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# The Cobblestoner



## "Come Experience the Heart of Cobblestone Country!"

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This project is made possible with funds from the Decentralization Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts

with support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature and administered by GO ART!



## George Eastman Museum Dutch Bulb Bus Trip—February 9th



Sue Starkweather-Miller is our tour guide for our first bus trip of 2019 on Sat. Feb. 9, which includes a full tour of the beautiful National Historic Landmark George Eastman House. Enjoy a special presentation and personal tour by Landscape Manager Dan Bellavia, as he shares how the Eastman Mansion prepares for the earliest bulb show in North America. Now in it's 25th year, this show is sure to beat the winter blues! There will be time to visit the gift shop where Dutch bulbs will be available for purchase, too.

We will also visit the National Register Lamberton Conservatory, built in 1911, in Highland Park. A stop at the Artful Gardener is also planned. Sue's usual assortment of "Cobblescones" and treats will be sure to please our travelers along the way. The cost for this tour (including lunch) is \$60 for Cobblestone Society Members and \$65 for non-members. Get your reservations in early!

#### Second Annual Membership Fundraising Dinner To Be Held May 1st





By Gail Johnson, Membership Secretary and Membership Dinner Chairperson

If you missed the first Cobblestone Museum Membership Fundraising Dinner, you will not want to make the same mistake this year! Our second annual Membership Dinner will be held Wednesday, May 1 (5-9pm) at the newly remodeled Carlton Recreation Center, and promises to be the social event of the year! Last year's dinner was attended by 114 members and was a huge success. It raised over \$40,000 in funds to benefit the Cobblestone Museum.

We will once again have a buffet catered by **Chef Michael Zambito**, **owner of Zambistro of Medina**, which will include Chicken French and Filet of Sirloin. In addition to the delicious meal and cash bar, we will be offering both live and silent auctions, theme baskets and many other raffles and prizes. Appetizers will be served starting at 5pm.

A membership renewal letter along with an invitation to the fundraising dinner will be mailed by mid-January. You may also use the form on the last page of this newsletter to pay for your membership and purchase tickets to the dinner. We sincerely hope to see everyone there!

## Director's Report—By Doug Farley



I'm pleased to report that a new year brings with it great hope and tremendous possibilities for a bright future for the Cobblestone Museum. We ended 2018 with advances in both attendance and revenue. We have also been the recipient of \$64,000 in grants for various events and preservation projects, with much of this work scheduled to take place in 2019.

It's been a great pleasure working with the Cobblestone Society Officers and Trustees throughout the year. Their dedication has gone a long way in advancing our mission and planning for the future of the organization.

I especially want to thank a few individuals for their service in this way. Our President for the last two years, Jim Bonafini, is becoming our Treasurer in 2019. This is a role he knows quite well. Jim started on the Board in 2016 as Treasurer and then became President in 2017. His tenure as President has been outstanding. I also want to thank outgoing Vice President of Development Diane Palmer for her service to the Board. She joined the Cobblestone Society Board in 2011 and served with distinction. Diane recently moved to Washington DC with her husband Keith, and will be sorely missed.

Another outgoing Board member who helped in many ways is Grace Kent. Grace started with the Board in 2006 and served as both Membership Secretary and Corresponding Secretary. Grace recently chaired the Annual Meeting Committee. Grace and her husband Gary have been ardent supports of the organization and I know they will continue to help into the future.

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## Thank You to Our Grant Funders for Their Continued Support!

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#### Eastman Museum-Dutch (Bulb) Connection Bus Tour—Sat. Feb 9 (9am-4pm)

Our first bus trip of 2019 will visit the Dutch Bulb exhibit at the George Eastman House and the Lamberton Conservatory. Sue Starkweather-Miller has a fun day lined up, including her delicious "Cobblescones!" (Full details on Page 1.)

#### Cobblestone Museum Day at Lures Restaurant—Thursday, March 21 (4pm-9pm)

The Cobblestone Museum joins forces with Lures Restaurant to host a new fundraiser, "Cobblestone Museum Day at Lures." Visit Lures at1033 S Lakeland Beach Rd, Kendall, on Thursday, March 21 and order from the menu. At the conclusion of your meal, a generous portion of your guest check will be donated to the Cobblestone Museum by the restaurant, at no additional cost to you! **Please make a reservation now at (585) 548-1020**.

