

Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society Newsletter

July - August 2023 Volume 13, Issue 4



From Your President

As we are about to celebrate the 4th of July and commemorate the historic adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, we have much to celebrate as W-PHS members and friends. Without the Declaration of Independence we may never have had the freedom and opportunity to preserve our shared history and celebrate our successes.



The 4th of July is a time to rejoice, and with pride, celebrate a few of our most recent activities and accomplishments including:

- “At Samuel’s Tavern, And Thereabouts,” an original play written by member Irene Bierer, which attracted two full houses at Gates Hall
- A \$50,000 NYSCA Grant for an energy efficient HVAC system for Gates Hall to replace a failed furnace
- An exceptional Day of Caring with enthusiastic volunteers helping W-PHS care for its properties
- W-PHS participation in Wayne County NY Bicentennial 2023 events at the April 11th Founders Day celebration, the May 13th Gala, and the first concert in the Heritage Music Series in June
- Three well-received and well attended W-PHS “Local History Trivia Night” Programs
- ROC City Ringers Benefit Concert at Gates Hall
- The W-PHS 4th Grade Walking Tour
- 3rd Annual W-PHS Golf Tournament
- Participation in the Bicentennial Geocache Project for which Gates Hall is a host site
- Hosted a private Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra event at Gates Hall June 10th
- The first tour group of the season was welcomed to the house & Gates Hall on June 10th
- W-PHS House/Exhibits opened on June 16th

These are all reasons to celebrate and it is with pleasure that W-PHS continues to offer exceptional experiences for members and visitors. This year, under the leadership of Deborah Arndt, Chair of Volunteer and Visitor Engagement, we offered a Docent Orientation for both new and returning docents. In an effort to further ensure engaging experiences as we welcome visitors, the training familiarized docents with each other, as well as with content and necessary changes as we continue to evolve. As always, we seek and welcome new docents. Should you wish to become a volunteer for this important role, please call 315.589.9892 and leave a message.

After a long hiatus, W-PHS will sponsor the beloved annual **Pultneyville Homecoming on July 22nd** under the leadership of Peter Parts, Homecoming Chair. Please mark your calendars and plan to participate and/or volunteer. As you will see on the following pages of this newsletter, there promises to be something for everyone from beginning to end! All the things that bring families, friends and neighbors together to celebrate community. Given that the return of Homecoming coincides with the Wayne County NY Bicentennial 2023, we will end our celebration with a fireworks display commemorating 200 years of shared history.

Again, we have much to be grateful for as we celebrate our shared history. Together, we have much to look forward to and are most appreciative for the participation and support of our members, friends and volunteers. On behalf of W-PHS, I extend Best Wishes for a summer filled with an abundance of happy times and new experiences.

Regards,

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*Nanette P. Hance
President
Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society*





**Robert "Bob" N. Hopkins, Sr.
1933 - 2023**

Condolences

It is with sadness that the Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society extends heartfelt condolences to the family of Robert "Bob" N. Hopkins, Sr. who peacefully passed away on June 8, 2023 at 90 years of age. Survived by wife, Carol of 64 years, and sons, Bob and Dale, he was a longtime member and friend of W-PHS and his loss will be felt in our, and numerous organizations, in which he was a faithful member throughout our community.

Bob was well-known in many circles and will be fondly remembered by all who had the pleasure of knowing him, both the young and old. While it seems like just yesterday that Bob was recognized for his service to our community as our Homecoming Parade Marshall, we will forever cherish his warm, welcoming smile and his passion for volunteering.

A celebration of Bob's life was held on Friday, June 16th at the Pultneyville Reformed Church.

Donations in memory of Peter Evans:

Deb & Peter Parts

Darlene & Lou Martino

Edith & Bruce Farrington

Donations in memory of

Judith VerPlank:

Tracy & Dan Schoonerman



Congratulations!

A huge “Thank You” to the volunteers who made the play “At Samuel’s Tavern and Thereabouts” such a success. From building a stairway to the stage, painting set panels, adapting the stage lighting, and of course the playwright, actors and photographers. Costumes and props came from our neighbors and the community came together to sell out both performances on May 6 and May 7.

To quote Irene Bierer, “It was one of those times when it took a village working together to achieve success”. Congratulations to all!



4th Graders “LOVED” it!

