



Romeo Perspective

The Romeo Historical Society is a 501 (C) 3 Non-Profit Organization

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Author Night at the Archives

Thursday, March 2nd at 7 pm

We will host author, **Alan Naldrett** and his book the "Lost Towns of Eastern Michigan".

Books will be available for sale.



New Display in April on the

100th Anniversary of WWI

We have converted an old storage room into a wonderful new display area. Our first display includes many photos, articles and artifacts.

Come by and check it out!



Yard Clean Up at the Museums

Thursday, May 4th from 6 pm

We need volunteers to help clean up the yard and divide hostas. Refreshments will be served.



RHS Winter Hours

The Bancroft/Stranahan Museum on Church Street will be closed from Feb. 14 to March 21.

The Romeo Archives at 290 N. Main Street will be open as usual from 7-9PM.



We are accepting donations for our annual Flea'ntique. No clothing please. Drop items off at the RAAC. Sale date June 10th 9am-3pm at the RAAC.

TALL TALES AND FOLKLORE: EXPLORING MICHIGAN'S TRADITIONAL STORIES

At the Lorenzo Cultural Center from March 1-May 6, 2017.

Exhibits are open to the public and presented free of charge.

Please be sure to check out the following items we have loaned to the Lorenzo Cultural Center for the 2017 spring program: Victorian Table, 3 Victorian Chairs, Tablecloth, Ouija Board, Lamp Art Nouveau, White Blouse with black skirt and hat, Pink dress, Black dress, Painting of Peter and Sarah Lerrick- Booklet about Lerricks, 3 Dishes of Lerricks, Shackle, Homemade anvil made from a rail road track, Louis Barthalomew story of waiting for the train to arrive in Romeo, Telegraph key, Telegraph receiver, and "The History of Early Romeo Hotels" PowerPoint presentation by Sue Kane.



The Archives Museum now has a complete set of the Romeo Observer Newspapers from 1939-2000.



We will continue to fund our Historical Society Scholarship Award for a Romeo High School student.



Macomb County Heritage Alliance is accepting nominations for the 2017 Alexander Macomb Historical Award.

The Alexander Macomb Historical Award "is presented to an exemplary individual (or organization) who has demonstrated a long-term commitment to the culture, education, and preservation of local history and architecture for the pleasure and welfare of the citizens of Macomb County."

Please email your nomination letter to the Alexander Macomb Historical Award Committee no later than April 1, 2017 to

macombcountyheritage@gmail.com



This recipe is from The Romeo Recipe Book, 2nd edition 1970. The 1st edition was published in 1897. We think it's time for a 3rd edition so please email your recipe to rhs@romeohistoricalsociety.org

Biscuits by Grace Gookin

Sift two cups Clifton Mills unbleached white bolted wheat flour with ½ tsp. salt, 2 ½ tsp. of Royal baking powder (from the Broadway Market in Detroit). Cut ¼ lb. of butter into these dry ingredients with a pastry blender until of the consistency of coarse corn meal. Stir in gradually ¾ cup milk.

Drop by large tablespoonful onto a buttered baking pan. Bake at 425 degrees for 15-20 minutes depending on size of biscuit.

From Our Curators,

We have already had over 500 visitor hours since the school year ended in June. We count every visitor that spends approximately one hour in one of our museums. This includes summer bike tours, school groups, cub scouts and adult groups.

We now have 11 members who work in the blacksmith museum periodically. Since winter is here, our smithies will be staying warm in their homes and let the squirrels play in the cold shop till spring.

Larry and Jan, Christine, Aurora, Doug, and Alice have all worked with Joan in the Church Street museum. We appreciate their dedication.

We are converting the back storage room at the archives museum into a display area. Thanks Tim and Doug for their help so far. Thanks to Brandy and Chris Chirco for redesigning and building the wall. If anyone wants to help with the drywall and wall construction, please call Richard. This room will be for short term displays.

Other displays seem to continue forever, but that is because of the school curriculum requirements. If we don't meet the needs of the teachers, then we won't have school children in our museum.

The Rice family is donating an Amos Palmer bed for our collection. We sure appreciate this generosity. Amos made and sold furniture in Romeo in the 1800's.

Joan and Richard Beringer

**It's time to mail in your 2017 Membership Dues.
If you already have, thank you so much for your support!**

ROMEO HISTORICAL SOCIETY 2017 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please mail this form with your check/money order to: Romeo Historical Society, P.O. Box 412, Romeo, MI 48065

Name: _____

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Phone: _____ Email: _____

Membership: New Renewal

Individual \$15. Family \$20. Business \$25. Lifetime \$250. Contribution _____

Would you like to help us? Archives/RAAC Barn Tour Christmas Tour Church St. Museum

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www.romeohistoricalsociety.org

Also like us on Facebook!

Three Local Museums to Visit

Romeo Art & Archives Center
290 N. Main Street.
(Former state police building)
Open Tuesday Nights 7-9 p.m.

Bancroft-Stranahan House
Museum
132 Church St.
Closed from Feb 14 to Mar 21.

Archives and House Museum will be closed during inclement weather.

Clyde Craig Blacksmith Shop
301 N. Bailey St.

Open the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 6-7 p.m. No forge.

And on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 9-11 a.m. forge working.

Dates are subject to change so please check the sign in front of the Archives Museum

Calendar of Events

- 1/19/17 Board Meeting 7 pm
- 2/14/17 Board Meeting 7 pm
- 3/1 to 5/6/17 Exhibit at the Lorenzo Cultural Center on "Tall tales and folklore: exploring Michigan's traditional stories"
- 3/2/17 Alan Naldrett, Lost Towns of Eastern Michigan, RAAC, 7 pm
- 3/16/17 Board Meeting 7 pm
- 4/6/17 100th Anniversary of WWI display
- 4/20/17 Board Meeting 7 pm
- 5/4/17 Clean up the Museums 6 pm
- 5/16/17 Bicycle Tour starting from RAAC
- 5/18/17 Board Meeting 7 pm
- 6/1/17 General Membership Meeting, Elections & Potluck 6 pm
- 6/10/17 Flea'ntique 9am-3pm at the RAAC
- 6/15/17 Board Meeting 7 pm
- 6/20/17 Bicycle Tour starting from RAAC
- 7/18/17 Bicycle Tour starting from RAAC
- 7/20/17 Board Meeting 7 pm
- 8/1/17 Trolley Tour for the Mobility Challenged 7 pm
- 8/15/17 Bicycle tour starting from RAAC
- 8/17/17 Board Meeting 7pm
- 9/2-4/17 Peach Festival
- 9/16/17 Barn Tour
- 9/21/17 Board Meeting