what made them leave a familiar place back East and come to a wilderness. Researching the original residents of Troy has made me feel more connected to them. It is that link that has given me so much satisfaction and pride in being a volunteer for the Village. To be bound together with the incredible staff and fellow volunteers has given me much more joy and fulfillment than I could ever have imagined. – **Colete**

You can volunteer, too! Contact Julie, our Volunteer & Guest Services Coordinator at 248-524-3570 or jzaporski@thvmail.org.

Constitution Cafés



Sponsored by the Oakland County Bar Foundation. Utilizing the Socratic Method of inquiry and discussion, participants engage in civil discourse to 'create' a new Constitution. These programs are FREE to attend. Join in the discussion on select Sundays at 2:00 pm:

Self Evident Truths and the Declaration of Independence

Sunday July 8

The Slave Clauses & Constitutional Interpretation

Sunday August 12

Freedom of the Press

Sunday September 9



Blacksmithing

Basic Blacksmithing Level 1

Choose from: Saturdays July 28 – Sept 8 (no class August 11), 10:00am-12:30pm

Experience the art of blacksmithing as it was practiced in the late 1850s with this six-week introductory course. Build a coal fire, work at an anvil and operate a forge. Discover how malleable iron can be as you make your own hand trowel while learning nine basic hand-forging techniques. Ages 12 to adult. Price: THS Members: \$270/student; Non-members: \$320/student. Includes all materials and 15 hours of instruction. No prerequisite.

Basic Blacksmithing Level 2

Thursdays June 21 – August 2 (no class July 5), 6:30 – 9:00 pm

Build upon the skills you learned in Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 with this six-week next-level course. Forge a pair of tongs as you learn the technique of shouldering and take on the challenge of creating mechanical movement with mating parts. Ages 12 to adult. Price: THS Members: \$270/student; Non-members: \$320/student. Includes materials and 15 hours of instruction. Prerequisite: Basic Blacksmithing Level 1.

Adult-Child Blacksmithing Class

Saturdays July 7, 14 & 21, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Together, the two of you will forge your own “butter machete,” a fun and useful kitchen utensil. Discover the world of traditional blacksmithing as you learn 4 basic blacksmithing techniques. Ages 8 to adult. THS Members: \$200/one adult and one child; Non-members: \$240/one adult and one child. Price includes materials and 6 hours of instruction. No prerequisite.

Anvil Time Blacksmithing

Weekend and weekday, morning afternoon and evening classes forming. Please contact the Village at 248-524-3570 for the current schedule and availability.

Hone the skills you acquired in Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 while working on a project of your choice. Students are encouraged to make something that is meaningful to them. You may choose from a variety of projects or create your own. Come to class prepared to discuss your ideas for this 4-week course. Ages 12 to adult. Check www.troyhistoriccottage.org for upcoming class dates. Price: THS Members: \$150/student; Non-members: \$190/student. Includes 8 hours of supervised shop time, some materials may be extra. Prerequisite: Basic Blacksmithing Level 1.

Cu + Fe: Forge a Ladle

Monday – Friday, August 6 – 10, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm

What are the similarities and differences between Coppersmithing and Blacksmithing? Learn the universal truths of forging, annealing and hardening as you create a ladle from copper sheet and steel rod. With hammer in hand, reshape, embellish and unite these two metals into a useful object while learning their strengths. Ages 10 to adult. Limited to 6 students, advance registration required. Price: THS Members: \$160/student; Non-members: \$210/student



Honey Harvest

**Saturday August 25,
12:30 – 2:00 pm (Village
open 10am-2pm)**

A sweet finish to summer: local beekeeper and bee-teacher Tom Jenkins guides guests in removing honey from honeycomb. This fascinating process involves a wax knife, frames from beehives, and a spinning centrifuge. Tom will also supply a sample of honey to each family, teach us about being an “apiarist,” and the value of bees and honey in our lives. Handle, cut, smell and taste the results! Ages 6 to adult only. Price: Troy Historical Society Members: \$4/person; Non-members: \$9/adult, \$7/senior or child ages 6-12. Honey Harvest limited to 36 persons—advance registration strongly recommended!



Garden Walk

Summer at Troy Historic Village is not complete without the Troy Garden Club GARDEN WALK Wednesday, July 11. Shop the Arts & Crafts Boutique and Plant Sale on the Village Green; try your luck at the Raffle, be dazzled by the Student Art Exhibit, and more! Garden Walk tickets (in advance at THV) are \$10; day-of price is \$15; Village Buildings, Grounds, and Art Show are open and FREE on July 11 from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm.

