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Green Oak Historian

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Green Oak Township Historical Society

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**Saturday, August 13, 2016
2:00 pm**

**Green Oak Township
Historical Society
10789 Silver Lake Road
South Lyon, MI 48178 in our
Historic 1856 Hall**

**“Indian History of
Southeastern Michigan”
Presented by Al and David
Eicher**

**Please note seating is limited
so please call: Marilyn
Harrington at 248-446-0789 if
you plan to attend.**

Snacks provided by GOTHS



Saturday, August 27, 2016

Green Oak Day

10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Green Oak Charter Township
Green Oak Twp. Police Dept.
Green Oak Twp. Fire Dept.
Green Oak Township Historical Society

10001 Silver Lake Road and
9384 Whitmore Lake Road
Brighton, MI 48116

Questions: Mark St. Charles Green Oak Charter
Township, Supervisor
810-231-1333 Ext. 102

*Bounce House
Petting Zoo
Vintage String Band performance at 2:00 pm*

Fun for All Ages!

**Green Oak Township
Historical Society
Board for 2016**

**The Board meets the
second Wednesday each
month except
December at 6:30 pm.
All are welcome to
attend.**

*President – Marilyn
Harrington 248-446-0789
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“T” Shelvey 248-342-0978
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313-790-3019
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GOTHS MISSION


*The Society’s purpose is to
bring together those people
interested in history,
particularly the history of
Green Oak Township, and
to promote a better under-
standing and appreciation
of our American heritage.*

**A Message to the
Members of the Green
Oak Township
Historical Society**

In 1974 the Society was one
of the first in the area to
organize for the purpose of
compiling, recording and
disseminating Green Oak

Township history. As a dues
paying member you’ve
displayed your interest in and
caring about the history of
the township. The Society
has for 42 years always had
responsible members who
really believe the existence of
the Society is vital to the
overall essence and quality of
the community. The October
23rd, Annual Membership
Meeting of the Society is an
opportunity for members to
meet to discuss how best to
promote and communicate
the purpose of the Society to
others. Responsible members
will determine how best they
can support the Society by
participating in the creation
of exhibits, assisting at an
event (Green Oak Day),
gardening/grounds care,
assisting with this newsletter,
archiving or serving on the
Board. Please give
consideration to how you can
be a responsible member of
the Green Oak Township
Historical Society.

We are selling Rada Knives.
If you would like a catalog,
please call Antoinette “T”
Shelvey. 248-342-0978


WE SEND OUR CONDOLENCES
TO THE FAMILY OF JACK
LABELLE. HE WAS THE
LONGEST SERVING COUNTY
COMMISSIONER IN
LIVINGSTON COUNTY. HE
WAS ALWAYS WILLING TO
HELP THE SOCIETY.

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(248) 437-8461
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Bill Lintner’s Hollow
Oak Farm (248) 231-6484
– 11900 Rushton Rd -
South Lyon
Moll’s Asphalt
Sealcoating (248) 486-
3518
South Lyon Collision,
Inc. (248) 437-6100
www.southlyoncollision.net**

Check out our website:
[greenoaktownshiphistori
calsociety.org](http://greenoaktownshiphistori
calsociety.org)

Notes from Marilyn Harrington, President

Thank you Green Oak Charter Township for all their assistance.

Now begins the work of organizing collections, creating room displays, cleaning, gardening and refurbishing artifacts. If you would be able to help please call me at (248) 446-0789.

Please check your mailing label if it doesn't say "life" or "2016" please send in your dues. The Society relies of the generosity of its members and friends to remain viable.

We have two programs this month. **On Saturday, August 13th we will host Al and David Eicher presenting "Indians of Southeastern Michigan" at 2:00 pm. Seating is limited so please call me if you plan to attend. (248) 446-0789**

On Saturday, August 27, 2016: we will celebrate Green Oak Day 10:00 to 3:00 pm - Green Oak Charter Township Hall 10001 Silver Lake Road Brighton, MI 48116 and 9384 Whitmore Lake Road Brighton, MI 48116. Please call me if you can help on the 27th. (248) 446-0789

In the fall we will have our Annual Meeting and Potluck luncheon. It will be Sunday, October 23, 2016: 1:00 pm – Our own Antoinette "T" Shelvey will present: "Collecting Salt and Pepper Shakers". Please bring a dish to share. GOTHS will provide plates, silverware, napkins, coffee, tea and water.

On Sunday, December 11, 2016 we will meet at the Bar None Restaurant at 1:00 pm. Reservations - call (248) 446-0789.

The Mission of the Green Oak Township Historical Society Museum is to collect and preserve artifacts and publications with relationship to Green Oak Township and to build an awareness and appreciation of the history of Green Oak Township including the history of the people who settled here.

Our apologies to anyone who was hoping that we would finish our Green Oak Township Historical Society Cookbook in a timely fashion. Due to other necessary projects the cookbook got put on hold. Therefore, we will start to print a recipe or two in our newsletters.

Marge Driver's Chocolate Chip Cookies

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.

Sift together and set aside:

2 ¼ cups flour

1 teaspoon baking soda

1 teaspoon salt

Cream together until creamy:

1 cup softened butter

¾ cup white sugar

¾ cup brown sugar

1 ½ teaspoon vanilla

Beat in 2 eggs

Add flour mixture; mix well. Stir in 1 cup chopped walnuts and one 12-ounce package of chocolate chips. Drop well rounded half teaspoonful onto a greased cookie sheet and bake 10 to 12 minutes. Remove from cookie sheet to a cooling rack. Enjoy!

October 1929: Thieves Abandon Auto and Load of Dead Calves

A stolen car containing carcasses of five calves was found Sunday morning in the Robert Warden woods on Silver Lake Road. Dr. Gibson of Detroit and Silver Lake was roaming through the woods when he came upon the car and its load. Three of the calves and the Whippet coach were taken from Clyde Dunning of northwest Hamburg. The other two calves were stolen from the Spiegelberg farm. It is believed the men became frightened and drove into the woods to conceal themselves, abandoning the machine after it became mired in the marsh.



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The Green Oak Township Historical Society relies on the participation of its members and the generosity of its patrons. If you would like to renew your membership, make a donation, or become a member please use this form. Mail form to: **Green Oak Twp. Historical Society 10789 Silver Lake Road South Lyon, MI 48178**

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-Mail _____

Membership: _____ \$2 Student _____ \$15 Individual _____ \$25 Family _____ \$50 Patron
 _____ \$50 Business/Professional _____ \$350 Life

Donation: _____ \$10 _____ \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ Other

The Green Oak Twp. Historical Society is a 501 (c) (3) Non-Profit Organization. All donations are tax deductible.