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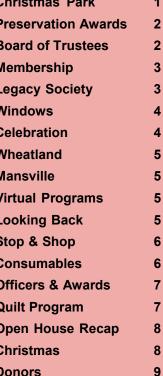
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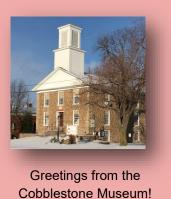


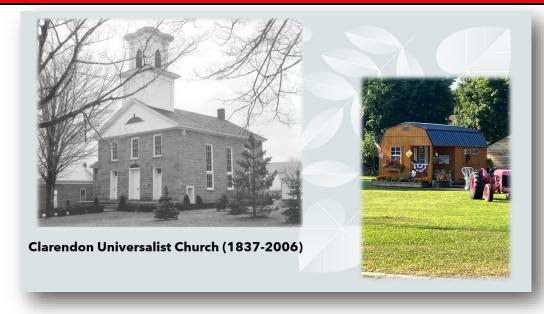
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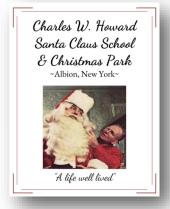


The former Universalist Church in Clarendon was knocked down in 2006. Today the land is used by Sweet Cindy's Honey selling produce, honey and products from a farm.

Join us on Saturday, November 16 at 4pm when local historian and author Bill Lattin and Cobblestone Museum director Doug Farley look back at dozens of architectural treasures in Orleans County history that succumbed to the wrecking ball. Bill recently republished his book on this same topic and added several new structures that were destroyed over the last few decades. This narrated slide show is presented in "before and after" style with photographs of the original architecture along with what each of the sites looks like today.

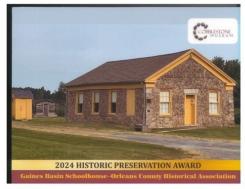
Cobblestone Museum director Doug Farley said, "Bill will be happy to sign copies of his book which will be available for purchase at the event." This free program will be presented in the Cobblestone Church on Saturday, November 16 at 4pm. Free-will donations are always appreciated. Following the program, you can continue the discussion of this topic with Bill and Doug at neighboring Tavern on the Ridge (formerly The Village Inn) for dinner on your own. Please RSVP for either the program and/ or dinner by calling the Museum at (585) 589-9013.

Charles Howard & Christmas Park

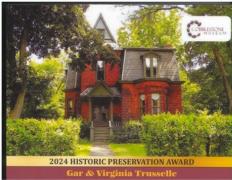


If you're looking for a great gift idea for the history buff on your shopping list, look no further than a copy of "Charles W. Howard—Santa Claus School & Christmas Park." This amazing piece of local history is a story worth retelling again and again. Enjoy dozens of full color photographs and more. Copies are available for \$15 in our gift shop or can be ordered for the same price using the order form on the back page of this newsletter.

Historic Preservation Awards













The second annual Orleans County Preservation Awards Banquet was held on Friday, October 25 at White Birch Golf Course Banquet Center in Lyndonville. Albion native and daily host on WXXI-FM Brenda Tremblay served as emcee and the keynote speaker was Wayne Goodman, director of the Landmark Society of Western New York. The Landmark Society of WNY is one of the nation's oldest and most active historic preservation organizations. It is a not-for-profit membership organization dedicated to helping our region's communities preserve and capitalize on their rich architectural, historical and cultural heritage.

Again this year, the Cobblestone Society & Museum received award nominations which represent a tremendous assortment of historic structures in many architectural styles and building materials. The nominees are integral to building stronger neighborhoods, boosting local economies and saving the places that are special to all of us. The Historic Preservation Awards celebrate those who work so hard to protect that shared heritage. Each of the building owners is to be commended for making a conscious decision to preserve and maintain their historic structures with prudent and wise choices of design and materials that complement the historic character and quality of their buildings.

