

# Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society Newsletter

November-December 2023 Volume 13, Issue 6



## *From Your President*

As the harvest season along the southern shore of Lake Ontario draws to a close, we will soon gather together to give thanks for the many blessings of a bountiful Autumn. May we also be mindful of and grateful for all that the Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society (W-PHS) has to celebrate.



We are most appreciative for the continuing and new support we have received throughout this past year so that we could continue to provide exceptional experiences for our members, friends and the community-at-large and at the same time, care for our properties.

There has been something for everyone this year!

- Three “Local History Trivia Nights” focusing on Williamson, East Williamson and Pultneyville history
- 2023 Day of Caring
- “Our Dutch Connections” Program
- The 2024 Annual Golf Tournament
- 4th Grade Walking Tour
- Volunteer Docent Training to enhance visitor experience
- Meticulously kept W-PHS grounds by Gardening Group
- Welcoming visitors to view our historical society exhibits
- The annual family-friendly W-PHS cider pressing event
- Resuming the long-awaited return of Pultneyville Homecoming
- Benefit Concerts by the ROC City Ringers, Thomas DeFisher and Bruce McLellan
- Free and open to the public W-PHS Programs at

historic Gates Hall and Embark Craft Ciderworks/Lagoner Farms

- The annual W-PHS Picnic
- The Civil War Tribute at Gates Hall and Lakeview Cemetery
- The W-PHS “Meet the Spirits” event on the Gates Hall stage
- The W-PHS “At Samuel’s Tavern, and Thereabouts” Play presented on the Gates Hall stage
- The Picturesque Pultneyville Tour of Homes

This memorable season included several commemorative moments in history with the dedication of our Historic District Roadside Marker at the W-PHS House funded by the Pomeroy Foundation and the Town of Williamson marker at the Town Hall made possible with Wayne County Bicentennial funding.

While not a complete list of 2023 programs and events, the above highlights provide a glimpse of what we have done together this year to further our mission. We hope that you will join us for this year’s remaining programs, events and fundraisers: Saturday, November 4th for the annual W-PHS Premium Wine and Baked Goods Sale under the tent at Gates Hall; November 8th as Sam Rind shares his very personal story as a Holocaust Survivor at Gates Hall; November 25th and 26th for Play Readings of playwright Steve Duprey, directed by Jeremy Cummings at Gates Hall; and December 10th for A Christmas Carol . . . a one man, two act play presented by Kim Tenreiro who will portray over thirty characters on the stage at Gates Hall.



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While we are proud of our many accomplishments this year, we are elated to also have been awarded our first-ever New York State Council of the Arts Grant in the amount of \$50,000 to fund a new energy efficient HVAC system for Gates Hall that will ensure the comfort of both performers and audiences for years to come. With special thanks to Property Chair, Tom Hatch, for his guidance and oversight of this capital improvement project, it is the pleasure of the W-PHS Board to report that the installation of this new system, and related electrical work, has been completed.

We are grateful to our members, donors, docents, volunteers, program presenters, performers and friends whose generosity makes it possible to share, celebrate and preserve our rich history. Along with falling leaves and crisp mornings, also comes a true sense of accomplishment and gratitude. 'Tis the Season to count our many blessings and celebrate our joys. On behalf of W-PHS, please know that each of you are among them.

Regards,

*Nan*

*Nanette P. Hance*

*President*

*Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society*

**WILLIAMSON-PULTNEYVILLE  
HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
2024 MEETING DATES**

5pm at Gates Hall  
(unless location otherwise indicated)

JANUARY 15, 2024  
BOARD COMMUNICATION WORKSHOP  
(ItClix Office | 4137 Mill Street | Pultneyville)

