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Brighton : Classic & Modern 1965-2014

Brighton Classic 1914-1964 was a period during which the basic suburban services were installed. Brighton was transitioning from a farm community to a suburban community and to do that it had to develop an infrastructure commensurate to that new function. Paved streets, electric service, gas lines, sewers, storm drains, trees, parks, bridges, sidewalks, snow plowing, police and fire services, and, of course, schools had to be developed to make room for a new lifestyle.

By contrast, **Brighton Modern 1965-2014** has witnessed an enriching, deepening and enhancing of these basic services. The library has gotten, bigger, faster, more connected to the urban library, and it offers a wider range of services to a more diverse population. The same holds true for any of the other public services. Police, fire, schools, have all gotten bigger, faster, more diverse AND more expensive. The homely telephone of 1914 would not recognize the 4G, web-connected, GPS and map-enabled, social networking, buying-and-selling powerhouse that a cell phone is today. During these last 50 years, we have created Modern Brighton, based on and similar to Classic Brighton, but better.

1965 After the State Legislature provided additional financial incentives for merged school districts, Brighton voters approved a proposal to centralize Brighton schools into a Central District by a better than 3 to 1 margin.

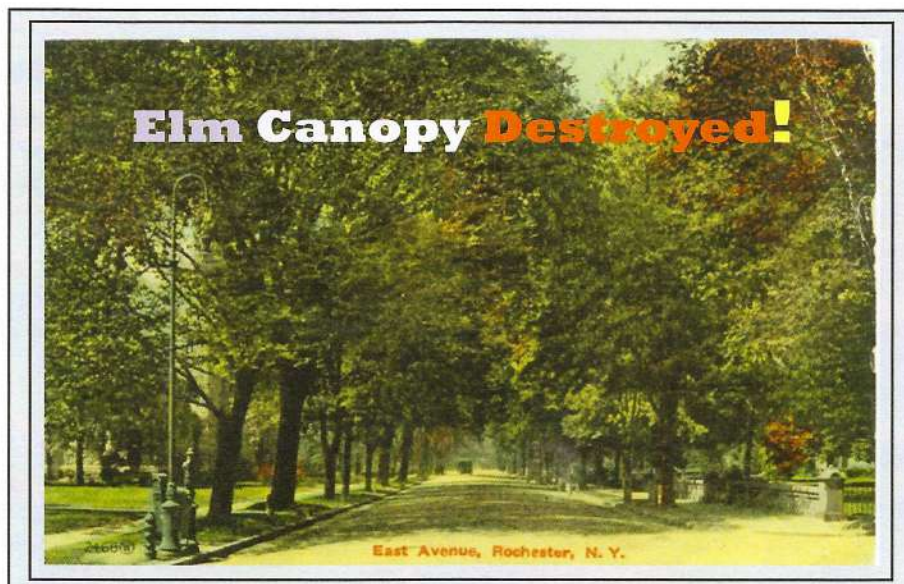
1965 Monroe Tree Surgeons were hired to spray for Dutch Elm Disease at \$1.70 per tree.

1965 The Town purchased a photocopier for \$205 from the A.B. Dick Co.

1965 Town Board set a speed limit of 35 mph on all town and county roads in Brighton.

1965 Johnny Antonelli and Lewis General made bids for tires *and tubes* for town vehicles.

1965 Val's Lounge at 1776 Monroe Avenue took out a dance hall permit in June.



1965, February. After a recent emergency, Peter J. Damico sent a letter to the Town praising the extraordinary medical care given by Brighton Police Officers Earl Jones and Richard Rez.

1965. Dr. Eugene Rother died after serving as Town Health Officer for 33 years.

1965 In October, the Town purchased 7000 tons of road salt at \$7.40 per ton.

1965 Nagel Ford sold the Town two police cruisers for \$2423.94. That's two!

Editorial Page



Mary Jo Lanphear-Brighton Town Historian

Brighton 1964-2014

In 1964, Brighton celebrated its Sesquicentennial. Captained by Andrew D. Wolfe, publisher of the *Brighton-Pittsford Post* and local history buff, and co-chaired by Caroline Werner Gannett, widow of Frank Gannett, the Sesqui committee planned a month-long celebration culminating in a gala Fourth of July with parade, fireworks, and a ball attended by 1500 Brighton residents. A re-enactment of the first town meeting, a keepsake publication, and a tour of homes celebrated Brighton's 150 years as a town. The 1964 celebration seems especially important because there is no mention in the newspapers or official records of a centennial celebration in 1914.



In the fifty years since 1964, world and national events have had an impact on Brighton. The Vietnam War claimed the lives of Brighton servicemen and women before its end in 1975. The Civil Rights era continued, affecting real estate practices, school busing, and community awareness. The national voting age went from twenty-one to eighteen in 1971, adding Brighton high school and college-age students to the voter pool. The U.S. Interstate transportation system continued the construction of expressways, creating routes 390, 490, and 590 that bisect Brighton. The energy crisis of the 1970s affected home design and driving habits. Readers may add their own reminiscences to Woodstock (1969), the first moon landing (1969), Watergate (1972), Alex Haley's *Roots* (1976), the death of John Lennon (1980), and the women's movement (1960s to present).

This year the Town of Brighton caught the ball tossed by that 1964 committee and carried it along, celebrating the town's Bicentennial with some of the same activities and some that are unique to 2014. A year-long celebration is taking place, spotlighting Brighton then (the re-enactment of the first town meeting on April 5 at Stone's tavern), Brighton today (the bus tour of designated landmarks), and Brighton tomorrow (the Brighton High School Homecoming event on September 19).

