

# REMUS AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY (RAHS)

A NONPROFIT TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATION

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"OUR PAST, YOUR FUTURE"

The purpose of the Remus Area Historical Society, Inc. (RAHS) an educational charitable nonprofit organization is to celebrate the heritage, and preserve the cultural and historical resources, especially in the Townships of Wheatland, Broomfield, Rolland, Millbrook, Colfax, Morton, Martiny, Austin, Hinton, Sheridan, and surrounding area.

#### UPCOMING DATES:

- Wed., October 16, 4:30 p.m. RAHS Board meeting.
- Wed., October 23, 9 a.m. – noon, Michigan History Alliance – Western Region meeting hosted by Fighting Falcon Military Museum, 516 W. Cass St., Greenville, MI 48838. Register online at <http://hsmichigan.org/programs/michigan-history-alliance/>.
- Wed., October 30, Registration deadline for **Computers for Genealogy** (see page 2).
- Thurs., November 7th, Computers for Genealogy, 10:30 a.m. Session One. Where: Morton Township Library in Mecosta Michigan, (see page 2).
- Wed., November 20th, 4:30 p.m. **RAHS Annual Meeting**.
- Thurs., November 21st, Computers for Genealogy, 10:30 a.m. Session Two. Where: Morton Township Library in Mecosta Michigan, (see page 2).
- Thurs., December 5th, Computers for Genealogy, 10:30 a.m. Session Three. Where: Morton Township Library in Mecosta Michigan, (see page 2).
- Thurs., December 12th, Computers for Genealogy, 10:30 a.m. Session Four. Where: Morton Township Library in Mecosta Michigan, (see page 2).
- Note: No RAHS Board meetings during December, January and February.

Watch or subscribe to [www.Remus.org](http://www.Remus.org) for news about other upcoming events.

**NOTE: NEW EMAIL is [RemusMuseum@gmail.com](mailto:RemusMuseum@gmail.com)**

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#### Annual Meeting!

Wed. November 20th, 4:30 p.m.,

at the Remus Museum.

A Chili meal will be served.

**Come Join Us!**

*Thanks To You* we continue to make progress. This last year we held a Genealogy workshop series, created a new Agricultural display in recognition of the Gerald Stickler Family and are continuing work on an oral history DVD project featuring area elders interviewed by the late Don Hatfield. We collaborated with Central Michigan University's Museum program and hosted our first college intern who assisted with displays at the museum and also worked with Culture Alive! to host Little River School days at School Section Lake County Park serving area school children. Museum volunteers also worked to catalog the Morgan West Wheatland cemetery in Wheatland Township collating all available records to make death and burial records more complete. Updated cemetery records will be shared with Mecosta County Genealogical Society, Find A Grave, Wheatland Township and Old Settlers at the **Annual Meeting**.

## Remus Area Historical Society - 2019 Activities

### Computers for Genealogy A Four-part Workshop Series

*Sponsored by the Remus Area Historical Society, led by MaryAnn Stickler, Retired Educator with years of experience leading Computer Workshops*

**When: Thursdays, November 7th & 21st, December 5th & 12th 2019**

**From 10:30 a.m. – 12:30p.m.**

**Where: Morton Township Library in Mecosta Michigan (Bring your own laptop. Limited computers available in adjoining room.)**

**Cost: \$20 for the series**

**Format: First hour—instruction, second hour—guided practice**

**Max enrollment: 10—to insure individualized instruction**

***Registration Deadline: October 30th, 2019—To Register, send email to— [maryannstickler@hotmail.com](mailto:maryannstickler@hotmail.com)***

Session One: Basic Computer Organizational Skills (November 7th)

- How do you keep track of all the information you collect? Participants will:
    - Learn to create, name and/or rename folders to organize data
    - Practice moving files, pictures and documents to appropriately named folders
- (Come prepared with a list of your family surnames).

Session Two: Basic Computer Skills Continued (November 21st)

- Review and practice from Session One
- Learn and practice how to find a file you have saved
- Practice renaming and/or relocating files
- File safety and back-up

Session Three: Tips & Tricks for familysearch.org and ancestry.com (December 5th)

- Build your skills to make the most of online Genealogy sites
- Learn strategies and tips for effective searches
- Discuss importance of starting and keeping a research log
- How to cite your sources.

