

## Local residents enjoy nostalgia

## Village lures from far and near

Getting in touch with the past is something that calls to people everywhere. And so to Greenfield Village they come from overseas, from every state in the union, from communities throughout Michigan and from cities nearby.

On a recent Monday, among those soaking up the ambience of bygone days were visitors from Canada, England, Colombia and Costa Rica. They wandered down Main Street to the Village Green along with residents of Ohio, Maryland, Indiana, New Jersey, Connecticut, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, Texas, North Carolina, Virginia, Oklahoma and New York.

Citizens of Michigan also turned out in abundance, with cities like Kalamazoo, Flint, Grand Rapids, Ann Arbor and Bay City represented along with such suburban strongholds as Troy, Birmingham, Southfield, Rochester and West Bloomfield.

Western Wayne County residents also made the pilgrimage to the Dearborn historic center for some hands-on experiences with yesteryear.

Dennis and Cheryl Toles brought their two children in from Canton Township. Jeff Stratton dropped by from Westland with Debbie Patton of Melvindale. Brooke Kinford, a graduate of Redford Union High School, turned up with another RU grad, Pat Sherman.

MORE THAN A MILLION people like them march through the Greenfield Village entrances each year to take a step backward in time.

Why do they come?

"We want to expose the children to the past," said Cheryl Toles. Besides, daughter Michelle likes horses, and was fascinated by the seeing the hand-some creatures, long gone from city and suburbs, applying natural horsepower to wagons and buggies in the village.

At the small pasture next to the restored white frame house that was the birthplace of Henry Ford, they stared at cows and sheep, no longer a common sight in Canton now that it has become one of the fastest growing residential areas in the county.

Jeff Stratton hadn't been to Greenfield Village since a third-grade field trip.

"I didn't remember much about it," he said as he strolled past nearly 100 historic buildings moved from various parts of the United States and England.

"I'm getting reacquainted. It's a nice thing to have in the area. People can come here instead of getting into trouble."

"It makes you think back to the old days, and you realize how good we have it now. We don't have to work as hard as they did, or get up at 5 a.m. to milk the cows."

YET LIKE MANY others, he found undeniably attractive the fact that there wasn't much of a drug or crime problem back in the days when they rose at 5 a.m. to milk the cows and to make their own soap, candles, furniture and quilts.

"People were more friendly then," he decided. He likes Greenfield Village for its openness, its history and its charm, but he wouldn't want to live there and then.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Giglio of Windsor didn't so much bring their children as their children brought them. Heavy lobbying by their youngsters, including David, who likes cars, impelled them over the Detroit River.

"We had heard so much about it," noted Mrs. Giglio. Nodding toward her offspring, she seemed glad she had agreed to come. "It's an education for the kids," she smiled, "and I like the old furniture and jewelry."

The Karl Pesicks of Country Club Hills, Ill., were making a return trip, this time to open the door to the past to their three children. "We like the history and old architecture," remarked Pesick.

LIKE MANY OF THE VISITORS, the Finley family of Birmingham had made the nostalgic scene because of a visiting relative. They were spotted with their cousin, Dan Schueler of Liverpool, N. Y., studying long out-of-date machinery.

"I like Menlo Park the best," said Dan, referring to the area of Greenfield Village devoted to Thomas Alva Edison, a man highly admired by Henry Ford.

Called the wizard of Menlo Park, Edison was the guiding light behind such inventions as the light bulb, the mimeograph machine and the phonograph. Ford borrowed Edison's six-

building research complex to Greenfield Village from New Jersey.

Picking her favorite attraction, Colleen Finley ignored the steamboat, the steam locomotive, the horse-drawn carriages and the covered bridge.

"I liked the clock the best," she said pointing to the Sir John Bennett clock made in England that is the focus of attention every quarter hour when it chimes the time with the help of life-sized figures.

Maureen Finley is one of those who likes to watch the glassblowers, candlemakers, woodcarvers and blacksmiths work on their trades. In an era of mass production, the time and patience they spend on an original piece of work impresses her.

THE BRAVEST PERSONS on the 260-acre site on a recent Monday may have been Robert and Janet Chiappelli, who had driven from Rochester with four small children. In strollers that could have been marked his and hers, they wheeled the kids, two apiece, over the cobblestones, brick, dirt and cement paths.

Mrs. Chiappelli likes old things and

made a special effort to stand under the Bennett clock when it chimed.

To stroll back to the days of tablecloths, medicine shows, ice cream parlors, old cars and bicycles, homes made to last and machinery that made us what we are today, drive south on the Southfield expressway past Ford Rd. Then watch for signs directing you to the village.

Both Greenfield Village, with its outdoor attractions, and the Henry Ford Museum next door, with its indoor treasures, are open every day of the year except Jan. 1, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Hours in summer and on holidays are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

Separate admission is charged to the museum and village. Adults are \$3.50; children six through 12 are \$1.50, and children under six admitted free. Group rates are available.

Among the special events scheduled for summer or fall are the National Antique Fire Apparatus Muster July 22 and 23 and the meet of the Antique Auto Club of America, central division, Aug. 24. More than 250 antique cars are expected to participate in the Old Car Festival Sept. 9 and 10.

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Mike Heslip, who learned to make the leather drinking cups called blackjacks during on-the-job training at Greenfield Village, shows his work to Stuart Bensman (left) of Southfield and Paul Weinstock of West Bloomfield.



The machinery of an earlier age is examined by the Finley family of Birmingham and their relative, Dan Schueler of Liverpool, N.Y. From left are Maureen Finley, Schueler, Colleen and Michael Finley. (Staff photos by Sherry Kahan)

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