This year's award winners are Gaines Basin Schoolhouse, owned by the Orleans County Historical Association; The Butterfield House, a cobblestone home owned by Erin Anheier and Russ Bosch of Clarendon; Murray-Holley Historical Society/ railroad depot owned by the Village of Holley; Holley Gardens, owned by Home Leasing; the William V.N. Barlow House in Albion, owned by Gar and Virginia Trusselle; and the Isaac Bennett House in Medina, owned by Delbert Young.

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Legacy Society

The Legacy Society recognizes and honors members and friends who have provided for the Cobblestone Society & Museum by including the Society in their estate and financial plans. Legacy gifts of every amount help ensure that the Cobblestone Museum's tradition of promoting life-long learning through innovative programs, exhibitions and collections continues for future generations. Please contact Museum Director Doug Farley at 585-589-9013 with any questions you may have.

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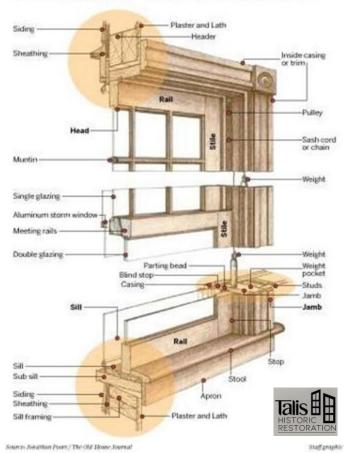


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Double Hung Windows—Repair or Replace?

DETAILS OF A DOUBLE-HUNG WINDOW



The following is from a blog post from hullworks.com, and applies to the work performed by Talis Historic Restoration in Medina NY.

Is window replacement a good investment?

Or can existing windows be fixed for less?

Window replacement, whether with wood, vinyl or aluminum windows, pays back only 70% of your out-of-pocket investment. If you spend \$20,000 to replace your windows, your estimated return on investment is \$14,000. This is based on the replacement of a 3x5 double hung insulated unit which costs \$1,600 for vinyl and \$2,000 for a wood window. You'd think that the energy savings on better windows, new windows with insulated double glazing, would pay you back quickly, with lower monthly heating bills. But research shows that it takes up to 50 years to realize the energy savings payback on window replacement projects.

I admit to a bias about tearing out old windows to replace them with new. I'm a historic preservationist who sees a greater cost vs. value in the restoration of your original windows. If your windows were built before 1950, are not rotted, but need a little maintenance, they are likely made better than the new ones, with old growth wood and beautiful wavy glass. They are single glazed which means you will not collect film and condensation between two panes of double glaze glass. And your window frames are likely made of wood or metal, not plastic.

How You Can Save on Energy Bills?

I'm also a home remodeler who knows that there are better ways to improve your home than window replacement. Here are projects which will give you a better return on your investment and save on energy bills:

- 1. Insulate your home. The return on investment for insulating your attic and walls is a three year payback. Weather stripping is also cost effective.
- 2. Update your HVAC. Over the past ten years the quality and efficiency of heating and cooling equipment has improved. If you can use your existing duct work, an HVAC remodel can be as little at \$6,000.
- 3. Add interior or exterior storm windows. This is a great way to prevent cold and draft in winter. It is much more cost effective than window replacement.
- 4. Repair your existing windows! Many homeowners assume that an inoperable window needs to be replaced when all it needs is repair. If it's painted shut, this is an easy fix. If the hardware is broken, this too is an inexpensive repair.

The historic double hung window system was invented 200 hundred years ago in the pre- industrial era. Things made by hand then, can be repaired by hand now. Back then, windows were made to last 100 years, with old growth wood sash, solid hardware and sturdy frames. Whereas today's new windows are made with softer new growth wood which has a shorter life span of only 30 years.

Written by Brett Hull of Hull Millworks. The information is endorsed by Talis Historic Restoration.

Talis Historic Restoration specializes in window restoration, window replication, and modern replacements where needed. It is located in Medina, NY, 585-318-4787.

