



THE COBBLESTONE SOCIETY
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name

Address

Annual dues	\$2.00	Patron	\$25.00
Student	.50	Life	100.00

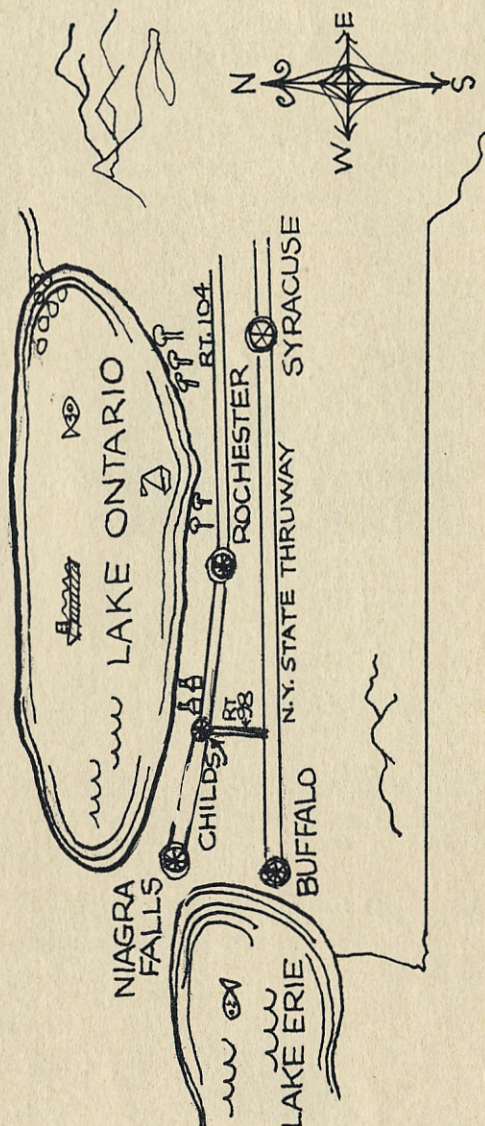
Mrs. Charles Thompson,
14528 Ridge Road, Albion, New York



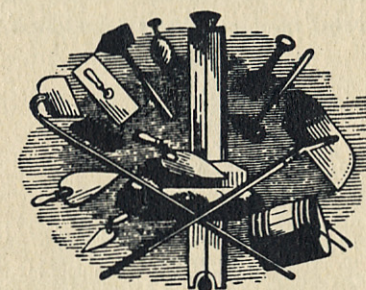
LOCATION



Childs is in the heart of Western New York State's fruit growing region on the historic Ridge Road (U.S. 104) three miles north of Albion.



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to the
PRESERVATION
of
COBBLESTONE
ARCHITECTURE
IN
AMERICA



childs, new york

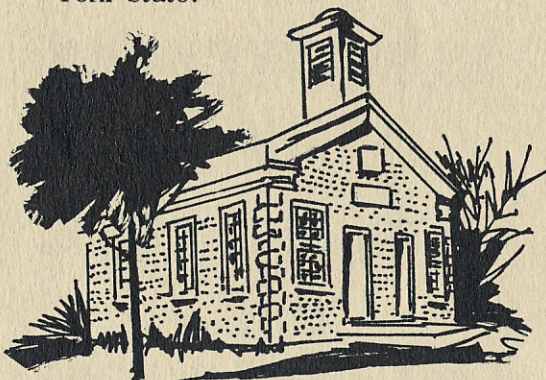
COBBLESTONE ARCHITECTURE

Between 1825 and the Civil War, architecture took on a new form in Upstate New York. Here developed the cobblestone masonry wall. Local masons gradually perfected their skill to a level never before seen on this continent, and the art spread westward along the Great Lakes as far as Wisconsin. By 1860 their handicraft became too expensive for the new industrial age and the art declined.



COBBLESTONE SOCIETY

In 1960 cobblestone enthusiasts organized the Cobblestone Society in Childs, New York to halt the gradual destruction of these landmarks. All people interested in preserving and restoring examples of cobblestone masonry are welcome to join this organization, chartered under the laws of New York State.



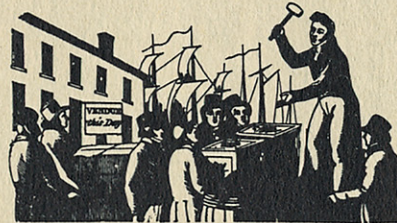
1849 COBBLESTONE SCHOOLHOUSE, CHILDS

ACTIVITIES

A tour of cobblestone buildings is held early in June. Each year a different set of buildings offers interested persons new insight into the art of cobblestone masonry.

Several dinner meetings are held each year to bring members together for special guest speakers.

Early in autumn, a country auction of antiques and farm produce has brought pleasure to those attending as well as dollars to our treasury.



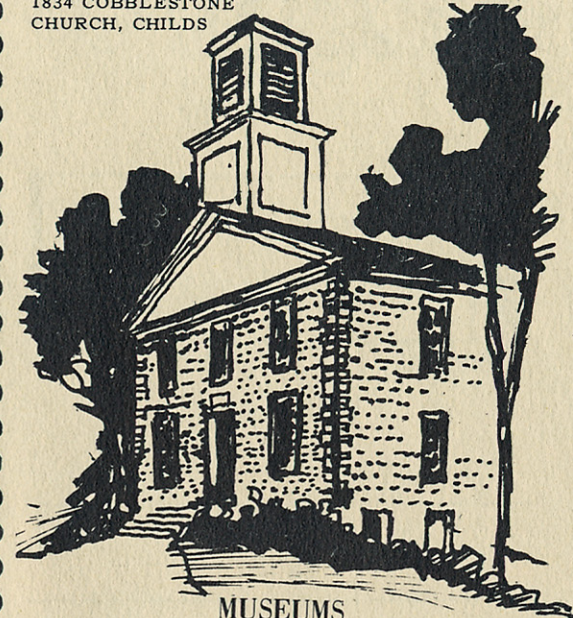
PUBLICATIONS

The Preservation and Restoration of Cobblestone Architecture, a useful guide, is \$2.

More Cobblestone Entrances, a folio of seven drawings by Carl Schmidt, is \$3.50.



1834 COBBLESTONE
CHURCH, CHILDS



MUSEUMS

Three cobblestone buildings are owned by the society for use as both a headquarters and for the Cobblestone Museum. The 1849 schoolhouse in Childs is a remarkably well preserved one-room schoolhouse now open to the public 1 - 5 PM on Saturday afternoons during the summer months. The 1834 cobblestone church has been restored and is being opened in 1965 on the same schedule. In the large basement it is planned to establish the Cobblestone Museum. A two-room schoolhouse nearby in Gaines is also owned by the society.

The church and school in Childs are unique museums with exteriors illustrating the cobblestone art and interiors explaining regional life and history.



MEMBERSHIP ACCEPTANCE FORM

To Cobblestone Society:

Please enroll me as a member of the Society for the coming year. I enclose a check for ----- dollars payable to the Society.

Signed -----

Address -----

ANNUAL DUES

Active Membership	\$ 2.00
Patron	\$25.00
Student	.50

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Individual	\$100.00
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