MARCH 25, 2024

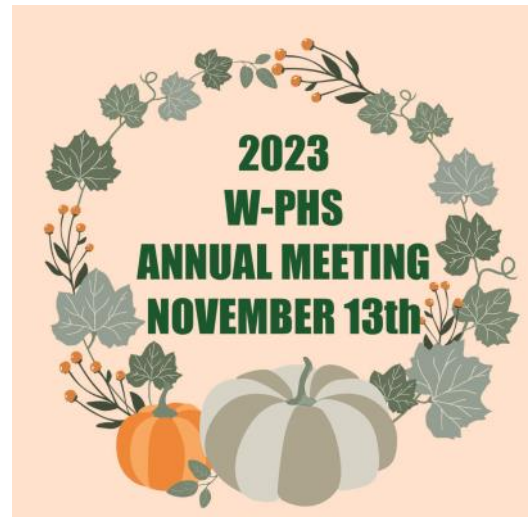
MAY 20, 2024

JUNE 24, 2024

AUGUST 26, 2024

OCTOBER 28, 2024

NOVEMBER 25, 2024



The Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society (W-PHS) will hold its Annual Meeting on **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2023** at 7pm at historic Gates Hall in Pultneyville, 4107 Lake Road.

The meeting will include “*A Celebration of the W-PHS Story*” and the Election of Officers to the offices of President and Director of Development, both for two year terms beginning January 1, 2024.

The slate of candidates includes Laura Wayland-Smith Hatch for election to the Office of Director of Development and Nanette Peters Hance for election to the Office of President. In accordance with W-PHS ByLaws, alternative nominations from the floor by members present in good standing may also be accepted.

The Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) all volunteer organization chartered by the Board of Regents of the State of New York. It is sole steward of the W-PHS house and exhibits, Centennial Park, and historic Gates Hall which resides on both the State and National Registers of Historic Places and proudly bears its designation as the oldest, continuously active small community theatre in the United States.

W-PHS has enjoyed a very productive year and looks forward to celebrating its many accomplishments with members, volunteers and friends of the society on November 13th at its Annual Meeting which will also include refreshments.



## Picturesque Pultneyville Tour of Homes 2023

The Picturesque Pultneyville Tour of Homes Committee would like to publicly acknowledge and offer our deepest thanks to those who sponsored or donated services to make the tour the tremendous success that it was.

Kudos to:

Altra Rental & Supply  
Lynda Parmelee  
Lake Winds Florist & John Palmer  
Jim Salmon  
Fowler Farms  
Lakeville Orchards  
Peter Parts

Kathy D'Amanda, Millrace Designs  
Young Sommer Winery  
Keith Herman, Tom Wahl's  
Chance Farms  
Lagoner Farms  
Orbaker's Farm Market

And most importantly, the homeowners who graciously opened their homes to our 370 visitors:

Deborah & Paul Arndt  
Amy & Andreas Delfs  
Pat & Paul Naliwajek  
Anne Ressler

Toni & Eric Baller  
Laura & Tom Hatch  
Joe Nardone

I would also like to recognize and thank the committee, listed below, for their tremendous effort, dedication, support, and baking skills!

Gratefully,

Deb Parts, Chair

Tour of Homes Committee:

Charlotte Buehler, Homeowner Liason  
Sandy Zeman, Chief Writer  
Lynda Parmelee, Ticket Sales  
Carole Schwab, Hospitality  
Nan Hance, Consultant



## “A Labor of Love”

*Submitted by Nanette P. Hance*

It's not often that a singer/songwriter writes a song for your organization! However, it did happen in Pultneyville when talented singer and songwriter, Bruce Wayne McLellan recognized the historical significance and “sense of place” that Gates Hall continues to hold in our community.

Passionate about his music and performing, Bruce surprised the audience at his September 30th benefit performance on the stage at Gates Hall with “A Labor of Love” . . . an original song for Gates Hall.

With gratitude, the Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society thanks Bruce and friends for sharing their gift of music and his inspiring lyrics with our audience at his Pultneyville performance to benefit continuing preservation efforts of the hall.

