

Marshall prepares for home tour



"People and Preservation" is this year's theme for Marshall's Historic Home Tour, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 8-9. It will emphasize the involvement by more than 1,400 citizens and more than 40 church, civic and social organizations in every recent tour.

"People and private capital account for most of Marshall's well-known preservation progress," Charles E. Brooks, chairman, said. "Each tour homeowner pays for restoration himself. He and his friends do most of the work themselves. 'Without our people, there wouldn't be a tour. We're a living, working and concerned community.'"

As in the past, historic home restoration will be seen in all its dusty glory at three tour structures — those under restoration as guests pass through.

"Visitors have said they enjoy seeing homes while the work is being done. Everything from interior and exterior reconstruction to final finishing touches interest the guests," Brooks said.

Homes under restoration during the two-day tour include an 1890 Queen Anne owned by Mr. and Mrs. John Stricklin, an 1854 Italianate owned by Mr. and Mrs. Steve Teich and an old warehouse (1915) owned by Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Grove.

The Teich family is restoring an "apartmentalized" home to its original one-family purpose while the Groves create apartments in their newly-acquired derelict. Both projects illustrate

"dollars and sense" advantages in low-price purchase and restoration of poorly maintained structures. All three houses are evidence of restoration's realities — hard work leads to remarkably different, structurally sound, very livable homes.

A grand Greek Revival mansion (1840) owned by the late Harold C. Brooks, Marshall's first and most famous preservationist, is being repaired and decorated for the tour. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places and the Historic American Buildings Survey, this house has been a landmark since Brooks restored it in 1921. Pictures of Marshall's earliest settlers and other artifacts from Brooks' large collection are in every room.

Other private homes are a Greek Revival (1840) owned by Mr. and Mrs. Dale Benedict, an early farmhouse (1848) owned by Miss Sally Belson, a Gothic Revival (1854-67) owned by Mr. and Mrs. Merle B. Haines and a Romanesque Revival (1898) owned by Carroll A. Phillips Real Estate.

For the second year, "Downtown Diversions" will be part of the tour. These are business district storefronts, restored and complemented by appropriate interiors, which show how such buildings can become viable restoration projects. A current downtown revitalization program is intended to encourage more of the same treatment

and each Michigan Avenue store owner will be given carefully researched information on his building's original architecture.

Tour guests come to Marshall from nearly every state in the continental U.S. The tour and its many related events, including a popular arts and crafts fair and a country antique sale, draw heavily from throughout Michigan and its neighboring states. The fair is held in the oak grove near Floral Hall at the Calhoun County Fairgrounds on Capitol Hill. The sale is just west of the fairground, at the B. E. Henry Community Building.

The Marshall Historical Society, tour sponsor, will again open its Honolulu House (1860), Capitol Hill School (1860) and GAR Hall (1902), which will be an exhibit center for antique artifacts. Marshall's Governor's Mansion (1839), owned and carefully preserved by the local DAR will also be on tour.

The society recreates the pleasures of the 19th century with band concerts, the Grand Parade, a Civil War encampment and full-scale "Battle of Capitol Hill" antique cars, carriages and fire trucks. Old-time craft demonstrations are at many of the tour homes and at Capitol Hill.

Homes on tour this year include:

● **BELSON HOME** — First restored in 1953, it was purchased by Miss Belson in 1978 and makes a fine showcase

for her excellent antique collection, including a family heirloom bed that came from upstate New York in pre-Civil War times, a fine cherry dresser and a Lincoln rocker.

● **STRICKLIN HOME** — This distinctive Queen Anne house's original portion dates from the 1860s and the Queen Anne style was effected in the 1890s. On tour under restoration, the home has many fixtures, hardware and other appointments original to the home.

● **HAINES HOME** — Greek Revival and Gothic Revival are combined in this house, which is the Haines family's second restoration project. They love the fine furnishings of their home's era and the Haines have an outstanding collection.

● **TEICH HOME** — Greek Revival and Italianate styles are evident, even though this house has suffered from extensive "modernizing." The home's beauty has been revealed again during a year-long restoration task.

● **BENEDICT HOME** — This house is full of antiques from the Benedict family in upstate New York. Second Empire furniture, Mrs. Benedict's collection of blue willow ware, an 1865 sea chest and a steeple clock, for which Benedict's grandfather built the base and bracketry, are only a few of the interesting pieces inside.

Know benefits

Special Veterans Administration efforts to alert Vietnam era veterans to unused GI Bill education benefits, begun last year, are being expanded to a nationwide campaign this year. The awareness program, "Operation Boost," had focused on 11 states where GI Bill participation was under 50 percent.

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Prof wins fellowship

Raymond Tanter, professor of political science at The University of Michigan, will study American foreign policy with a fellowship just awarded by the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

Tanter is one of 42 new Woodrow Wilson Fellows, each chosen competitively on the basis of submitted research proposals.

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Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the 25th County Commissioner District of Oakland County that a special Primary Election will be held on Friday the 5th day of October 1979 for the purpose of nominating candidates to be elected to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of the County Commissioner elected from the said 25th district which term shall expire on January 1, 1981.

Nominating petitions or filing fee shall be filed with the County Clerk not later than 4:00 P.M. in the afternoon of September 4, 1979.

Minor parties who are qualified to nominate candidates for the office of County Commissioner shall nominate by caucus or convention of their party to be held not later than Saturday September 29, 1979. The name of such a minor party candidate shall be certified to the County Clerk not later than 4:00 P.M. on the afternoon of October 5, 1979.

Candidates for County Commissioner shall be residents and registered voters of the district. The 25th County Commissioner district consists of:

Commerce Township - All
West Bloomfield Township - Precincts #1, #12, #19 and #20
White Lake Township - Precincts #3 and #7
City of Farmington Hills - Precincts #9, #10, #11, #19 and #22

LYNN D. ALLEN
Oakland County Clerk - Register of Deeds and
Chairman, Oakland County Election Commission

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REGISTRATION NOTICE

FOR

SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1979

To the Qualified Electors of the 25th County Commissioner District, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN

Notice is hereby given that in conformity with the "Michigan Election Law," the undersigned Clerk, will upon any day, except Sunday and a legal holiday, the day of any regular or special election or primary election, receive for registration the name of any legal voter in said Township, City or Village not already registered who may APPLY TO ME PERSONALLY for such registration.

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As provided by Section 498, Act No. 116, Public Acts of 1954 As Amended.

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