

SAUGATUCK-DOUGLAS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Heritage Preservation Awards

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The Society's Heritage Preservation Committee established the

HERITAGE PRESERVATION AWARDS

in 2001 to further the Society's mission "to provide leadership
in enabling the community at-large to connect with and understand its past, to
preserve the quality of community life, and to respect and use the area's
history to shape its future."

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NATIONAL AWARD

“Preserve America” Community Designation

“Preserve America” is a federal initiative designed to encourage and support community efforts to preserve our nation’s cultural assets and natural heritage through greater shared knowledge of our nation’s past.

Both Saugatuck and Douglas received this honor in 2004 as a direct result of efforts by Ken Gold, Saugatuck- Douglas Historical Society member and Vice-President, who made the application, highlighting the Society’s initiatives of recent years.

The two villages are among only 3 in the State of Michigan and 28 cities in the entire United States— including historic Williamsburg, Virginia— to receive this distinction.


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STATE AWARD

Michigan Heritage Guardian Award

The award is presented to an organization or individual making an outstanding contribution toward the protection and preservation of Michigan's cultural heritage.

The award was based on the following initiatives by the Saugatuck-Douglas Historical Society:

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- *Saugatuck-Douglas Building Survey*
 - *Saugatuck-Douglas Historical Society Publication Fund*
 - *Publication of Raising the Roof*
 - *The Museum Exhibition Program*
 - ***Saugatuck-Douglas Heritage Preservation Awards***
 - *Harbor Front Outdoor Learning Stations*
 - *The William Simmons "Daily Life" Photo Conservation Project*
 - *Publication of Off the Record*
 - *The Saugatuck Historic Walking Tour Brochure*
 - *Saugatuck-Douglas Heritage Festival*
 - *The "Stewardship Fund" for the Donation of Development*

Easements

- *The Society's "Tech Center" in Dutcher Lodge*

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W H Y P R E S E R V A T I O N ?

Michigan Land Use Institute

“Facets of Michigan’s history have become powerful engines of economic growth that attract residents and visitors to our cities and towns.”

“It’s this simple and this promising for Michigan in the 21st century: People like to live, work, and play where history prospers.”

—“Making Smart Growth a Reality in Michigan,” *A Civic Gift*.
A pamphlet published by the Michigan Land Use Institute, October 2003

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WHY PRESERVATION?

Michigan Historic Preservation Network

Rehabilitating historic structures is effective as “a primary strategy for attracting companies, workers, and residents” to Michigan cities.

—*Investing in Michigan's Future: The Economic Benefits of Historic Preservation*
Michigan Historic Preservation Network

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WHY PRESERVATION?

West Michigan Strategic Alliance

As a strategy for economic development, communities should seek to “Preserve critical cultural and historical assets”

— “Smart Growth Principles,” *2004 Regional Report*

West Michigan Strategic Alliance

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W H Y P R E S E R V A T I O N ?

2004 Community Survey

In the recent survey of residents that was integral to the development of the new Tri-Community Plan an overwhelming majority of respondents agreed that historic preservation should be an important consideration in shaping our community's future.

—Report of the Tri-Community Planning Committee, 2004

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W H Y P R E S E R V A T I O N ?

State of Michigan's Economic Development Initiatives

The State of Michigan's much publicized economic development efforts, the "smart growth," "heritage/cultural tourism," and "cool cities" initiatives, include historic preservation.

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State of Michigan's Economic Development Initiatives

In its granting criteria Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs (MCACA) encourages “structured community planning efforts aimed at creating strategies to engage arts and culture as vital resources for revitalization and economic growth,” in effect, making the promotion and management cultural assets (which includes historic buildings) a vital part of public policy.

—“Capital Improvement Program Guidelines”

MCACA, State of Michigan Department of History, Arts, and Libraries, 2004

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THIS IS THE BASIS UPON WHICH THE HERITAGE PRESERVATION
AWARDS PROGRAM WAS FOUNDED.



Douglas Union School | 1866

One of the finest examples of 19th century school architecture
in the State of Michigan



Douglas Union School | 1866

On both the State and National Registers of Historic Places



Douglas Union School | 1866

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A W A R D C A T E G O R I E S

I.

New Construction

II.

Preservation of the Historic Built Environment

III.

Blue Star Corridor

IV.

Honor and Respect

CATEGORY NO. 1

Heritage Preservation Award for NEW CONSTRUCTION

The NEW CONSTRUCTION award is presented to owners, designers, and builders who introduce new buildings into the landscape, or make significant additions to existing buildings, which respect the architectural integrity of existing structures and the area's historic character in terms of style, scale, material, etc., and are compatible with their surroundings.

