



The Journal

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Society Wants to Acquire Kolping Chapel



The Society has been offered the Kolping Chapel, an official Michigan Historic Chapel. The Kolping Society wishes to sell the land. We must move the chapel to the Historical Village and are looking for donations and fund-raising ideas towards this goal. We will need approximately \$35,000.



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Community Days Coupon

Booklet Fundraiser

Purchase a Community Days coupon booklet and save on great products while supporting our community! Plus, use your coupons on 100s of Bo-

nus Buys Friday, February 27 & Saturday, February 28, 2015. While supplies last. We are selling coupon books for \$5. You can purchase them online or leave a message here and one of our members can get one to you. The more money we raise the more we can do

for our charities. The books are valid at Carson's at Partridge Creek Mall February 27 and February 28, 2015. **Only \$5 per book!**



Chesterfield Historical Society 2015 Calendar

2014 Membership Types and Annual Dues

Student \$5.00
Individual \$15.00
Family \$25.00
Business/Organization \$30.00
Individual Life \$100.00
Family Life \$150.00
Membership expires one year from when first paid.

We thank and ask that you please support our sponsors:



Wednesday, May 6, 2015

19th Annual Pasta Dinner



5:30-7:30 p.m. Chesterfield Twp. Senior Center

Catered by Mark Miller, Culinary Expressions.

Dinner includes two pastas, salad, bread and homemade desserts.

Ticket donation \$10.00

Available from the Chesterfield Treasurers Office or from any member

Ste. Claire Voyageurs Encampment

10 to 5 on Saturday and 10 to 4 on Sunday

Saturday and Sunday June 6 and 7, 2015

French Fur Trade 1750s Era

Promoting learning and understanding of the Great Lakes fur trade era, showing skills and clothing used during that time period,

Admission \$1.00

Family \$2.00



Bay Rama Parade

Sunday, June 21, 2015

The Historical Society will be in the parade with the replica of the Weller School.

Michigan Log Cabin Day

Sunday, June 28, 2015



The Historical Village will be open from 1 to 4 p.m.

World War II Encampment

Saturday and Sunday July 11 and 12

Re-enactment of Project Cobra with Allied and Axis encampments. Military vehicles will be on display and food vendors will be on site.

Sponsored by Michigan Military Technical Society.

Admission \$1.00

Family \$2.00



Civil War Encampment



Saturday and Sunday, August 8 & 9

The 15th Michigan Volunteer Infantry, the 102nd Infantry, and the 8th Arkansas Infantry will have an encampment, including battle skirmishes and cannon firings.

Admission \$1.00

Family \$2.00

Heritage Days

Saturday and Sunday, September 19 and 20

10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Pony rides, games and crafts for children, horse shoeing, music, craft demonstrations, candle making, antique engine draw sawing and corn grinding, antique and classic cars.

Admission \$1.00

Family \$2.00

Harvest Dinner

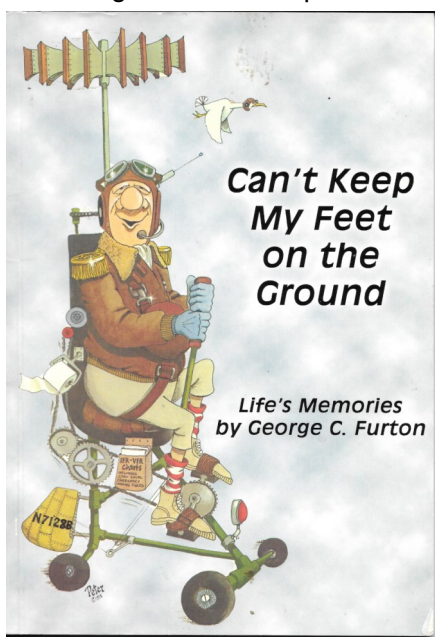
Thursday, October 29, 2015

Held at Zucarro's Banquet Center at 46601 N. Gratiot from 6:00 to 9:00 pm

Dinner at 6:15. Music by Wood, Hood, & Johnson

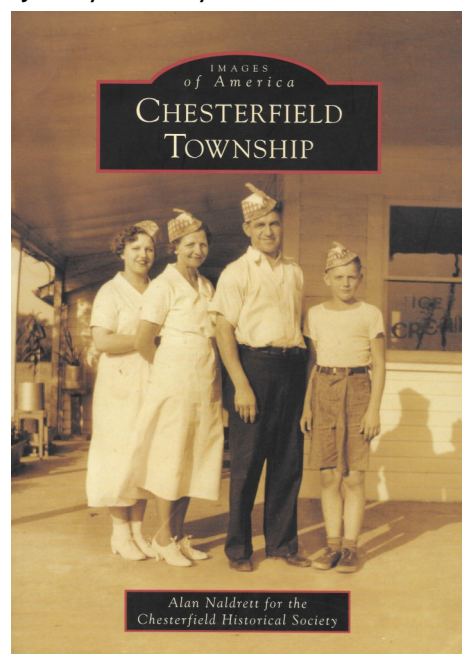
Tickets \$25-Available at the Chesterfield Treasurer's Office or from any member

The Chesterfield Historical Society meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 pm and the public is welcome to sit in and/or join the Society. Meetings are in the Senior Center at the Chesterfield Township Office Complex at 47275 Sugar Bush Rd. at 7 p.m. Refreshments are served. No meetings are held January, February, and March.



The Society still has a few copies left of a couple of Chesterfield history books. *Can't Keep My Feet Off the Ground* is by Society founder George C. Furton and is only \$10!

Images of America: Chesterfield Township is a pictorial history of the township including the 1964 tornado and is \$22.00.



Little Bit of History presents Dr. Patrick McClellan lecturing on **Medicine from 1840 until the Medicare Age, 1965**. This free event will be held at 50560 Patricia, the Chesterfield Public Library on Thursday, February 5, 2015. This entertaining and education lecture on the history of medicine starts at 6:30 p.m. If it starts any later, 1958 Redbook and 1964 Reader's Digests will be available to read, simulating doctor's offices of the time. (Kidding.)

History of the Kolping Chapel

The Kolping Society established a branch in Detroit in 1926. They purchased six acres on the Au Vasse River and Sugarbush Road in Chesterfield Township, calling it Kolping Park. They later bought more of the surrounding land. In 1932 they built a chapel. The Chapel is a Neo-Gothic Revival structure, designed and chiefly built by Father Joseph Wuest. It is similar to a European wayside chapel and is constructed of coral, marble, granite, stones and shells.

These were sent to Father Wuest by Kolping societies, churches, and missions from all over the world—including the Holy Land. A plaque in the chapel says "Honor by means of untiring work." The chapel was

maintained by Bernard Trinity in the 1950s. In 1997 a state historical plaque was erected on the site. Pictured is the chapel in the 1930s and the inside of the chapel as it looks today.



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