In 2014 we have good reason to celebrate our schools, our neighborhoods, and our Brighton community spirit that still attracts newcomers after two hundred years.

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Historic Brighton

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David Whitaker

President of Historic Brighton

This issue of HISTORIC BRIGHTON NEWS is the fourth in the Brighton200 bicentennial series. Our writers and editors have done a remarkable job in highlighting events over the past 200 years, with fifty years covered in each issue. Congratulations for a job well done.



The Town of Brighton held Canal Day on August 10th with free rides on The Sam Patch canal boat. Riding from Lock 33 to Lock 32 and returning with the experience of using the Lock 33 two times, every one of the six trips was full with nearly 300 riders. Missy Rosenberry, a writer for *The Democrat and Chronicle*, was one of the passengers and she wrote an *East Extra* article highlighting her experience.

The Stone-Tolan first town board reenactment, the historic properties bus tours, and Canal Day all involved Historic Brighton board members.

They were all sell-outs, which shows the strong interest in our town's history and the value of Historic Brighton.

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Town of Brighton Historian

1965 31 Brighton Police officers covered 250,000 miles while answering 7,677 calls.

1965 Local developer, Andrew Celli, announced the construction of a \$2.75 million apartment complex to be built at East Avenue and Clover Street. Oak Hill Terrace's 84 units were projected to rent from \$200 to \$325 per month..

1965 Brighton School District #2 announced that starting teacher salaries would henceforth be raised 5% to \$5200 per year.

1965 Brighton Police hired a new clerk with an annual salary of \$3360.

1965 Brighton High senior class presented *Our Town* by Thornton Wilder in the school auditorium.

1965 Allendale School's seventh grade toured the local Merrill Lynch office to learn "the finer points" of playing the market.

1965 *The Brighton-Pittsford Post* reported that a man having had too much to drink walked home, but being unable to locate his car in the morning asked a patrol officer to help him find it. They did, but the incident appeared in the *Police Gazette* on the front page.

1965 Noted actress, Muriel Wolfson Bach, presented dramatic portraits of mothers of famous people to the Inter-Temple Sisterhood luncheon at Temple Beth El.

1965 The new Baptist Temple at the corner of Highland Avenue and

Clover Street was dedicated in a week-long series of events.

1965 Dorothy Cumpston was honored at a banquet held at the Spring House for her pivotal role in establishing the Brighton Memorial Library.

1965 The Brighton Department of Public Works purchased a panel van from Judge Motors for \$1416.

1965 On December 3, a Brighton patrol car was damaged in a traffic accident, but the matter was

1966 This year the Town Supervisor was paid \$14,500; the 4 Town Councilmen received \$4,000 each, and the Town Clerk was paid \$9,150.

1966 July 1. Brighton #1 and #2 joined to create the Brighton Central School District.

1966 The Brighton Highway Department purchased manhole covers with frames from the low bidder for \$44.50 each.

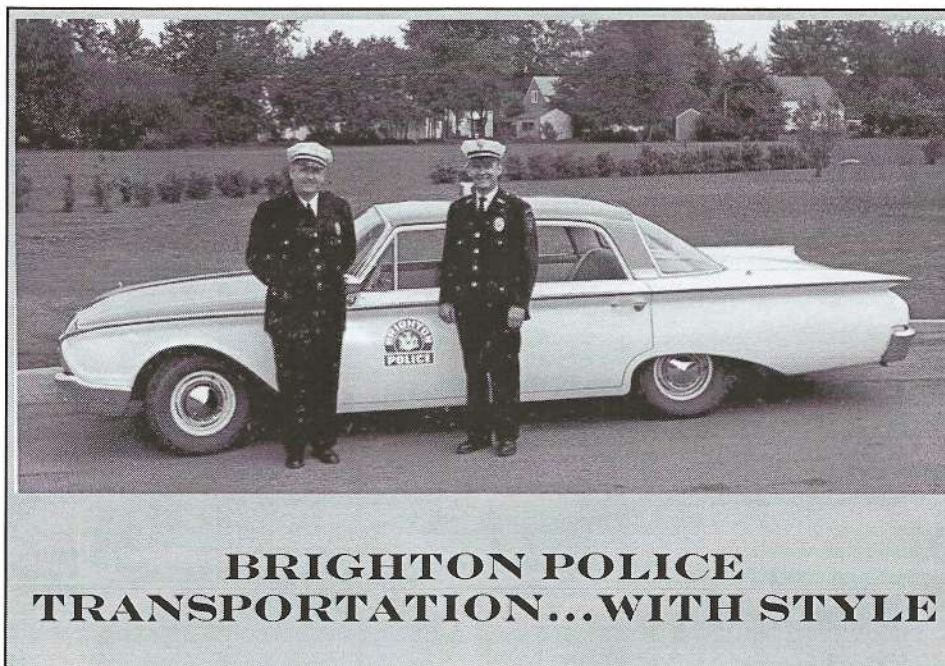
1966 On Thanksgiving morning, a fire raged out of control at Allendale School. The 40 year-old administration and classroom building was lost, but courageous work by Brighton firemen prevented the fire from spreading to the adjacent cafeteria and gymnasium.

1966 Mimi Kennedy, who graduated from Mercy High School in this year, went on to a successful career as a film and

Broadway actress. Her mother, Nancy Kennedy, had a long-time association with the Rochester Community Players.

1967 On January 10, a devastating fire broke out at Don & Bob's Restaurant on Monroe Avenue.

1967 Richard Ben Cramer, who graduated from Brighton High in this year, went on to become a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist. He wrote *What It Takes*, an account of life inside American politics. He died in 2012 at age 62.



resolved amicably when the other driver agreed to pay \$50.65 to cover all damages.