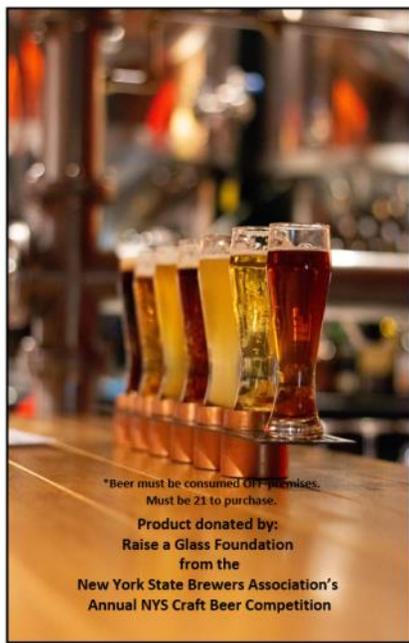
May 23, 2023

Williamson Central School District’s 4th Graders had lovely weather for their walking tour of Pultneyville. Beginning with the presentation at Gates Hall, then a tour around Pultneyville's historic sites, and ended with lunch by the water. Thanks to Maria Ehresman, W-PHS Education Liaison and to all of our 4th Grade Walking Tour Volunteers!



2023 Day of Caring

This year's Day of Caring was held on May 11 at the W-PHS House on Mill Street, Gates Hall and Centennial Park. Many hands make light work! Thanks to all of the volunteers.



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Must be 21 to purchase.

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Raise a Glass Foundation
from the
New York State Brewers Association's
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NYS CRAFT BEER*

BUILD-A-PACK, 6 or 12

Proceeds Benefit Historic Gates Hall

ONLY from 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

And don't miss the Pines of Peace Bake Sale

Both under the tent, East side of Gates Hall

at the 63rd Annual

Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society

HOMECOMING FESTIVAL

Saturday, July 22, 2023

12:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Pultneyville's Centennial Park and Gates Hall



3rd "Local History" Trivia Night Winners

"Karen's Team" consisting of Karen Bovay, Dottie Howland, Sue-Jane Evans, and Perry Howland took 1st place at the May 17 Local History Trivia Night. Congratulations and thank you to all who attended!



Golf for Gates Hall

The oldest small active community theatre in continuous operation in the United States.

Friends of Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society,

Our 3rd Annual Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society “Golf for Gates Hall” Tournament, held on Monday, June 5th, at Sodus Bay Heights Golf Course, was a huge success!

If you sponsored, played, donated or volunteered to work in the golf tournament this year, we cannot thank you enough. The tournament, with the generosity of all our sponsors and donations, helped raise funds for the ongoing maintenance and upgrades to historic Gates Hall. In recent months, the Hall has had the interior plaster repaired then repainted in historic colors and had the outdated furnace stabilized until a more efficient HVAC system can be installed. Your continuing support and generosity will enable us to also make lighting and audiovisual improvements required by production companies interested in using Gates Hall.

We would like to take this opportunity to recognize all of our valued sponsors:

\$5,000 Exclusive Partner - David & Sherri Malgee
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Community involvement is so important to the life of all organizations. THANK YOU to all of you for supporting our tournament. It would not have been a success without!

Thank you to Peter Parts for donating his time to capture our tournament with photos and providing the link below. You can right click to save any picture you like for free.

<https://peterparts.smugmug.com/3rd-annual-W-PHS-golf-tournament>

Mark your calendars to join us again next year for our 4th Annual W-PHS “Golf for Gates Hall” Tournament on Monday, June 3, 2024.

Sincerely,

Terry Sutherland & Team
 W-PHS Tournament Chair

W-PHS EVENT SCHEDULE

July 22	PULTNEYVILLE HOMECOMING, Craft Beer Sale, Dedication of Historic Marker
August 2	W-PHS Annual Picnic. 6:30pm, Pultneyville Mariners Pavilion
September 9	Picturesque Pultneyville W-PHS Tour of Homes*
September 17	Wayne County Bicentennial/W-PHS Civil War Event & Heritage Music Series
September 30	Bruce Mc Lellan in Concert at Gates Hall

*Tickets at www.w-phs.org

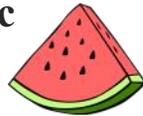
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W-PHS Annual Picnic

August 2, 2023

6:30 pm

Pultneyville Mariners Pavilion



Submitted by Dottie Howland

Did you miss the Trivia Nights earlier this season? Or maybe you'd just like to enjoy them again. You can do so if you attend the annual picnic on Aug. 2. A condensed version of the 3 trivia nights will be the program after the always delicious picnic at the Pultneyville Mariners' pavilion. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service. Beverages will be provided. All are welcome.



W-PHS House Welcomes Visitors

Submitted by Sue-Jane Evans

Summer is well begun, but there still are dozens of opportunities for you to be the volunteer who welcomes visitors to our W-PHS House. Before you fill every space on your calendar, please consider spending an afternoon at the House as a volunteer. You'll have an opportunity to share what you like about Pultneyville with those who visit and to discover details you may not have known about the community.

The House is open Friday, Saturday and Sunday afternoons from 1:00 until 4:00. Please consider your calendar and call if you have an afternoon you are able to contribute. We'll be happy to provide information and explain the details.

