

The Journal

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FACEBOOK

Brenda Rivard has started a Facebook page for Chesterfield Township Historical Society. If you are on Facebook, just "Friend" the society and then you can see the pictures that Brenda has posted, make comments, and have access to other information on the Facebook page.

Looking Ahead...

The Weller School will be open for caroling, food, and more on Friday evening, December 4th during the annual Chesterfield Xmas Tree Lighting event.

Harvest Dinner is October 28

The annual Harvest Dinner will be October 28, 2010, Thursday, at Zuccaro's Banquet Center, 46601 N. Gratiot, from 6:00 until 9:00 p.m. Dinner is served

at 6:15 pm. There will be entertainment by a Neil Diamond tribute artist, a live auction, a silent auction, and many door prizes. Tickets are \$25.00 and

may be purchased at the Chesterfield Township Treasurer's Office or Tom's Mini-mart on 23 Mile Road. Hope to see you there!



Kathy Vosburg and Dolly Allemon at the August Open House at the Historical Village . More pictures on page 3.

Heritage Day was Saturday, September 11

September 11, 2010, Saturday the historic village was open from 10:30 - 3:30. There were games and activities for the children, guest speakers, music, craft demonstrations,

classic and antique cars and food available for purchase. Guests could bring their outhouse badge or purchase a new one and write their name on the outhouse wall. Parking

was at the Chesterfield Township Offices with a trolley ride to the village. The rain didn't come until later and we had an excellent turnout. Thanks to all who gave a hand!

Go to the Chesterfield Twp. Public Library for a color copy of this newsletter!

Local History Tidbit-Kolping Chapel

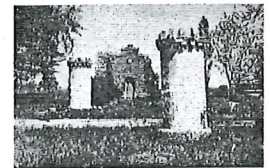
The Chesterfield Twp. Historical Society's meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month and are open to everyone!

They take place at the Senior Center at the Chesterfield Township Office Complex, 47275 Sugar Bush Rd. at 7 p.m. Refreshments are served. 50/50 drawings conclude the meetings.

In 1926, the Kolping Society, a German religious group, established a chapter in Detroit and in 1932 constructed a chapel in Kolping Park, located on six acres near the Au Vase River on Sugarbush Road. The chapel is constructed of coral, marble, granite, stones and shells sent from Kolping societies, churches and

missions worldwide. Father Wuest, president of the Detroit Kolping branch, was in charge of the construction and personally placed many of the pieces, including a stone from the Holy Land. On October 24, 1997, a state historical marker was erected on the site. It is also listed on the national and state registers of his-

torical places. In addition to the chapel, Kolping Park also has a pavilion, dance hall, rifle range, picnic shelter, parade grounds, playground, soccer field and parking lot, all contained within a 19-acre parcel of beautifully landscaped land.



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. You do not need to be a member to attend meetings.

Heritage Alliance

Chesterfield Historical Society will be a co-sponsor of the **Macomb County Heritage Alliance** held on Saturday, April 30. The other co-sponsors with us will be the New Baltimore Historical Society and the New Haven/Lenox Historical Society. We will meet in the Senior Center, the same place we hold our regular meetings.

Community Rewards

The society is signed up with Kroger Community Rewards. All you have to do is sign up at [www:krogercomm](http://www.krogercomm)

unityrewards.com and every time you shop at Kroger's we get a donation. Also, sign up at

www.shopatmuseum.com and we can get donations from this site also!

Can't Keep My Feet on the Ground

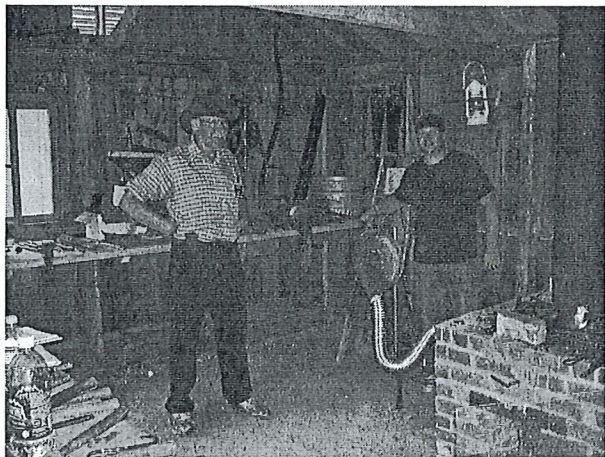
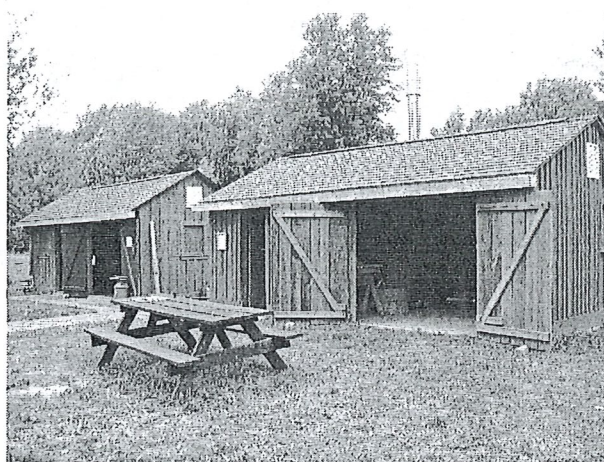
This is the title of the late George Furton's biography about life in the early days of Chesterfield Township. Now in its 3rd printing, copies are available for \$10 apiece at Tom's Mini-Mart on 23

