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#### HISTORICAL SOCIETY of GREATER LANSING P. O. Box 515, Lansing, Michigan

July 1963

WILLIAM K. ALDERFER--NEW SECRETARY-TREASURER OF HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN

Mr. Alderfer came to the Michigan Society July 1. Formerly Supervisor of Field Services for the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, he brings to Michigan a wealth of experience in working with local historical societies, fund raising programs, museum planning and historical education.

We welcome Mr. Alderfer and the Historical Society pledges its support and encouragement to him on his new job and undertakings.

#### MICHIGAN MEMORIES -- WBCH RADIO 1220

H. D. Burpee, 122 Mill Street, Delton, author of the FRESH OUT OF THE ATTIC column in the Hastings Banner is now on the air with his Michigan history. Tune in Sundays at 1:15-1:30.

#### PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETS

RAJEE TOBIA, PROGRAM CHAIRMAN, called his committee together the evening of July 2 and plans are under way for a fine season of programs for you.

#### AMENDMENT TO BY LAWS, June 13, 1963

To satisfy rulings of the Internal Revenue Department, the Board of Directors, in order to meet a deadline, had to make the following amendment to the By-Laws. "In the event of termination or dissolution of this Society, (Historical Society of Greater Lansing) all assets, real and personal, shall be distributed to the public library of the City of Lansing. If said Library shall feel itself unable to care for such assets adequately, it shall be herewith empowered to designate another receiving organization qualified as tax exempt under section 501(C) (3) of the 1954 Internal Revenue Code."

This was required for the tax exemption.

MEETING DATES ESTABLISHED FOR 1963-64

September 11, 1963 October 9, 1963 November 13, 1963 January 8, 1964

February 12, 1964 March 11, 1964 April 8, 1964 May 13, 1964

OFFICERS OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF GREATER LANSING 1963-64

President: Mrs. Helen Wallin

Vice-President: Mr. Rajee R. Tobia Secretary-Treasurer: Mary McNeely

Trustees: 1963-64 and 1964-65

David P. Beatty, 1718 Biltmore, Lansing Ken Clark, 815 W. Kalamazoo, Lansing Mrs. Ruby Jennings, 730 Downer, Lansing Gordon L. Thomas, 334, N. Hagadorn, E. Lansing 1962-63 and 1963-64

Mrs. Ruth Rouse, R2, Eaton Rapids R.D. Burroughs, 6038 Abbott Rd., E. Lansing Richard Sleater, 136 S. Clinton, Charlotte Carl Dalrymple, 523 Park Lane, E. Lansing

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF YOUR SOCIETY 1962-63

John Symonds made an audit of the books and presented the following statement:

#### Receipts:

Membership	\$164.00
State Members	81.00
Gifts	49.50
Coffee Collection	24.10
Balance forwarded	19.52
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$338.12

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Post Office box rent	12.00
State Society Membership	78.00
Printing	127.24
Postage	63.05
Coffee	26.09
Special Room, May Meeting	13.72
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$320.10

Balance . . . \$ 18.02

#### DUES INCREASED TO \$3.00

Another matter brought before the Board of Directors' meeting June 13, was the matter of dues. Our margin of operation has been very small, in fact NIL at times. The By-Laws are being amended changing the dues from \$2.00 to \$3.00. With a quorum of 10 persons at the Board meeting the 14th August, it is hoped this can become effective so that collection of dues at our September meeting can give your Society a little more working capital.

TRANSPORTATION IN LANSING PRIOR TO 1905 by Frank N. Elliott, formerly Curator of History at MSU and now of Columbia University, a paper given at the April 2, 1959 meeting of your Society has been published through the efforts of Charles Lenaweaver, our Publications Chairman and the courtesy of OLDSMOBILE DIVISION, General Motors Corporation, Lansing. Distribution has been held up for lack of money for mailing. You can obtain YOUR COPY at the meetings and we hope the mailing can be made this fall.

#### BOARD MEETING TO BE HELD AUGUST 14

All officers, trustees and committee chairmen and members are to meet Wednesday, August 14 at Historical Commission Archives 7:30 P.M.

#### NEW MEMBERS FOR 1963-64

FIRST MEMBER OF THE NEW YEAR: Mrs. Gertrude Rupp, 1712 W. Ottawa, Lansing.

Charles Lenaweaver, 2407 Fairfax, Lansing E. V. Blohm, 2904 Paul Ave., Lansing Harriett Goode, Chief, Book Selection Dept., Detroit Public Library, Burton Historical Collection, Detroit.

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#### MICHIGAN HERITAGE

A quarterly magazine of Michigan Local and Family History, formerly published by the Kalamazoo Valley Genealogical Society for the past four years, will be continued by the Editor, Dr. Ethel Williams, 730 Parker Ave., Kalamazoo beginning with Volume V (Autumn 1963). There will be no change in policy, format or price which is still \$3.00 per year and includes an annual index.