### A Labor of Love

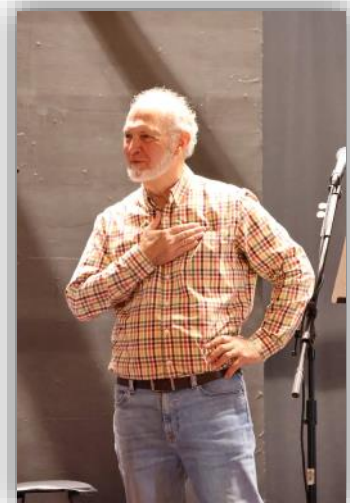
An original song for Gates Hall, written by Bruce Wayne McLellan

©2023 Bruce Wayne McLellan

In 1825 they formed a constitution, a plan to manifest their vision.  
To frame the Union Church for future generations,  
the unborn children of tomorrow's dream.  
With cash being scarce, most bartered goods and labor,  
Delivered with a twinkle in their eyes.  
Lumber and grain, a barrel of prime pork,  
Sweet cider and soft shoes satisfy.  
A Labor of love for their great-grandchildren, a kindness offered across time. Built  
on their backs and heartfelt emotion. A Labor of love, hope, and devotion  
Later that same century, charging admission,  
sold seats for some lively Gate's Hall shows.  
As the curtain opened, live theatre hit the stage –  
A tradition that continues proud today!

Miss Mary Gates provided a foundation – this was her only stipulation.  
Her legacy a commemoration entrusted to their children's children's, child.  
A Labor of love for their great-grandchildren, A kindness offered across time. Built  
on their backs and heartfelt emotion. A Labor of love, hope, and devotion  
They raised a roof where we could come together,  
Look level into one another's eyes.  
We follow fearless in their fond and fateful footsteps.  
With a passion fire burning bright and bold.  
This loving gift remains for those who will come next.  
Forever may this old, dear tradition hold!  
Now you know you're their great-grandchildren, A kindness offered across time.  
Built on their backs and heartfelt emotion.  
A Labor of love, hope, and devotion.  
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**We thank Bruce Wayne McLellan for his generosity in supporting  
Historic Gates Hall.**



*Photos by Peter Parts*

## “Meet The Spirits”

*Submitted by Nanette P. Hance*

A sincere Thank You to all who attended and supported our “Meet the Spirits” event on October 21st that moved indoors to historic Gates Hall given adverse weather conditions and our concern for the health and well-being of our spirits and audience. Kudos to the entire Cast of Spirits and Guide who creatively transitioned from being in the moonlight to having a stage presence and providing such an exceptional experience for our audience.

While most appreciative to all of our volunteers who contributed in some way to the success of this event despite last minute changes, we express special thanks to Alice Dodge for her choice of friendly spirits who presented their historical portrayals with such a true to life presence.



## Annual W-PHS Cider Making Event popular with Young and Old

This year's Columbus/Indigenous Peoples Day on October 9 saw the front yard of the Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society turned into a beehive of activity. That's because once again, the Society sponsored a NYS Path Through History event with something for everyone-apples to eat, and apples to wash, grind and press into delicious cider. Thanks to Perry Howland's reproduction hand-operated cider press, and a mixture of apples from Chance Farms, LLC, around 50 youth and adults were able to learn how early pioneers and settlers in our area and elsewhere created this safe beverage; drinking water being a rare commodity back then.

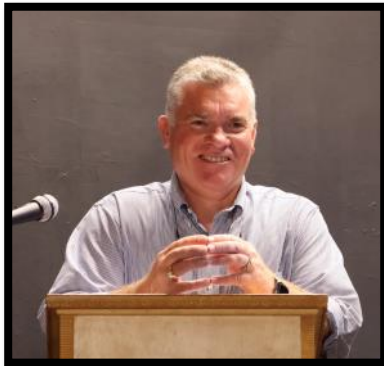
Many thanks to Dottie Howland for serving up donuts to go with the fresh-squeezed cider, Blake, Lauren and Savannah Hance, Terry Sutherland and grandchildren Owen and Charley and Joe Kozan for helping wash and get the apples to those feeding the storage hopper on the press, and assisting whoever was cranking the handle to grind the apples into the pomace or squeezing the pomace to push out the apple juice to create cider.

Mother Nature provided a beautiful fall day for the occasion, helping to send everyone home with positive memories of this by-gone activity that was so essential to life back in the 17th and 18th centuries.