1966 The Blizzard of January, 1966 dropped 60 inches of snow on Brighton occasioning a flurry of letters of praise from residents for the outstanding services provided by the Police and Highway departments throughout the crisis.

1966 The Humane Society sent a letter to the Town commending the Brighton police officers for their assistance in capturing reindeer in Genesee Valley Park.

1967 "Earth in Space," a planetarium mounted inside a Plexiglas globe, was donated to the Brighton Memorial Library in memory of Leroy G. Percy, one of the founders of *The Brighton-Pittsford Post*.

1967 The old Caley & Nash buildings were razed to make way for the Central Trust Bank building on the corner of East Ave. and Winton Rd.

1968 Jerry Boone, a 1968 graduate of Brighton High, founded The Skycoasters. All but one of the members of the band were Brighton High students. Their first public appearance was at a talent show in the high school auditorium. The Skycoasters are still playing today.

1968 Monroe Community College, established in 1961, moved to the new East Henrietta Road campus from the old East High School building on Alexander Street in the city.

1969 Bob Burnhardt, a 1969 Brighton High graduate, became leader of the Chattanooga Symphony and Opera.

1969 His classmate, Barry John Sullivan, became the artist who painted the world's largest sky mural.

1969 Jack B. Ehnes, also of the class of 1969, became Colorado's

State Insurance Commissioner, now retired.

1969 After graduation, Stuart A. Krieger went on to write for television and movies.

1969 A proposed shopping complex planned for land between Westfall, Elmwood, and Clinton Avenues was defeated when Brighton neighbors united to oppose it.

1969 Boy Scout Troop 19 held a memorial dinner to honor Jack

1970 Boy Scout Troop 19 celebrated its 50th anniversary by awarding its 200th Eagle Scout badge.

1970 Brighton Police Chief, Carlton Fitch, retired after 11 years as Chief and 29 years of service in the department.

1971 The Brighton Architectural Review Board was formed to review plans for proposed new construction.

1971 Eugene Shaw, 17-year veteran of the Brighton Police force, became Brighton Police Chief.

1972 Two huge barn fires broke out on the farm of Max Groos on Westfall Road, causing damages reported to be \$500,000. Brighton Firemen isolated the fire from surrounding structures, equipment and machinery.

1972 After a 36-year career as a Brighton school

teacher and administrator, long-time Brighton resident, Dr. Alice Foley, became Nazareth College's 5th college president.

1972 David Sarachan, 1972 graduate of Brighton High, became head coach of the Chicago Fire, a Pro Soccer team.

In 1972, Star Market advertised coffee \$.69 for a 1 lb. can, pineapples \$.59 each, a six-pack of beer for \$1.09, NJ Blueberries \$.45/pint, Hot House Tomatoes \$.39/lb and Swanson meat pies 4/\$1.



JERRY BOONE AND THE SKYCOASTERS, C. 1968
@ BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL GYM

Stern's 35 years of service to the Tay House troop. Proceeds helped to establish a sailing base at Camp Massawepie in the Adirondacks.

1970 The original clubhouse at the Country Club of Rochester, designed by Claude Bragdon, was supplanted by the current clubhouse built on the same site.

1970 Circulation at the Brighton Memorial Library reached 182,000 transactions annually based on a book stock of just 26,000 volumes.

1972 John Sloman, from the same Brighton High graduating class, went on to become an actor who appeared in *The Music Man* on Broadway.

1972 The Friends of the Brighton Memorial Library was established to support and promote library programs and services.

1972 Brighton High School added a South Wing which included new cafeterias, a media center, and science rooms.

1972 French Road School was enlarged and made into an open classroom middle school, grades 5-8.

1972 The Columbia School for girls, established in 1890 by Caroline Milliman and Alida Lattimore, and the Allendale School for boys, established in 1926 by a group of Rochester businessmen, merged to form the current coeducational Allendale Columbia School located on Allen's Creek Road.

1973 Brighton had only 8.9 inches of recorded snowfall, the smallest quantity in 50 years.

1973 In January, the first Friends of the Brighton Memorial Library book sale was held in support of library programs. The sale continues today.

1973 Dorothy Buckman Wadsworth of Chelmsford Road was appointed to serve on the McKay Commission

to investigate the Attica Uprising of 1971.

1973 The Jewish Community Center opened on Edgewood Avenue.

1973 The Country Club of Rochester sponsored the U.S. Women's Open Golf Championship.

1973 In July, the Maplewood Inn on East Avenue caught fire, causing extensive damage.

Gonsenhauser on Westfall Road were hampered by gale-force winds.

1974 Aaron Lustig, a 1974 Brighton High graduate, became a noted actor on television and in movies.

1974 December. Council Rock, thought to be a site of Seneca councils, was moved from the former B. Forman property to a site near the Stone Tolan House on East Avenue. The 90-foot journey required an 80-ton crane and 2 heavy-duty cables. The rock was estimated to weigh over 50 tons.

