HISTORICAL NEWS & NOTES

1990-91 Annual Membership dues for the Historical Society of Greater Lansing may be paid at the November meeting of the Society. Dues are \$10.00 for single memberships and \$15.00 for the family. NOTE: If you are not a current paid up member of the Society, this will be the last notice you will receive. If a "** appears on the front of this notice, you are paid up for 1990-91. Thank you.

The Fall 1990 Community Forum of the R.E. Olds Transportation Museum, 240 Museum Drive, Lansing, MI (517) 372-0422, will be held on Thursday, November 15, 1990 from 7:00 - 9:00 P.M. The Forum will focus on the topic of Early Lansing Aviation (aircraft design, stunt flyers & aerial surveying) with a history of American Aviation Pioneer Ivan Driggs. This program is dedicated to the late Leslie E. Steen, Jr. Admission is Free and the Public is Invited.

The Grand Ledge Area Historical Society will hold their "Holiday Home Tour" In Grand Ledge on December 1-2, 1990. Tour hours are Saturday, December 1: 11:00 A.M. until 9:00 P.M. and Sunday, December 2: 1:00 P.M. until 5:00 P.M. The Tour will feature six homes, one adapted office structure, and the museum. An exhibit entitled "The Way We Lived: 1920's and 1930's" is featured at the museum as well as an antique show. Cost of the tour is \$5.00 if purchased ahead of time and \$6.00 if purchased on the day(s) of the tour. For ticket information contact; Joan Kane at (517) 627-7247.

The following books written by Society member Hondon B. Hargrove are currently available from McFarland & Company, Inc., Box 611, Jefferson, NC 28640 (919-246-4460).

Buffalo Soldiers in Italy:
Black Americans in World War II
1985. 224pp., 22 photos, 5 maps, tables, bibliography and Index.
\$18,95*

Black Union Soldiers in the Civil War 1988. 260pp., well illustrated with tables, notes, bibliography and Index. \$22.95*

*Please add \$2.00 postage for the first book and \$0.75 each additional book when ordering.

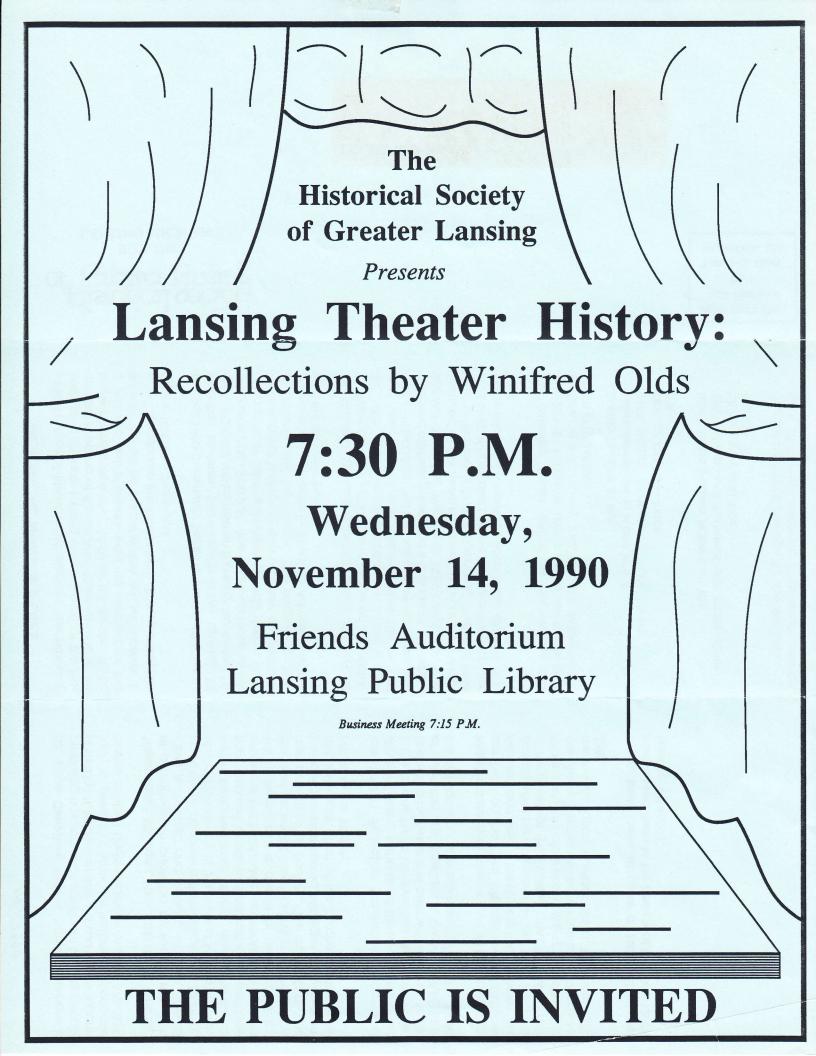
Mt. Hope Cemetery Project. Linda Peckham is preparing a brochure of significant Lansing people burled in Mt. Hope Cemetery. If you wish to suggest such a person of state or national importance please contact Linda Peckham at (517) 372-3385.

"Postmarked: Michigan, Mich. 1847-1848" is the title of a monograph published by Society members Craig A. Whitford and David L. Mackey. This 27 page history documents the background, founding and brief existence of the town of Michigan, Mich. before being renamed Lansing. Among the Illustrations featured in this monograph are several examples of MICHIGAN Mic. postmarked envelopes. This monograph is available at meetings of the Historical Society of Greater Lansing or through the mail by writing the Society. The cost is \$6.00 and includes two postmarked Michigan Sesquicentennial envelopes. Part of the purchase price is donated to the Society.

The 1990-91 Project of the Historical Society of Greater Lansing is the Local History Room located in the Lansing Public Library. Volunteers are needed to catalog materials and assist with research. Hours of operation are: Tuesdays, 12 Noon - 3 P.M. and the first Saturday of every month, 10 A.M. - 1 P.M.

Historical Society of Greater Lansing Board Meetings are held on the third Wednesdays of October, February and April at the Lansing Public Library. Any business may be addressed to the Board before or at the meetings. Brief business meetings will be held fifteen minutes before each program scheduled for the Library. All members are invited to attend. For more information contact Linda Peckham, 372-3385.

If you have news or notes of historical interest, please send them to the Society at P.O. Box 12095, Lansing, MI 48901.





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