#### Historic Masonry Workshop—Sat. March 16 (9am-4pm)

Master Mason Brian Daddis is our instructor for this hands-on workshop teaching various forms of masonry repairs. The seminar will include a two hour lecture and four hours of actual masonry repairs at our Cobblestone Schoolhouse. Tuition for this full day workshop is \$90 for Cobblestone Museum members and \$100 for non-members.

#### Cartwright's Pancake House Bus Tour, Maple Syrup Weekend—Sat. March 30 (10am-4pm)

Those who have visited Cartwright's Maple Syrup Restaurant know what a delight it is! Join us as we enjoy a great tour and an unbelievable pancake brunch at the height of maple syrup season in New York State.

#### Fundraising Concert—April TBD

Join us for a free musical treat in our Cobblestone Church. A free-will offering will be accepted.

#### Museum Tours resume by appointment-May 1

#### Cobblestone Membership Fundraising Dinner - Wed. May 1 (5pm-9pm)

Join us for our second annual Membership Dinner at the newly remodeled Carlton Recreation Center. This signature event will be again catered by Michael Zambito. Live and silent auction and several raffles throughout the evening. (See details on Page 2 and Registration Form on Page 12.)

#### Progressive Organ Concert (Medina)—Sat. May 11 (5:30pm-9:00pm)

Our second annual progressive concert and dinner will visit three historic churches in Medina. The concerts will be held in progressive fashion at St. Mary's RC Church, Trinity Lutheran Church and First Baptist Church. Our delicious meal, served at St. Mary's, will be catered by the award winning Zambistro Restaurant.

#### Cobblestone Trail Bus Tour II—Sat. May 18 (9am-4pm)

Our second Cobblestone Bus Tour will feature visits to cobblestone structures in Monroe and Wayne counties, with a tour of the Alling Coverlet Museum and a lunch stop included.

#### Museum Opens for Daily Tours beginning Sat. June 1

#### A Day in the Life Tour—June 1 (Noon-'till)

Start your day with a delicious Chiavetta's Chicken BBQ and then visit our museum buildings and experience a living-history tour with costumed re-enactors and heritage demonstrations.

#### Albion Strawberry Festival—June 7 & 8

We will be participating in this great community festival! Stop by the Hot Dog stand on East Bank Street and enjoy a

#### 2019 Cobblestone Museum Event Schedule-Early Preview (Continued from Page 4)

hot dog and Coke to benefit the Cobblestone Museum.

#### Summer Solstice Soirée III - Music in the Garden - Wed. June 19 (5:00pm-8:30pm)

Enjoy an evening of music, art and much more for our third annual Summer Solstice Soirée. A small donation secures your evening of food, wine & entertainment set amidst a garden splendor in Orleans County.

#### Cobblestone Patriotic Service—Sun. July 7 (11am-1pm)

Come out and celebrate our nation's independence with patriotic songs and readings, followed by a hot dog picnic lunch on the side lawn. A free-will donation will be received.

#### Cobblestone Camp—Dates TBD

Again this year, we will welcome our younger audience to participate in many age appropriate activities.

#### Summer Garden Bus Tour—July 20 (9am-4pm)

Sue Starkweather-Miller is our host for this annual bus trip around the county to look at several spectacular horticultural displays. Save-the-date, you won't want to miss this fun trip.

#### Orleans County Fair - July 22-27

The Cobblestone Museum joins forces with Orleans County Historical Association to present an information booth at the Orleans County Fair. Stop by the merchant's building and say hi!

#### Antique Shopping Bus Trip—Sat. Aug. 10 (9am-4pm)

Come and explore some really great antique shops around WNY and leave the driving to a seasoned professional.

#### Museum Tours available by appointment only after Labor Day.

#### Orleans County Heritage Festival—Sept. 6-15

A celebration of the storied history of Orleans County celebrated by many different partners throughout the county. Watch our website for details as they develop.

#### Old Timers Fair—Sat. Sept. 14. (11am-5pm)

Our museum will come alive with artisans and re-enactors as we recreate the feel of Orleans County life in the 19th century. A chicken BBQ is available for dining al-fresco or take-out.

#### Cobblestone Tour of Homes—Sat. Sept. 28. (11am-4pm)

Our annual Cobblestone Tour will branch out to several fine examples located in western Orleans County and Niagara County. Self-drive and bus tour options are available.