1974 The Brighton Fire Department experienced an unusual number of false alarms, bomb scares, and arson-related fires.

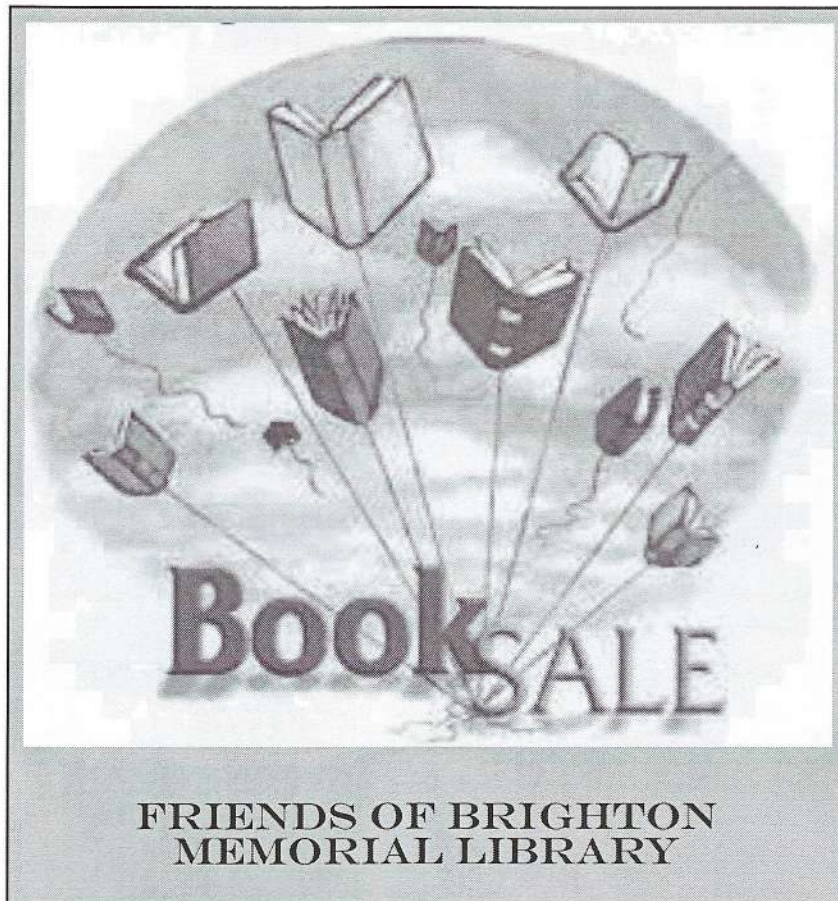
1975 Scott Narrie, 1975 Brighton High graduate, became a noted writer and producer.

1975 Tierney's Super Duper reopened at Twelve Corners after a disastrous fire February 1 of last year.

1975 In December, the Library Bond Issue was defeated, setting back efforts to finance a new library.

1976 Home Acres neighbors launched a successful campaign to resist an effort by the Rochester Gas and Electric to replace their antique lampposts and lights with fiberglass posts and yellow lights.

1976 July 15 West Brighton residents met to discuss extending the sewer system.



1974 February 1. Fire raged through the Twelve Corners destroying Fox's Deli, Tierney's Super Duper, as well as a number of other shops. Thousands of spectators watched as firefighters fought a towering blaze for 3 hours in freezing weather.

1974 April 4. Efforts by the Brighton Fire Department to contain a large barn fire at the farm of Max

1976 Dr. Alice Foley, a long-time Brighton resident, retired as President of Nazareth College.

1977 Sandra Frankel, who later became Brighton's first female Town Supervisor, moved to Brighton with her husband, Neil, who worked at Xerox.

1977 Meadowview School on Fairfield Drive was sold.

1978 Brighton had 60.4 inches of snowfall this year, the second heaviest on record.

1978 The Brighton Memorial Library had a circulation of close to 260,000 transactions based on a collection of 46,000 volumes and a budget of just under \$27,000. The library employed 3 full-time and 1 part-time librarians, a senior clerk, 2 part-time clerks and 8 pages. They were assisted by 25 community volunteers.

1979 Grinnell's Restaurant, established in 1961 by brothers Fred and Al Grinnell, was taken over by second generation first cousins, Rick DeMitty and David Grinnell to continue their family tradition of fine dining on Monroe Avenue.

1979 Brighton Cable Commission was established to develop cable programming.

1981 Terry Kent, 1981 graduate of Brighton High, went on to become an Olympic Kayaker.

1981 Mitchell Wayne Mutz, who graduated in the same class, became a noted French Horn player.

1981 July. Brighton Town Park opened on Westfall Road with a pond stocked with fish.

1981 Jeanne Hutchins of Indian Spring Lane became the first female Town Board member.

1982 Dorothea Gillim, 1982 Brighton High graduate, became the creator of the popular animated

Their 3½ year old daughter was found safe in her room. No one was ever charged with the murder