Home Tour Volunteers Needed! Saturday, September 9

Submitted by Deb Parts

The home tour committee is in need of about 10 volunteers to be greeters for a half day, either 10-1 or 1-4, at the houses. You would be responsible for checking that each attendee has a wristband and booties, that the house doesn't get overcrowded, and that guests honor the start time of 10 AM and end time of 4 PM. If interested, email ckbuehler@icloud.com.

It's Time to Travel Summer 2023!



Submitted by Nanette Hance

Summer is here and it's time for vacation travel and a timely reminder for W-PHS NARM level members to be sure to pack your W-PHS membership cards validated with the NARM identification on them. Not only will you save money visiting over 1,300 institutions, but you may also discover a favorite new cultural organization which opens new worlds of experience and wonderment. For a complete listing of participating institutions, please visit narmassociation.org and start planning your visits!

As you travel, please share experiences and photos using your NARM cards with our newsletter editor, Barbara Crawford at blctobe123@hotmail.com for inclusion in future newsletters. Bon Voyage!

WWW.PULTNEYVILLEHOMECOMING.COM

Pultneyville Homecoming

COMMUNITY PICNIC IN CENTENNIAL PARK
PARADE • LIVE MUSIC • FIREWORKS
BEVERAGE TASTINGS • FOOD TRUCK
CRAFT BEER SALE • BAKE SALE • FUN RUN
CAR SHOW • TAILGATE • BEACH FIRE
HISTORICAL EXPERIENCES • AND MORE!

**Parade
3PM**

FEATURING

Jim Lane, Shared Genes, Steve Grills Band, Smoke 'N Barrel BBQ,
Face Painting, Pultneyville Deli Co., Pizza Stop, Apple Country
Spirits, Embark Cidery, Young Sommer Winery, Boom Point Winery

FOR MORE DETAILS AND THE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:
WWW.PULTNEYVILLEHOMECOMING.COM

July 22, 2023

CENTENNIAL PARK

Corner of Hamilton Street & Lake Road

Sponsored by the Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society and Community Friends



63rd Annual Pultneyville Homecoming Schedule of Events

Saturday, July 22, 2023 | Details at www.pultneyvillehomecoming.com

- 12 – 2 pm** W-PHS NYS Craft Beer Sale, donated by Raise A Glass Foundation from NYS Craft Brewers Association Annual Competition
- 12 – 2 pm** Tour: Cobblestone Schoolhouse/Airbnb Open House
- 12 – 2 pm** Pines of Peace baked goods sale
- 12 – 3 pm** Gates Hall Open House
- 12:30 pm** Family Fun Run at Cornwall Preserve, Scavenger Hunt also available as independent activity all day
- 1 pm & 2 pm** Walking Tour of Pultneyville (meet at Historical Society House)
- 1 – 4 pm** Visit W-PHS House & Exhibits (No admission charge on July 22, 2023)
- 1 – 5 pm** Car Show in parking lot behind Pultneyville Deli
- 2 pm** Ceremony on grounds of W-PHS house to unveil Historical Roadside Marker funded by the Pomeroy Foundation and outdoor history panels
- 3 pm** Deadline for Painted Pigs to be at Gates Hall for judging. Pigs & Paint are available for purchase, \$8 each or 2 for \$15, from now until July 21st by leaving a message at 518 528-6063 & at www.pultneyvillehomecoming.com
- 3 – 4 pm*** Parade from Pultneyville Fire Hall around triangle. Roads closed during parade.
- 4 – 7 pm** Adult Beverage Tent, east side of Gates Hall, with tastings and bottle sales, \$5 suggested donation (per person) for admission
- 4 pm** Picnic in Centennial Park across from Gates Hall. Bring your own **well-filled picnic basket** and table service or **Grab & Go** takeout from the Deli or Pizza Stop. Treat yourself to **Pultneyville Potatoes** loaded high with smoked brisket or pulled pork and toppings from Smoke 'N Barrel Food Truck. Bring lawn chairs or blankets. Lawn games available.
- 4 – 7 pm** Gates Hall Open House
- 4:30 – 9 pm** Live music featuring Jim Lane and Shared Genes
- 4:30 – 6:30 pm** Face Painting by Starr
- 6 pm** Winner of Painted Pig Contest announced in Centennial Park Concert
- 7 – 9 pm** Live Jazz by Steve Grills Band at Pultneyville Yacht Club, (Public Welcome!)
- AT DUSK** Fireworks display. Viewing behind Methodist Church, chairs only in the field.
No cars or motorized vehicles in field or orchards.
- 9:30 – 11 pm** Beach fire at Pultneyville Mariners (Public Welcome!)

