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JANUARY MEETING

Wednesday, January 9, 1991
7:30 P.M.
Saugatuck City Hall
Saugatuck, Michigan

Writer, speaker and historian, Larry Massie will present a program entitled "Sand Dunes, Sawdust and Shipwrecks: The Romance of Michigan's Coastal Cities." Mr. Massie appears through a grant from the Michigan Council for the Humanities and is well known to the Historical Society members.

Marsha Kontio of the Kirby House will be our hostess for the evening.

Come and bring a friend!!!

BOARD MEETINGS

The next two Board Meetings will be held on Sunday, February 3rd and Sunday, March 3rd. We need volunteers to host the meetings at their home. If you would like to volunteer, call Chuck Lorenz at 857-3955.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

If your dues are not current, this will be the last issue of the Newsletter that you will receive. If you have any questions about your dues, call Arlene Sherman, 857-1832.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Pat Dewey and Stan Wilson on their re-marriage on December 23rd at All-Saints Episcopal Church.

STATE REGISTER OF HISTORIC SITES NOMINATIONS

The Kirby House was listed on the State Register of Historical Sites in 1987. The Queen Anne style building is truly one of the most beautiful homes constructed in the Saugatuck-Douglas area. Marsha and Loren Kontio, owners, are dedicated historians with Marsha spending many hours documenting and researching the history of the house and the Kirby family. As a Christmas gift to herself, a state marker was recently purchased and has been placed near the entrance. Marsha's Christmas gift is truly one to the community as well.

Two other projects "in the works" are the old Douglas School House with application for state registry being made by Nancy Budd and the same for Old Allegan Road by Mrs. Roselle Sertich whose committee is in the process of raising funds for one of the large state markers. The Saugatuck-Douglas Historical Society encourages both endeavors and especially hopes this good news to our community is supported by private contribution in the case of the Old Allegan Road marker.

TENTATIVE DEDICATION DATE

A Dedication Ceremony and unveiling of a state marker for Saugatuck's 110 year old City Hall is tentatively set for Sunday, May 19, 1991 at 2:00 P.M. The building was placed on the state register on July 19, 1990. It's renovation is the pride of the community.