1983 Twelve Corners Elementary School was closed and rented to the United Cerebral Palsy Association.

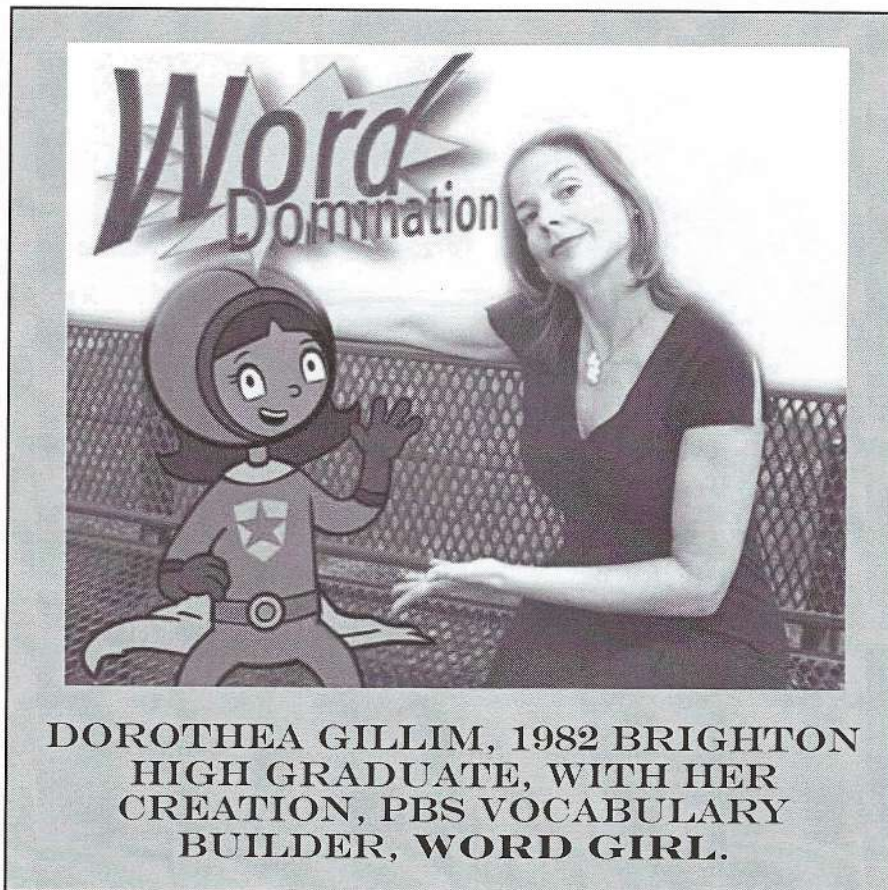
1985 The new 8,000 square foot Islamic Center of Rochester was opened on 4 acres with a pond on Westfall Road to help meet the religious needs of the Muslim community.

1986 Josh Lewin, 1986 graduate of Brighton High, has gone on to become a play-by-play announcer for the San Diego Chargers.

1986 The Town created a consolidated sidewalk district to repair deteriorating sidewalks in the Home Acres tract.

1986 June 25. Brighton Volunteer Ambulance began providing residents with emergency medical services from a temporary home on French Road. They answered 400 calls for help during this inaugural year.

1987 A referendum was posed to voters. Would you support a hike in property taxes to support construction of a new Public Safety facility? By a 3-to-1 majority, voters supported building a new facility for the police and courts.



children's program *Word Girl* on PBS television.

1982 On February 19th, Cathleen Krauseneck, a young wife and mother, was discovered dead in her Brighton home with an axe buried in her skull, having apparently been killed in her sleep. Her husband found the body when he returned home from work at about 5pm.

1987 Lara Kluess, Brighton High graduate, became a singer/songwriter for Artimus Robinson.

1987 Heidi Leick, from the same graduating class, became the actress who starred as Callisto in the popular television series *Xena*.

1987 Michael Titlebaum, also of the class of 1987, became a professional jazz saxophone player.

1987 French Road School became an elementary school only.

1987 Brookside School was closed to students and rented to Monroe 1 BOCES for pre-school special education classes.

1987 Brighton Volunteer Ambulance moved into the Buckland/Horst farmhouse on Winton Road at Westfall.

1988 *Golf Week Rochester* started covering local and national golf news from their offices on Brighton Henrietta Town Line Road near Monroe Community College.

1988 This was a very mild winter. Only 9.8 inches of snow was recorded.

1989 Jennifer Eason Hanley, 1989 Brighton High graduate, became Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton's Press Secretary.

1989 Marion Brown of Irving Road was elected Brighton's first female Town Clerk.

1990 Brighton's population reached 36,000 on 26 square miles.

1990 After 38 years in the basement of town hall, Brighton Police and Town Courts moved into new facilities built to suit their needs.

1990 After 6 decades offering

campus of Monroe Community College.

1991 Brighton Police became one of the first police departments in New York State to be accredited by the New York State Bureau of Municipal Police.

1991 The March 4th Ice Storm caused power outages that lasted for weeks. Many Brighton homes were out of power for a month! Highway crews cleaned downed trees and associated debris well into the summer.

1991 Kristen Wiig, Brighton High graduate, became a regular on *Saturday Night Live* between 2005 and 2012. She also appeared in *Arrested Development*. She received both a Golden Globe and an Academy Award nomination for the movie *Bridesmaids* which she co-wrote and starred in.

1991 November. Sandra Frankel was elected Town Supervisor, despite a larger opposition party voter registration. She was

the first woman to be elected to this position in Brighton's 177-year history.

1992 Ray Tierney III was first elected to the Brighton Town Board. He served for 19 years until 2011. He is currently Chairman of Brighton 200, a committee to organize the celebration of Brighton's Bicentennial in 2014.