A "Lattin" Celebration



Several generations of Bill Lattin's family joined him at the Visitors Center recently to help Bill celebrate his 80th birthday. Let us know if you have an upcoming family gathering we can help you celebrate!

Wheatland, Genesee County

Mansville, Jefferson County



By Richard Palmer, Cobblestone Blog

Peter Sheffer II had this cobblestone house built about 1840 for his son Levi. The house faces west toward the village from the end of School Street (later East Genesee Street) in the Town of Wheatland, Genesee County. The wooden one-story wing of about 1860 included a dining room, kitchen and woodshed. Higher ceilings, tall windows to the floor and molding details reflect the Victorian era.

In 1946, the attractive east wing was added by Mr. and Mrs. Carey Brown with assistance from Scottsville architect Carl Schmidt. The front porch was enlarged around an existing maple tree. A basement garage and upstairs guest quarters were included. In 1954, the east wing was extended further to the rear to add a two-room apartment. Only the house shown above is original. The rest of the cobblestone work was done in the 20th century.

Virtual Programs for 2025

Register online at CobblestoneMuseum.org.

Virtual Presentation (Zoom Program) – Graveyard Quilt – Jennifer Downs, Curator at the Kentucky Historical Society (Tuesday, January 28, 7 pm EST). One of the most recognized quilts in their collection, this 1843 quilt memorializes a family and is a rare example of a mourning quilt.

Virtual Presentation (Zoom program) – The Greatest Act: U.S. Grant & Civil Rights – Ben Kemp, Operations Manager, U.S. Grant Cottage State Historic Site (February 27, 2025, 7 pm EST) A fitting program during Black History Month, the subject matter helps highlight a very difficult but promising period of the Civil Rights struggle and Grant's role in it

Virtual Presentation (Zoom Program) – Waterway of Change: Women and the Erie Canal – Elizabeth Farrell, Asst. Dir. of Education & Public Programming at the Erie Canal Museum (Thursday, March 20, 6:30 pm EST). Celebrate the 200th anniversary of the completion of the Erie Canal and Women's History Month by joining the virtual audience for this presentation. Learn how the fight for women's rights grew out of the changes brought about by the Erie Canal and the movement's dependence on networks that the Canal facilitated.



By Richard Palmer, Cobblestone Blog

Cobblestone School District #7 was located on the Sandy Creek-Ellisburg Road southwest of the village of Mannsville in the town of Ellisburg. It was the only known cobblestone building in Jefferson County.

The district was merged with Mansville Central School District about 1930 and the building was subsequently demolished. Photo courtesy of Historical Society of South Jefferson, Adams, N.Y.

Looking Back



Can you help us identify anyone seen here in this photo from our archives from circa 1976? (That's the time period when the sleigh was on display in the lower level of the Cobblestone Church.)

Consumables: Cost of Doing Business





By Sue Bonafini, Assistant Director

The Holiday Shoppe is located in the lower level of the Cobblestone Church. It will be open to the public from 10am - 3pm on December 7, allowing Simply Christmas guests to shop before or after the program. We sell ornaments, lights, decorations of all types, paper products, Christmas fiction and non-fiction books, and more! Products are sold throughout the public season at our Holiday Shoppe, priced affordably so merchandise sells! We gratefully receive donations of new or gently used goods from members and friends of the Museum to keep our display areas stocked with Christmas selections, and all donations are tax-free. Consider donating any unwanted Christmas items you may have, especially if you plan to retire some items to replace them with new ones this year or next. Keep us in mind when Christmas merchandise is on sale after the season comes to a close. Kindly contact us at 585/589-9013 to make arrangements for us to receive your donations. Sales from the Holiday Shoppe benefit the Cobblestone Society & Museum.

