

Chesaning Area Historical Society & Museum

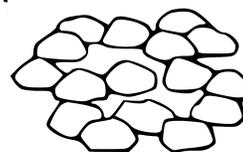
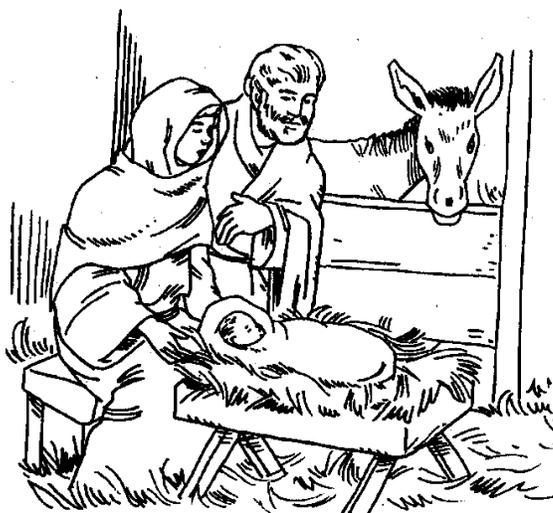
602 W Broad St.
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December 2016
Newsletter



*What can I Give Him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would give Him a lamb,*

*If I were a Wise Man,
I would do my part,
But what I can, I give Him,
I Give Him my Heart*





**It's Time For Our Christmas Potluck
Monday December 12 — See Everyone There @ 5:30p.m.**

Can you believe that it's about time for our Christmas Party. **YES IT IS!!!**
On December 12, 2016 we will be meeting at Santa's Village out at the Fair
Grounds.

The festivities will start promptly at 5:30 p.m. with our potluck dinner. Then
we'll

take the tour of Santa's Village...Wonderland. To end the evening we will
have our

gift exchange. It will be an exciting end to a fun time. I'm looking forward to
seeing all of you there. Thank you Bonnie.

What? Christmas Potluck

When? December 12. 2016

Time? 5:30 p.

Where? Santa's Village / Fair grounds

What to bring? Your favorite passing dish....

Your place setting (dishes)

A drink (we will have coffee)

A \$5.00 exchange gift ...



LET THE CELEBRATION BEGIN!!!

Christmas History:

During Reformation and up
until the middle of the
1800s, Christmas was often
not celebrated because
partying and merry making

was seen as unchristian. From
about 1840, celebrating
Christmas became more
widespread. December 25 was
declared a federal holiday in
the United States in 1870.

Memorials

In Memory of

Bette Wilbur

from:

Dianne Stanuszek

In Memory of

Tim Amman

from:

Dianne Stanuszek

November 15, 2016 Board

Meeting Minutes

Old Business

- No bill yet for sidewalk. Bonnie will check on this.
- Museum displays complete

New Business

- Motion passed to buy generator for museum
- NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE in APRIL 2017. Happy New Year!!

ABOUT SANTA

Santa Claus has undergone many transformations over the centuries. The jolly rotund gent started out as St. Nicholas of Myra, a real-life, 4th-century Byzantine monk who handed out bags of money to poor.

St. Nicholas was introduced to the U.S. in the early 1800s, and quickly mutated into a "right jolly old elf" thanks to the 1823 poem "A Visit From St. Nicholas," commonly known as "'Twas the Night Before Christmas."

By 1890, children could meet live "Santas" at department stores — the new name having been taken from the Dutch version of Saint Nicholas, Sinterklaas.

In the 1930s, Santa's bearded face was strewn over advertisements for Coca-Cola, solidifying his status as Yuletide's main man. These days, Santa is undergoing a new, politically correct transformation: Worried that his obesity sets the wrong impression, some greeting card companies have started to feature a leaner, healthier Santa on their Christmas cards.