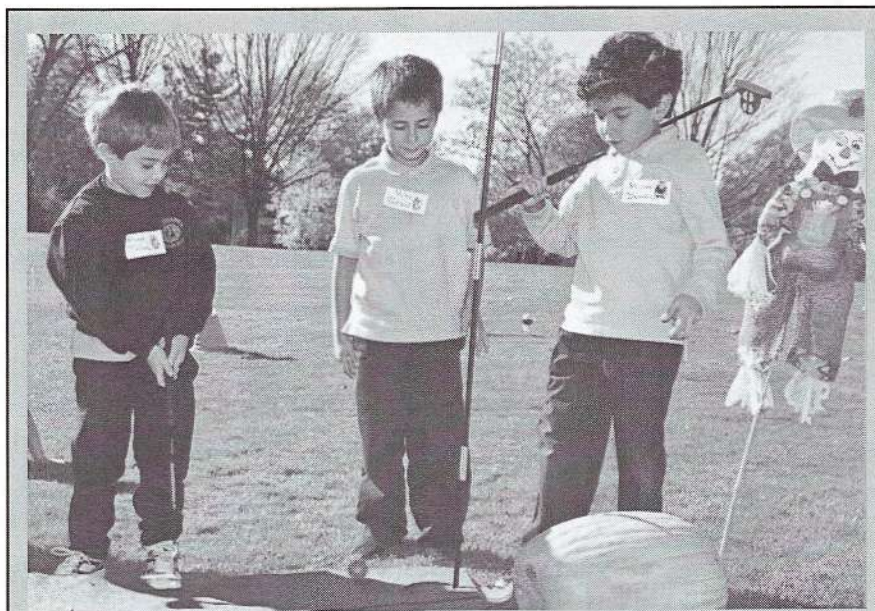


Photo courtesy Golf Week Rochester

JUNIOR AMATEUR GOLFERS DISCUSS THE FINER POINTS OF THE GAME.

grades 9 through 12, Mercy High School opened a Middle School extending its teaching to grades 8, then, several years later to grade 7.

1990 Arthur Hightower, a 1990 Brighton grad, became the San Diego Chargers' Director of Player Development.

1990 The Monroe Correctional Facility was opened on East Henrietta Road adjacent to the

1993 Brighton Police Chief, Eugene Shaw, retired after 21 years of service. He was replaced by Thomas Voelkl who became Brighton's 5th Police Chief.

1993 Sienna Catholic Academy was established on the site of St. Thomas More School on East Avenue as a centralized middle school for the Catholic Diocese of Rochester, serving students from over 20 school districts and nearly 50 parishes.

1994 A winter blast of cold air recorded a temperature of -17° F below zero, the coldest in the last 50 years.

1994 Attorney Karen Morris was sworn in as Judge Karen Morris by Judge John Ark. She thus became the first female town judge in Brighton. At the time, there were only 2 others in the county.

1994 The Allen's Creek/Corbett's Glen Preservation Group was founded to guide and inform development in the area.

1994 Tay House Boy Scout Troop 19 celebrated its 75th anniversary.

1995 The Country Club of Rochester celebrated its 100th Anniversary.

1995 Don's Original celebrated its 50th anniversary.

1995 The Harley School on Clover Street began its popular Summer Enrichment Program to provide high quality educational experiences to low income public school students.

1995 The Town Board voted to create The Brighton Historic

Preservation Commission with Arlene Wright as its first chair. The Commission has identified 125 potential landmarks and designated 70 to date.

1996 Terry Klee purchased property on Monroe Avenue and remodeled the building to expand the Don's Original hamburger and hot dog business.

1996 Elizabeth Brayer's biography

Elmwood Avenue, began accepting residents for independent living and nursing care.

1997 The Home Acres Light Committee found a company which could design cement lampposts and fixtures to satisfy Rochester Gas and Electric's need to update the antique streetlights that had deteriorated and needed replacement.

1997 The Town purchased Buckland Farm on Westfall Road with an eye toward creating a park and historical center.

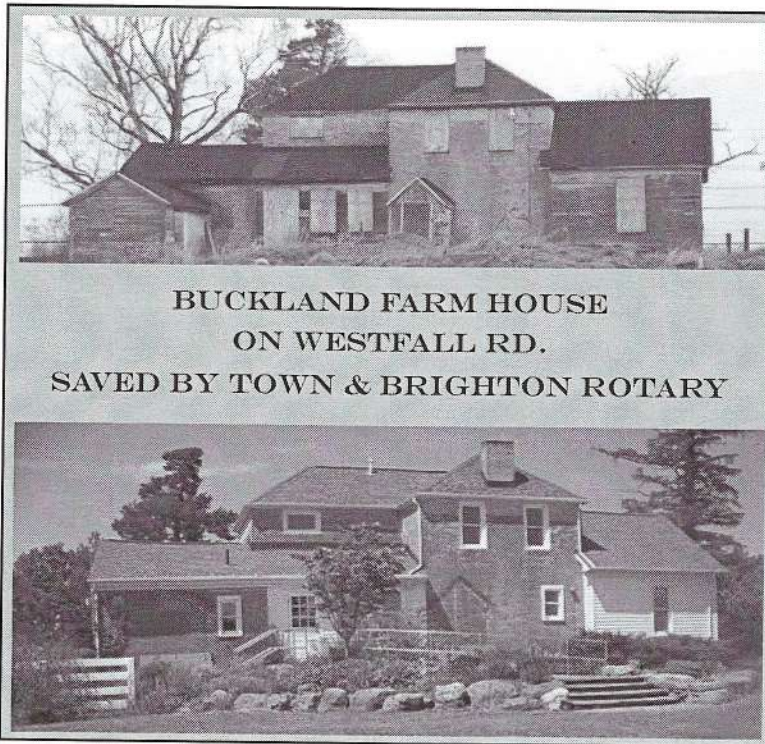
1997 Monroe Community College opened its Applied Technologies Center on West Henrietta Road, serving about 1000 students with hands-on high tech educational opportunities.

1998 Sandra Frankel, Brighton Town Supervisor, won the NY Democratic Primary Election to become the party's nominee for Lieutenant Governor. She was the first Democrat from upstate, western NY to win a state-wide primary.

1999 The Town, in conjunction with the Genesee Land Trust, purchased 17 acres of Corbett's Glen to establish the Corbett's Glen Nature Park.

1999 The Friends of the Brighton Memorial Library opened its store in the back of the reading room to raise money for the support of the library.

