Greater West Bloomfield Historical Society

2012 in Review

2012 Annual Meeting with Recognition Program & Polish Panorama Presentation

Saturday, January 26, 2013

Orchard Lake St. Mary's

2012 Highlights

More events







500 people attend 13 events (7 events in 2011)

More volunteers!







430 attend Apple Island Tours

40 adult volunteers

(17 new volunteers,

7 volunteer family members)

visitors leave the island at their own pace







550 attend Group Programs

Second graders visit the island and museum

Adult groups visit the island Kindergarteners visit the museum





Open Houses

100% attendance increase



Yearly total

1700 involved with all programs

Support from

City of Orchard Lake Village
West Bloomfield Beacon newspaper
West Bloomfield Parks & Recreation
West Bloomfield School District
West Bloomfield Township Library

Gadd II Fund

supports special projects

Pontoon boat repairs

Computer and web upgrades

Media projector purchase

Peal of the Bell research

Exterior door purchase

Apple Island project consultation





Keego Harbor City Hall gains a GWBHS historical exhibit case

Membership

year	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2012	2013
total	61	114	106	145	186	188	68

2009 & forward membership includes free Apple Island Tour

2013 membership & fiscal year moves to January-December

2013 Goals

Increase sustainability

more volunteers

donations & fund-raising support

Continue six Initiatives

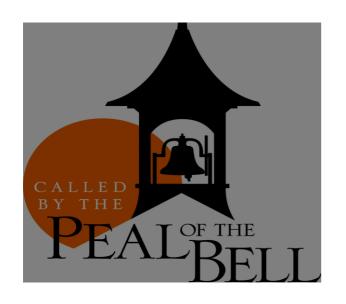
Website redesign

2012 move to gwbhs.org & improve search feature 2013 finish installing hundreds of archive files



Archives

2012 & 2013 improve vertical files



* Large permanent panel for each West Bloomfield School * School histories available at gwbhs.org

2012

Project approval

Text research

2013

Text alignment

Sample panel formatted

Move project forward



1919 Scotch

Mary and her little Lamb painting by Roy Gamble

2012

approval to hang painting at Sylvan Lake City Hall

2012 & 2013

restoration fund raising



Motorcities National Heritage Area Project, Wayside Exhibits

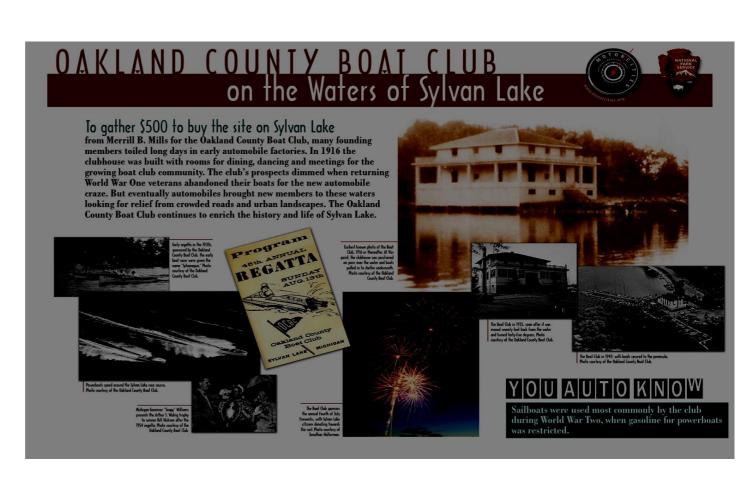
2012

* through the National Parks Service *chronicle automotive & railway transportation * 300 in southeast Michigan

Sponsors & layout of 11 signs throughout Keego Harbor Orchard Lake Sylvan Lake West Bloomfield

2013

production & installation



Apple Island: Michigan & National Register of Historic Places designation

2012

Apple Island surveyed

West Bloomfield School District approval

\$10,000 grant from The St. Francis Foundation of MI

2013

May 7-24 WMU students conduct archaeological dig Island protection & archive plans developed

Reports developed & designation sought

2013 will be an active year

We need your support!

keeping local history alive!