PARKING AVAILABLE AT PULTNEYVILLE REFORMED CHURCH – WEST SIDE OF HAMILTON STREET

**Road Closure: Lake Road, Mill, Washington, Hamilton & Jay Streets are Closed 2:15-4 pm*

Wanted: Trolley Manager “Wrangler”

The Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society’s historic trolley replica is in need of someone to manage it-yep, even trolleys can’t do it alone.

The ideal person would have a 1 7/8 inch hitch ball, a vehicle that could tow the trolley to and from and the willingness to seek out others to pull the trolley in events. It was constructed about 20 years ago on a boat trailer, and has been pulled in the past by pickups and ordinary cars. Thanks to Bill Dixon the trolley is stored at the old Topping Ladder location on Main Street in Marion.

This is not a labor or time-intensive task-for the last few years the trolley has appeared in the Williamson Apple Blossom parade in May, and starting again this year, the Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society sponsored Homecoming Parade in July.

Interested individuals can reach out to Town Historian Perry Howland at: peridot@rakedsouthgarden.com or call 315-589-8012



Pomeroy Marker Designating Pultneyville Historic District to Be Dedicated July 22, 2023

Submitted by Perry Howland

In 1985 the thirty-seven-acre Pultneyville Historic District came into being as a result of years of data gathering and compilation by a small group of intrepid volunteers led by then Town Historian Chester Peters.

This national historic district at its inception included 35 properties containing 33 contributing primary structures and 18 contributing outbuildings. It encompasses the historic core of Pultneyville. Built between c.1810 and the late 1890s, the historic structures in the Pultneyville Historic District embody a variety of popular nineteenth-century American architectural styles, including Federal, Greek Revival, Italianate, and Second Empire, as well as vernacular and eclectic interpretations of these styles. Since its designation as part of the National Register of Historic Places, several of the structures are no longer present due to a variety of reasons.

The Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society cordially invites you to be a part of the dedication and unveiling of our new Pultneyville Historic District Marker on July 22, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. in the afternoon. Acquired thanks to a grant from the William G. Pomeroy Foundation, the new marker is located at the west end of the historic district that was officially designated in 1985.

This ceremony will take place in the front lawn of the Society house, located at 4130 Mill Street in the Hamlet of Pultneyville, Town of Williamson. In case of rain the formal part of the ceremony will take place in historic Gates Hall, located just west of the Society house at 4107 Lake Road, Pultneyville. Bring your umbrellas just in case!

Editor’s Note: “Pultneyville Recollections” watch for Part Two coming soon

For those of you following along, Part One of the three part series of articles written by Mr. Philip (Pete) Rupert was published in our May/June Newsletter. Part Two of the three part series will be included in our next newsletter.



Picturesque Pultneyville's Tour of Homes September 9, 2023

Submitted by Deb Parts

Don't miss your chance to see first-hand a home where:

- Captain Throop designed his schooners;
- the wallpaper shows an interesting historical contradiction;
- an opera room hints at the owners' livelihood.

On Saturday, September 9th, W-PHS will welcome all to our hamlet for Picturesque Pultneyville's Tour of Homes.

Tickets can be purchased beginning July 1st at:

- www.w-phs.org (by credit card or use a downloadable form to pay by check),
- <http://w-phs.eventbrite.com> (credit card only),
- or by stopping by the W-PHS house at 4130 Mill St, Friday through Sunday, 1-4 PM.

Tickets are only \$25 in advance for a relaxing, fun and educational day. Proceeds will help the society with maintaining Gates Hall, Centennial Park and W-PHS house/museum. On the day of the tour, tickets will be \$30, available at Gates Hall, 4107 Lake Rd, Pultneyville. We hope to see you there!

Further details will be available soon at www.w-phs.org or our Facebook page, Picturesque Pultneyville's Tour of Homes.

Thanks to our generous sponsor:

Altra Rental & Supply, Route 104, Ontario, NY. Jim Pedulla & Judy Fishgold, owners



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th

***CIVIL WAR EVENTS & EXHIBITS in
historic PULTNEYVILLE
1-6pm***

Presented by the Wayne County NY Bicentennial 2023 Committee and the Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society as part of Wayne County's Heritage Music Series featuring the Excelsior Coronet Band, New York State's only authentic Civil War brass band, and other related attractions and exhibits. This event is free and open to the public. As available, additional details will follow on www.waynecounty200.com and on www.w-phs.org.

September 2023 promises to be busy in Pultneyville with several exceptional experiences that our members, friends and visitors won't want to miss.

Please mark your calendars, share with friends and join us for these events!