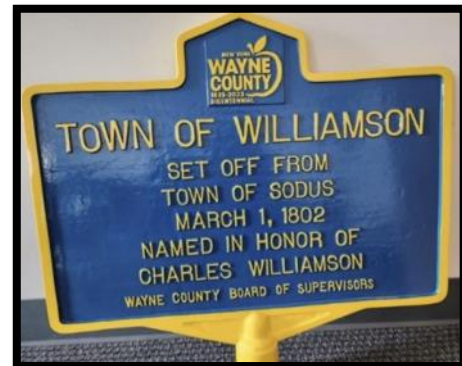
## Scott Kime and Finger Lakes Stories

Scott is currently the Tourism Ambassador for the [Finger Lakes Welcome Center](#), a Boat Captain, and provides grounds maintenance for a family-built church. On October 4, 2023, he delivered a night full of wonderful short stories that had his audience smiling and chuckling!



## Town of Williamson Bicentennial Town Marker

On October 10, 2023, the Town of Williamson celebrated the placing of the Williamson, Wayne County Bicentennial sign at the Williamson Town Complex.



### Thank you Altra Rental & Supply!

Jim Pedulls & Judy Fishgold for the donation to the W-PHS Picturesque Pultneyville Tour of Homes 2023.

### Thank you!

Lynda Parmelee for the donation and flowers for the W-PHS Picturesque Pultneyville Tour of Homes 2023.

### In Search Of Volunteers

W-PHS is in search of Volunteers to fill the following important vacancies:

- Communication Chair
- Fund Raising Chair
- Nominating Coordinator

Please contact Terry Sutherland, W-PHS Secretary, at [tsutherl@rochester.rr.com](mailto:tsutherl@rochester.rr.com) to indicate interest and request Volunteer Job Descriptions.

# A Civil War Tribute

Sunday, September 17, 2023

The weather was perfect for the Wayne County NY Bicentennial 2023 Committee’s Civil War Tribute hosted by W-PHS in Pultneyville at Gates Hall. The day was filled with great programs, displays, reenactors, and music and wrapped up with a concert in the Centennial Park by the outstanding Excelsior Cornet Band. It was the perfect way to wrap up a late-summer day! W-PHS hosted a Tribute of Remembrance Ceremony at the Civil War Monument in Lakeview Cemetery to end the day.



Photos by Peter Parts

## W-PHS EVENT SCHEDULE

- November 4 “Get Your Holiday Jingle On” , Gates Hall, 9am-3pm or until sold out
- November 8 Surviving the Holocaust with Sam Rind, Gates Hall, 7pm  
Free and open to the public
- November 13 2023 W-PHS Annual Meeting and Program “Celebrating the W-PHS Story”  
Gates Hall, 7pm **(\*\*\*NOTE DATE CHANGED FROM NOVEMBER 1\*\*\*)**
- November 25 & 26 Play Readings featuring the plays of Steve Duprey, Directed by Jeremy Cummings  
Nov 25 at 7:30pm and Nov 26 at 2pm, Gates Hall\*
- December 3 Pultneyville Illumination
- December 10 “A Christmas Carol” with Kim Tenreiro at Gates Hall, 2pm\*

*Updates online at [www.w-phs.org](http://www.w-phs.org) and [Facebook.com/WilliamsonPultneyvilleHistoricalSociety](https://www.facebook.com/WilliamsonPultneyvilleHistoricalSociety)*

\*Tickets at [www.w-phs.org](http://www.w-phs.org)

### “GET YOUR HOLIDAY JINGLE ON”

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4  
9:30am—3:00pm or until sold out  
Gates Hall**

The Holidays are coming, are you ready? Come early for best selection of wines, pies and baked goods. Buy a raffle ticket for a party basket, golf basket or a cord wreath.  
Proceeds benefit Historic Gates Hall.



### SURVIVING THE HOLOCAUST WITH SAM RIND NOVEMBER 8, 7pm at Gates Hall

Surviving the Holocaust with Sam Rind of Brighton, NY, a Holocaust survivor, speaker and author. He will share his remarkable story with us about how he escaped the Nazis with the help of his mother. A child survivor from Poland, Sam often shares his story about fleeing from Poland to the Ukraine and how he and his mother made their way across Europe to Bolivia where Sam, at the age 10, could regain his childhood.