Our Gift Shop will also be open on Saturday, December 7. All Merle maple products are now 50% off the original price. Browse our book collection, old-fashioned toys, scented candles, handcrafted jewelry, mascot Cobble the Mouse merchandise, Laura's Raw Honey selections, and a variety of other items. Pick up a bag of cobblestone candy at the sales counter to help stuff a stocking or provide a sweet treat. Available just in time for holiday giving, our Cobblestone Museum logo adorns T-shirts (S, M, L, XL, 2XL) and caps that would make wonderful gifts for members or supporters of the Museum. Buy one for yourself or tuck one away for a birthday or other special occasion gift. Shirts are priced at \$15 and caps cost \$14. You'll be surprised how many conversations may start as a result of someone noticing your "free promotion" of our National Historic Landmark! Call us to arrange for your purchase during the off-season.

Volunteers will also ready our Used Books Sale selections for December 7 to move books off of shelves and into the hands of readers before the winter weather forces the temporary closure of the self-serve operation. All selections will be sold at 50% savings. Loads of books are available in a wide array of genres. Books make great gifts and even stocking stuffers! Your book donations will be gladly accepted beginning next spring.

By Sue Bonafini, Assistant Director



Have you ever thought about the many items the Cobblestone Society must purchase annually for mailings, maintenance, signage, and guest amenities? Rising costs of postage and commonly purchased merchandise require us to spend income generated through year-round fundraising efforts, plus admission fees or retail sales during our public season. Occasionally, members and friends of

the Cobblestone Society will donate goods to offset our annual operating costs. For that, we're very grateful. If you, too, are interested to support us in some way, here are some helpful ideas to guide your philantropic decision-making. Please know that this is just a partial list of items we purchase to conduct business, but they are the most frequently used.

Consumables Used Regularly:

Paper towels for our four public restrooms – (Note: The Ladies Room dispenser cannot accommodate oversized rolls.)

Toilet tissue for our four public restrooms.

Liquid Soap pump dispensers or Refill soap bottles.

Bathroom cleaning products - Swiffer Duster Refills - Other cleaning agents

Copy Paper - white - 8x11"

Standard staples

Bottled water for our volunteers (complimentary). Bottles are sold in the Gift Shop @ \$1.

Other Goods:

Clear Packaging Tape - Transparent Tape - Masking Tape

Colored Copy Paper - Cardstock

Sealable food storage bags – various sizes for various uses

Disinfecting wipes – Hand sanitizer

If in doubt, don't hesitate to call us (585/589-9013) for an assessment of our current needs. We'd be happy to offer guidance.

Gift cards from Walmart, Tops or Wegmans in any amount are most desirable. This allows us to make purchases that run the gamut at the time shortages occur.

Architecture Destroyed



Another great idea for Christmas gifting is the recently republished book, "Architecture Destroyed." This book has all of the original content from the 1980s and new information concerning buildings that have been lost in the 20th century. You can use the order form on the last page of this newsletter.

Officers Elected and Awards Presented



Receiving awards were (left-right) Joyce Chizick, Shirley Bright-Neeper, Jim Bonafini and Ruth Allis. (Brian Daddis, absent)

The Annual Meeting of the Cobblestone Society & Museum was held on Saturday, November 2 at the Gaines Carlton Community Church. The business meeting and program followed a delicious turkey dinner prepared by members of the church.

The slate of elected officers includes Matt Holland, president; Richard Remley, executive vice president; Christine Sartwell, vice president of development; Mary Zangerle, secretary; Maarit Vaga, treasurer; Chris Capurso, corresponding secretary; and Gail Johnson, membership secretary.

Trustees elected for terms ending Dec. 31, 2027 include Sylvia Goodstine, Camilla VanderLinden, Bill Lattin and Brenda Radzinski. Fred Miller was elected for a term ending Dec. 31, 2026.

Awards were presented to several individuals for their various contributions to the Cobblestone Museum.

First was a Community Partner Award presented by Brenda Radzinski to Ruth Allis on behalf of the Medina Garden Gals. These women spent hours planting and weeding the garden outside the Ward House, which they also designed more than 20 years ago. The garden is age-appropriate for the time period of the Ward House.