Session Four: Finding primary source documents and photos (December 12th)

- Learn where to look for free primary source documents
- How to save a file with appropriate naming strategies and save to your newly created (from Session One), organized digital file

## RAHS 2019 DONORS 8/1/2018 — 3/31/2019

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## RAHS 2019 DONORS 4/1/2019 — 9/30/2019

- Amazon Smile
- Community donations
- Consumers Energy
- Garner, Bob & Joyce
- Kempton, Arnold & Isabel
- Todd, Kenneth & Deloris
- Walmart Community Grant Team and Facility #1719 \*

### **Great News! \***

**We are grateful to the Walmart Community Grants Team and Facility #1719 who just awarded Remus Area Historical Society (RAHS) a \$500 grant so that we might continue promoting community growth by drawing people to our county for events, projects and museum displays that educate and inspire highlighting the hard work of area founders and settlers that created a thriving and adaptive community. #Better Together #Walmart Giving!**

### **"Kaleidoscope" QUILT BLOCK FOR SALE!**

Remus Area Historical Society established the Mecosta County Quilt Block Trail in 2013; it now features 69 blocks! This lovely 4 foot by 4-foot quilt block named "Kaleidoscope" by local artist/painter, Karen Coville, can be yours for \$400. It can be installed onto your barn, garage, or other structure. The price entitles your block and location to be added to the Mecosta County Quilt Block Trail map brochure when it is re-printed. Please contact Char Lenon at (989) 560-2431, email [cklenon@frontier.com](mailto:cklenon@frontier.com), or [RemusMuseum@gmail.com](mailto:RemusMuseum@gmail.com) to arrange for payment and to schedule delivery/installation. (Check payable to the Remus Area Historical Society or RAHS). Several people are now painting their own quilt block boards, so there are even more creative designs mounted around the county. Currently, we are not planning on painting more blocks for the trail, however, if you have created your own block and wish to be added to the "trail" and brochure map contact us with your information.





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Dawn Snyder (989) 561-5469  
Email: [RemusMuseum@gmail.com](mailto:RemusMuseum@gmail.com).

If you wish to be deleted from this list or if this email should have been directed to a different email address please let us know.

SUBSCRIBE FOR NEWS ON **WWW.REMUS.ORG**

When buying on Amazon, log in at [smile.amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com/smile) and choose Remus Area Historical Society. AmazonSmile Foundation will donate a portion of the sale!

### **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** for tasks such as:

Collect Remus area obituaries. Help create displays.  
Build shelves/organize out buildings and collections.  
Create artifact labels/signs. Assemble scrapbooks.  
Stain/seal the picnic tables. Make gift bags for events.  
What are your skills? Areas of interest?

Contact Char Lenon at 989.506.2431 for info.

Because Remus Area Historical Society, Inc. (RAHS) is an incorporated tax exempt nonprofit, all gifts are tax deductible as allowed by law.

This year we managed the Remus Museum, worked collaboratively on the Cemetery Tour, hosted the Genealogy series and Vietnam Veterans event, continued work on an Elders Oral History project, the Agriculture and Vietnam Veteran displays, and supported Remus.org.

The Museum is open to residents and visitors every Wednesday and some Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 1 through October 31, and by appointment. Volunteers are welcome to help staff the museum, Memorial Day through Labor Day next summer on Saturdays 11-3.

If you are interested in volunteering, contact Ken Todd (989) 967-8249, [kentodd@cmsinter.net](mailto:kentodd@cmsinter.net), or, Char Lenon (989) 967-8153, [cklenon@frontier.com](mailto:cklenon@frontier.com) or email [RemusMuseum@gmail.com](mailto:RemusMuseum@gmail.com).

**COME TO A MEETING!** Regular meetings are held the **3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 4:30 p.m.** at the Remus Area Museum.

Seeking new volunteers and board members!  
Come find your niche.  
Propose a project or topic that you would find of interest.



### **Yes, I wish to support the Remus Area Historical Society (RAHS) and museum.**

Contact Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Would you rather remain anonymous? \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

\$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed for **2020 RAHS membership**. (\$35-individual, \$50-family, \$100-business or group, \$500 – supporting member/group.)

Enclosed is also a \$\_\_\_\_\_ gift made in memory/honor of: \_\_\_\_\_ Please mail an acknowledgement to \_\_\_\_\_ (name) \_\_\_\_\_ (address) \_\_\_\_\_ city/state/zip.

\$\_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL** enclosed.

**PLEASE MAKE CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO RAHS**

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