### *SAVE THE DATE*

14<sup>th</sup> Annual Pultneyville Illumination  
December 3, 2023





# Get Your Holiday Jingle On



A Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society Fundraiser

Saturday, 11/4/23, 9:30 - 3:00, or Sold Out!

Gates Hall, 4107 Lake Rd., Pultneyville



Pairs well with friends and family for the holidays!

Product donated by:  
Raise a Glass Foundation from the Great American International Wine Competition

## PREMIUM WINES

**BUILD-A- 3 or 6 PACK**

or **BUY A BOTTLE**

Delectable **PIES**,  
Holiday **BAKED GOODS**, and  
a **RAFFLE** for **PARTY BASKET**,  
**GOLF BASKET**, or **CORK WREATH**

*Proceeds Benefit Historic Gates Hall*



## Thank you!

Thank you to the Wayne County Antique Dealers Association for awarding a WCADA Grant to Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society!

We would also like to acknowledge that we were sad to hear of the WCADA organization, begun in 1967, has now disbanded.



## Holocaust Survivor, Samuel Rind, Shares His Remarkable Journey

November 8 2023, 7:00 p.m., Gates Hall

**Author of "A Tribute to Mom: We Survived Together"**

Join us to learn about the incredible life journey of Samuel Rind, a Jewish Holocaust survivor, as he shares his story of courage and resilience during one of history's darkest times.

Born in Krasnóbród, Poland, Samuel faced unimaginable challenges when the Nazis invaded his homeland. The Rind family was torn apart as they sought to escape the clutches of the Nazi regime. Among those who embarked on this harrowing journey were Samuel, his mother, father, younger brother, aunt, and her three children. Tragically, only Samuel and his mother survived.

Despite the war's end, Samuel and his mother faced more challenges, being denied entry to the United States, where one of Samuel's uncles resided. Their journey then led them to Bolivia, where they sought refuge with another of Samuel's uncles. In 1960, Samuel was able to pursue higher education in the U.S., attending college in Buffalo. After completing

his studies, he returned to Bolivia and began a career as an optician.

In 1967, a new chapter unfolded as Samuel married Gabriela, and the couple moved to Rochester, NY. They raised a son and daughter, and Samuel's mother joined them in the 1990s, living to the age of 93 and seeing her grandchildren grow into their twenties.

Don't miss this extraordinary chance to hear Samuel Rind's firsthand account of triumph over adversity. His story is a powerful reminder of the human spirit's strength and the importance of sharing such stories to inspire generations to come.

*"As a child survivor of the Holocaust, Sam Rind's story is especially relevant to new generations of young people—teaching them about the resilience of the human spirit. The power to grow up and be a productive member of society, despite the trauma of his early years, is inspirational."* — Bonnie Abrams, Director, Center for Holocaust Awareness and Information, Jewish Federation of Greater Rochester, NY

*"Sam Rind's story of survival and, just as importantly, his willingness to share it in person, is both commendable and critical in humanity's fight to 'Never Forget.' His putting words on paper for posterity and the education of future generations will further the reach of his firsthand account of the atrocities of the Holocaust and focus the unimaginable to promote understanding."* — Rabbi Leonard Bitran, Temple Beth El, Rochester, NY

This W-PHS Program is free and open to the public.



**Historic Gates Hall Presents:**  
**An Evening (or Afternoon) of Play Readings**  
**Featuring the Plays of Steve Duprey**

**Directed by Jeremy Cummings**



**From Train to Train**  
 (An intriguing story of a woman searching for the perfect soul)



**All About the "G" Word**  
 (Mom wants to talk about God. That's not the "G" word that her 15-year-old daughter is interested in)



**Presumed Dead**  
 (An old woman receives a package from her husband, but he's been dead for 20 years)



**Gluttony on the High Seas**  
 (An unlikely pair of sea-bound shipwreck victims discuss the merits of cannibalism)

**November 25th at 7:30 pm**  
**&**  
**November 26th at 2:00 pm**

**Tickets: \$15.00**  
 Available at [www.w-phs.org](http://www.w-phs.org)  
 or scan QR Code below  
 Limited number of tickets available  
 at the door

Join the playwright, director & cast for  
 talkbacks after the plays  
 Refreshments will be served

Historic Gates Hall  
 4107 Lake Road, Pultneyville, NY 14538  
 315.589.9892



# A GHOST STORY OF CHRISTMAS

# A Christmas Carol



## PRESENTING


Mr. Kim Tenreiro performing Charles Dickens' classic tale of reclamation and salvation.



