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THE ROAD TO OAKLAND COUNTY

By Stephanie Suszek

During the 200th anniversary year of Oakland County the Village Press will feature a series of articles on different components of this important region's history.



“There was not much road, only the Indian trail,” lamented Mary Anna Williams Hodges, recalling her family’s journey from Detroit to Royal Oak via the Saginaw Trail in March of 1819. John Jones was similarly ambivalent about the footpath that brought him from Detroit to Troy Township in 1821, remembering that “it took four days to go over the

road with an ox-team. I say road; there was no road; we were guided by marked trees.”

Hodges and Jones were referring to relatively small sections of a much larger network of Native American trails that had long traversed the Great Lakes region. These strategically designed routes connected Ojibwe, Odawa, Potawatomi, Huron, Sauk and Wyandot peoples with water sources for transport and fishing, maple tree groves for sugar, land for agriculture and seasonal encampments and sacred sites to bury their dead.

In the 19th century, U.S. government surveyors, explorers and Oakland County settlers like Hodges and Jones quickly, if somewhat grudgingly, adopted Native American trails for their own uses. Settler Catherine Shook remembered “being forced to cut the road through part way” to travel from Detroit to Pontiac by oxcart as late as 1843. Widening was one of the early modifications made to the trails by travel-weary settlers whose descriptions of swampy, ill-defined byways often failed to appreciate the vast geographic connectivity the footpaths provided.

After bushwhacking their way to Oakland County via the trails, 19th-century newcomers built homes and businesses close to these established routes. In Troy Township, residents reported that the mixture of water and soil frequently turned trails like the Paint Creek (now known as Rochester Road) into “the worst form of mire.” Having raised towns along trails widened for oxcart, carriage and stagecoach travel, Oakland County residents turned their attention to resurfacing the former footpaths and improving newer roads in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

Attempts to plank or gravel rural roads proved to be a temporary fix. The Good Roads Movement (1870s – 1920s) sought more permanent improvements on a national level, and warped wooden planks were gradually replaced with concrete. Surfaces changed during the 20th century and so did names. The Shiawassee Trail now corresponds to Shiawassee Street in Farmington. The Saginaw Trail, long known as Woodward Avenue from Detroit to Pontiac, became Dixie Highway / US 24 north of Pontiac and into Clarkston. Sections of the Grand River Trail became Grand River Avenue, US 16, I-96 and M-5.



By day, Stephanie Suszek is the Adult Programs Director at the Troy Historic Village. By other days, she is a Masters student and graduate assistant at Oakland University, studying early American history and contributing to the Oak 200 digital history project.

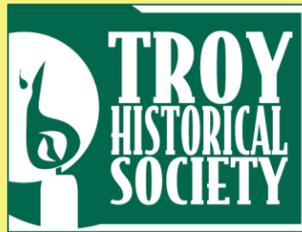
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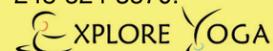
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Yoga Returns!

Tuesdays June 2 – July 14,
6:30-7:30pm

Free/THS Members &
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Bring your mat and join us
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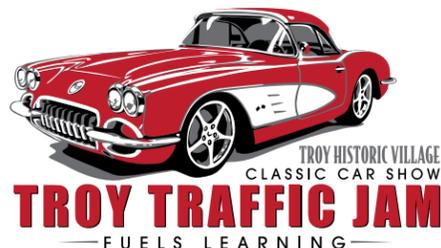


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Garden with Us

In recent years the Pioneer Vegetable Garden next to the Log Cabin has been tended by boy scouts or a few families with the help of knowledgeable master gardener Bill Warren and experienced Troy Garden Club volunteers. This year we invite you to gain gardening skills and fill your dinner table with fresh produce grown without chemical fertilizers. If you would like to harvest knowledge and great veggies while enjoying the company of wonderful Villagers, please email Jen at jpeters@thvmail.org. Our expanded Green Gang will select seeds and tidy up our 18 4-ft beds in April. We'd love to welcome you, your family or friends to this group.



Calling Cool Cars!

As the last piles of snow finally disappear, classic cars, coupes, sedans, roadsters and muscle cars magically reappear! So it's not too early to think about registering your cool car for the 2020 Troy Traffic Jam on Sunday August 2 from 10 am- 3pm at the fabulous Columbia Center. The show has grown into incredible annual family event with over 6,000 attendees who enjoy an outstanding array of nearly 300 vehicles including all makes, models and years. Most important all proceeds from this fun day fuel learning at the Troy Historic Village. To learn more about the show, to register on line or print a

registration form, go to the Village website or www.troytrafficjam.com. The pre-event registration fee is still only \$20. Thanks for your support!

