



Memorial Trees on Garland

1943 - Mr. Goepfert donated a gift of 20 trees to the Village in memory of his late wife. They were planted Sunday morning in the boulevard of Garland Ave. by a volunteer group of village residents. The memorial trees were placed as main features of a landscaping plan developed by the Sylvan Village Garden Club for the two lane section of Garland Ave. City Council Trustee Beebe, supported by Trustee Hyde, moved that the Garden Club be granted permission to have the gift trees from Mr. Goepfert planted in accordance with the plan of the landscape program, under the assistance of the Superintendent of Public Works and that the yearly work of mulching around the trees be maintained by the Village.

1948 - The family of Louise Wright Daniels, who died in 1948, donated 30 flowering crab apple trees to be planted on Garland Ave. as a memorial. Mrs. Daniels suggested that the planting of flowering trees was a better memorial than cut flowers, which just die.



Interurban

Merrill Mills built the Sylvan Lake Inn and created the Pontiac and Sylvan Lake Railroad for his patrons to use from Pontiac. The trolley ran from 1895 to 1928.

For twenty five cents you could leave the hustle-and-bustle of city life, to the beautiful and serene shores of Sylvan Lake.

Garland Avenue is a boulevard because of the Interurban. The trolley ran from Pontiac, through Sylvan Lake, Keego Harbor and down Orchard Lake Road to Farmington; then down Grand River to Detroit.

Village of Sylvan Lake Council Minutes:

May 2nd, 1934

Report of Legal Committee, Mr. Hayhow

That \$500 per year for the next 10 years be placed in the Village Budget for the express purpose of purchasing the right of way of the Eastern Michigan Railroad (Interurban)