

# METAMORA ASSOCIATION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

## NEWSLETTER

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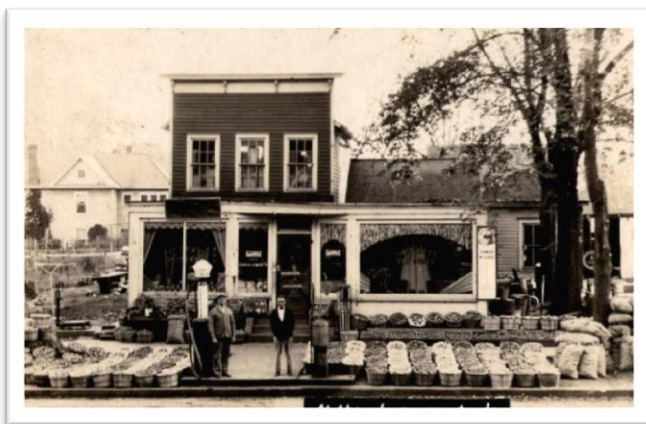


### Do You Remember the Store before Garbers...?

#### GARAGE SALE

Thanks to all those who contributed – and bought - at the MAHP Garage Sale on Sept. 27 and 28. Great sale! Much appreciated!!

### Remembering Garber's Market...



#### From the May 14, 1948 Herald

The work of tearing down the structure, where Garber's "new supermarket" started May 1948. The old frame building started before 1890. Previous occupants included Dr. Zach Whitmire, who had his office in the original small room facing the street. Afterwards it was the home Mr. and Mrs. George Shetterly who had a millinery parlor in the front. Fred Grob later opened a grocery store in the front, which was later enlarged by doubling the size of the one story front room. Several years later Mr. Grob sold to A.W. Garber and Ed Bachman, who operated as G&B Company, and added more room. Mr. Garber built a concrete locker building at the rear, to which the new store was attached.

### Last Open Houses of 2012

The last two open houses of the year are October 7 and 21 from 1-4 p.m. Many artifacts have been added this year. Be sure to drop by!

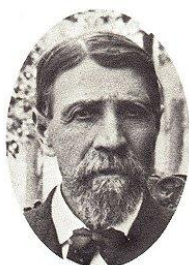
### What's Old...

But new at the Stevenson House...

- 4 piece Navy uniform from the U.S.S. Tallahatche County from Cheryl Stephens
- 24 1966 Metamora Remembers and 4 1968 Metamora Past and Present Souvenir books – from Peggy Nieschlag
- WWII Army uniform leggings from Ken Willman
- 1915 Metamora Herald from Charlie Kamm that announced new courses at the high school

### Early Metamora Leaders...

Did You Ever See This...?



JOSEPH A. THEENA



#### The Villiger Invention From the Sept 11, 1914 Herald

Two Metamora inventions have been on exhibition at the Implement Show in Peoria during the week and from reports, both made favorable impressions. H.J. Wykle has been demonstrating his gasoline vender and Conrad Alig has been on the grounds with Villiger and Alig's patented firth wheel for wagons.

There is a question of who is in this photo...

**CAN YOU HELP US OUT WITH WHO'S IN THE PICTURE? ☺☺☺☺☺**

Joseph was born in Prussia, Germany and at the age of six years came to the new world with his parents. In 1863 he married Emma Young in Peoria, who lived but a few years. In 1869 he married Miss Catherine Kallista. Twelve children were born to them. Joseph attended school in Peoria and at the age of eleven commenced learning the butcher's trade. In 1869 he opened a successful meat market in Metamora. Besides his business, he owned about 200 acres in and near the city and also dealt in livestock.



### This and That...

#### Stevenson House Available for Special Events...

Have an upcoming special event that needs a special meeting place? Call Laure or Shirley to reserve the Stevenson House! It's a unique and interesting place for your next meeting.

#### Garden and Landscaping

Always looking for volunteers to help out with the landscaping (also known as weed maintenance!). If you have some time, just let us know...!

#### Open Houses

The Stevenson House will be open to visitors on October 7th and 21st from 1-4 p.m. Stop in and see what's old. It's the last open houses of the year!

### Contact Us

Questions, ideas...

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