Pathway to Preservation

Are you curious about progress on the restoration of the Niles-Barnard House? Do you wish you could peek inside? Check out the new Pathway to Preservation portal accessed through the Village website homepage. You'll find photos and construction updates as they happen plus tidbits of house history. You can also follow Pathway to Preservation through our Facebook page!



Happy Birthday, Oakland County!

On March 28, 1820, Michigan Territorial Governor Lewis Cass formally organized Oakland County. To commemorate this bicentennial anniversary, Oakland University faculty and graduate students have consulted with local historical societies to create Oak 200, a digital collection of images, stories and interactive maps designed to highlight over 200 years of people and events that have made Oakland County the unique and diverse place that it is today.

The Oak 200 website will continue to be a resource for local historians, researchers and students long after 2020. In the meantime, Village Press readers can preview some of the stories written by OU grad students that will be featured on the Oak 200 website (see "The Road to Oakland County" on the cover of this issue and "Cholera in Oakland County" on page 4). We'll publish more stories from Oak 200 throughout the year.



Executive Director... Loraine Campbell

Fred Rounds recently passed away at age 95. For many years Fred

and his late wife Muriel were mainstays at the Village – part of the "original crew" of THS volunteers I met when I arrived in 1998. Fred and Muriel were soft-spoken, generous and hard-working. They helped with school groups, dressed in pioneer clothes for open house events, served on committees and put in 12-hour days at the Society's Hand and Eye Craft Show. In 40 years that event generated over a half million dollars, which



THS applied directly to moving historic buildings to the Village and restoring them. The Caswell

House, Poppleton School, Wagon Shop, Log Cabin, Town Hall, Church and Parsonage all moved to the Village powered by proceeds from Hand and Eye Shows and private donations. It was an amazing effort by some very special people who cared about each other, their City and its history. They dedicated their time and invested their energy and resources to preserve it.

They were also a hoot. I laughed out loud when Walter, the Society's long-term Treasurer called Fred a young whippersnapper. At the time Walter was over eighty but Fred was only "seventy-something". However, these men also respected one another as friends and WWII veterans. Walter attended every Veteran's Day observance in his old navy uniform, which still fit, and Fred, who fought in the Battle of the Bulge, was a Bronze Star recipient. Age seldom slowed down any of the "original crew." Thelma and Al Holdburg self-identified as "recycled teenagers" and jitterbugged in the Village when they were 90

years young. Like Morris Wattles, Harriet Barnard and Clara Haag, those core Villagers their spouses and friends were the rock-solid foundation of the Troy Historical Society for 50



years. They preserved a community heritage envisioned by pioneers nearly 200 years ago.

In recent years the Society has welcomed a new generation of Villagers who possess the same vigor and vision as the pioneers who settled in Oakland County 200 years ago. And like their THS predecessors they bring new ideas to the Village, which build on that rock-solid pathway to preservation. This spring we invite every Villager to join THS and invest in the work that Fred and Muriel, Walter and Mary, Gerry and Lee Young and so many others began. In return, we will offer you personalized opportunities to explore and share the Village with your own circle of family and friends. For a preview of our unique spring campaign check the April calendar page of this Village Press. Additional information will arrive in your mailbox detailing how you can join other Villagers on the pathway to preserving the Niles-Barnard House and opportunities for you to see and use this gracious historic venue.



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Spring Hours:

Mon-Fri: 10am-3pm
Closed April 10 & May 25
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private events

Admission:

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

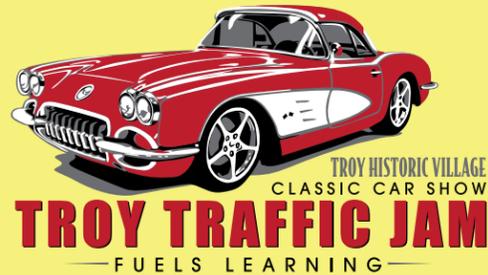
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See back page.