A dramatic one-man performance that brings to life over 30 characters during the show.

*Mature audience suggested*

All proceeds from the performance are donated to a variety of local charities

*In the spirit of keeping Christmas well* 

100 % of the ticket price to benefit the

## Gates Hall Preservation & Performance Fund

Sunday, December 10, 2023 at 2:00 pm

(optional prologue starts at 1:15. Recommended for ages 13 and above)

4107 Lake Road, Pultneyville NY

Tickets: \$20 for adults, \$10 if 17 or younger

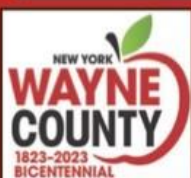
For tickets, visit [www.w-phs.org](http://www.w-phs.org), or at the door (first come/first served)



**Todd Hobin and the  
History of Rock 'n' Roll**

Sunday, November 5, 6:30pm  
Lyons Ohmann Theater

The Heritage Music Festival programs are free and have been made possible by a grant from the Robert G. Boehmler Community Foundation and through the generous contributions of our Wayne County Bicentennial Sponsors and other Bicentennial donors.



The Heritage Music Series is presented in partnership of the Wayne County Historical Society and the Wayne County Bicentennial and is made possible by a grant from the Robert G. Boehmler Community Foundation and through the generous contributions of our Wayne County Bicentennial Sponsors and other Bicentennial donors.



**SAVE THE DATE**

***“Golf for Gates Hall”  
June 3, 2024***

Join us for our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual W-PHS “Golf for Gates Hall” Tournament on Monday, June 3, 2024, at beautiful Sodus Bay Heights Golf Course. Due to the generosity of many of you as sponsors, hole sponsors and players, we have been able to upgrade our audio visual equipment in Gates Hall with the purchase of a projector, a 10’ screen and audio system. These upgrades have enhanced the performances and events.

Please consider being one of our sponsors in 2024 which will help with the ongoing upgrades to Gates Hall bringing her back to her true glory! She’s looking pretty darn good due to your support. If you’d like to be a sponsor, make a donation or help in some way, contact Terry Sutherland at [tsutherl@rochester.rr.com](mailto:tsutherl@rochester.rr.com) or 585-314-7813.

***Merry Christmas  
and  
Happy Holidays***



## *Pultneyville Recollections*

In Part 3, the last of this series, Philip Rupert describes Captain Throop's involvement with the Underground Railroad and his design expertise.

Many thanks to Philip Rupert for his contribution to this newsletter!

### **Part Three: Throop and the Underground Railroad**

Captain Throop was a man of vision along with big ideas. He designed and built one of the fastest sailing schooners that ever floated on the lake, and his steamer the "Ontario," a boat he designed was the finest passenger ship of her time.

Leaving the Pultneyville Post Office the Captain spoke to his neighbor Samuel Cuyler who ask him "have you heard of a new Law? If a slave runs away, it's our duty to return him to his master. Captain Throop answered, "If a man has enough grit to run away and reaches Pultneyville, I'll be danged if I'll send him back south." With that said by Samuel Cuyler, Captain Throop joined Underground Railroad ferrying passengers throughout the ports along with the cargo business that he was engaged in.

Those days there were bounty hunters in Pultneyville along with local residents that were interested making a quick buck. This article details a story just how the Captain negotiated this project. Earlier, I pointed out in the Throop house there was one room in the cellar of the house that was a mysterious place that we were informed to keep out. There is a high probability that room was once occupied by run away passengers designated to be included with cargo on the Captain's ship as it plied the waters of Lake Ontario. This is of course speculation on my part.