Mason Brian Daddis from Brian Daddis Heritage Masonry was unable to attend to receive the Business Partner of the Year Award from Russ Bosch for extensive work on all three of the Museum's National Historic Landmark buildings. Brian also conducted two educational workshops on repairing historic masonry.

Jim Bonafini received the Frances Folsom Cobblestone Board Alumni Award for excellence in serving the museum by a former board member. It was presented by Grace Denniston to the past board president and treasurer. Jim has made wooden signs for the Cobblestone Society, and is trained to be a blacksmith and docent.

Assistant director Sue Bonafini presented the final award of the afternoon – the Volunteer of the Year award. This year's award went to two very dedicated women, Shirley Bright-Neeper and Joyce Chizick. For several years these ladies have planned a garden party soiree, making all the arrangements for entertainment and refreshments. Chizick was commended for creating an elegant selection of finger foods.

The afternoon program concluded with a presentation by Ryan Duffy, executive director of the Holland Land Office Museum in Batavia, who gave a video presentation of "Joseph Ellicott's Ghost."

Stitching Sorrow & Loss: Elizabeth Roseberry Mitchell's Graveyard Quilt



Join us on Tuesday, January 28 at 7pm EST to hear Jennifer Downs curator at Kentucky Historical Society who will share a Zoom program related to the history of a remarkable textile.

An extraordinary mourning quilt in the Kentucky Historical Society's collection, made by Elizabeth Roseberry Mitchell

around 1843, is widely known as the "Graveyard Quilt." Mitchell, who moved with her family from Pennsylvania to Kentucky in 1840, designed and created this quilt with the assistance of her daughters to memorialize the deaths of her beloved family members.

Both a striking work of art and a traceable family tree, this quilt is characterized by an overall pattern of alternating eight -point stars and brown calico blocks surrounding a cemetery bordered by a picket fence, trellis, and climbing roses. Most unusual for mourning quilts of this period is the presence of coffins, both in the cemetery and around the perimeter of the

quilt. According to family history, it was Mitchell's intention to place a coffin, each sewn with a paper tag identifying a family member, within the central cemetery section when they died. She also incorporated additional coffins, with the intent of adding the names of new family members as they arrived.

Jennifer Downs' program will be within the context of 19th century Kentucky and Victorian mourning customs. Marie Bell, owner of Country Treasures in Brockport is sponsoring this virtual event.



Reservations are needed. (CobblestoneMuseum.org) A Zoom link will be forwarded to registrants the day before this event.

Graveyard Quilt closeup. Photo courtesy of Kentucky Historical Society. Catalog #1959.13.

Open House 2024 Recap



A Museum guest inspects the Model T Ford owned by trustee Larry Albanese.

By Sue Bonafini, Assistant Director

Nearly 200 attendees were on campus for our annual Open House event on October 5, which includes visitors, volunteers, and special visiting guests. Beef-on-Weck was featured at the Food Tent. Old-fashioned games were played at the schoolhouse -- quoits, hoop rolling, and Jacob's Ladder seemed popular. Many volunteers chose to don period costumes or old-time accessories for the event, to add to the feeling of bygone days.

Our planned musical performers had to withdraw for health reasons only days prior to the event, so our sincerest thanks to trustee and vocalist Maarit Vaga, accompanist Darryl Smith and daughter Martha, who created a special program for our audience instead. Finnish songs and Gershwin tunes were enjoyed by all who assembled in the Cobblestone Church to close our daylong event.

Special thanks to our many docents and volunteers of the Cobblestone Museum without whom our special event would not have been possible. Below is a list of individuals who shared their special talents and expertise with our guests. We're so appreciative of their time with us!