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13th Annual Troy Traffic Jam Car Show

Sunday August 2, 10am-3pm

Location: Columbia Center, 201 W. Big Beaver Road

Join us at the 13th Annual Troy Traffic Jam Classic Car Show for a free, family-friendly event. See over 275 classic cars, hot rods, muscle cars and specialty vehicles. Enjoy children's activities, youth robotics team, music and plenty of great food available for purchase.

Car owners who wish to enter their restored, modified or original/preservation vehicles may pre-register at www.troytrafficjam.com for \$20/vehicle or register at the show from 7am-10am for \$25/vehicle. For more registration or sponsorship information please contact tcollins@thvmail.org or call 248-524-3570.

Walking Group

Thursdays | 6:00 pm April – October
(5:00 pm November – March) | FREE

Walking Group meets year-round on Thursdays evenings. Walks cover a variety of scenic 1.5-3 mile routes in or around Troy. All ages and levels of fitness are welcome! For meeting locations, route details or to sign up, please call 248-524-3570 or email apd@thvmail.org.



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Bit of History Cholera in Oakland County

By: Anthony DeMaggio



Cholera – the product of poor water quality – flourished in poor sanitation, times of war, crowding and famine. It had a fruitful time in Detroit, and even a bout in Oakland County. The symptoms of cholera are miserable, painful and in 1832, were intensely feared and short lived; death usually followed within a matter of hours from the first signs of the infectious disease. Cholera claimed the lives of not only 96 individuals in Detroit by 1832, but also the Governor of Michigan Territory, George Bryan Porter, in 1834, as well as multiple soldiers that united in Detroit to fight in the Black Hawk War, which is where the ravaging illness was thought to have originated in the state.

When cholera arrived in Detroit during 1832, there was very little known about it and it was greatly feared by just about anyone who knew of its catastrophic qualities. The steamboat *Henry Clay*, which came from New York State down the Erie Canal to Detroit, had 370 soldiers onboard. Some of them fell ill to cholera and left the boat in Detroit; one of them died the day after their arrival. In a very short frame of time after that incident, 200 residents of Michigan were attacked by cholera, and nearly 100 of them died of it.

While the cholera hysteria was going on in Detroit, a man from Oakland County by the name of Barnum visited the city on errands, returning to Farmington with the feelings of muscle cramps, profuse sweating and eventually extreme dehydration. Just hours after the symptoms surfaced in Barnum's body, he died during the month of July in 1832. He was buried by Nathan Power, a neighbor of Barnum and a resident of Farmington. With the assistance of one or two other men in the scorching heat of the Midwestern summer, Power ensured that Barnum was properly put down into the ground.

Two weeks after the death of Barnum, Nathan Power's wife complained of muscle cramps and appeared to have taken violently ill. Nathan Power summoned the nearest doctor who resided two miles away from their home. The doctor asked to speak to Nathan outside of his cabin after examining his wife, to give him the clearest diagnosis possible. He said "if she were in Detroit, they would call it the cholera." Upon re-entering the home, Power discovered that she was already struggling to hang on to her life. She soon died, and four hours later, one of Power's daughters complained of similar symptoms that his wife encountered before her sudden death. She, too, ended up dying that day at 11:00am, of the same disease. These cases of cholera were the last known instances of it being fatal in Oakland County.

Anthony DeMaggio is a graduate student at Oakland University, studying American history. In addition to his work with the Oak200 digital history project, his research focuses on disease patterns, sickness and mortuary commemoration in the United States.



Thursday Teas at Two

2:00 – 3:00 pm | Register: 248-524-3570 | Tickets: \$8/THS Member, \$9/Non-member
Sip a cup of tea while enjoying a slice of history. Guests are welcome to bring their own china cup and saucer.

Detroit Baseball, 1920-1935 Thursday April 23

Join Troy Historic Village interpreter (and T-ball league graduate!) Matthew Hackett for a look at Detroit baseball in the roaring twenties. Learn all about "Turkey" Stearnes, "Hooks" Daus, the "G-men" and other Detroit baseball stars of the era.

We're scheduling Teas a little bit differently this year!

Instead of offering three Teas in June, July and August, this year our Summer Season will consist of four Teas, held on May 28, June 11, June 25 & July 23 (no Tea in August). You can purchase tickets for individual Teas, or save by purchasing the whole Summer Season at once (\$28/THS Members or \$32/Non-members). **2020 Summer Season Teas:**

World Explorers Thursday May 28

Overcoming the challenges of weather, terrain and societal norms, 19th & 20th century adventurers explored deserts, mountains, jungles and secret cities all over the world. Village programs director Stephanie Suszek shares the stories of Gertrude Bell, Ernest Shackleton, Nain Singh Rawat, Junko Tabei and more!

