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“Members of the Fruitport Historical Society visiting the original Fruitport Library. After leaving Pomona Park, the library was bought and moved to its current location at a private residence on Oak St. in the village. From left to right: Dick Davis, Art Aldridge, Jerry Alger, Brian Zwart, Jodie Schmidt, Jamie Thompson, Bob Beaton, Kim Slezak, Dot “Hackney” Wiggins.

The Fruitport Historical Society Needs Your Help!

By Brian Zwart

In an effort to protect and preserve Fruitport history, your local historical society is collecting items that can help us learn more about our past. If you have any old photographs, business documents, journals, newspapers, etc. that are related to Fruitport, we’d love to see them. The Fruitport Library has been designated as an official drop-off location for Fruitport residents to donate material. We will take originals or assist you in making copies or digital scans.

The Fruitport Historical Society is also looking to gain more knowledge on historic homes and businesses around Fruitport. If you have one or know of someone who does, please contact us. We are now on Facebook and our website is www.fruitporthistory.com

Our group is also still attempting to obtain a biography written on individuals that have been buried in our cemetery. If you know of someone who was buried here in Fruitport, you can help by writing a short biography detailing the person and their life here in the Fruitport area. Things to include could be: Date of birth, Date of death, Occupation, Interests, Cause of Death (if known), School Graduation year, etc.

We need your help. If we work together as a community, we can preserve our heritage. Before you throw something away, take some time and think if it would benefit the Fruitport Historical Society (even if it won’t, we would like to see it first). Stop in to the Fruitport Library with your donation today!



Township Spring Cleanup:
By Supervisor Heidi Tice

What a weekend! Fruitport residents came out in full force to take advantage of the Fruitport cleanup days this past May 5th & 6th, 2017. The township took in everything from yard waste to concrete and motor oil.

Tire recycling and cleanup was May 13th, 2017. Many hands made light work with thanks going out to the Fruitport DPW crew, Fruitport Lions Club, RMS for keeping those dumpsters coming, Muskegon County jail for the use of some residents on Saturday, and Matt Farrar who just couldn’t stay away even though he moved to the County of Muskegon. Clean up days was always Matt’s event and Fruitport greatly appreciates his dedication.

What a great weekend! See you next year

Fruitport Regulator Run

By Tom Johnson

Saturday May 27th, 2017 marks the 10th anniversary of the annual Fruitport Regulator Motorcycle Run. Started by a group of local motorcycle enthusiasts as a way to kick off the summer riding season, the ride has turned into a much anticipated event with 100 or more motorcycles participating annually.

Having been linked up with the Fruitport Lions Club for the past six years, the run has grown into an important fund raising event that has generated over \$27,000. Proceeds benefit our community, including support of local fundraisers as well as providing assistance for families who are struggling during the holidays.

Hosted by Pin Crest Lanes, this year’s event will get underway with registrations beginning at 11:00am and the run leaving at 12:30pm. This year’s route will take the participants to a variety of venues around Muskegon and Ottawa counties before returning to Pin Crest Lanes for Chew’s famous pork barbeque dinner.

In celebration of the Memorial Day weekend, veterans that served our country with military service will once again participate at no charge. Please join us to celebrate the 10th anniversary of this annual event.



Community youth help clean up
Fruitport Leos along with The Fruitport Congregational Church Youth Group came together Saturday May 6, 2017 for a service project to help a Fruitport resident clean up his yard.

The township, for their clean up days, placed a dumpster on the property and the kids hauled, lifted, raked and picked up the trash. Home owner, Sam Cramblet, was grateful beyond words for the time and generosity the kids gave of themselves.

The two groups really enjoyed working together for the betterment of the Fruitport Community and the Fruitport Leos are considering doing a yard cleanup each year. Many hands made light work and the kids felt really good about their job at the end of the day.

Respectfully submitted: Heidi Tice Fruitport Lion and Leo advisor