Heritage Preservation Award for
NEW CONSTRUCTION

is presented to

June Bowman, owner
Doug Wierenga and Jeff Spangler | Lake Home Builders, designers and
builders

For the Construction of the Residence at
135 South Washington Street, Douglas



Bowman Residence

2004



Heritage Preservation Award for
NEW CONSTRUCTION

is presented to

Toni Polegia and Clem Beaudoin, owner
Rick Haver, designer and builder

For the Construction of a New Residence at
164 South Union Street, Douglas



Polegia-Beaudoin Residence

2004



Heritage Preservation Award for NEW CONSTRUCTION

is presented to

Damien and Judy Jarzembowski, owners
Damien Jarzembowski, Jarzembowski Builders, builder
For the construction of the residence and outbuildings at
3293 Lorimar Lane, Saugatuck Township



Jarzemowski Residence

1997



Jarzemkowski Residence

1997



Jarzemowski Barn

2001



Jarzembowski Garden House, Chicken Coop, and Garden
2003



Jarzembowski Garden House, Chicken Coop, and Garden
2003



Heritage Preservation Award for
NEW CONSTRUCTION

is presented to

Rob Moroni and Jeff Anataya, owners
Doug Wierenga and Jeff Spangler | Lake Home Builders, designers and
builders

For the Construction of a New Residence at
23 Lawn Street, Douglas



Moroni-Anataya House
2004



Heritage Preservation Award for
NEW CONSTRUCTION

is presented to

Bob Carlson and Philip Kraft, owners
Tim Looman, Amy Cook, Looman Construction, designers and builders
For the Construction of a New Residence at
80 Water Street, Douglas



Carlson-Kraft House

2004



Heritage Preservation Award for
NEW CONSTRUCTION

is presented to

Mark Neidlinger, owner and designer

Jason Dedic, JPD Builders, builder

For the Construction of a “The Birdhouse”

31 Spring Street, Douglas



The Birdhouse

2004



{ before }

The Birdhouse

2004



{ before }



{ during construction }

The Birdhouse

2004



{ before }



{ during construction }



{ completed house }

The Birdhouse

2004



{ during construction }

The Bird House is built on the same site as Douglas's only World War II quonset hut, originally constructed on the site in 1946 by Ev Thomas and later owned by Art and Kit Lane who lived in the large Colonial Revival residence immediately to the north, now a bed and breakfast.

The Birdhouse
2004



Heritage Preservation Award for
NEW CONSTRUCTION

is presented to

Rick Haver and Sue Heberling, designers and owners

Rick Haver, builder

For the Construction of a New Residence at
10007 Holland Street, Saugatuck



Haver-Heberling Residence



Haver-Heberling Residence



CATEGORY NO. 2

Heritage Preservation Award for PRESERVATION OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The PRESERVATION of the BUILT ENVIRONMENT award is presented to owners, designers, and builders for rehabilitation or renovation projects that preserve the architectural integrity of existing structures; respect the area's historic character in terms of style, scale, material, etc.; and blend well with their surroundings.

Heritage Preservation Award for
PRESERVATION OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

is presented to

Nick and Ann Cappelletti, owners

For the Renovation of the Residence and Construction of New Outbuildings
at 6594 Old Allegan Road, Saugatuck



Barr House | Before Renovation



Barr House
1870s (after 1873)

A classic Italianate, built sometime in the 1870s, it became the country home of Henry and Olga Barr and family. Barr was a Chicago businessman.



Barr House
1870s (after 1873)



Barr House
1870s (after 1873)



Cappelletti Barn



Heritage Preservation Award for
PRESERVATION OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

is presented to

Steve Darpel and Mark Shrock

Darpel Associates, builder

For the Restoration of the Commercial Structure
at 103 East Main Street, Fennville



Darpel Building
2004



Heritage Preservation Award for
PRESERVATION OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

is presented to

Bonnie Keller, Renee Looman, Tim Looman, Amy Cook, *designers*
Looman Construction, builder

For the Renovation of the Riley-Slack House at
203 Heirloom Lane, Douglas



Riley-Slack House

1860 - 1869

The original house was built by Thomas Riley in 1860. Riley died in the Civil War. Mrs. Riley later married Anthony Slack, and they added onto the house in 1869. Slack was himself a Civil War veteran. He fought in the battle of Gettysburg.