Barn Quilt Trail Thursday June 11

Author Suzi Parron takes us on a journey along the quilt trail, beginning with the very first barn quilt. Presentation includes over 100 stunning photographs of barn quilts, some of which rival cloth quilts in their intricacy. Learn the touching—and sometimes humorous!—stories of individual barn quilt painters. Suzi will sell and sign copies of her books.

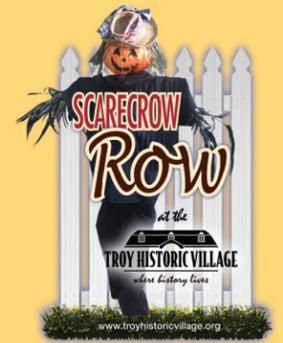
Broadway Showstoppers Thursday June 25

Join us for a live performance of some of Broadway's best-known tunes by our good friends at Oakland County Brassworks!

Women's Suffrage & the Capitol Thursday July 23

Celebrate the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment with a talk on the fight for women's suffrage presented by Michigan State Capitol Historian & Curator Valerie R. Marvin.

Supported by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts. Refreshments sponsored by Pomeroy Living Rochester.



Scarecrow Row

Businesses Owners:

Advertise your company and your support of the Village when you sign up this summer to sponsor a scarecrow! Your scarecrow and a sign featuring your logo will be displayed on Scarecrow Row at the Village facing Livernois or Wattles Road for the month of October. With all sponsorships, Troy Historic Village will supply the signage and install your scarecrow. For more information and application form visit troyhistoricvillage.org or email tcollins@thvmail.org.

Tang Soo Do

Saturdays, April 18 – June 6
(no class May 23,
10:30-11:15 am
Price: \$45/Troy Historical Society member,
\$55/Non-member

Learn the Korean martial art of Tang Soo Do right here at the Village! This seven-week, introductory-level series is led by instructors from the World Class Institute of Martial Arts (Madison Heights) and is open to kids and adults ages 5 & up. No experience necessary. Call 248-524-3570 to register.

Hearth & Soul: Log Cabin Life

Wednesday June 17, 6:00 – 8:00 pm
THS Members: \$10 | Non-Members: \$15

“A log cabin symbolized the embrace between civilization and nature, humans literally wrapping the trees around them as they might draw on a coat and hat.”

-Gene Logsdon, *A Sanctuary of Trees: Beechnuts, Birdsongs, Baseball Bats, and Benedictions*

The log cabin at the Troy Historic Village was originally built in Frenchtown Township in Monroe County around 1840. It is spacious and has windows, which suggests that it was built to replace a pioneer's original windowless shelter.

Inside the cabin's single main-floor room, its residents dried herbs, prepared food, bathed themselves, carded wool and spun it into yarn. The grown-ups slept on a rope bed in this room at the end of the day. Children slept upstairs in the loft on straw mats covered by quilts. What would it have been like to live in such a place with your family?

Join us in June for our first Hearth & Soul tour of the summer! Come inside the log cabin where historians and longtime THS volunteers Kevin and Susan Lindsey will demonstrate hearthside cooking and give you a taste of pioneer life in southeast Michigan.



Where Is It?

We know you love the Village, but how well do you know it? Can you figure out where

this picture was taken? The frost pattern may bring a Currier and Ives lithograph to mind, but the unpainted mullions unmistakably identify the location of this photo. Check page 8 for the answer!

Spring Blacksmithing Classes

Blacksmithing classes are offered spring, summer and fall—and they make great and unexpected gifts for your loved ones! Learn the art of blacksmithing in our 19th century Wagon Shop. Register at 248-524-3570. Space is limited.



Basic Blacksmithing Level 3

Thursdays, April 16 – May 7, 6:30-9pm

Semi-private 4-week course introduces students to forge welding and scroll forming with several options for a final project. Ages 12 & up. *Prerequisite: Basic Blacksmithing Levels 1 & 2.* Troy Historical Society members: \$270/student; Non-members: \$320/student.

