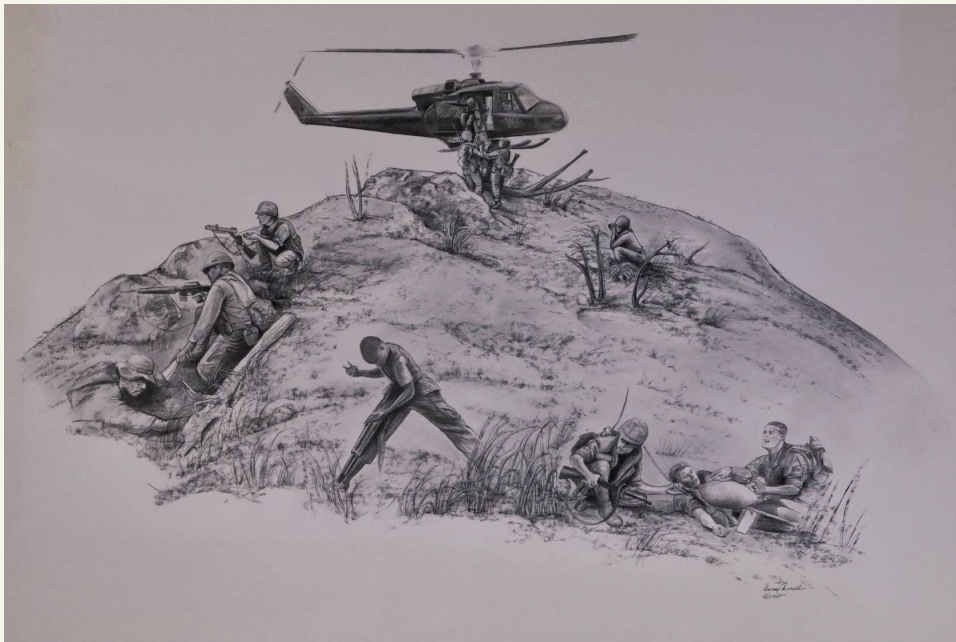


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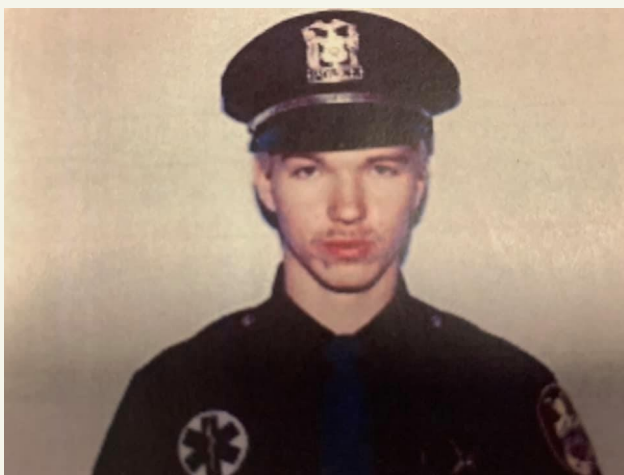
June 2021

***WE WILL NEVER FORGET OUR
FALLEN HEROES!***

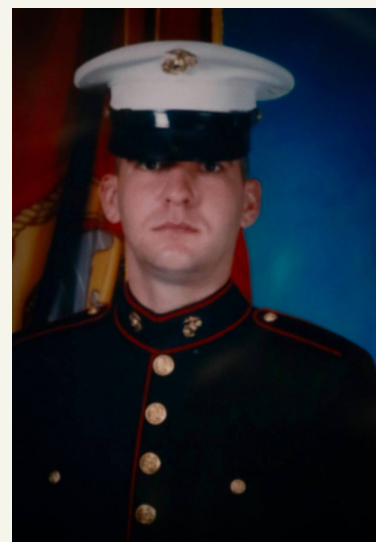


Come see
more
beautiful
charcoal
etchings
done by
Anna Carroll
in our
museum

Photos by Dan Bovino



Police Officer Ken Novak
April 8, 1992



Marine LCPL Phil Martini
April 8, 2006

FROM THE PRESIDENT ~ Bill Benne

We can finally see the light at the end of the tunnel! Illinois has just gone to Phase 5 and opened up to full capacity and no masks for those who are fully vaccinated. Praying this means we beat Covid.

Despite the restriction of no meetings or programs, LHS has still been very much involved with Lansing events. Many thanks to Barb Dust for making all these events happen! Also, thanks to Dan and Sue Bovino for the use of their car in the parade and to all those who volunteered to help make all the events successful.