Submitted by Nanette Hance

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th

***PICTURESQUE PULTNEYVILLE
TOUR of HOMES
10am - 4pm***

Presented by the Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society. Advance sale tickets \$25; day of tour, \$30. Tickets available July 1st; please refer to page 10 in this newsletter for ticket details.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th

***BRUCE MC LELLAN
IN CONCERT
4pm***

Historic Gates Hall

A benefit concert featuring Bruce Wayne Mc Lellan, a solo singer-songwriter and pro musician who plays the acoustic guitar and sings. Best known for the soft rock sounds of James Taylor and John Denver, he also writes original music designed to provide a unique and unforgettable experience to remember. Through Bruce's generosity, all proceeds will directly benefit continuing improvements to historic Gates Hall . . . the oldest, continuously active small community theatre in the United States. Tickets will be available online at www.w-phs.org beginning September 1st.

A Shared History

It is the pleasure of W-PHS to share the following article by George McGraw as it appeared in the History Column of the June 25, 2023 edition of *The Times of Wayne County*.

Submitted by Nanette P. Hance

Mr. McGraw grew-up in Wayne County and today resides in Texas. In his youth he spent considerable time in Williamson with his grandfather, George Mullie, who at one time owned the Decker and Mullie Store on West Main Street and his mother, Jean, who graduated from Williamson Central School District before attending Oberlin College. His ties to our community are binding and fondly remembered.

Mr. McGraw is the great-grandson of Isaac Mullie who was a Private in Company D of the NY 111th Regiment during the War of Rebellion. Over the years he has fostered an interest in the 111th and Isaac's service in the war.

He has done much to increase awareness for and promote the 111th in Wayne County and the W-PHS is most appreciative for his continuing interest collaboration and generosity.

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Sunday, June 25, 2023
Wayne County History
111th New York Infantry,
Union Army mustered out of Wayne County

Do you have Civil War relatives?

Where was your great-grandfather in July 1893? Mine was in Gettysburg to mark the 30th anniversary of the great battle. Tens of thousands of aging veterans descended on the now-famous Pennsylvania town to remember what they did there over three days in July and to honor the sacrifices of those who fell never to rise again. Among the attendees were one-time members of the 111th New York Infantry Raised from the towns and villages of Wayne and Cayuga counties, the 111th was mustered into service on August 20, 1862, and the next day, over one thousand men strong, marched for the seat of war. Orders directed the men to help defend Harpers Ferry, a decision that would shape the regiment's destiny in unimaginable ways. After a humiliating surrender and then confinement at Camp Douglas, the 111th redeemed itself in blood at Gettysburg. Of the 350 men taken into battle, 246 fell as casualties, a staggering 70%.

The New Yorkers would go on to fight in every major battle in the east, from the Wilderness, Spotsylvania, Cold

Harbor, to the siege of Petersburg and the end of their war at Appomattox in April 1865. When the men returned home as heroes, just over one hundred of those who originally joined the regiment in 1862 were left in the ranks.

On a beautiful June day in 1891, veterans of the regiment gathered south of the town of Gettysburg to dedicate a monument in honor of those who fought in the battle. The stone pedestal topped with the bronze statue of a soldier was placed next to the Abraham Brian barn where the 111th battled on July 3rd. Speeches were made and pictures taken, like the one below. Today, thanks to incredible generosity of a descendant of one of the brave soldiers, a full-size replica of this memorial has been commissioned by the Wayne County Historical Society and, when complete, it will find a home in Lyons in 2024. If you have a family member who served in the 111th or have items related to the regiment, please contact us at info@waynehistory.org or 315 946-4943. Members of the Society are working every day to learn more about and honor these valiant men from Wayne County.

George McGraw great grandson of Isaac Mullie, a member of the 111th NY Regiment.



111th NY regiment marks 30th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg at the site of their monument dedicated to the honor of those who fought in the battle. The stone pedestal topped with the bronze statue of a soldier was placed next to the Abraham Brian barn where the 111th battled on July 3rd.



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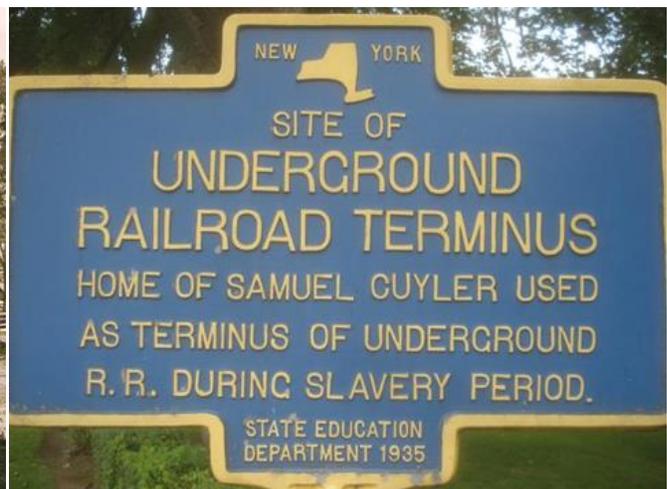
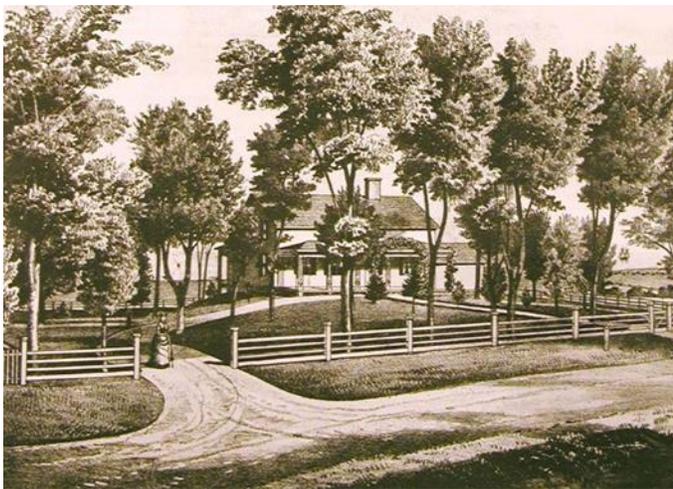
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PHOTOS FROM YESTERYEAR

