



# The Cobblestoner



## Back to the Garden—Wednesday, July 10

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*By Shirley Bright-Neeper, Co-Chair*

Our first Cobblestone Museum Soirée was held in the garden of Shirley and Le Roy Neeper. After a few years of Garden Soirees we left the garden and held our event on the Cobblestone Museum campus. We wanted to celebrate our new purchase of the Thompson-Kast Visitors Center. This year we are going "Back to the Garden."

Jim and Connie Fisher, 10193 Millers Road, Lyndonville, have graciously agreed to let us host our 2024 Soirée in their beautiful midsummer garden. Mike Grammatico will be back playing his saxophone. Those who attended our first event will remember his glorious music. New this year is the band McHenry and Baz. They will be playing tunes you will recognize and enjoy.

Joyce Chizick has planned some delicious sweet and savory light refreshment. Guests will be given two tickets for wine or a nonalcoholic punch. Water will be available. A tent will be provided for guests as well as lots of seating. A port-a-potty will be on site.

The Fisher garden features an explosion of day lilies, daisies and midsummer flowers in a beautiful rural setting. A lovely fish pond and small waterfall provides a respite for guests to re-

lax. Connie's "She Shed" is filled with a fun collection of antiques and family artifacts.

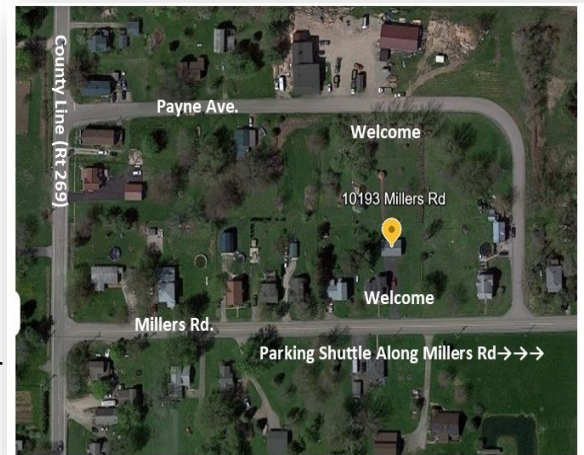
A golf cart will be available to take guests who need assistance to the venue from the parking area along Millers Rd.

Please come on Wednesday, July 10 from 4pm until dusk. A suggested donation of \$10 is appreciated. Rita Burrell has also provided a major sponsorship to assist with our fundraising.

We also could use several volunteers for a variety of jobs including reception, food and drink, and parking. Call Shirley Bright-Neeper (585-590-9496) or Sue Bonafini at the museum (585-589-9013).



Plan your visit to the Cobblestone Museum!





## Membership Dinner Recap



*Auctioneer Randy Bower joins committee members Grace Denniston and Marty Taber to cut the delicious cake prepared by Peggy Bropst.*

*By Gail Johnson, Membership Dinner Chair*

A BIG THANK YOU to Jack Broer, Christine Capurso, Kim Charron, Mike & Krys Elam, Doug Farley, Sylvia Goodstine, Matt Holland, Gail Johnson, Brenda Radzinski, and Brad Ryan who methodically arranged the Carlton Rec Hall within a three-hour time frame.

Ninety-eight members attended the sixth annual Membership Fundraising Dinner on Wednesday, May 8, 2024. Thanks go out to all of the committee who worked so hard that evening to

put on this well-organized event. They are: Larry Albanese, Jean Benson, Christine Capurso, co-chair, Grace Denniston Doug Farley, Sylvia Goodstine, Krys Elam, Ruth Mathes, Shirley Bright-Neeper, Brenda and Mollie Radzinski, Marty Taber, Camilla VanderLinden, Maarit Vaga, Doreen Wilson, and students Iris Capurso and Hailey Nevaeh Walker. Our auctioneer, Randy Bower, was again outstanding.

Fifty-six ticket holders were in the Early Bird drawing. To qualify for this raffle, you had to have paid for your tickets by March 31st. Our gross income for this event was \$22,900. This includes memberships, dinners, and donations (\$17,530), and the auction, silent auction and raffles (\$5,370). The live auction brought in \$2,615, the silent auction \$1,385, the basket raffle \$590, the money tree raffle \$590, and the split club raffle \$190. Our net income was \$17,911.08 after expenses.