Basic Blacksmithing Level 2

Sundays, April 19 – May 31, 10am-12:30pm (no class 5/24) OR
Thursdays, May 21 – June 25, 6:30-9pm

Build on skills learned in Basic Blacksmithing Level 1 to forge your own pair of blacksmithing tongs! This six-week course teaches you the technique of shouldering, as you take on the challenge of creating mechanical movement with mating parts. Ages 12 & up. *Prerequisite: Basic Blacksmithing Level 1.* Troy Historical Society members: \$270/student; Non-members: \$320/student.

Basic Blacksmithing Level 1

Saturdays, May 9 – June 20, 10am-12:30pm (no class 5/23) OR
Wednesdays, May 27 – July 1, 6:30-9pm

Six-week introductory course teaches you to work at an anvil, operate a forge and tend to a coke fire while learning 11 basic hand-forging techniques to make your own trowel. Ages 12 & up. *No prerequisite.* Troy Historical Society members: \$270/student; Non-members: \$320/student.

Anvil Time

Hone the skills acquired in Basic Blacksmithing by working on a project of your choice over the course of four supervised shop sessions. Come prepared to discuss your ideas for a project. Weekend, weekday, morning, afternoon and evening classes forming. Please contact the Village for current availability. Ages 12 & up. *Prerequisite: Basic Blacksmithing Level 1.* Troy Historical Society members: \$150/student; Non-members: \$190/student.

Blacksmithing Sampler

Wednesday May 6, 6:30-8:00pm OR Saturday June 27, 1:00-2:30pm
OR Saturday June 27, 3:00-4:30pm

Step alongside the Village forge and discover what it's like to 'make the anvil ring!' Learn 4 basic hand forging techniques while making your own square nail as it was done centuries ago in this 90-minute intro class. Ages 10 to adult. *No prerequisite.* Troy Historical Society Members: \$40/student; Non-members: \$50/student.

Kaleidoscope of Gardens: 46th Annual Troy Garden Club Garden Walk

Karol Carter, Troy Garden Club

Wednesday July 8
Gardens open:
9:30am – 3pm &
5pm – 8:30pm
Village open:
9am – 6pm



Photo Courtesy of Mary Schwark

Join the Troy Garden Club for its principal fundraiser, the 46th annual Troy Garden Walk, on Wednesday July 8. This year's "Kaleidoscope of Gardens"-themed walk features seven private gardens and will be held rain or shine. Admission to the Village is free on July 8: enjoy TGC's Midsummer Arts & Crafts Boutique and Plant Sale featuring member-provided plants. Visit the 12th annual Student Art Exhibit from July 8 – July 22 in Poppleton School.



Advance tickets to view the gardens are \$12 each and will be available for purchase beginning in June at Auburn Oaks

Garden Center, Telly's Greenhouse, Troy Historic Village and Uncle Luke's. On Garden Walk day (July 8) tickets are \$15 each and will be sold ONLY at the Troy Historic Village. For more info, visit www.TroyGardenClubMI.com or phone 248-540-6158.

The Troy Garden Club is a branch of the Woman's National Farm & Garden Association, which was founded on January 12, 1914 "to promote agricultural & horticultural interests among women." Shortly after the WNF&GA's inception, the United States entered World War I.

In 1917, the Woman's Land Army of America (WLAA) was created to replace the men employed in agriculture who had joined the military. The WLAA operated from 1917 – 1919 employing an estimated 15,000 women. Many of them were college-educated, but most had no farm experience. As a civilian organization, the WLAA did not receive government funding. Financial support and farm training came from non-profit universities and colleges including Barnard College, Vassar, Wellesley College, Pennsylvania State College and Pennsylvania School of Horticulture for Women.

WNF&GA charter member Hilda Loines spearheaded efforts to involve the WNF&GA in the WLAA. The women were known as "Farmerettes." Their skills included "cultivating, weeding, ploughing, hoeing, potato planting, fruit picking, sorting, packaging for market, mowing, hay raking and dairy work." The WLAA dissolved in 1920 due to a lack of funding. In 1943, U.S. involvement in WWII necessitated a similar endeavor, and the mission of the WLAA was resurrected as part of the United States Crop Corps.