Blacksmithing - George Borrelli, Matt Holland, Leo Le Berth

Butter Making – Georgia Thomas

Chair Caning - Harold Clark

Collector of Mechanical Musical Instruments - Dan Wilke

Genesee Country Lace Guild - Liz Mongiovi

Hit 'n Miss Engine – Le Roy Neeper

Printing - Dave Avery, David Damico

Quilting - Eileen Sorochty

Rug Hookers of the Finger Lakes – Kathy Hitchcock & Pat Olson

Saddle Making – Judith Bromley, TruFit Saddle, Inc., Elma, NY

Spinning - Nancy Sanger, SanGer-La Alpacas, Brockport

Weaving - Kim Fuller

Simply Christmas II—Dec. 7



By Maarit Vaga, Treasurer

Whether you call him Sinterklaas, Sviatyi Mykolai, or Santa Claus, we invite you to join us for a little celebration of St. Nicholas Day. We will be gathering at the Cobblestone Church for "Simply Christmas II" on Saturday, December 7th at 11am, for stories, songs, readings and carols. This year's program will feature the traditions of Saint Nicholas

Day. Light refreshments will be served in the Proctor Room as you browse the Holiday Shoppe that is bursting with treasures and stocking stuffers. Come share the warmth and joy of Christmas with us! Free-will offerings gladly received.

Following the program, the Orleans County Historical Associations will be holding its Annual Luncheon meeting and program at the Tavern on the Ridge beginning at 12:30pm. Menu choices: 1. Beef on Weck Wrap with French Fries. 2. Bowl of French Onion Soup and Caesar Salad. 3. Chicken Parmesan with Pasta. All three choices cost \$20 and include rolls, beverage and gratuity. A brief business meeting will follow lunch. The featured speaker will be Mike McFarland, author, whose topic is "The Civil War and The Erie Canal." Everyone is welcome to attend this luncheon and program. Membership in OCHA is not required. For reservations call (585) 589-6015. Come and enjoy a full day of activities!

Create a Keepsake—Dec. 14



Join us on Saturday, December 14 at 11am when Shirley Nigro, a local artist with world renown, will create an opportunity for folks to paint a one-of-a-kind Christmas keepsake or ornament.

The cost of \$10 includes a seat at the event, paints and brushes. A wide array of ornaments and decorations will be available for purchase starting at \$4 to paint on site or take home for painting later.

Register at CobblestoneMuseum.org or call (585) 589-9013.

Donors and More!

Many thanks to our members and friends who have made donations to the Cobblestone Society since our last issue of *The Cobblestoner*. Many people kindly donated items, finances, in-kind services, or artifacts to help the Museum continue to grow.

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Cobblestone Museum Events 2024/25

(This early look at events for 2025 is still subject to change.)

Architecture Destroyed Program: (Sat. Nov. 16 at 4pm) Bill Lattin shows slides of "before and after" from his reprinted book. Free-will donations for the Cobblestone Museum gladly received. Optional dinner-on-your-own at Tavern on the Ridge at 5pm. Please call us to reserve your spot.

Simply Christmas II: (Sat. Dec. 7 at 11am) Featuring charming Christmas traditions, music, readings, carols, and treats. A delightful way to begin the holiday season!

Ceramic Christmas Ornament Session with Shirley Nigro: (Sat. Dec. 14 at 11am) Get ready for Christmas with internationally renown 3D sculpture artist, Shirley Nigro.

Virtual Zoom Programs: Three programs to be held in winter months. See article on Page 5.

Painting Classes –Tom Zangerle: (Sat. March TBD) – Retired art instructor Tom Zangerle will conduct three painting classes for interested students of all skill levels. Tom will cover many of the basics such as composition, value, color mixing, materials and the use of photographs to aid in the completion of an oil landscape. Tom noted, "You don't have to have been born with special talents and there are no hidden secrets. All you need is a willingness to learn and try." A list of class supplies will be provided.

Art Exhibit—Tom Zangerle: (Ongoing) In conjunction with Mr. Zangerle's painting classes, Tom has mounted an exhibit of his paintings at the Visitors Center. Visit during Museum hours or call for an appointment.

Art Exhibit—19th Century Orleans County Painters:

(Ongoing) Bill Lattin has put together an outstanding exhibit of 19th century paintings at the Thompson-Kast Visitors Center.