A special thank you is extended to Roy Bubb, Rita Burrell, and John Nipher of Holley, and Patricia and K. Peter Hurd, and Gail Johnson of Albion - all who underwrote the cost of the dinners. Also, Scott Schickling, CPA, CFP of Medina underwrote the entire cost of the Carlton Recreation Hall rental for the evening. Lois and Doug Farley of Burt, Shirley Bright-Neeper and Le Roy Neeper of Medina, David Mitchell of Albion, and Camilla and David VanderLinden of Rochester gave generous monetary donations. The cost and preparation of the appetizers for the evening were donated by Grace Denniston of Albion. Brenda Radzinski of Albion underwrote the cost of the sheet cake and Doreen Wilson of Albion provided the table coverings.

And to all the members who donated items for the auctions and raffles, a big thank you. We had some unusual and valuable items in the auction such as the original art paintings donated by Roy Bubb and John Nipher of Holley. Amy Engert of Holley donated a hand carved wooden statue, a rare 1944 Vintage Roseville (109-9) double-handled Urn/Vase, and a 1940 oriental still life ink and water color with a hand carved frame. A round of golf with lunch for up to three golfers at the Ridgemont Country Club was donated by Jim Bonafini of Kendall. Brenda Radzinski of Albion again donated a beautiful handmade quilt. The top seller in the auction was the specialty luncheon at the Cobblestone Vagg House donated by the Cobblestone Museum.

*Cobblestone Museum programs are made possible with funds from the Statewide Community Regrant Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature and administered by GO ART!*

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## Westernmost Cobblestone



*By Richard Palmer*

The westernmost cobblestone structure in New York State is the original Isaac Swain home at 914 River Road, Youngstown, nearly overlooking the Niagara River. Swain arrived in Youngstown from England in 1803 and built this house in 1836. Miss Sarah Swaub was the last of her family to live there.

The site is quite historical. The Battle of La Belle Famille was fought here in July 1759 - an ambush of the French and Indians by the British and their Indian allies. There is an historical marker in front to mark the site. Many historians claim that as a result of this battle we speak English in this country rather than French. Later, during the War of 1812, the original house was burned by the British when they burned the entire frontier. Isaac Swain rebuilt the present cobblestone house in 1836, and an addition was built in the mid-19th century.



## Universalist Church-Middleport



*By Richard Palmer*

The First Universalist Church at 44 Main St., Middleport was organized in April, 1841. The church was built on land donated by John Craig. It was constructed of smooth, egg-shaped stones gathered by the congregation from the shore of Lake Ontario and under the supervision of stone mason Emery Smith.

Rev. Linus Everett was chosen to dedicate the church in 1842. In 1870 the Middleport Church was valued at \$8,000 with the only church bell within the village, as well as the first organ. Due to diminished membership, the church closed in 2015 and the building was sold.



## Patriotic Service—July 7 @ 11am



Please join us for our annual observance of Independence Day with the Patriotic Service and Picnic on Sun. July 7 beginning at 11 am in the Cobblestone Church. Special music and patriotic readings will be followed with a potluck picnic on the side lawn. Hot dogs and beverages are provided. A free-will donation will be gladly received.

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## Window Restoration: Preserving History with Talis Historic Restoration



*By David Fuller, Operations Manager, Talis Historic Restoration*

Western New York is home to an incredible array of historic buildings, each telling a unique story of the region's past. As these structures age, maintaining their original features becomes increasingly important. One of the most critical elements to preserve in any historic building is its windows. At Talis Historic Restoration, we specialize in restoring these windows to their former glory, combining historical accuracy with modern functionality.

### *The Charm and Character of Historic Windows*

Historic windows are more than just functional elements; they are integral to a building's character. They reflect the architectural style of the period in which the building was constructed, from the elegant double-hung sash windows of the Victorian era to the charming casement windows found in early Colonial homes. Restoring these windows allows property owners to retain the building's original aesthetic, enhancing its historical authenticity and curb appeal.

### *Environmental and Economic Benefits*

Window restoration is not just about preserving history; it also offers significant environmental and economic benefits. Original windows were often crafted from old-growth wood, which is denser and more durable than the materials used in modern windows. By restoring rather than replacing these windows, we reduce the demand for new materials and the environmental impact associated with manufacturing and transportation.