***Information about WLAA obtained from Wikipedia & "One Hundred Years of Growing and Giving WNF&GA 1914 -2014."*



Cheddar's Preschool Story Hour

10:30 – 11:30 am

Ages 2 -5

Register: 248-524-3570

THS Members:

\$5/adult, \$3/child

Non-members:

\$6/adult, \$4/child

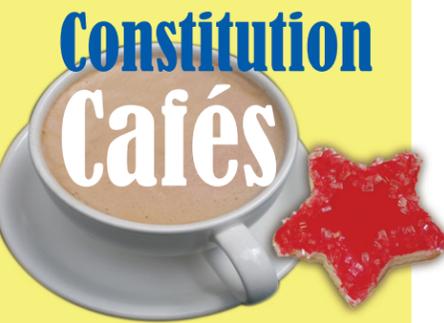
Join Cheddar the Village Mouse for a story, simple craft, fun activities, and a snack. Child must be accompanied by an adult. Younger siblings are welcome.

Baby Animals Wednesday April 1

In The Garden Wednesday April 29

*No Story Hour in May

Colors, Colors, Everywhere! Wednesday June 3



Constitution Cafés

2:00 – 3:00 pm
No registration required
FREE

Utilizing the Socratic Method of inquiry, engage in civil discourse to 'create' a new Constitution. Sponsored by Oakland County Bar Foundation. Select Sundays:

April 5: Powers of Congress Continued—Art. 1 sec 8

May 3: Limits on Congress—Art. 1 sec 9

June 14: Powers Prohibited for the States—Art. 1, sec 10

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It's the Log Cabin!

This 1840s cabin came

from Frenchtown Twp. near Monroe, Michigan. Currier and Ives was a successful American printmaking firm based in New York City from 1835 to 1907 headed first by Nathaniel Currier, and later jointly with his partner James Merritt Ives. The prolific firm produced prints from paintings by fine artists as black and white lithographs that were hand colored.

Photos courtesy of volunteer Lee Matthews.

Volunteering Partnerships at Troy Historic Village

Building skills – It's about the experience as much as it's about the work that they complete

Over the last year, the Troy Historic Village has built two special volunteering partnerships with local groups centered on developing personal skills and independence.



Last winter, Angela Raleigh, the Community Vocational Coordinator with Therapeutic Rehabilitation Job Training Center in Troy, contacted the Village about partnering to increase their clients' opportunities. Typically, the clients in their job training program are almost ready to begin working in competitive employment but may need a stepping stone for their resume or to brush up on their soft skills. Volunteering at the Village was the perfect opportunity to do both!

Coordinators Angela, Jenn, and Janell rotated bringing Brian to the Village weekly over the past year to help out with craft preparation and light cleaning. Most weeks they cut string for candle wicks, taped flashing for the tin-punch craft or prepared other items for our school groups. One job that Brian and Jenn really enjoyed was deep cleaning and thoroughly dusting the General Store. They carefully picked up and dusted items, cleaned the shelves and replaced the objects all while chatting about the various household gadgets that Brian remembered from his grandmother's house. Therapeutic Rehabilitation is currently between coordinators and clients, but we hope to partner with them again soon.



This past fall, Kathy Hocking, a teacher in the Troy School District Special Education Department, reached out to the Village in search of a new opportunity for her students, a group of 18 to 25-year old men and women with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Part of their continued education and enrichment includes traveling together to an off-site location to perform volunteer work. This gives her students the

opportunity to face new situations, adapt to new environments and practice following simple instructions to complete tasks. Even not coming to the Village is a learning experience for the students! On one snow day when the students were unable to travel to the Village, Kathy shared how coping with "changing plans" is an equally important skill for her students to master.

The students and their teachers have been working hard this winter keeping our high-traffic Poppleton School and Town Hall clean and germ-free. This past fall they spent time cleaning up areas of the Village overgrown with invasive buckthorn shrubs. They are looking forward to warmer days when they can get outside again to do additional yardwork around the Village.

The Village strives to be a place that welcomes people of all abilities, and we have been thrilled to partner with these two groups this past year!



American House Collaboration

In October 2019, the Troy Historical Society (THS) partnered with representatives from American House Senior Living Communities to host an appraisal fair at their Troy community. Local antiques specialists provided verbal appraisals for over eighty items at the pilot "Trinkets and Treasures" event. The American House residents brought paintings, textiles, vintage home furnishings, jewelry, toys, and memorabilia and were delighted to learn the value of their heirlooms.