<http://troygardenclubmi.com/garden-walk/>



Grown-Up Group Gather

Offered June – October, Monday – Friday

Price: \$7/person; minimum 10 people per group for a grown-up field trip to the Troy Historic Village!

Choose one 30-minute local history presentation and one 30-minute guided tour option:



History Presentations:

Michigan Women

Prominent and lesser-known ladies in Michigan's history who have rocked the boat and the cradle

Street Smarts

Learn how local streets like Wattles, John R., Coolidge and Livernois got their names

History of Troy, MI

Learn how Troy changed from pioneer settlement to farming community to the City of Tomorrow, Today!

Guided Tours:

Home & Hearth

Explore three different dwellings: 1830s log cabin, 1860s Greek Revival farmhouse & 1900s parsonage

School & Shops

Tour one-room Poppleton School, plus Cutting's General Store and the Village Print Shop

You Pick Three:

Choose any combination (up to 3): Cabin, Caswell House, School, General Store, Print Shop, Parsonage

History presentations take place in air-conditioned/heated Old Troy Church. Village is ADA-accessible; church and tour buildings are wheelchair- and walker-friendly, with lots of opportunities to sit down and restrooms close by. Must register in advance; call 248-524-3309 or email apd@thvmail.org.

Prefer not to travel?

We can bring history to you! Choose any presentation topic above and we will share a more in-depth, 60-minute version at your site for \$100 (you provide projector and screen) or \$125 (we provide projector and screen).



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Village Closed Happy Independence Day!	5	6	7 10am Adult-Child Blacksmithing
8 1pm FREE Open House 2pm Constitution Cafes: Declaration of Independence	9	10	11 9am Troy Garden Club Garden Walk 6:30pm Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 Wed 6:30pm Tai Chi	12 10am Games on the Green 6:30pm Basic Blacksmithing Level 2	13 10am Games on the Green	14 10am Games on the Green 10am Adult-Child Blacksmithing 
15	16	17 6:30pm Yoga on the Green	18 11am Place of Worship Tour: Beth El 6:30pm Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 Wed 6:30pm Tai Chi	19 6:30pm Basic Blacksmithing Level 2	20	21 10am Adult-Child Blacksmithing 
22	23 10am Michigan History Continental: Grand River Trail	24 6:30pm Yoga on the Green	25 6:30pm Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 Wed 6:30pm Tai Chi	26 2pm Teas at Two: Tulipimania 6:30pm Basic Blacksmithing Level 2	27	28 10am Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 Saturday
29	30	31 6:30pm Yoga on the Green				

Group Gather

Are you part of a senior group at your church, homeowners association, social club, or residential living center? The Village now offers special Senior Group Gather programs that include a menu of presentations and modified accessible Village tours. Outreach programs to your center are also available. See article on above for details. Call 248-524-3598 to schedule your visit or outreach program.



Volunteer Appreciation Picnic

We can't say thank you enough, but the Village Staff wants to acknowledge all of your contributions of time, skill and resources. Please join us for our annual Appreciation Picnic on Thursday, August 16th at 4 pm for appetizers, beverages and games. Dinner will be served at 5 pm, followed by special volunteer recognitions. If you will attend please RSVP to jzaporski@thvmail.org by August 10. You are welcome to bring your significant other and a side dish or dessert if you wish. Please let us know when you RSVP—bringing food is completely optional.

Scarecrow Row 2018

It may be summer, but scarecrow season will soon be here! The theme for the 5th Annual Scarecrow Row on Livernois Road is Scarecrow Nation. The annual gathering of 'crows is simultaneously a fundraiser, decorative community attraction, and a lot of fun for local businesses, families, friends, clubs, groups and community members during October.



Individuals and groups can pick up wooden frames at the Village Gift Shop between July 8 and September 14 and work on their scarecrows at home all summer. The completed creations must be returned to the Village by September 21.

As an alternative, register for our Scarecrow Workshop on Sunday August 12 from 1 – 4pm. In addition to the frame, you'll be supplied with clothing, accessories, and tips and tricks from expert scarecrow builders—everything you need to build a creative 'crow. Food will be available for purchase from The Mean Weenie food truck and AAA Ice Cream Cart on August 12.