#### Cobblestone Ghost Walk—Sat. Oct. 19 (Noon-5pm)

Visit the historic buildings on our campus where you will "meet" some spirited apparitions from Orleans County's past. Luncheon featuring healthy food options from Sourced Market Eatery in Medina will be available.

#### Fall Foliage Bus Trip—Sat. Oct. 12 (9am-4pm)

A narrated tour of area cobblestone homes will accompany the short drive to "Finger Lakes Country" where we will check out the fantastic fall foliage while riding to the top of Bristol Mountain via ski lift. Enjoy lunch at the top of the mountain.

#### Holiday Shoppe—Nov. 1, 2 & 3 and Dec. 7 (11am-4pm)

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas as we once again turn our gift shop into a Christmas Wonderland of decorations and gifts at incredibly low prices.

#### Cobblestone Society Annual Meeting—Sat. Nov. 9 (Noon-2pm)

The annual business meeting of the Cobblestone Society will be preceded by a luncheon. Location TBD.

#### Christmas Tour of Homes—Sat. Dec. 7 (2pm-7pm)

View some wonderful Christmas displays and open houses on our third annual Christmas Tour of Homes which will feature a self-drive or bus tour option. Mark your calendar today, you won't want to miss this!

#### Thank you for attending our events!

### Major Donor Program Established—By Gail Johnson, Membership Secretary

The Cobblestone Society is looking to greatly expand its campus over the next few years to include, among other things, a future Cobblestone Headquarters/Visitors Center. To help prepare for this expansion, we have set up a Major Donor Program. This program recognizes individuals and organizations that choose to make a significant impact on preserving our Cobblestone heritage through their philanthropic support of our Cobblestone Museum.

Those who wish to become a Major Donor can make a one-time gift at any level, or make a down payment and complete a Pledge Form, with up to five years to reach their goal. Once the Pledge Form and first payment are received, donors are automatically considered a Major Donor at the level chosen while they complete payments on the pledge. At higher levels, individual payment schedules can be tailored to best fit the donor's personal situation.

Major Donor Program			
Heritage	\$10,000 - \$19,999	Diamond Benefactor	\$100,000 - \$249,999
Silver Heritage	\$20,000 - \$29,999	Legacy	\$250,000 - \$499,999
Gold Heritage	\$30,000 - \$39,999	Gold Legacy	\$500,000 - \$749,999
Diamond Heritag	e \$40,000 - \$49,999	Platinum Legacy	\$750,000 - \$999,999
Benefactor	\$50,000 - \$74,999	Diamond Legacy	\$1 Mil \$4,999,999
Gold Benefactor	\$75,000 - \$99,999		

All Major Donors will have their names permanently published in every issue of *The Cobblestoner*, unless they wish to remain anonymous. Major Donors will also become permanent members of the Cobblestone Society at the highest level of membership, and receive all the perks and benefits afforded to it. Major Donors will be further recognized on a planned *Cobblestone Wall of Fame* in our future Headquarters/Visitors Center.

Major Donors will be given first priority to take part in naming rooms in the future Headquarters/Visitors Center and they can apply their Major Donor commitment towards the cost that will be established for naming rights. This will give our Major Donors a step-up in participating in the naming program, along with additional recognition opportunities.

If you have any questions, please contact Doug Farley, Museum Director, for more information.

#### President's Message—By Dick Remley

Hello—I am the newly elected President of the Board of Trustees of the Cobblestone Society. Previously I served as the Executive Vice-President and have been on the Finance and Personnel Committees.

I am excited about the new year and all the activities and events the museum will be offering. We will be building on our successful programs of last year and adding new ones that we hope will enhance the cultural, historical and practical experiences of the museum. We look forward to greeting each one of you in 2019.

Finally, a little about myself. My wife, Kim, and I have two children—Drew, an attorney in San Francisco, and Sam, a welder in Rochester. I serve as the Supervisor for the Town of Albion. I am also a member of the Albion Rotary Club.

Sincerely,

Dick Remley, President



#### **OCHA Presents Award**



District #10 Schoolhouse, 9713 Seaman Road, Hartland, Niagara County - Photo courtesy Norman LaJoie, Hartland Town Historian and Richard Palmer.



## The Legacy Society - Providing for the Cobblestone Museum's Future

The Legacy Society recognizes friends who have provided for the Cobblestone Society by including the Society in their estate and financial plans.