Additionally, restored windows can be made energy-efficient. Through techniques such as weatherstripping, installing storm

windows, and using energy-efficient glazing, we can significantly improve a building's insulation while maintaining its historic integrity. This leads to lower heating and cooling costs, making restoration a wise investment for homeowners and businesses alike.

### *A Growing Trend in Western New York*

In Western New York, there is a growing appreciation for the region's architectural heritage. Communities are increasingly recognizing the value of preserving their historic buildings, not just for their aesthetic and cultural significance but also for their potential to drive tourism and economic development. The Cobblestone Museum, with its commitment to preserving and celebrating the unique cobblestone architecture of the region, is a testament to this trend.

At Talis Historic Restoration, we are proud to contribute to this movement by offering expert window restoration services. Recently, we have had the privilege of restoring the windows for the Cobblestone Church and Ward House, ensuring that these iconic buildings retain their historical integrity for years to come. Our team combines traditional craftsmanship with the latest conservation techniques to ensure that each restoration project meets the highest standards of quality and historical accuracy.

### *Partner with Us*

Whether you own a historic home, manage a heritage site, or are involved in a community preservation project, Talis Historic Restoration is here to help you preserve the unique character of your property. Contact us today to learn more about our services and how we can assist you in keeping Western New York's history alive for future generations.

For inquiries, please contact Talis Historic Restoration at (585) 318-4787 or visit our website at [www.talishistoricrestoration.com](http://www.talishistoricrestoration.com). Together, let's preserve the past and build a sustainable future.



## Historic Masonry Workshop



The Cobblestone Museum partnered with Brian Daddis Heritage Masonry for a successful workshop on May 18. The full day session attended by about 10 registrants spent the morning in a classroom session and afternoon with a hands-on demonstration with lime mortar. Brian Daddis taught this workshop at our Thompson-Kast Visitors Center. Participants gathered from around NYS.





## Additional Volunteers

*By Sue Bonafini, Asst. Dir.*

Someone once said, "The greatest mistake is to imagine that we never err." My apologies to the following individuals who were omitted from the 2023 volunteer list published in the Spring Newsletter. Thank you for your service. Your various contributions made a positive impact for our members and visitors!

Joyce Chizick

Ruth Mathes

Richard Palmer

Sandra Thaine

Len Tundermann

Alex White

## Architectural Tour –Sept. 21

Save the date of September 21 for the Cobblestone Museum Architectural Tour. We've identified at least 10 stops on this year's self drive tour, all located in the Albion vicinity, so drive time will be kept to a bare minimum. 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. Most of the sites are offering full indoor tours.

A complete list of the stops will be published on our website soon and will also be covered in our fall *Cobblestoner*, coming out in early September. Tickets are available to order on the back page of this newsletter.

Here's a sneak peek of some of our stops.



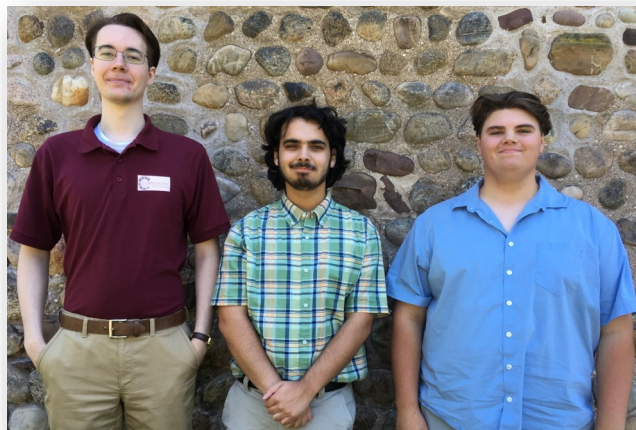
## Summer Interns 2024

*By Sue Bonafini, Asst. Director*

The 2024 season is underway, and if you've visited our campus, you may have seen or met one or more of our summer interns. Willem De Ruyscher and John Patt have returned for a second season. Collin Capurso is new to the role, having begun his internship in mid-May. However, he is no stranger to the Museum, now following in the footsteps of his grandfather Al Capurso, formerly the Gaines Town Historian and a longtime docent of the Cobblestone Museum.