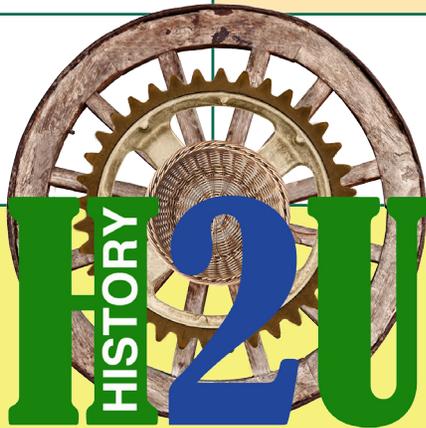
Pricing for THS Members: \$10/take-home scarecrow frame OR \$15/one frame, building materials and August 12 Workshop.

Pricing for Non-Members: \$15/take-home scarecrow frame OR \$20/one frame, building materials and August 12 Workshop.

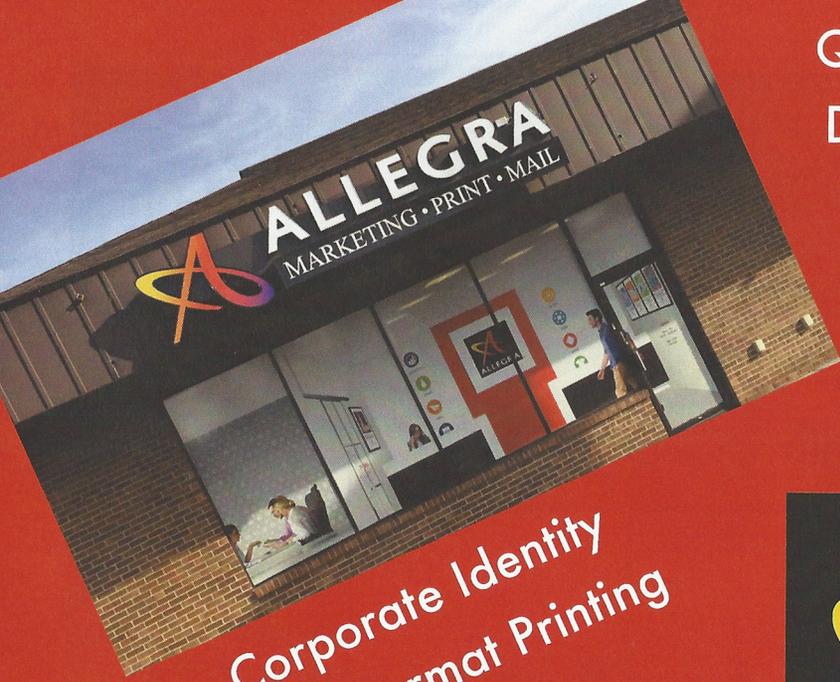
Business Owners: sponsor a scarecrow and we'll display your name/logo with your 'crow along our Livernois Road-facing fence for the whole month of October—that's a lot of exposure! For details, contact THV Fund Development Director Tina Collins at 248.524.3571 or tcollins@thvmail.org.

August 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		6:30pm Yoga on the Green	10:30am Cheddar Jugglers, Clowns & Acrobats 6:30pm Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 Wed	6:30pm Basic Blacksmithing Level 2		10am Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 Saturday
10am Troy Traffic Jam	10am Cu + Fe: Forge a Ladle	10am Cu + Fe: Forge a Ladle	10am Cu + Fe: Forge a Ladle	10am Cu + Fe: Forge a Ladle	10am Cu + Fe: Forge a Ladle	
1pm Free Open House 1pm Scarecrow Workshop 2pm Constitution Café: Slave Clauses			7pm Place of Worship Tour: Dharma Gate Buddhist	4pm Volunteer Appreciation Picnic		10am Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 Saturday
	10am Michigan History Continental: Orphan Train			2pm Teas at Two: Jane Austen & the Regency Woman		10am Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 Saturday 12:30pm Honey Harvest

