

January 1999

PROGRAMS

**Jan. 20, 1999 • History of Aviation
in Lansing to 1945**
Babe Ruth and Craig Whitford
7:00 p.m. Lansing Capital City Airport
Friendship Room

Lansing's participation in early aviation includes air mail deliveries, air shows, pilot's with licenses signed by the Wright brothers, the manufacture of the Driggs Skylark, and such names as Art Davis and Ted Abrams. We have five OX5 members, and one of the first female flight instructors during WWII, Babe Ruth.

Craig Whitford is a postal historian who will talk about the tie between early aviation and air mail. Babe Ruth will talk about the early pilots and the establishment of the airport.

The talks will be supplemented by photos, displays, and the nationally-recognized aviation paintings by Lansing's Harold Hawkins.

Parking: Short Term Lot; free if stamped.

March 1, 1999 • Before Lansing
Linda Peckham
First Monday Program, Turner-Dodge House

March 10, 1999 • To be announced

The tour at **Meridian Historic Village** in November was very interesting and impressive. A big thank you to J. Woolsey and the guides. If you haven't been there recently, do go.

Local History Room. Thanks to your donations to the Local History Fund and a grant from the Lansing Foundation, work is underway on materials and more open hours for the Local History Room. Donations of any size are most welcome for the Local History Fund. Please contribute if you can.

Volunteers Needed. If you would like to get more involved, we'd love to hear from you. We need people to work on:

- Local History Room funding
- Annual Dinner in May
- Materials on Lansing Women, with
Michigan Women's Hall of Fame

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The
**HISTORICAL
SOCIETY**
of
GREATER LANSING

Michigan's Capital City since 1847

The Historical Society of Greater Lansing
sponsors a variety of programs of
local historic interest:

- Walking tours in Downtown Lansing, in North Lansing, in the cemetery . . .
- Speakers on such topics as stained glass in Downtown churches, R.E. and Metta Olds, Charles H. Mead, the Woman's Hospital Association, Trinity AME Church, the Polish pioneers . . .
- Special events: Lansing History Day . . .
- Pioneer Family History Project

Publications:

- Note Cards, 1870s Drawings by CH Mead
- Mudge's 1878 City Directory
- Historic Architectural Scavenger Hunt
- Brochure: James and Marian Turner
- Significant People Buried in Mt. Hope
- Rare Maps
- Lansing Through the Years, Photo Book

We welcome donations of local historical materials, especially of papers or photos related to our programs. These materials will be made available to the public for viewing and research in the Local History Room at the Lansing Public Library.

- You can become a member for \$15.00 •

For more information:
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Local History Room • 517-325-6400
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The Historical Society of Greater Lansing invites you to an

Aviation Showcase

Lansing's Aviation History

Wednesday, January 20, 1999
7:00 PM

Capital City Airport, Friendship Room

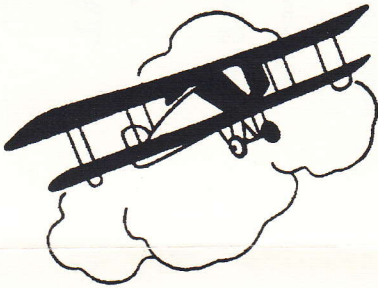
Parking: Short Term Lot tickets will be validated for
FREE PARKING at the presentation.

Learn about the history of aviation in Lansing from

Babe Ruth,
Lansing's first woman pilot

and

Craig Whitford,
Lansing aviation historian



This event is sponsored by Capital Region Airport Authority

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Annual membership in the Historical Society of Greater Lansing covers August 1, 1998-July 31, 1999.
Please return this panel with payment.

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Enclosed: \$15.00 Individual \$20.00 Family \$_____ Local History Fund

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