1999 The reconstruction of I 490 and Route 441 caused headaches for residents of Kirk and Astor Drives.



George Eastman, published by Johns Hopkins University Press, was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize.

1997 The Brighton Auxiliary Police, established in the 1950s, concluded its service after Monroe County abolished the Monroe County Civil Defense Auxiliary Police.

1997 In this year, Brighton Police with 40 officers and staff answered more than 33,000 calls.

1997 Late in 1997, and officially in 1998, St. John's Meadow on

1999 Historic Brighton was founded by Arlene Wright with the support of the Landmark Society to raise awareness of Brighton's history through lectures, research and publications.

1999 Tay House Boy Scout Troop 19 recognized Tom Hanley's 30 years of service to the troop. He was the second person to be so recognized.

2000 Arik, a German shepherd, became Brighton Police Department's first trained police dog.

2000 First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton visited Brighton on her *Listening Tour* as part of her decision whether to run for the US Senate in NY. She stayed overnight at the residence of Town Supervisor, Sandra Frankel. The next day, Hillary Clinton spoke to students at the French Road Elementary School.

2001 Falco became the second trained police dog assigned to the Brighton Police Department.

2001 A Neighborhood Improvement Association was formed to investigate repairing the Home Acres gateway wall structures. 58% of Home Acres residents signed a petition in favor of restoring the entry walls. Restoration began 3 years later.

2001 An historic marker installed at Elmwood Avenue and Johnsarbor Drive claims that Ambrose Hall, a

19th century Brighton landowner was Winston Churchill's great grandfather. He was a Brighton resident from 1817-1821.

2001 David Cay Johnston of Brighton, a reporter for *The New York Times*, won a Pulitzer Prize for beat reporting.

2002 The Brighton Town Tree Council was established to protect and preserve the town's trees and to develop a comprehensive forestry plan.

acknowledging the town's efforts to protect its trees.

2003 The Town opened Buckland Park on Westfall Road with playing fields, nature trails, a community garden, and a lodge.

2003 Responding to the 9/11 tragedy, Monroe Community College launched its Homeland Security Training Institute to address national security needs.

2004 The Brighton Rotary donated \$100,000 toward the restoration of the Buckland farm house on Westfall Road and its conversion into a community history center.

2004 This winter, temperatures plunged to -12°F and 61.3 inches of snow fell, a 50-year seasonal record.

2004 The Country Club of Rochester underwent a

master plan restoration guided by golf course architect, Gil Hanse.

2004 The Town of Brighton and Brighton Baseball agreed to split the cost of improvements to Buckland Park field 25%/75%. This included dugouts, irrigation systems and an electronic scoreboard. Batter up!

2005 June. Our Lady Queen of Peace Church combined with St. Thomas More Church to provide stronger programs and activities.



FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
& BRIGHTON SUPERVISOR SANDRA FRANKEL
PICTURED JANUARY 10, 2000

2002 The Brighton High School senior class contained 279 students, 93% of whom went on to college.

2003 Mercy High School opened a new Media Center and Health Fitness Center.

2003 The UR Brighton Surgery Center opened on Westfall Road.

2003 National Arbor Day Foundation recognized Brighton as an official Tree City USA,

2005 At the second annual Gideon Cobb Celebration Days, the City of Rochester temporarily ceded Brighton Village back to the Town -- but just for a day.

2007 The Jewish Community Center celebrated its 100th anniversary of service to the community.

2007 The Home Acres Neighborhood Association launched its own website to report on family and neighborhood news and events.

2007 The Allyn's Creek Garden Club donated landscaping for the Buckland Farm restoration.

2007 September 8. A ribbon-cutting event took place for the Brighton Rotary's History Center at Buckland Farm on Westfall Road. It provides a snapshot view of Brighton's history. A watering trough associated with blacksmiths' Caley & Nash in Brighton Village was moved to Buckland Farm.

2007 Monroe Community College launched its Agricultural and Life Sciences Institute to serve the needs of the region's agricultural community.

2007 Attorney Sheila Gaddis was sworn in as Brighton's first African-American Town Board member.

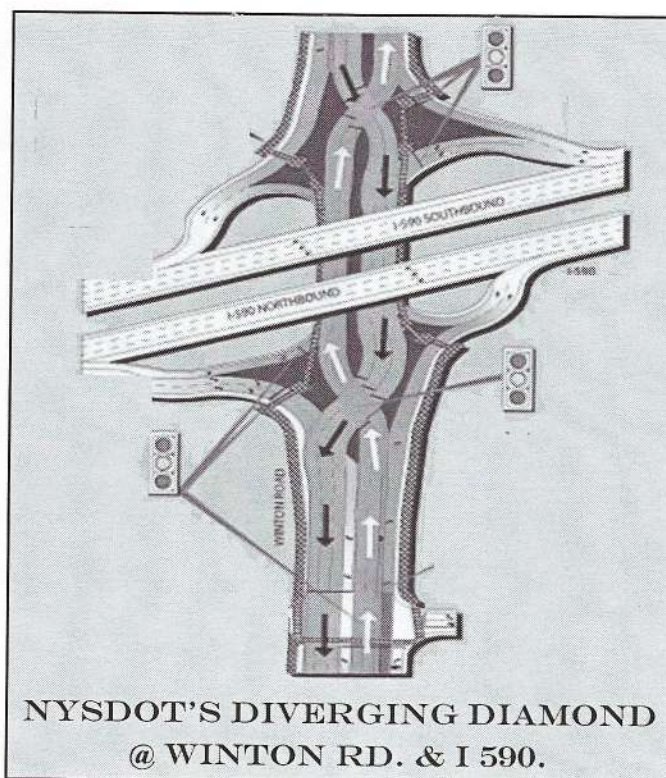
2008 The Brighton Farm Market opened as a produce-only marketplace to connect Brighton consumers with farmers and sustainable agriculture.

