



OBJECT ID	2001.34.8.17D
OBJECT NAME	Photograph
DATE CREATED	2000
OBJECT ENTITIES	Frangos, Steve (is related to) Ypsilanti, (is related to)

RELATED ITEMS

Tape, 2001.34.1
 Book, 2001.34.2
 Tool, Combination, 2001.34.3
 Bottle, 2001.34.4
 Bottle, 2001.34.5
 Roll, Player Piano, 2001.34.6
 Photograph, 2001.34.7
 Photograph, 2001.34.8.1
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 Photograph, 2001.34.8.11
 Photograph, 2001.34.8.12A
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 Photograph, 2001.34.8.17G
 Photograph, 2001.34.8.18A
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 Photograph, 2001.34.8.19
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ACCESS POINTS

Michigan
 Monument
 Ypsilanti
 Ypsilanti Water Tower

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Ypsilanti Water Tower sign; posted to inform the public that this location is a registered historic site. The sign reads as follows: Day laborers constructed this water tower which was completed in 1890 at a cost of \$21,435.63. The tower and the city waterworks supplied 471 customers in the first year. An ordinance passed on April 14, 1898, established a yearly rate schedule. Rates were based on the number of faucets in use, the type of business that customers operated and the livestock they owned. A residence with one tap was charged \$5.00; a private bathtub cost an extra \$2.00. Saloon keepers paid \$7.00 for one faucet, \$3.00 for each additional faucet and \$1.00 for each billiard table. Each cow a person owned cost \$1.00. People who failed to pay their bill were subject to a \$50.00 fine and ninety days in the county jail. Until 1956 this structure was the only water tower in the Ypsilanti water system.

ORIGIN

Ypsilanti (1793- 1832) was a hero of the Greek War of Independence. The Ypsilanti Water Tower (1890) was named in his honor, as was the town of Ypsilanti itself (1829).

CITATION

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