THS will continue its partnership with American House this spring. Plans are underway to host a second appraisal fair at one of the larger American House communities in Oakland County. We look forward to participating in this outreach program that assists older adults and their families as they evaluate the financial, sentimental and historic values of their vintage items.

For more information about the May 1st event, and how Villagers can have their antiques and collectibles appraised, please call 248-524-3570.

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enriches onsite and outreach programs for adults. In thanks donors offered an Adult Group Gather for their club or senior community.

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supports restoration of historic interiors in the Village. In thanks donors offered their business logo or name on a Village building sign for one year.

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**Group Gather
Group Gatherers!**

Schedule a group visit to the Village or request a program at your site. Topics include: Michigan Women, Street Smarts, Michigan in the Civil War, History of Troy MI, World Explorers, History of Men's Fashion, Detroit Baseball and Christmas Traditions. Email apd@thvmail.org or call 248-524-3570.



May 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Am. House Appraisal Fair (call THV for info.)	2 10:30am Tang Soo Do 1:00pm Anvil Time
3 10:00am Blacksmithing Level 2 2:00pm Constitution Café Limits on Congress	4	5	6 9:00am Civil War Days 6:30pm Blacksmithing Sampler	7 9:00am Civil War Days 6:00pm Walking Group 6:30pm Blacksmithing Level 3	8 9:00am Civil War Days	9 10:00am Blacksmithing Level 1 10:30am Tang Soo Do 1:00pm Anvil Time
10 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! 10:00am Blacksmithing Level 2	11 9:00am Civil War Days	12 9:00am Civil War Days	13 9:00am Civil War Days	14 9:00am Civil War Days 6:00pm Walking Group	15 9:00am Civil War Days	16 10:00am Blacksmithing Level 1 10:30am Tang Soo Do 1:00pm Anvil Time
17 10:00am Blacksmithing Level 2	18	19	20	21 6:00pm Walking Group 6:30pm Blacksmithing Level 2	22	23 MEMORIAL DAY Village Closed
24 MEMORIAL DAY Village Closed 10:00am Blacksmithing Level 2	25 MEMORIAL DAY Village Closed	26	27 6:30pm Blacksmithing Level 1	28 2:00pm Teas at Two: World Explorers 6:00pm Walking Group 6:30pm Blacksmithing Level 3	29	30 10:00am Blacksmithing Level 1 10:30am Tang Soo Do

Looking for a unique gift?

Treat a friend or family member to an experience: instead of giving a traditional gift, sign them up for a blacksmithing class at the Village! Our Blacksmithing Sampler class is excellent for beginners and Anvil Time sessions let returning

students work on their own individualized projects. Evening and weekend classes available. See page 6 of this issue for spring class schedule or call 248-524-3570 for more information.




June 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 🏠	2 🏠 6:30pm Yoga	3 🏠 10:30am Cheddar Colors, Colors Everywhere 6:30pm Blacksmithing Level 1	4 🏠 6:00pm Walking Group 6:30pm Blacksmithing Level 2	5 🏠	6 10:00am Blacksmithing Level 1 10:30am Tang Soo Do
7	8 🏠	9 🏠 6:30pm Yoga	10 🏠 6:30pm Blacksmithing Level 1	11 🏠 2:00pm Teas at Two: Barn Quilt Trail 6:00pm Walking Group 6:30pm Blacksmithing Level 2	12	13 10:00am Blacksmithing Level 1
14 2:00pm Constitution Café Powers Prohibited for the States	15	16 6:30pm Yoga	17 6:00pm Hearth & Soul Log Cabin 6:30pm Blacksmithing Level 1	18 6:00pm Walking Group 6:30pm Blacksmithing Level 2	19	20 10:00am Blacksmithing Level 1
21 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!	22	23 🏠 6:30pm Yoga	24 6:30pm Blacksmithing Level 1	25 2:00pm Teas at Two: Broadway Showstoppers 6:00pm Walking Group 6:30pm Blacksmithing Level 2	26	27 1:00pm Blacksmithing Sampler 3:00pm Blacksmithing Sampler
28	29	30 6:30pm Yoga				

Healthy Living

Healthy Living events at the Village are for everyone! Join us for Tuesday evening outdoor yoga and Thursday evening walking group. Discover opportunities to grow and harvest fresh vegetables in the Pioneer Garden. See pages 2 and 4 of this issue or call 248-524-3570 for more details.

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 # _____
 Call the Village with a credit card at 248-524-3570

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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