By Dan Montondo

With the arrival of summer many of us will be enjoying B. Forman Park, but how many of us know the history of the park? The park started as the farm of Samuel and Elizabeth Cuyler one of the early settlers of Williamson. Cuyler's house was also one of the stops on the Underground Railroad as noted by a historic marker in the park.



The house burned down in the early 20th century and the land was sold to Benjamin Forman, owner of B. Forman Co, an upscale clothing store in Rochester.

Mr. Forman opened Camp Forman in 1925 as a vacation and recreation center for his employees. The location on the lakeshore in Pultneyville was ideal with the new Rochester-Sodus Point trolley line making the destination an easy commute from Rochester (the camp had buses to transport visitors from the Williamson Station). The camp featured platform tents, beach stone cooking grills (a few still exist), cobblestone bird baths, a playhouse, and of course the white house that we are all familiar with. On a personal note, my grandparents Frank and Alice Montondo were the caretakers of the park. Grandpa Frank did the landscaping, planting the trees, tending flower beds, and mowing the lawn by hand. Grandma Alice was the cook, and the white house was a dining hall where three meals a day were served to the visitors. The Montondo family spent their summers living in the living quarters on the upper floor (an ideal life for the five siblings). When I asked where the Forman family stayed, I was told that they camped in one of the tents like the rest of the employees.

The camp was dedicated in 1925 and remained in use until the early 1950s when automobiles became widely used in the post war years.

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PHOTOS FROM YESTERYEAR By Dan Montondo



The Formans donated the camp to Wayne County and it was renamed B. Forman Park, dedicated in June of 1955 as the first county park.



B. Forman Park has been the site of many community events and festivals, one of historical significance was the annual Republican Picnic which was attended by Republican politicians of state and sometime national significance. In the 1960s Governor Nelson Rockefeller appeared several times and in 1968 the featured speaker was House Minority Leader Gerald R. Ford.

The park is still a favorite spot for prom and wedding photos of people who will make history of which we can only imagine.



Summertime, Summertime

As this newsletter comes out, it will be summertime and the grounds should be going strong. We started out quite cool and dry, not to mention smoky from the Canadian wildfires. Fortunately, the rains came, the days warmed and the smoke (I hope) has blown away. The gardens are such that not much sets them back since all of the plants are well established and anything that is “touchy” didn’t survive long! We value the tough and easy-care type of plants so our gardening efforts are focused on weeding and dead-heading with some pruning on occasion.

All work and no play is no fun so the gardener group took a Tuesday off and went out to lunch. Lots of conversation and relaxation—Thanks to Sandy Zeman for coming up with this idea. I have a feeling it will be an annual event!

The tulips we’ve planted over the last few years put on a great show this spring. There will be more bulbs planted this fall to brighten up the spring in 2024.

As always, anyone who would like to join in the fun for an hour on Tuesday mornings (9-10) will be warmly welcomed. Just show up and we’ll find something you’d like to do to help keep Pultneyville beautiful.

Happy Summer!

Lynda Parmelee





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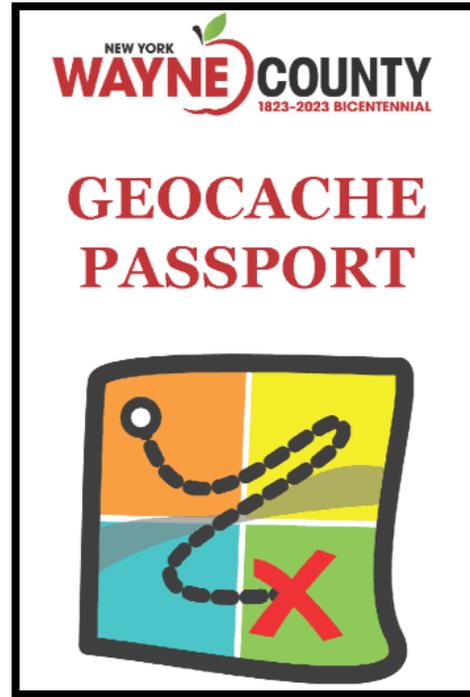
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GEOCACHE PASSPORT




See the Torch Relay on August 15
Come out to show your support!