The Captain's engineering ability was especially notable. Considering he held no formal education but through apprentice learning he held many accomplishments. His personal comments are extraordinary, detailed in the above article. Considering the period in which the Captain lived, his accomplishments as a pioneer were historic. The tools used at that time with no power equipment to construct vessels of the Captain's high quality caliber is very hard to imagine. He was a special person.

He commented, "I have been very fortunate, there have been trials. I have always regretted my failure to secure investors for my screw driven steamer. I know

my design was superior to the ERICSSON PROPELLER. But I have also worked with good people, and I was exceedingly fortunate to have had the opportunity to design and build my Ontario, the finest steamer on all the lake." Extraordinary!

If you take the time to think about the Propeller Invention which would have revolutionize the shipping Industry in its infancy. Captain Horatio Nelson Throop could have been a very rich man and influential individual in the growth of our country.

The Captain was born in 1807 and died in 1884 as a resident and builder of the Captain Throop homestead in Pultneyville New York.

It is truly my pleasure add to the unique history of Pultneyville, New York.

Philip D Rupert Jr.



Attribution

"Throop and the Underground Railroad" from the Crooked Lake Review Blog, March, 29, 2010 Susan Peterson Gately

"Horatio Nelson Throop" from the Crooked Lake Review Blog, Winter 2001 James Van Cleve

1789 History of Wayne County New York 1877

Wayne County Historic Sites, Throop-Graeper Cobblestone



## Collection Management

### Fostering Preservation, Accessibility and Utility



## PHOTOS FROM YESTERYEAR

### By Dan Montondo

The early 20<sup>th</sup> Century was a time of the transition from horsepower to gasoline power. At that time there were multiple garages on Williamson's Main Street and South Avenue. These photos illustrate Williamson of that time. What will Williamson look like in the future with the transition from gasoline to electric vehicles?



The Williamson Garage on the north side of East Main Street (currently Michalke's Barber Shop) circa 1912. The GARAGE sign reads "AUTOLIVERY". (Chester Peters' Photo Collection #00713)



The same site in 1926 is now L.A. Wilson's Ford Garage. (Chester Peters' Photo Collection #00715)

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**PHOTOS FROM YESTERYEAR**  
 By Dan Montondo



Mason and Sutherland's Garage on South Avenue appears to be located just south of King's Auto. Gas 24 cents in this undated photo. (Chester Peters' Photo Collection #00711)

In 1929 Cottrell' General Garage could be found on the west side of South Avenue. (Chester Peters' Photo Collection #00699) →



Another undated photo shows the Williamson Garage at the southeast corner of Main Street. If you look closely at the Cole's Income Tax from across South Avenue, you will see that these are the same buildings. (Chester Peters' Photo Collection #00697)





## Fall on the Grounds

Gardening is done for the year as the days grow shorter and cooler. Most plants are done blooming but the gardening crew has prepared for next spring in some key ways.

We continued to cut back plants that were looking tired, weed out areas that needed it and last but not least, plant spring bulbs. Next spring the bulb display should be better than ever all around the grounds of the W-PHS house. We added about 300 more bulbs including daffodils, hyacinths and mini tulips. Some will bloom on both sides of the driveway behind the Deli, some on the west side of the bulkhead behind the house and some in Helen's Garden on the west side of the barn. Combined with the hundreds of bulbs we've installed over the last 3-4 years, there should be quite a show from April through May next year.

Sometime during February the group will get together share a cup of coffee and plan for the new gardening season. If anyone is interested in helping on the grounds next season, let Lynda know via e-mail at [susser1@yahoo.com](mailto:susser1@yahoo.com). I'll include you in our e-mail list so you can join us when you're able. We all have busy lives so there's no pressure to come every week. We work for an hour or so depending on how much talking we do before we get started. Everyone is welcome to help keep our properties looking good!