Riley-Slack House
1860 - 1869



Riley-Slack House

1860 - 1869



Heritage Preservation Award for
PRESERVATION OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

is presented to

Rosalie Yaksic, owner

Chris Wentzell and Jim Wentzell | Wentzell Builders, builders
For the Restoration and New Addition to the Italilante Residence at
6579 Old Allegan Road, Saugatuck



Burns House
1881 | renovated 2004

Built in 1881 by John Burns, a Butler Street merchant, it was described by the Commerical Record as a “one-story, square-roofed, brick cottage.” Mr. Burns owned a clothing store on Butler Street. The house was later the home of Henry Huntington, a well-known dance instructor in Saugatuck in the 1950s.



{ *before renovation* }

Burns House

1881 | renovated 2004



{ *before renovation* }

Burns House

1881 | renovated 2004

{ *after renovation* }



Burns House
1881 | renovated 2004



Burns House | with 2004 addition
1881 | renovated 2004



Heritage Preservation Award for
PRESERVATION OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

is presented to

Duane Brown and Kevin Martin, designers and owners
Tim Looman | Looman Construction, builder
For the Renovation of the Barns at “Quiet Creek”
Lakeshore Drive, Ganges



The Barns at Quiet Creek
{ before renovation }



The Barns at Quiet Creek
{ during renovation }



The Barns at Quiet Creek
{ after renovation }



Heritage Preservation Award for
PRESERVATION OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

is presented to

Patsy and David Burnham and Bruce and Jean Williams, owners

Carl Miskotten, developer

Kim Busscher, builder

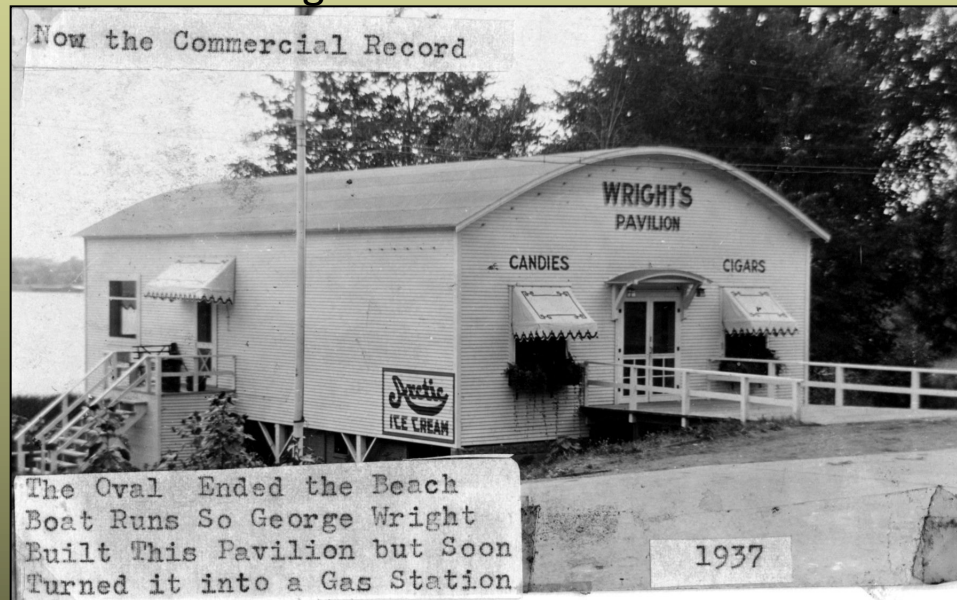
DeJong Builders, interior construction and finishing

For the Renovation of Historic Wright's Pavilion at
Lake Street in Saugatuck



Wright's Pavilion in 1937

Wright's Pavilion, built circa 1900, was one of Saugatuck's major water taxi terminals and it had a restaurant and dance floor. When the water taxi business waned, giving way to automobile travel to Oval Beach, George Wright converted it into a gas station.



Wright's Pavilion
Ca. 1900 | Renovated 2004



CATEGORY NO. 5

Heritage Preservation Award for
BLUE STAR CORRIDOR

The BLUE STAR CORRIDOR award is presented to businesses, individuals, or groups, who build, restore, or renovate structures that enhance the Blue Star Corridor, and which display distinctive qualities and respect the area's historic character in terms of style, scale, material, etc.

Heritage Preservation Award for BLUE STAR CORRIDOR

is presented to

Woodland Realty, owner
Charles Kenneth Carlson, architect
Prins Construction, builder

For the construction of the Woodland Realty building at
2587 Blue Star Highway, which through compatible style and materials,
maintains the area's traditional character.



Woodland Realty
Blue Star Highway | 2004



Woodland Realty
Blue Star Highway | 2004



Woodland Realty
Blue Star Highway | 2004



Heritage Preservation Award for BLUE STAR CORRIDOR

is presented to

Chris Gorgas, Lighthouse Realty, owner
Judy Hillman, designer
John Severt, builder

For the construction of a new commercial structure along the Blue Star Highway, which through compatible scale, style and materials, maintains the area's traditional character.