The multi-day Bicentennial Torch Relay will pass through our area on Tuesday August 15, the second day of the relay.

Day 2 of the Relay starts at Casey Park in Ontario and moves on to Pultneyville, Williamson, E. Williamson, Marion, Fairville, and ends in Sodus at the High School.

See daily routes or sign up to run at website below.

For more details, go to:
<https://web.co.wayne.ny.us/246/Wayne-County-Bicentennial>
 Or
www.facebook.com/waynecounty200

Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society

Nurturing, sharing, preserving, and protecting the history of the Township of Williamson

Membership Form

*Mail completed form to: Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society, ATTN: Membership, P.O. Box 92, Pultneyville NY 14538
Tax deductible membership dues are effective for 12 months from the date payment is received.*

Please include information for both adults. E-mail is required to receive newsletters.

Name _____	Name _____
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Basic Category	Annual Cost	Business Category	Annual Cost
<input type="checkbox"/> Friend	Single: \$25, Couple: \$35, Family: \$40*	<input type="checkbox"/> Business Partner	\$75
<input type="checkbox"/> Patron	Single: \$50, Couple: \$60, Family: \$65*	<input type="checkbox"/> Business Advocate	\$125
<input type="checkbox"/> Sustainer	\$125	<input type="checkbox"/> Business Associate	\$250
<input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor	\$250	<input type="checkbox"/> Business Benefactor	\$500 and above
<input type="checkbox"/> Legacy	\$500 and above		

* Includes immediate family members only including children 18 years of age and younger

Membership Benefits

Basic Categories

Friend: W-PHS Newsletter, E-NEWS Blasts, Admission to Exhibits at W-PHS House and W-PHS Programs (excludes special ticketed events).
Patron: All Friend benefits *plus* a "Behind-the-Scenes" Guided Tour of Gates Hall.
Sustainer – All Patron benefits *plus* NARM Reciprocal Membership.
Benefactor – All Sustainer benefits *plus* one basic use of Gates Hall (date and use to be approved by Gates Hall Committee).
Legacy – All Benefactor benefits *plus* eligibility to serve on W-PHS Advisory Council to Membership Committee and opportunity to attend Exhibits Preview Event.

Business Categories

Partner – Basic Friend benefits *plus* business card listing on website and business listing in all newsletters.
Advocate – Partner benefits *plus* NARM Reciprocal Membership.
Associate – Advocate benefits *plus* one basic complimentary use of Gates Hall (date and use as approved by Gates Hall Committee).
Benefactor – Associate benefits *plus* eligibility to serve on W-PHS Advisory Council to Property Committee and opportunity to attend Exhibits Preview Event.

Additional Ways to Give!

Tribute Gifts ... *A meaningful way to pay tribute to others or to commemorate a special occasion or milestone*
 - Give a Gift of Honor to recognize someone special or a special time in life.
 - Give a Memorial Gift to celebrate the life of a loved one, friend, colleague, or someone who touched your life in a special way.
Planned Giving ... *Gifts that may fit in individual financial, tax, or estate planning goals.*
Unrestricted Gifts ... *Gifts to be used as W-PHS deems best to support its mission.*
Endowment Gifts ... *Income generating gifts that help to sustain W-PHS beyond a single fiscal year.*

Please check areas of interest for volunteering

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Homecoming / Garage Sale | <input type="checkbox"/> Cemetery Tour | <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibits / Archives Activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity / Fundraising Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Building / Grounds Upkeep | <input type="checkbox"/> Program Planning / Docent Volunteer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gift Shop | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Officer / Committee Chair |

Other: _____

Additional Donation: \$ _____ for _____

Enclosed is my check or money order for \$ _____ for the membership dues and/or donation as shown above.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please contact W-PHS (email treasurer@w-phs.org) with any questions about ways to give which extend beyond membership. Thank you for your consideration!

NORTH AMERICAN RECIPROCAL

North America Reciprocal Museum Association (NARM)

As W-PHS strives to broaden member benefits, we now hold an institutional membership in the North America Reciprocal Museum Association (NARM) through which we can offer a higher level of membership which extends benefits well beyond our own organization. Membership levels at \$125 or above now include reciprocal NARM benefits which entitle members to free, or reduced, admission and varying shop discounts at over 1,000 institutions across North America. The NARM network includes art museums and galleries, historical museums and societies, botanical gardens, children's museums, zoos, and more across the United States, Bermuda, Canada, the Cayman Islands, Puerto Rico, and Mexico. For a complete listing of participating institutions, please visit narmassociation.org.

