

2010 Barns & Byways Tour

Saturday, October 9, 2010
10 a.m. ~ 4 p.m.

Celebrating the Proud Agricultural Heritage of Victory
Township and Mason County, Michigan

The story of Victory Township is reflective of the experiences of many rural people in the Midwest. Farming was a way of life for the early settlers. Come experience the nostalgia and history of our early pioneer families.

New Features This Year:

Historic Barns of Victory Township (listed on reverse)

Five families invite you to tour their historic barns for a lesson in architecture, farming and community. Antique and modern farm equipment displays at several locations.

South Victory Cemetery Walks

Cemetery Walks led by noted township historian, Dr. William Anderson, will be offered at two special times during the Barns & Byways event. The walks will help connect stories of the farm families that owned the barns along with unusual experiences of residents living in this rural community.



Victory Trinity Lutheran Church

Established in 1910, the church is celebrating its 100th Anniversary this year. Built in the heart of a Danish Settlement, church services were offered in Danish once each month until 1940.

Admission Passport and tour booklets will be available for purchase on the day of the tour at Victory Trinity Lutheran Church located at 3208 West Victory Drive. Prior to event day, Passport and tour booklets can be purchased at the Ludington & Scottville Area Chamber of Commerce at 5300 West U.S. 10, Ludington.

Admission: Adults: \$8 / Children ages 6-17: \$5 / Children 5 & under: Free

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For Event Information Call (231) 845-0324 1-800-913-8550

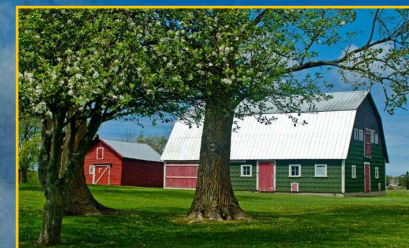
Featured Barns



Hansen Family Farm on West Victory Drive

Centennial farm originally established in 1884 by Rasmus & Sophia Hansen.

Original log barn with gable roof was later expanded on and converted to a gambrel roof structure.



Louis Peterson Farm owned by Ron Iris on West Victory Drive

Original barn built in the early 1880's.

Barn rebuilt by neighbors who came together for a Wrecking Bee in 1953 following destruction resulting from a wind storm.



Swanson Farm on LaSalle Road

Gambrel roof barn established in the 1800's with hay wagon lift still intact.

A barn moving event added an additional barn onto the original standing barn creating a "T" shape structure.



Keith Family Farm on West Fountain Road

Centennial farm built by the Keith family in 1894.

They will feature a tractor exhibit of 11 tractors from vintage 1942 to 2000.



Fisher-Radtke Farm on West Fisher Road

Now restored, the original barn was constructed in 1876 by Lucien & Susan Fisher upon arriving from Pennsylvania on an ox-cart.

Over a span of four generations, the centennial farm has produced commodities such as maple syrup, hardwood, asparagus and grain.



Additional Activities for 2010

- Quilters Guild Display
- Horse & Plow Demonstrations
- Walking Tours at Historic White Pine Village
- Scottville Farmer's Market Opens at 9am
- West Michigan Old Engine Club Tractor Pulls

For accommodations and travel packages visit www.ludingtonarea.com.

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