



The Thompson Township Board chose residents Kathleen and Michael Haynes as their honorees for the month of August, recognizing the couple's donation of the old St. Frederick's sacristy building to the township. The honors were presented by Township Trustee Meg Wnuk (above left) during the second annual Thompson Picnic on Aug. 29. The certificate read: "Thompson Township honors Kathleen and Michael Haynes for their generous gift of the St. Frederick's church sacristy. Although recent arrivals to our township, Kathleen and Michael realize we are all



part of history and that it is important to preserve the few remaining pieces for future generations. While the sacristy has traveled only a few miles round trip, the journey has linked old and new families in the fabric of our township history. Thank you for your invaluable gift which unites past, present and future."

The picnic included the formal dedication of the sacristy, which was moved last October from the Haynes' property to its current site near the township hall, where it has become a historical exhibit. The day also featured games, entertainment by Lori Erickson and Cindy Silkworth, a chance to check out the township's new fire truck, and of course, lots of food. (Submitted photos)