Be sure to check out the Hometown Hero banners placed up and down Ridge Rd, Burnham Ave., and Torrence Ave., There are also plaque displays in the library.

Have a safe and fun filled summer! Hope to see everyone in the fall. Bring a friend!

2021 – 2022
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Barb Dust ~ Museum Curator

The year 2021 arrived and still the Pandemic remained, but our Historical Society was not “down for the count!” We continued to be an active part of the community. April brought a restoration of our Lansing Fallen Heroes Memorial Day exhibit to honor police Officer Ken Novak and Marine LCPL Phil Martini, who both died on April 8th, Ken in 1992 and Phil in 2006. The museum was open all day and drew many visitors including several young police officers. Our mission is to ensure that the community will never forget their service and their sacrifice.

Because the library was still not open to large groups of people, we decided to try a Zoom speaker program provided through the Illinois Humanities Road Scholars Speakers Bureau. We hosted Catherine Lambrecht whose topic was Heirloom Family Recipes from the Illinois State Fair. Over 20 people attended the online program. The stories she presented to go along with the recipes were fascinating. It was a great kick-off for our ongoing “Recipes from Our Roots” collection. We hope you all will send in a recipe and story! We will accept them through the end of June.

As May rolled around, it was time to create an entry for the Good Neighbor Day Parade. The theme was Superheroes of Lansing and the obvious choice for us was to honor Lansing’s first responders and medical personnel. Dan and Sue Bovino provided us with their car which we turned into a “super vehicle” with its own mask and cape and magnetic stickers with the comic book exclamations like “POW” and “BOOM”!

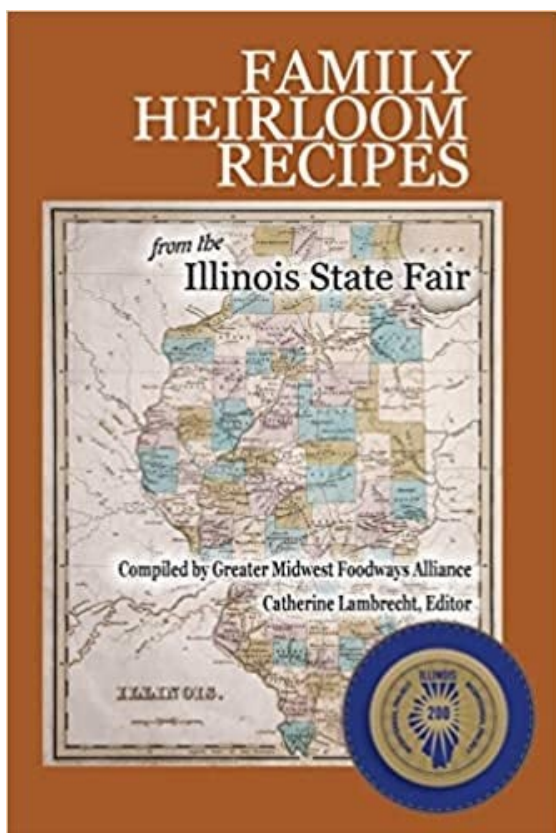
We walked behind carrying posters with images of the first responders, doctors, and nurses. The whole town seemed to be out in force to celebrate the return of the parade! It was great to be a part of it all.

In conjunction with the Hometown Heroes Banners that are currently hung around town,

we were asked if we would like to invite the public down to the museum the night of the official celebration on May 27th. We, of course, rose to the challenge. We searched through our storeroom area to find uniforms and other treasures relating to military service through the years. We also brought out the original sketches done by artist Anna Carroll to the Lansing Veterans Memorial. Dan and Sue had a slide show of pictures taken by Lansing resident Gerhard Henning during his deployment to Korea. About 50 people toured the museum that evening. The expanded military exhibit will remain in place through the end of July.



Good Neighbor Day Parade



Recipes from our ROOTS



Recipes and stories can be sent to the Lansing Historical Society, P.O. Box 1776, Lansing, IL 60438, or emailed to barbd728@aol.com or dropped off at the Lansing Public Library, 2750 Indiana Ave., Lansing

Please consider sending in one or more of your favorite family recipes, along with a brief story pertaining to the recipe, to add to our collection.

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MUSEUM HOURS
(708) 474-2447 ext. 176

Lansing Historical Society meetings and programs are normally held the fourth Monday of most months.

No meetings are scheduled in June, July and August. We will hopefully start up with our programs in September

We welcome new members! Invite your family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers to come see what we're all about!

New Museum hours:

Mondays: 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Saturdays: 10:00 a.m. to noon