Mile Rd. and Seaden, or by calling Duane Vosburg at (586) 949-3810. George was not only one of the founders of our historical society, but a state representative, pioneering fireman,

pilot, and local businessman whose story yields much information about the early days of our township. Profits from the book will go to the historical society.

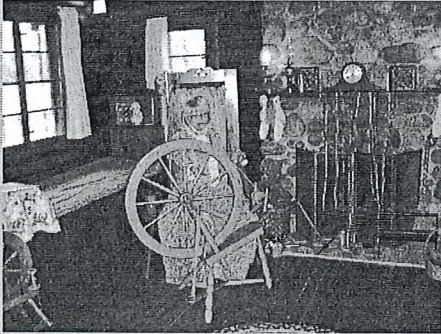
Summer Open Houses

The Historical Village was open the second Sunday of June, July, and August 2010.

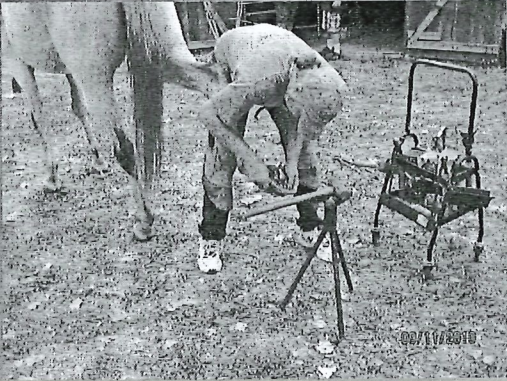


Heritage Day



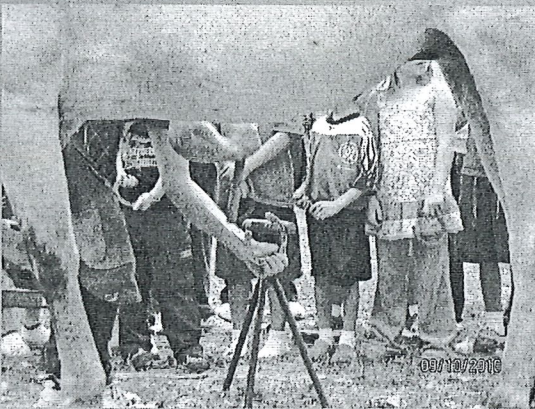


More Heritage Day Photos





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The Chesterfield Township Historical Society was founded in 1993 for the purpose of preserving the history of Chesterfield Township. The society's members are devoted to the discovery, collection and preservation of historic materials, buildings, monuments, markers, sites, artifacts and publications.



Poinsettia Sale

Christmas wreaths and poinsettias are on sale now. 6 inch pot single stem, 7 inch pot double stem, 8 inch pot triple stem, 10 inch pot quadruple stem, 12 or 14 inch fresh pine wreaths with pinecones and 10 inch hanging basket of greens are available. We do bulk orders for churches and orders of 15 or more. Pickup is Tuesday, December 7, 2010 from 12:00 until 7:00 p.m. at the Chesterfield Township Offices or other arrangements can be made. Contact Dolly Allemon at 586-465-0780 or dallemon15@att.net to order or for more information.

Website: www.chesterfieldhistoricalsociety.org

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Chesterfield Historical Society Website

The Chesterfield Historical Society has a website now. As part of the membership we have with the Michigan Historical Society, we have updated our website. If you have access to a

computer and haven't seen it yet, be sure to check it out! The website has information regarding the historical village, the Trinity Archives housed at the Chesterfield

Township Public Library at 50560 Patricia, near 23 Mile and Gratiot, society annual events, dues and membership, and a history of the Chesterfield Twp. Historical Society.

Archives

The Chesterfield Township Historical Society maintains the Trinity Collection dedicated to the history of Chesterfield Township. This is located in the Chesterfield Township Public Library and is accessible, within limits, to the general public.