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Mike Whorf Presents: "The Good Old Days"

Mike Whorf, of Birmingham, veteran broadcaster of better than twenty years, will present "The Good Old Days" at the annual dinner of the Oakland County Pioneer and Historical Society to be held at the Kingsley Inn, May 24, at 6:30 p.m.

Whorf came to Radio WJR, Detroit, in 1964. It is from here that his Kaleidoscope presentation originates. This colorful program, covering a tremendous range of subjects, has captivated a large listening audience. His topic for this occasion covers events that had an impact on our history, the little as well as the not-so-little happenings.

Maintaining the lively pace of entertainment for that May 24th evening will be Bob Posch, regarded as one of the finest guitar players and folk singers in the Midwest.

Posch, who has packed many Detroit nightclubs, such as the Act IV, Bakers' Keyboard Lounge, the Tender Trap and Duffy's in Union Lake, is currently appearing at one of Oakland County's newest supper clubs, the Squire's Table in Walled Lake.

Kingsley Inn to be

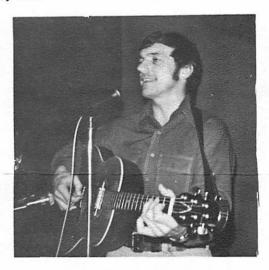
Scene of 99th Dinner

May 24, 1972 will mark the 99th year that members of the Oakland County Pioneer and Historical Society have gathered for their annual dinner meeting. This year's dinner will be at Kingsley Inn.

Once the pioneers, actual early settlers of this area, came by horse and buggy for a day long conference at the Court House, one of the churches or the Fairgrounds. Now two separate events, a fall and a spring meeting, are needed to function in the place of this old-fashioned affair. Once the pioneers stood and gave their personal reminiscences. Now we talk of restoration and maintenance to preserve Oakland County's heritage.

Members may use this occasion to invite interested friends and neighbors to join in an evening of good fellowship and entertainment. A 5:30 p.m. social hour will be followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Please fill out the blank below for dinner reservations and send it with your check in the envelope provided. Tickets will be returned by mail.



Bob Posch, Folk Singer

DINNER RESERVATION (Mail before May 19)

TO

Mrs. Marion Hodges Benter, 468 S. Fox Hills, Apt. 2, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48013. (Tickets and membership cards will be returned to you by mail.)

Enclosed please find \$	for	- dinner	r reservations at	\$6.50 per person,	for the Annua	l Oakland Count	y Pioneer &
Historical Society Dinner to be held	at KINGSLE	Y INN,	1475 Woodward	1, Bloomfield Hill	s. Also enclosed	please find new	membership
application							

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Restoration of Kitchen Progresses

The small historic building behind Pine Grove that once served as a summer kitchen and provided "vittles" for the table of Governor Moses Wisner, now has a new foundation, thanks to the generosity of those Society members who have already contributed to the restoration fund.

The federal grant of \$4,000, earmarked for the summer kitchen's restoration under the National Historic Preservation Act, has almost been matched by equal local funds as required. To secure additional funds, the Society's

Restoration Committee, chaired by Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Adler, is seeking contributions from individual and corporate sources throughout the county. Contributions may be sent to the co-chairmen.

To work along the critical guidelines of historic preservation and restoration, the Society has sought the services of Harry M. Denyes, Jr. of Denyes & Freeman Associates, Inc., of Pontiac, as architect; and LaBar Stewart, Jr. a local contractor, is advising the Restoration Committee.



Harry Denyes, Jr., Mrs. Edwin Adler, LaBar Stewart, Jr., and Mrs. Donald E. Adams examine summer kitchen plans.

Drive for New Members Continues

The annual dinner provides a particularly happy occasion to become a Society member. Right now, membership dues are being used to aid in our Summer Kitchen Restoration. Regular, Sustaining and Life Memberships are welcome. The enclosed membership application may be sent to Mrs. Marion H. Benter together with your remittance.

This year - 1972 - a contribution of

\$100,00 or more to the Summer Kitchen Restoration fund confers on the donor a Life Membership.

Our aim is to complete the basic restoration work on the kitchen structure by the end of this year.

Your check for \$100 with the notation "Special Contribution" on the enclosed membership application will bring us closer to our goal.



Pat Kelley, WXYZ Radio

Gift of Audio-Visual Equipment Received

On March 2, the Rho Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, an educational sorority, gave the Oakland County Historical Society some much needed audio-visual equipment. It includes a set of slides on Pine Grove, (the Wisner Historical House and grounds), projector, screen and tape recorder-programmer. The narration for the presentation was done by Pat Kelley of WXYZ Radio. Hundreds of school children and adult groups have already enjoyed this educational presentation.

Miss Margaret Scott, board member of OCPHS and the Audio Visual Specialist in the Pontiac School system, did the photography and slide coordination.

Your Help Needed

FASHIONS - FASHIONS - The words make women's hearts flutter and men's shudder. But wouldn't a parade of clothing through the years in Michigan be fun to view? The Oakland Co. Pioneer and Historical Society has many such items of interest, some of which are in need of repair. If you have any knowledge in the area of historical clothing or in dressmaking we could use your HELP!

We are also interested in acquiring more recent fashions. Clothing from the 20's, 30's, 40's and 50's would be appreciated.

After all the mini-skirt will be nostalgia to our grandchildren.