NOTE: From TOWN CRIER EDITOR: We highly recommend this publication to our members. This magazine gives state-wide local history coverage and has been nationally recognized as one of the BEST.

#### COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN for 1963-64

Response to the committee work of YOUR SOCIETY has been most gratifying. The following persons have generously offered to head up the following committees:

FINANCE: John Symonds

HOSPITALITY: Mr. & Mrs. Ken Clark MEMBERSHIP: Mrs. Ruby Jennings

PROGRAM: Mr. Rajee Tobia Geneva Kebler David P. Beatty

PUBLICATIONS: Charles Lenaweaver

PUBLICITY: ?

SPECIAL EVENTS/LIAISON WITH STATE SOCIETY:

Ford Ceasar

TOWN CRIER: Mrs. Helen Wallin & Mary McNeely

MAILING LIST & MAILING: Robert Clark

ARCHIVES: Carl Dalrymple

We hope you will feel free to call on your committee chairmen at any time. We are lacking a Publicity chairmen as you can see and we should have another person on our Membership committee-possibly a husband and wife team to greet our guests.





Charles H. Lawrence 2520 Devonshire Av.e Lansing, Mich.

#### ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

#### HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF GREATER LANSING

#### 1963

The name of this organization shall be THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF GREATER LANSING.

Its purpose shall be to compile, collect and preserve such manuscripts, photographs, books, records, and such historical objects pertaining to the history of the community as may be deemed worthy of preservation, and to stimulate a general interest in the history of the Greater Lansing area.

The organization may receive gifts and may become the trustee of manuscripts, photographs, books and articles of historical interest and may receive gifts of money to be used for the furtherance of the Society's objectives.

In the event of termination or dissolution of this Society, all assets, real and personal, shall be distributed to the public library of the City of Lansing. If said library shall feel itself unable to care for such assets adequately, it shall be herewith empowered to designate another receiving organization qualified as tax exempt under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code (1954).

Membership of the Society shall be composed of persons having an interest in the objectives of the Society and who have requested the entry of their names upon the Society's roster of membership. Membership dues shall be \$3.00 and shall be payable to the treasurer annually.

Officers of the Society shall be a president, three vice presidents, secretary-treasurer, and an executive secretary. They shall be elected annually. Except the secretary-treasurer, no officer or trustee may serve successive terms.

Four trustees shall be elected by the membership each year for a two-year term, and shall serve with the officers in directing affairs of the Society. And with the officers they shall constitute the Board of Directors of the Society.

The President may from time to time appoint such special and standing committees as may be deemed necessary for the furtherance of the Society's objectives.

The membership shall meet annually during the month of May, at a time and place designated by the President, for the election of officers and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting; and may meet from time to time during the year at times and places designated by the President. Ten members of the Society shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, provided general notice has been given ten days in advance of the time and place of meeting.

The Board of Directors shall meet at the call of the president or of any two vice-presidents, at a time and place designated in the call. Seven members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business--Provided, however, that quorum shall not be necessary for the discussion of Society objectives or policies at any meeting either of membership or of the Board.

The Articles of Association may be extended or amended by majority vote at any regularly called meeting at which a quorum is present.

Adopted June 12, 1955 Amended 1957, 1958, and August 14, 1963

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF GREATER LANSING OFFICERS FOR 1963-1964

PRESIDENT: Mrs. Helen Wallin, 826 W. Genesee, IV70507 VICE PRESIDENT: Mr. Rajee Tobia, 409 N. Jenison, IV48535 SECTY-TREAS:: Mary McNeely, 1007 W. Allegan, IV57890

#### TRUSTEES

1962-64: and 1964-65

David P. Beatty, 1718 Biltmore, Lansing 487-3087 Ken Clark, 815 W. Kalamazoo, Lansing, IV 22107 Mrs. Ruby Jennings, 730 Downer Ave., Lansing, IV51812 Gordon L. Thomas, 334 N. Hagadorn, E. Lansing, ED21389 1962-63 and 1963-64

Mrs. Ruth Rouse, R 2, Eaton Rapids R. D. Burroughs, 6038 Abbott Rd., E. Lansing, ED28988 Richard Sleater, 136 S. Clinton, Charlotte Carl Dalrymple, 523 Park Lane, E. Lansing, ED24396

#### COMMITTEES

ARCHIVES

Carl Dalrymple, 523 Park Lane, E. Lansing, ED 24396 FINANCE

John Symonds, 707 W. Genesee, IV 43488 HOSPITALITY

Mr. & Mrs. Ken Clark, 815 W. Kalamazoo, IV 22107 Mr. & Mrs. Richard Sleater, 136 S. Clinton, Charlotte MAILING LIST & MAILING

Robert Clark, 741 Wisconsin, 487-0051 MEMBERSHIP

Mrs. Ruby Jennings, 730 Downer Ave., IV 51812 PROGRAM

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