Lighthouse Realty
Blue Star Highway | 2004

Lumberg's gas station, one of the earliest gas stations in Douglas, once occupied this site at the corner of Blue Star and Center Street. The site accommodated various uses thereafter.



Lighthouse Realty

Blue Star Highway | 2004

{ *before* }



Lighthouse Realty
Blue Star Highway | 2004

{ before }



{ after }



Lighthouse Realty
Blue Star Highway | 2004



Heritage Preservation Award for
BLUE STAR CORRIDOR

is presented to

Captain's Quarters Motel
Paul Cook, designer and owner

For the renovation of the lodging structure along the
Blue Star Highway, which through compatible style and materials, maintains the
area's traditional character.



Captain's Quarters Motel
Blue Star Highway



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HONOR AND RESPECT AWARD

Special “HONOR and RESPECT” awards are given to property owners whose historic properties have been maintained and remain true to their original design, scale, and character; represent a “pivotal” architectural style as a key component of the historic built environment; or have special significance within the local historical context.

Heritage Preservation Awards
HONOR AND RESPECT AWARD

“Kalamont”

1865

Sallie Erlandson, owner



"Kalamont"

1865

Built during the Civil War era, Kalamont is one of Douglass's finest examples of the Italianate style. The house was built by Douglas merchant Thomas Gray, who owned a store called "The Great Bonanza" It later became the home of Colonel White, a Civil War veteran who had been a prisoner at Andersonville Prison. Then later yet it was owned by Captain John Campbell, a lake Michigan steam boat captain.



"Kalamont"

1865



"Kalamont"

1865



Kalamont
1865



Kalamont
1865



Moroni-Anataya House
2004



Heritage Preservation Awards
HONOR AND RESPECT AWARD

“Alibi Cottage”

ca. 1905

Dorothy Guild, owner



Alibi Cottage
1924



Alibi Cottage
1924



Alibi Cottage
2004



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HONOR AND RESPECT AWARD

Elam-Shafroth Cottage
Michael Elam and Tracy Shafroth, owners



Elam-Shafroth Cottage



Elam-Shafroth Cottage



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HONOR AND RESPECT AWARD

Commercial Fishing Structures
Demi and Dorothy Demerest, owners



Commercial Fishing Structures

1930s and 1940s

The small cluster of commercial fishing structures, which date from the 1930s and 40s, are the last surviving vestiges of the commercial fishing industry on the Saugatuck waterfront. There are three structures: a combined fish house/ice house; a fishing shanty, which was used as a sleeping house for the fishermen; and a smoke house. The structures sit along a dock where the fishing boats were moored.

This is where the old “Gotham” was docked, one of Saugauck’s most infamous boats. The sinking of the “Gotham” ranks as Saugatucks’ largest commercial fishing tragedy. The vessel was struck by a tidal wave in winter, breaking out the back of the boat. It made it back to Saugatuck where it sank in the harbor. The Gotham family perished in the wreck. The present owner, Demi Demerest, is one of the last surviving commercial fishermen.



Commercial Fishing Structures
1930s and 1940s



Commercial Fishing Structures
1930s and 1940s



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HONOR AND RESPECT AWARD

The D. A. Heath Building
1907

Ken and Sally Troutman, owners



The Heath Building

1907

Built by Doc Heath, husband of May Heath, in 1907, the Heath Building is an imposing two-story Commercial Italianate structure that occupies a prominent site at 306 Butler Street. The 2nd floor was made famous for being the home of Saugatuck's first telephone company. Douglas resident, 95-year old Irma Fuller Schultz, is one of the last surviving telephone operators who worked in this building.



The Heath Building

1907



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HONOR AND RESPECT AWARD

Walz Meat Market/East of the Sun
Stubb and Sue Lewis, owners



Walz Meat Market | East of the Sun 1889

Also known as Walz Corner, the building was built in 1889 by the area's German butchers, the Walz brothers, who operated meat markets in both Saugatuck and Douglas. Chrisofer Walz ran the Saugatuck shop, and his brother's shop was at the corner of Main and Center Streets in Douglas, where Everyday People Café is now.

The Walz Meat Market replaced an earlier building that had gained a less than savory reputation as a house of ill repute and gambling den. Thus, when the original structure was removed and the new meat market was erected in 1889, it was seen as a symbol of social reform and a positive step forward for Saugatuck's morality.

By the 1950s it became a bar by the name of "The Cabin," which had an organ that reportedly "made the place jump." The Cabin was a popular gay hangout,



Walz Meat Market | East of the Sun



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Thank You !