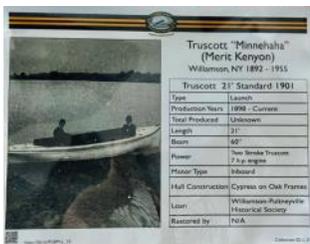
W-PHS members at the \$125 level or above will receive membership cards bearing NARM identification for use at participating venues. Some in our immediate area include the Memorial Art Gallery, George Eastman Museum, Granger Homestead and Carriage Museum, the Seneca Falls Heritage and Tourism Center, and the Finger Lakes Boating Museum where the W-PHS historic Minnehaha wooden boat is currently on loan.

Grab Your NARM Card and Go!

Submitted by Nanette P. Hance

Our first day trip of the Summer with grandson, Blake Hance, and great nephews, Carter and Casen Sonnevile, was a fascinating adventure! Using my W-PHS/NARM Reciprocal Membership Card, we visited the Finger Lakes Boating Museum in nearby Hammondsport to visit our Minnehaha, the W-PHS boat that is on loan to the museum which is on display in their new Building #10 exhibit. This reciprocal membership really does open up a whole new world of wonderment! Grab your membership card and go! Enjoy a visit to the Finger Lakes Boating Museum and 1,300 other participating institutions with your card!

Visit <https://www.flbm.org> for museum information.



About the Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society

Founded in 1964 and chartered in 1971, the mission of the Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society is to preserve, protect and share local history of the Town of Williamson, NY, in general, and the unincorporated hamlet of Pultneyville in particular, by creating curiosity, inspiring involvement, and providing exceptional experiences by making history come alive.



The Society is located in a landmark dwelling known as the *Auchampaugh* home at 4130 Mill St. This house was built for Harvey Auchampaugh about 1858 by Russell Cole, a local blacksmith and builder. Auchampaugh was a prominent businessman in the hamlet, a harness maker, drugstore proprietor and Postmaster for several years.

Rooms in the home contain exhibits, archived information, a gift shop and business office. The Society House is regularly open mid-June through mid-October 1-4pm Friday through Sunday or by Special Appointment by calling 315.589.9892.

W-PHS Board Meetings Information and Program/Event Cancellation Policy

W-PHS Board meetings are generally scheduled to be held at Gates Hall at 4107 Mill Street, Pultneyville at 5 pm on the last Monday of the month as per published schedule. However, due to COVID-19, and to ensure social distancing, the time and location may change, or may be held electronically.

Any W-PHS member in good standing may attend on a non-voting basis and can request to be placed on the agenda for a specific purpose related to the Society. For the meeting schedule, please refer to the society's website at www.w-phs.org. The meeting schedule is also published in every newsletter.

The W-PHS Board meetings/program/event cancellation policy: From time to time there may be a need to cancel a program, event or meeting because of weather.

Cancellation Criteria: Schools are closed and/or after school events are cancelled due to weather (Williamson/Wayne County). W-PHS Programs/Events will be cancelled by the Program Chair.

Communication: The Program Chair will notify the President/Vice President and Communications Chair. The Communications Chair will disseminate the information to the website and social media coordinators. The Program Chair will notify the presenters of the event. The Program Chair will reschedule the program (if possible) and the Communications Chair will disseminate the rescheduled time and date when it is available. The President/Vice President will ensure the procedure is followed.

W-PHS Board Meetings 2023

JANUARY 30

MARCH 27

MAY 22

JUNE 26

AUGUST 28

OCTOBER 23

NOVEMBER 27

All Board Meetings will be held in Gates Hall at 5:00 pm unless noted otherwise on www.w-phs.org

Contact us:

On the web: www.w-phs.org
phone: 315.589.9892

Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society
4130 Mill Street, PO Box 92, Pultneyville, NY 14538

To become a member, go to www.w-phs.org and click on the Membership tab.

Newsletter ideas?

Send to Barbara Crawford, Editor at news@w-phs.org

WLLIAMSON-PULTNEYVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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W-PHS COMMITTEES AND OPERATIONS

In addition to the Board of Trustees the work of W-PHS is supported by the following committees, leaders and coordinators for specific purposes as needed. Leaders and Coordinators attend Board meetings at the request of the Secretary or as deemed necessary and requested by committee leaders which include, but is not limited to:

Cemetery Tour	TBD
Exhibits	Sue Jane Evans
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Home Tour	Deb Parts
Homecoming	Peter Parts & Committee
Picnic	Dottie Howland
Programs	Nanette Hance, Interim

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WUPI.com

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