Interns perform a variety of duties to aid staff and visitors, and focus on projects that both enhance and further select goals of the Museum. Interns also provide tours of campus buildings to guests in the absence of our trained volunteer docents. Interns learn the history of our various buildings by following the same methods used to train our volunteers. Trustee Bill Lattin has proved himself to be invaluable when it comes to sharing his knowledge of the history of the various collections of artifacts found within campus locations as these young men learn.

Grant funding is made available for our Summer Internship program through the generosity of Camilla VanderLinden & Robin MacLeod and the Dunn Martin Fund.



(Above left) Collin Capurso: I am a History Adolescent Education major at SUNY Geneseo, entering my third year of my undergraduate studies. At Geneseo, I am currently employed as a Resident Assistant (RA) and am a member of the social fraternity Men of Action and Change (MAC). I graduated from Albion High School in 2022 and am pleased to have begun my first year as an intern at the Cobblestone Museum. At the museum, I am eager to expand my historical knowledge and strengthen my understanding of the history of my hometown.

(Right) Willem De Ruyscher: This is my second year as an intern here at the Cobblestone Museum. I've graduated from Albion High School this year and I am headed to the University at Albany to study history.

(Center) John Patt: I'm glad to be back at the museum for another year. I am currently going into my 3rd year at SUNY Brockport studying history. I have been interested in history for a long time, and the Cobblestone Museum gives me a chance to work in a history-related field. In my spare time I like to read, play video games, play violin, birdwatch, and hang out with my friends. I'm excited to learn even more this summer at the museum, and I hope to see you there!

## Annual Appeal—Challenge Grant



*By Matt Holland, Board President*

We have treasured having you as a supporter, volunteer or member to help us achieve our mission at the Cobblestone Society & Museum. I am pleased to report that museum visitation is continuing to rise following a few years of decline due to COVID-19. We have also had tremendous success with our Capital Campaign to purchase and expand our new Visitors Center. But, we still have pressing needs for funds for expenses such as building preservation and maintenance for ten historic buildings, overhead such as heat, lights, and insurance, as well as museum staffing and more.

We are pleased to announce that The Cobblestone Museum was invited to raise operating funds to match a \$5,000 grant from two dedicated major donors. For every

dollar we raise in this campaign, the Challenge Fund will match your donation, dollar for dollar, up to a total of \$5,000. Our goal is to raise over \$15,000 through this Annual Appeal. Your donation to help meet the challenge should be received by September 30, 2024.

As we are a non-profit organization, you may want to take advantage of the tax laws regarding charitable contributions before the end of the year. We thank you for your consideration of this request. Your donations are greatly appreciated and will help ensure the future success of our museum!

Donations can be made using the form on the last page of this newsletter or simply mail your check to Cobblestone Museum, P.O. Box 363, Albion, NY 14411

## Preservation Awards 2024



*By Doug Farley, Director*

The Cobblestone Museum is accepting nominations for their 2024 Historic Preservation Awards through September 1, 2024. The honorees represent the very best of what Orleans County stands for and supports in historic preservation. Nomination

forms are available on the Cobblestone Museum's website.

The Cobblestone Society Orleans County Historic Preservation awards allow us to show appreciation to the people who are using historic preservation to safeguard and enhance structures in Orleans County. They exemplify best practices in the field and demonstrate how preservation is 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.

Nominations are due by Sept. 1. Awards will be presented in three categories.

**Cobblestone** – To recognize outstanding preservation and rehabilitation of a historic cobblestone structure located in Orleans County.

**Resident** – To honor an Orleans County homeowner who completes rehabilitation/restoration of a 75-year-old or older historic residential structure.

**Business** – To honor the body of work demonstrated by a business or organization in the preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of historic projects in Orleans County.

The winners will be invited to an awards dinner on Friday, Oct. 25 at White Birch Golf Course in Lyndonville.

## Overlooked Cobblestone



*By Bill Lattin, Trustee*

Pictured here are the walls of an overlooked cobblestone building, and it has been right under our noses for years at 55 Caroline Street in the Village of Albion. I first became aware of this in the early 1960s but didn't give it much thought. At that point in time it still had a roof on it. Emma Hughes told me that her father, Patrick Hughes, had it built to house the tanks for the acetylene gas system used in lighting their home. According to her, he was afraid of explosion if the tanks were placed in the basement of the house. That is where most acetylene systems were located. One of the living rooms in the house still retains a ceiling gas fixture that would have used acetylene piped from the little building.