Stay Warm and enjoy the change of seasons,  
Lynda P



### 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 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
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 City/Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Would you like communications sent via email, text, or both? \_\_\_\_\_ Would you like communications sent via email, text, or both? \_\_\_\_\_

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

Homecoming / Garage Sale                       Cemetery Tour                       Exhibits / Archives Activities  
 Publicity / Fundraising Activities               Building / Grounds Upkeep               Program Planning / Docent Volunteer  
 Gift Shop                       Membership                       Officer / Committee Chair

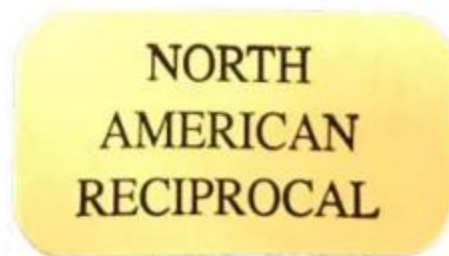
Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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 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](http://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.

## 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](http://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](http://www.w-phs.org)

#### Contact us:

On the web: [www.w-phs.org](http://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](http://www.w-phs.org) and click on the Membership tab.**

#### **Newsletter ideas?**

Send to Barbara Crawford, Editor at [news@w-phs.org](mailto:news@w-phs.org)

# WLLIAMSON-PULTNEYVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## W-PHS BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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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:

“Meet the Spirits” Event	Alice Dodge
Exhibits	Sue Jane Evans
Finance and Audit	Lou Martino
Garage Sale	Linda Perkins
Get Your Holiday Jingle On	Deb Parts and Florence Doyle
Golf Tournament	Terry Sutherland
Home Tour	Deb Parts
Homecoming	Peter Parts & Committee
Picnic	Dottie Howland
Programs	Nanette Hance, Interim

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Grounds	Lynda Parmelee
Hospitality	Betty Morley
Supplies (Mill St & Gates Hall)	TBD
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Membership	Alice and Cliff Dodge
Nominating	TBD
Volunteer & Visitor Engagement	Deborah Arndt
Newsletter	Barbara Crawford
Social Media	Charlotte Buehler
Publications	Officers & Communications Committee
Media and Publicity	TBD
Website Updates	Amy Begy

To contact any of the above, please call 315.589.9892 and leave a message.

## THANK YOU TO OUR BUSINESS MEMBERS FOR THEIR SUPPORT SHOP LOCALLY

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315-589-4511

Apple Country Spirits  
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Burnap's Farm Market/Cafe  
7277 Maple Ave., Sodus  
315-483-4050  
[burnapsfarm@aol.com](mailto:burnapsfarm@aol.com)

Chance Farms, LLC  
4000 Lake Rd., Williamson  
315-945-7771

Cavallaro-Neubauer Chevrolet  
3740 Route 104, Williamson  
800-491-8625

Carol Verbridge - Howard Hanna  
1450 Route 104, Ontario  
585-752-9436 (cell)  
315-524-2331 (office)  
[carolverbridge@gmail.com](mailto:carolverbridge@gmail.com)

Cole Income Tax Service  
4098 E. Main St., Williamson  
315-589-8441

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4095 Ridge Rd., Williamson  
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Cornerstone Associates Realty  
Locations in Williamson,  
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Webster

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4062 Ridgeway Street, Williamson  
315-589-8938

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315-331-1432

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Embark - 315-904-4212  
[info@embarkcraftcideworks.com](mailto:info@embarkcraftcideworks.com)  
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[info@lagonerfarms.com](mailto:info@lagonerfarms.com)

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504-352-4279

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585-747-9532  
[info@itclix.net](mailto:info@itclix.net)

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315-589-4811  
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6160 Route 21, Williamson  
315-589-4145

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4392 Route 104, Williamson  
315-483-9122  
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7255 E. Townline Rd., Williamson  
315-589-8665

Pultneyville Deli Company - Up Pub  
4120 Lake Road, Williamson  
315-589-0061

Pultneyville Yacht Club  
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Reaper Customs  
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585-880-6806

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Pat Bono  
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[SeawayTrailHoney@gmail.com](mailto:SeawayTrailHoney@gmail.com)

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315-589-222  
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4101 Main St. and Rt. 21  
Williamson  
315-589-4011