

ENGAGING YOUTH IN DOCUMENTING AREA HERITAGE

The Michigan Barn and Farmstead Survey brings youth and adults together to document Michigan's traditional barns and farmsteads.

GOALS

- Increase youth awareness of agricultural heritage & preservation
- Inventory and document traditional barns and farmsteads contributing to local knowledge and a state-wide database as a resource for future research



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COLLABORATORS

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Michigan Barn Preservation Network provides resources for barn owners in agriculture, business and communities. Established in 1995, MBPN promotes appreciation, preservation and rehabilitation of Michigan barns, farmsteads, and rural communities.

Michigan State University Museum hosts the on-line database of survey results for future documentation and for the use of researchers and others - michiganbarns.org



CLINT BARRETT MEMORIAL South Central Michigan Michigan Barn and Farmstead Survey



and the
Michigan Barn Preservation Network

Barrett Insurance. . . honors founder Clint Barrett

Our goal in this project is to honor Clint Barrett, a Camden, MI native and member of FFA, and to increase awareness across South Central Michigan of the heritage and culture embodied in traditional barns and farmsteads.

Barns and agricultural outbuildings have rarely been included in the National Register of Historic Places. Surveys such as this are the first step in identifying historic structures that may be eligible. With each barn that is lost another piece of Michigan's rich agricultural history disappears.

Cyndi Barrett, Owner



Seeking partnering sites and organizations!

With basic training, survey tools and a common vocabulary, data and photographs are compiled to provide a record of Michigan's traditional barns and farmsteads. These activities:

- raise awareness community-wide about area barns and agricultural heritage
- inventory and document area barns and farmsteads, adding to the record of area history
- contribute to a searchable Michigan data-base for future research on barns and agriculture
- educate youth and others about agricultural heritage and preservation

Michigan Barn Preservation Network will provide training and assistance in:

- selecting an area to survey
- gathering maps, tools and aids
- promoting results in the community
- identifying agricultural structures
- using a common vocabulary
- completing site surveys
- compiling the completed materials
- sharing the information in the community
- depositing results at the MSU Museum
- working with partners to promote access and use for research and education

Barrett Insurance will coordinate a South Central Michigan project: Branch, Calhoun, Hillsdale, Jackson, and Lenawee Counties.

Site-specific assistance, guidance and training will be scheduled to meet project needs.

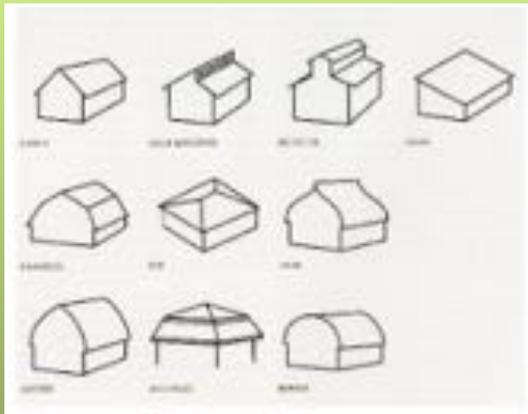
We are seeking partners from youth programs, history, preservation, education and other organizations

Join us in this project to document traditional barns and farmsteads in our region.

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Michigan Barn and Farmstead Survey

SAMPLE

Property Identification: #, owner, county, common name, address, owner address, township, section, etc. Surveyor and date.

GENERAL	ARCHITECTURE	INTERIOR	EXTERIOR	ADDITIONAL COMMENTS
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DATE OF SURVEY: _____

NAME OF SURVEYOR: _____

PROPERTY ADDRESS: _____

TOWNSHIP: _____ SECTION: _____

COUNTY: _____

OWNER NAME: _____

OWNER ADDRESS: _____

PHOTOGRAPHS: _____

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____