



## BABA NEWS

### January - March, 2017

#### Brief Notes of Board Meetings from January - March

“A Portrait of Baroda, Michigan Businesses” Is a photo book of over 88 area businesses that was put together by Bill Hurst with the help of Greta Hurst, Jim Small and Kathy Shafer. This project has been several years in the making and was a very large undertaking to make it happen. Thank you for all your hard work and efforts to promote our area businesses!

The book can be purchased either at the Baroda Village office or by contacting Bill Hurst at 773-213-3402.

Public Art – We have been given permission to use the grassy area owned by the Ott Family to display the Cascade Art. We also received permission to pursue a mural being painted on the north side of Nye’s Auto tech, Chris Shier’s store front windows, and Scott Geiger’s building that is next to the rock area. Tina and Bob Getz met Phil Freeman (Lakeshore Schools Superintendent) to discuss having Art students work on the proposed murals. We now have a total of 7 spaces available for art displays.

Leveraging Leadership speaker event – February 9 at Round Barn Public House. The event was a success; with attendance a total of 34 people.

Mülln-Heim March Maple Madness event – The event was not officially sponsored by BABA. However John Muellen proceeded with lots of member support. There were 18 participants in this 3/4/17 event.

Party on the Pavers is scheduled for 8/5/17. The committee has been working on preparations for the event.

Combined Chamber Meeting Report from 2/21. Discussion of BABA perhaps combining efforts with the Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce, as well as another up and coming organization, Lakeshore Merchants Alliance. The impetus is to ‘brand’ the area of Stevensville and Baroda. Next meeting is 3/28 at noon, again at the Super 8. The BABA Board is invited and encouraged to attend.

#### BOARD MEMBERS

**Tina Boehm**  
PRESIDENT  
Village of Baroda

**John Muellen**  
VICE PRESIDENT  
Land & Lodge Services

**Melissa Oatsvall**  
SECRETARY  
Chemical Bank  
Baroda/Stevensville

**Griffin Ott**  
TREASURER  
Ott Insurance

**Greta Hurst**  
TRUSTEE  
Tabula Rasa Gallery

**Cathy Kruggel**  
TRUSTEE  
CCR Grapes

**Larry Martin**  
TRUSTEE  
Fence Masters

## Other Community Events

### Upcoming BABA Events

- ◇ Party on the Pavers –Saturday, August 5th from 4:00-10 p.m.
- ◇ Fireworks - Monday, July 3rd at dusk
- ◇ Music in the Park - Sundays in the Baroda Village Park June 25th, July 23rd and August 27th from 6-7:30 p.m.
- ◇ Support the Troops -Saturday, July 29th all day event
- ◇ Township Halloween - Trail & Treat - Saturday, October 28th from 4-6:00 p.m. Hess Lake Park Walking Trail &

## Featured Business

### **BARODA FOUNDERS WINE CELLAR**

Award-winning wine master Lenard Olson established Baroda Founders Wine Cellar in July 2009. He created a wide array of wines for over 40 years as a self-taught winemaker. He focused on making wine accessible to all palates and levels of knowledge by producing a variety of wines ranging from classic varietals grown from the Lake Michigan Shore region to chocolate and fruit-flavor-enhanced.

Len passed away in 2014, but his legacy, love and passion for the Southwest Michigan wine industry lives on in his son, Gunnar, who is now the winemaker at Baroda Founders.

### Member Benefits

- \* Did you know that as part of your BABA membership you can host an open house and/or grand opening and also ribbon cutting ceremony and your BABA board will assist will making it happen for you
- \* Members received preferred pricing to attend BABA events as well as selected goods and services offered by other members. You can also advertise discounts on the BABA website.

Visit Us through our portal at: <http://www.ilovebaroda.com/>

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