

## Hamlin Township How much do you know?

1. Hamlin Twp. is named after?  
A. Abraham Lincoln; B. Hannibal Hamlin or C. W. H. Saxton?
2. What is the size of Hamlin Lake?  
A. 5,000 Acres B. 2,000 Acres.  
OR C. 7,999 Ac.
3. Hamlin Township originally was called?  
A. Hamlin Twp.; B. Little Sauble OR  
C. Big Sauble.
4. Hamlin Twp.'s 1st Town Hall Meeting was in? A. 1864; B. 1860 OR C. 1861.
5. The first resort Hotel was constructed on Hamlin Lake in? A. 1900; B. 1864 OR C. 1899.
6. What year was the first settlement?  
A. 1861; B. 1858 OR C. 1900.
7. Who was the first settler?  
A. Charles Mears; B. Hannibal Hamlin  
OR C. A. Cartier
8. At one time, Hamlin Twp. was home to \_\_\_\_\_ farms? A. 23; B. 84 OR C. 66.
9. What year did Michigan become a State? A. 1825; B. 1900 OR C. 1837

### ANSWERS

1. B; 2. A; 3. B; 4. A; 5. B; 6. B. 7. A. 8. B; 9. C;

PICK UP A COPY OF  
HAMLIN TOWNSHIP'S  
1st EVER HISTORICAL  
BROCHURE



### SPECIAL THANKS...

Sesquicentennial Committee Members: Mike Nagle, Janet Gagen, Judy Thorp, Nancy Vandervest, Carol Parkinson, Gail Hanna & Nancy Pollak.

Thanks to Hamlin Township Board of Trustees  
Nancy Vandervest, Supervisor  
Mary McCarthy, Treasurer  
Catherine Lewis, Clerk  
Johnaine Gurzynski, Trustee  
Larry Rees, Trustee

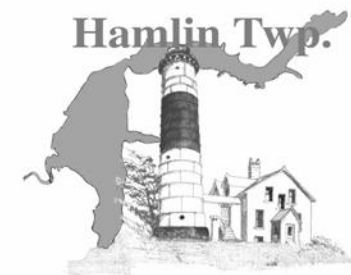
We hope residents and visitors alike will enjoy this fun, educational, and memorable celebration.

Check Out Hamlin Township's Anniversary  
Custom Road Signs on Lakeshore & Jebavy Drive.

## HAMLIN TOWNSHIP SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION 1861—2011

2011 will be a banner year for Hamlin Township, as citizens celebrate the Township's 150th birthday throughout the year. The festivities begin with a February 28th kickoff event that commemorates the official date when Hamlin Township was formally organized by the Michigan State Legislatures, Act #78.

Celebrating the  
Past, Present and  
Future



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The festivities begin with a February 28, 2011 kickoff event at the Hamlin Township Hall from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM that commemorates the February 28, 1861 date when Hamlin Township was formally organized by the Michigan State Legislatures.

Hamlin Township was originally called Little Sauble in 1851 by Charles Mears. In 1854, the area was called the Big Sauble. The two settlements were later renamed by Mears to Lincoln and then to Hamlin in 1861 in honor of the successful Republican Presidential Ticket.

Hamlin Township was named after Hannibal Hamlin who was born on 8-27-1809 in Paris, Maine. He was the 15th Vice-President of the United States serving under President Lincoln from 1861—1865. He was a lawyer, known for his outspoken opposition to slavery and urged Lincoln to announce his Emancipation Proclamation.

150th  
HAMLIN TWP.  
ANNIVERSARY  
1861—2011

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

January 20, 2011—Hamlin Township's Sesquicentennial Craft at the Mason County Library at 4:00 PM. (No Cost)

February 28, 2011—Kickoff event at the Hamlin Township Hall from 6:00 PM — 8:00 PM. Refreshments, photo slide-show, sesquicentennial pens, pencils, lapel pins and more.

July 4, 2011—Come see Hamlin Township's 150th Anniversary Float in Ludington's Freedom Festival Parade in downtown Ludington.

August 6, 2011—Hamlin Township's Sesquicentennial Anniversary Open House Celebration from 1:00 PM—4:00 PM at the Hamlin Township Hall.

Innovation: Rev. William Collins

Historical Presentation by: Mr. Mike Nagle  
Fire Department will be open for tours.

August 7, 2011—Sesquicentennial Boat Regatta and Ice Cream Social. Decorate your house, boat and/or dock with a 150th historical patriotic theme. Boats will meet at Wilson Hill Park at 1:00 PM and parade around Hamlin Lake; ending at Wilson Hill Park at 3:00 PM with a free ice cream social for all. Prizes to be awarded. Judges Needed. *Ice Cream donated by Hamlin Grocery.*

### TIME CAPSULE

To The Residents of Hamlin Twp. in 2061. . . From the Residents of Hamlin Twp. in 2011. . .

If you would like to add an item to the Time Capsule, please bring it to the Twp. Hall on or before by 8-6-11.



August 2011;

150 US American

Flags will be displayed throughout the Twp. along with Sesquicentennial banners.



### SESQUICENTENNIAL CONTEST—

Details enclosed. Fill out the entry and return to Hamlin Township Hall by July 1, 2011. Hamlin Twp. would like to honor and present the family with a prestigious plaque who has had ties to Hamlin Township the longest.

Sesquicentennial Anniversary

Hamlin Lake Fireworks  
July 2, 2011

Organized by the Hamlin Lake  
Preservation Society

150 Years