Historic Coverlets: (Ongoing) An exhibit of over 20 historic 19th century coverlets is on display at the Visitors Center. Visit during Museum hours or call for an appointment to see this display from the Museum's own collection. A full color catalog detailing each coverlet is available by donation.

Victorian Mourning Art Exhibition with Color Catalog:

(Ongoing) Join us to view an exhibition of over 200 examples of mourning art objects and images that have been loaned from the personal collection of retired art educator and Museum director Bill Lattin. Bill installed this exhibit in late 2022 in our Upper Gallery and recently added over 20 new pieces.

Cobblestone Bus Tour (April TBD) Join us as we resume our tradition of bus tours for the 2025 season.

Annual Membership Dinner: (Wed. May 14) This highlight of our year will be held again at the Carlton Recreation Hall. Delicious buffet catered with live and silent auctions and plenty of raffles and prizes.

Potty Tour: (Sat. May 17) Kick off our season with a walking tour of our collection of 19th century necessary structures.

Museum Tours in 2025: (May 17 – October 31). Reservations will be accepted for our docent-led tours, now offered by appointment at 10:30 and 1:30, Tuesday - Saturday. By appointment or walk-in tours will be offered during the height of

the season, between 10 am and 2 pm, June 1st through Auqust 30th.

Masonry Workshop: (TBD) The Cobblestone Museum is pleased to announce a hands-on Historic Masonry Workshop presented by Brian Daddis Heritage Masonry. The full day workshop will focus on maintaining a historic masonry structure. Topics include the importance of using lime mortar when reconditioning historic masonry structures, with a hands-on demonstration involving repointing a stone foundation, repointing brick, extracting and replacing bricks and composite patching of bricks.

Progressive Organ Concert: (Sun. May 31) – This progressive concert begins at 2pm with a wine and cheese reception. A delicious dinner is included to follow the concert at the Tavern on the Ridge (formerly Tillman's Village Inn.) A choice of menu selections will be available for our concert guests.

Patriotic Service – Cobblestone Church: (Sun. July 6 at 11am) Join us for our annual observance of Independence Day with a program of patriotic readings and music in the Cobblestone Church. A good old-fashioned potluck picnic will follow on the side lawn. Bring along a lawn chair and dish to pass. Hot dogs and beverages will be provided.

A Mid-Summer Celebration: (TBD) (Formerly Summer Solstice Soirée) Shirley Bright-Neeper and Joyce Chizick are heading up this year's Summer Soirée.

Flea Market: (Sat. August 9) A multitude of vendors are anticipated for this year's annual event. Chicken and Biscuit luncheon available.

Fall Open House: (Sat. Sept. 6) Our campus comes alive with artisans and craftsmen plying their trade in this focus on 19th century life in Orleans County. Come and spend the day; complimentary admission. A musical performance will conclude the event.

Tour of Historic Homes – (Sat. Oct. 18) A full range of different architectural styles and building materials will be featured. The tour package includes a customized catalog of interesting and informative information on each of the tour stops and maps to help guide you along your route. Most of the sites are offering full indoor tours.

Preservation Awards Banquet: (Fri. Oct. 10) Our third annual banquet will be held at White Birch Golf Course. Join us to celebrate local residents and business owners who have demonstrated their commitment to architectural preservation.

Annual Meeting: (Nov. 1) Our luncheon will be followed by a brief business meeting with election of officers and trustees and recognition of those contributors and volunteers who have helped make our 2025 season successful.

Simply Christmas III: (Dec 6) We will be gathering at the Cobblestone Church for "Simply Christmas III" on Saturday, December 6th at 11am, for stories, songs, readings, & carols. Following the program, light refreshments will be served in the Proctor Room as you browse the Holiday Shoppe that is bursting with treasures and stocking stuffers. Come share the warmth and joy of Christmas with us! Free-will offerings gladly received.

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