Naturally this cobblestone structure was built sometime in the very late 19th century, outside of the cobblestone era, 1825-1860. It is constructed of field cobbles laid in rows with Medina Sandstone quoins. Most recently this property has been sold, revealing the unique utilitarian cobblestone structure with one door and two windows.



## Cobblestone Flea Market—Saturday, July 20



By Sue Bonafini, Asst. Director

### Mark Your Calendars to Join Us on July 20 at the Cobblestone Flea Market!

Our 2024 Flea Market will take place a few weeks earlier than in recent years. The event will take place between 9 am and 3 pm. Ample free parking is available along the grounds of our Thompson-Kast Visitors Center, across the road from the Cobblestone Church. Hopefully the weather will cooperate on July 20 and the campus will be bustling with vendors, visitors, and of course, bargain hunters! As of press time, 18 vendors have already reserved one or two selling spaces and more

sellers are anticipated. Sellers will set up on the lawns around the church and nearby Ward House. Do you or someone you know have an interest to sell? Please contact me at (585) 589-9013 or [volunteers@cobblestonemuseum.org](mailto:volunteers@cobblestonemuseum.org) to request a vendor's application or additional information. A 10x10' selling space is only \$20. Bring your own chairs, table and canopy/tent if available to create your own personal shade.

Crafts, handmade goods, propagated plants, books, kids' toys, antiques, collectibles, glassware, and MANY gently used miscellaneous items are expected, which means there will be a wide variety of items to appeal to young and old alike. The Cobblestone Museum will sell White Elephant mixed goods at our outdoor spaces, which are all donations from members and friends of the Cobblestone Society. We'll accept additional items through Saturday, July 13 if you have something to donate. Many of our items will be sold at the "best offer" price this season. Do you like to be thinking of Christmas in July? Be sure to check out our well-stocked Holiday Shoppe in the lower level of the Cobblestone Church, just steps away from our Gift Shop and Used Books building.

Once again, we'll offer refreshments at the Food Tent after 10 am until mid-afternoon. Director Doug will be grilling Zweigle's brand hot dogs, and cooking the summer season's early corn-on-the-cob, generously donated by Lora Partyka of Partyka Farms in Kendall.

If you'd like to tour some of our buildings or exhibit rooms while you're on campus for the Flea Market, please inquire at the Gift Shop, where an attendant will be stationed throughout the event.

Finally, volunteers are still needed to help our Flea Market run smoothly. Again, contact me as indicated above if you have an interest to volunteer, or know someone who'd like to help.



Jim Bonafini (foreground) was one of the 2023 vendors



Trustee Chris Capurso assisted sales at the Food Tent in 2023.



Homesteads for Hope reps sold their home-grown produce.

## Christmas Park



Our Cobblestone Gift Shop is happy to help keep the memory of America's first Santa Claus School and Christmas Park alive through the sales of this book detailing the life of Albion's Santa Claus, Charles Howard. You can order your copy on the last page of this newsletter. The price includes postage to your home.



## Donors and More!

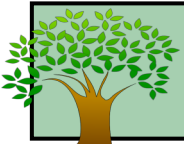
Many thanks to our members and friends who have made donations to the Cobblestone Society since our last issue of *The Cobblestoner*. Many people kindly donated items, finances, in-kind services, or artifacts to help the Museum continue to grow.

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## Cobblestone Museum Events 2024

**Victorian Crazy Quilts:** (Recording still available) Virtual Program (Zoom) with globally reputed Antique Quilts Expert, Betsey Telford-Goodwin. Call or register online.

**Writing Western New York's Eclipse Story Together:** (Recording still available.) Virtual Program presented by Debra Ross, Chair of Rochester's Eclipse Task Force, and Co-Chair of the AAS National Solar Eclipse Task Force.

**The History of Pullman—A Virtual Lecture:** (Recording Available) Guest speaker Andrew Bullen, resident of Pullman, Illinois and historian, has written extensively about George M. Pullman. Features five core stories of Pullman history.

**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.

**Museum Tours by appointment for 2024:** Tours continue through October. Walk-in tours are available, however tour appointments are highly recommended.