2008 US Senator Hillary Clinton attended a rally at Monroe Community College to support local Congressional candidates.

2008 Leslie Apetz, long-time Brighton resident, renovated the 1797 Augustus Griswold house on

Landing Road N. long associated with the lost City of Tryon. The Griswold farmhouse is Brighton's second-oldest structure after the Stone-Tolan House (1792).

2008 January 27. Grant Holcomb, Director of the Memorial Art Gallery, presented a talk entitled "They Call Me Billy Pilgrim" detailing the connection between Kurt Vonnegut's novel *Slaughterhouse-Five* and the life of WWII infantryman and Brighton



High School graduate, Edward R. Crone Jr.

2008 John A. Falk, a partner in Faraci & Lange, was elected Town Judge.

2009 Arik and Falco, the Brighton Police Department's K-9 "officers," were both retired and the program discontinued due to a lack of funding.

2009 Mercy High School opened new science labs in the main school building.

2009 Medaille College of Buffalo opened a Brighton campus on Winton Road S. to offer a variety of degrees in Business and Mental Health Counseling.

2009 The Brighton Community Garden was begun on Westfall Road next to the Buckland Farm House to encourage residents to eat more locally-grown food. Participants donated produce from their gardens to the Brighton Food Cupboard.

2009 The new Summit Federal Credit Union on Monroe Avenue became the first local business to utilize geothermal technology for heating and cooling.

2009 Tay House Boy Scout Troop 19 celebrated its 90th anniversary at the log-cabin lodge on Hillside Avenue where it meets behind School #1.

2009 Mark Ewing, leader of the Rochester Museum and Science Center's Regional Heritage Preservation Program, conducted an archeological dig on the site of the 19th century dairy and cattle farm on Westfall Road, in recent times owned by Max Groos.

2010 Brighton Police Chief, Thomas Voelkl, retired, and Mark Henderson, a 23-year Brighton Police Department veteran, was promoted to the job.

2010 The Brighton Food Cupboard opened its doors to serve people facing food insecurity. In 2010, they serviced 200 requests. Today, that number has more than doubled. A large percentage of those being served, 82%, have incomes below the federal poverty level.

2010 The Allen's Creek/Corbett's Glen Preservation Group held *Celebrate the Glen* to raise public awareness of its beauties.

2011 Westfall Academy, a fulltime Islamic school, moved into expanded space on Westfall Road offering Pre-K through 6th Grade students a chance to study a wide range of courses rooted in the Quran, Arabic language, and Islamic studies.

2011 Virginia MacQueen, Brighton business woman, died at the age of 95. She was the first woman to serve as a director of the Real Estate Board of Rochester. She was one of the developers of Brighton's Queen's Colony tract on Dunrovin Lane off Edgewood Avenue.

2011 November. Bill Moehle was elected Brighton's tallest Town Supervisor.

2012 January. Dr. Eric Yellin, Brighton High School graduate, gave a talk on race relations in America at the Library of Congress. He received his higher education at Columbia and then Princeton before accepting a teaching post at the University of Richmond.

2012 Mercy High School opened a new track and field facility.

2012 Historic Brighton trustee, Betsy Brayer, received the Landmark Society's Special Citation Award for outstanding advocacy for architecture and historic preservation.

2012 The New York State Department of Transportation opened the first Diverging Diamond intersection in the state at the intersection of I-590 and Winton

Road S. This pattern is designed to increase the flow of traffic through the intersection while simultaneously reducing accidents.

2012 The fifth Green Energy Fair was held at the parking lot of Brighton High School in conjunction with the Farmer's Market. 20 vendors offered information on green products and services, local environmental initiatives, recycling, alternative energy technologies, and home energy audits.

2012 The Harley School broke

technology for its heating and cooling.

2012 Allendale Columbia School opened a residence for international students.

2013 May. French Road Elementary School was named the American Heart Association's top *Jump Rope for Heart* school after students raised \$97,384 for research into heart diseases and the promotion of heart-healthy initiatives. The school has been #1 in the nation for 16 consecutive years.

2013 July. Brighton Town Supervisor, Bill Moehle dedicated a flagpole at the Brighton Veterans Memorial with members of the Kaufman Post 41 of the Jewish War Veterans, who helped make the memorial a reality.

2013 August. Brighton Fire Chief, Stephen Mac Adam, reported his company answered 1515 calls, year to date, and 242 calls in July alone.

2013 Brighton Volunteer Ambulance answered approximately 5,000 calls for help, more than a 12-fold increase over 1986.

2014 Clover Lanes, a Brighton institution since 1957, announced

that it will be moving to a new location.

2014 January. The Town Board started the celebration of the Town's Bicentennial year with the reading of a formal declaration from Town Hall.

2014 March. A barn at Heberle Stables on Landing Road N caught fire about 4:30 pm. It contained farm equipment and antique vehicles. Horses were led from their barn to safety in the upper pasture.



BILL MOEHLE, NEW TOWN SUPERVISOR, HARD AT WORK.

ground on Chesonis Commons which will house a new Science Center, a Center for Civic Engagement and a Center for Mindfulness and Empathy Education.

2012 Ground was broken for The Reserve, a proposed 327-unit residential complex off S. Clinton Avenue.

2012 Developer Andrew Gallina opened Cambridge Place office complex using geothermal energy



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