

BOOKMARK 2022

Thurs, Feb 24th 6:00pm
Friends of the Library &
Historical Society

May TBD
Adopt-A-Road
Cleanup of Indian Trail

Thurs, May 19th 6:00pm
Friends of the Library &
Historical Society
Meeting

June
Silent Auction
in the Library

Thurs, Aug 18th 6:00pm
Friends of the Library &
Historical Society
Meeting

Thurs, Nov 17th 6:00pm
Friends of the Library &
Historical Society
Meeting

ARCHIVES TO GO VIRTUAL

Making our archives more accessible to the community is an important goal of our Society. Partnering with the Ray Township Public Library, members of the Society and Library staff are working on a procedure to scan our archives and upload these images onto the Suburban Library Cooperative's Montague system. The Society has dedicated \$250 to purchase a new scanner for the Library and this long-term project.

PROCTER CEMETERY PROJECT

Fundraising for Phase II of the Procter Cemetery Restoration is progressing with \$6,168 dedicated for the project. Our goal is to reach at least \$16,310 by the end of summer. That means another \$10,000 to go. Members feel we can reach this by raising \$2,000 with donations and our silent auction in June, then applying for a matching grant.

The money raised will restore all 25 monuments and 16 of the 64 tablets that are fallen, sunken, leaning, damaged, missing pieces, or dirty.



HERITAGE HOME PROGRAM

Ray Township has many 100 year old homes which may be eligible for a Heritage Homes Plaque through the Historical Society of Michigan. After researching their home, the current



owners of the Earl Hamblin house, built circa 1850, received their plaque this past fall. Cheryl's comment, "Worth every minute of the search. Makes me happy every time I see it pulling in the driveway." Plans are in the works to host a presentation on the Michigan Heritage Home Program this spring and showcase the Hamblin Home. Stay tuned.



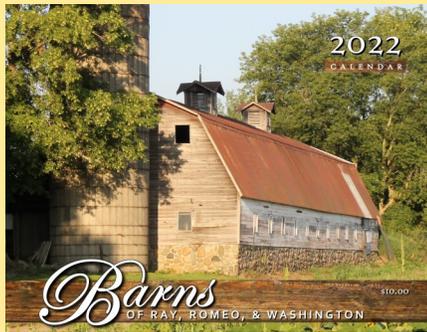
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The Society was formally organized in 2005 as a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization and added support of the Library in 2015. Our mission is to engage passionate individuals to enrich cultural experiences, enhance literary and educational opportunities, and enliven history.

During these times, our community's generosity continues to inspire us. Our member's families donated over \$700: Allen, Arnfield, Demsey, Grabb, Graham, Hemr, LeFever, Lopus, Pointe, Rengert, Renken, and Wiers. Community donations totaled \$2,313:



Margaret Obrzut \$2,000, Onas Deskins \$200, Rabbi Jeff and Mindy Glickman \$100, and an anonymous donation through Tisbet \$13.

The Ray Township Fire Department bottle returns brought in \$33.40, Kroger Rewards raised \$827.28, Amazon Smiles \$40.53. So far, our 2022 Calendar sales totaled \$793. Thank you!



Indian Trail Adopt-A-Road
 May 2021



Our Society purchased a CRICUT machine for the Ray Township Public Library, contributed \$400 as a match for the PILCROW GRANT for children's books, and paid the shipping costs for the CRAYON INITIATIVE. Members also handed out children's books, resumed the candy count contest, and

held a silent auction of two original pieces of artwork, donated by Helen Foss-Bohm, at the Tree Lighting event raising \$280.



Pilcrow \$1,200 Grant

Our recycled crayons became 105 new packs of Crayons for kids in hospitals

THE
Crayon
 INITIATIVE



CRICUT & Supplies