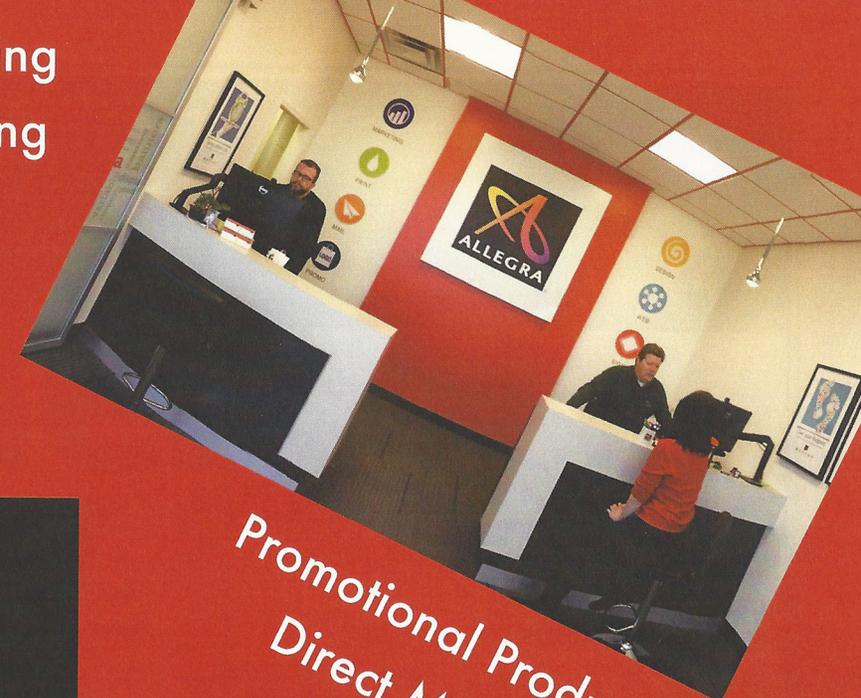


The Village staff is now accepting reservations for Village field trips and History to You brought into classrooms during the 2018/19 school year. Go to the programs tab on the Village website for complete and updated information. Call 248-524-3598 to schedule programs. Call soon as popular spring and fall dates fill quickly.

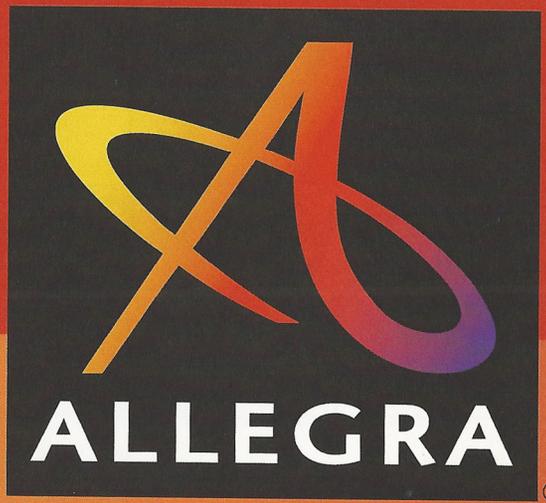


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September 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 10am Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 Saturday
2	3 Village Closed Labor Day	4	5 10:30am Cheddar Grow, Gather and Munch	6 	7	8 10am Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 Saturday 
9 2pm Constitution Café: Freedom of Press	10	11	12	13 Poppleton School Reunion	14	15 
16	17	18	19 7pm THS Annual Meeting	20	21	22 
23/30	24 <i>Scarecrow Row</i> <i>Preview Week</i>	25 <i>Scarecrow Row</i> <i>Preview Week</i>	26 <i>Scarecrow Row</i> <i>Preview Week</i>	27 2pm Teas at Two: Our Fires Still Burn <i>Scarecrow Row</i> <i>Preview Week</i>	28 4pm Step into Autumn Kick-off <i>Scarecrow Row</i> <i>Preview Week</i>	29 2pm Union Corners Cemetery Tour

Step Into Autumn

Stay tuned for Step Into Autumn. We hope to announce a new partner and program in September that encourages walking pathways to the Village and free fun, family and senior friendly fall activities for walkers who arrive in the Village. Please stay tuned to more information!

Become a Villager Today!

- To support quality, engaging family education
- To support Hands-On local learning
- Free Admission to the Village
- Programs Discount
- Village Press
- 10% Discount in Village Store
- E-Newsletter - Monthly

YES! I want to be a Villager. Please process my Troy Historical Society membership which will activate my Villager status at the Troy Historic Village.

- \$35: Individual
 \$50: Couple/Family (includes children under 21)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please Email my quarterly Village Press

Payment Options:

Enclosed Check / Check # _____

Visa Master Card Discover

Credit Card Number: _____

Credit Card Security # (3 digit code on back) _____

Card Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____

Already a Villager?

I want to support historic preservation and programs at the Village. **I wish to donate:**

\$ _____ General Fund

\$ _____ Niles-Barnard Renovation

\$ _____ Adopt-A-Class

\$ _____ Special Programs

\$ _____ Other _____

Return completed form & payment to: 60 W. Wattles Road, Troy, MI 48098
Make checks payable to: Troy Historical Society

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