**Patriotic Service – Cobblestone Church:** (Sun. July 7 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:** (Wed. July 10) (Formerly Summer Solstice Soirée) Shirley Bright-Neeper and Joyce Chizick are heading up this year's Summer Soirée. They've enlisted the help and beautiful gardens of hosts Jim and Connie Fisher, 10193 Millers Road in Lyndonville. The theme is "Back to the Garden: A Mid-Summer Celebration."

**Flea Market:** (Sat. July 20) Vendors are needed to make this annual event a big success. Call the museum to discuss details at (585) 589-9013.

**Tour of Historic Homes:** (Sat. Sept. 21) A Cobblestone Museum tradition of self-drive architectural tours continues with a focus this year on buildings in western Orleans County.

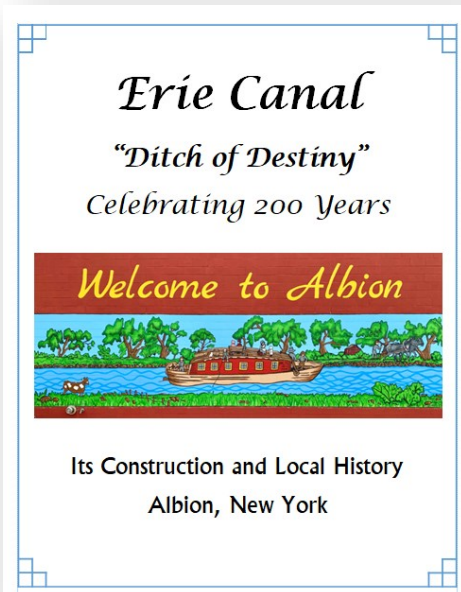
**Fall Open House:** (Sat. Oct. 5) Our campus comes alive with artisans and craftsmen plying their trade in this focus on 19th century life in Orleans County.

**Preservation Banquet:** (Fri. Oct. 25) Our second 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. TBD) Details to follow.

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

## Erie Canal—Celebrating 200 Years



The Cobblestone Museum is proud to collaborate with the Albion Middle School Service Learning Club for the publication of their latest book, "Erie Canal—Ditch of Destiny—Celebrating 200 Years." It is a thorough and complete compendium of fact and fancy, very fitting for the 200th Anniversary celebration of the completion of the Erie Canal. Parents, students, and every New York State resident should all feel very proud of the students who have accomplished this ambitious task.

"The Erie Canal, connecting the Atlantic Ocean with the Great Lakes, was built with a combination of vision, determination, ingenuity, and hard work. It represents the central elements of our American character."

Let's hope that future generations will continue to cherish the history of "Clinton's Ditch" as much or even more than we do today. If the interest and efforts of these student authors is any indication, we stand a good chance of reaching additional milestone celebrations in the years to come!

This softcover publication is available in the Museum's Gift Shop or can be ordered for \$15 on the last page of this newsletter and mailed to your home.



## Five Year Capital Pledge Drive for the Thompson-Kast Visitors Center

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**Thank you again!**



# Cobblestone Museum 2024 Membership & More!

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Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ Please contact me about volunteer opportunities.    \_\_\_\_\_ I prefer an electronic newsletter.

Membership Levels	(.....SUSTAINING LEVELS.....)						
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Free Admission	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Free Cobblestoner Newsletter	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Discounts on Events & Tours	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
10% Discount in Gift Shop	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Advance Notice of Events	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Use of Resource Center	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cobblestone Perks	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Recognition in Newsletter	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Recognition in every Newsletter			X	X	X	X	X
Recognition at Membership Dinner			X	X	X	X	X
Free Admission for Guests			2	4	All	All	All
Free Raffle Tickets at the Membership Dinner				X	X	X	X
One Free Ticket to Event (s)					1	2	4
Advertisement on Website					X	X	X
Complimentary Lunch for Two at Annual Meeting						X	X
Free Raffle Tickets at all Events						X	X
Complimentary Dinner for Two at Membership Dinner							X

## Membership Category (All levels except Individual include two people.) Through April 30, 2025

\_\_\_\_\_ Individual \$25

\_\_\_\_\_ Silver \$500 +

\_\_\_\_\_ Family \$40 +

\_\_\_\_\_ Silver (10 Payments of \$50 per month)

\_\_\_\_\_ Patron \$100 +

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