For additional information about membership in the Legacy Society or to discuss a potential planned gift, please contact Douglas Farley, Museum Director. All inquiries are confidential and without obligation.



Jim Bonafini was presented with the 2018 Friend Of OCHA Award by outgoing Orleans County Historical Association president Al Capurso. Jim crafted the Beardsley Creek pioneer sign placed at the property of cobblestone home owner Robert Bruning.

Ridge Road in Gaines now has identical signage for the three adjacent pioneer steams; Gilbert Creek, Proctor Brook and Beardsley Creek. Matt Ballard, former Board President of the Cobblestone Museum and current Orleans County Historian will head up OCHA in 2019.

#### Summer Solstice Soirée -June 19th

By Shirley Bright-Neeper, Chairperson



Plans are underway for another Summer Soiree on June 19th. This year we will continue our art exhibits and also focus on music.

We have several sites in mind and will make a decision in January. Wine and refreshment will delight guests.

This year we will be offering tickets ahead for a ten dollar donation. The day of the event, we recommend a donation of \$12.

Anyone wishing to be a part of the committee should contact Doug Farley or Shirley Bright-Neeper.

#### Donors and More!

Special thanks to our members & friends who have made donations to the Cobblestone Society since our last issue of The Cobblestoner. Many people kindly donated materials, finances, in-kind services, or artifacts to help the Museum continue to grow. Some folks even opened up their homes for others to tour.

Anonymous (Annual Appeal)

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## Thank you, Elisabeth Dye Curtis Foundation



Once again the Elisabeth Dye Curtis Foundation, working through the Orleans County Foundation, is providing support to one of our museum's buildings. Farmers Hall, in which we display many agricultural artifacts and a fine collection of David Bruce taxidermy, was constructed in 1855 as a Universalist Church in Kendall. It was subsequently used by another congregation and then served as the Kendall Town Hall. In 1978, Kendall planned to destroy the structure as it was no longer needed as the Town Hall. The Cobblestone Society dismantled the

building board by board, numbered those and transported them to our property on Route 98 in Childs. There it was reassembled by ambitious CETA workers and volunteers. For the last forty years it has provided not only a fine example of Greek Revival architecture, but served as an important part of our mission to educate the public about our past in an engaging manner.

Over time, the building has developed some structural issues. We hired Bero Architecture to conduct a structural evaluation of the building. While several issues were identified, this \$12,000 grant will allow us to address the most critical. Maintaining our historic buildings for future generations is very important and we appreciate the assistance of the Curtis Foundation in this responsibility.

We are also grateful for the past support we have received through the Curtis Foundation, such as the new roof for our 1849 Cobblestone Schoolhouse. They also helped support our Historic Window Restoration Workshop in which a number of people were trained in the repair and maintenance of wooden windows. An additional benefit of the workshop was the actual restoration of several windows in the schoolhouse.

#### Cobblestone Smokehouse Found a Permanent Home at the Cobblestone Museum







The cobblestone smokehouse (left) was a prominent feature of the Miller family farm in Churchville. Later, Mary Miller donated the smokehouse to the Cobblestone Museum. Photo (center) shows a team of volunteers carefully reassembling the numbered glacial stones. The photo at right shows the smokehouse today in the north lawn of the Museum's Ward House.

#### By Grace Denniston, Corresponding Secretary

I recently had an interesting conversation with Michael Miller. His mother, Mary B. Miller, donated the smokehouse from their farm on the Scottsville-Chili Road in Scottsville. The Millers and their progenitors operated the family farm for over 100 years. Their smokehouse was used by friends, family and neighbors into the 1940s and 50s to smoke beef, pork and poultry. Slaughtering was done right there on the farm. Michael explained that their home originally had a cobblestone foundation but it had deteriorated badly and had to be covered over with concrete. In 1998, the family discussed what to do with several of the outbuildings on the property. One building was donated to the Genesee Country Museum. The decision

regarding the smokehouse was that it would be moved to the Cobblestone National Historic Landmark District. The Town of Chili dismantled the structure stone-by-stone and numbered the stones for easier reassembly. Someone donated the money to move the "pile of rocks" to their current location behind the Ward House. It was rebuilt by the museum over a period of 3-6 years as a learning project for volunteers. Volunteers who helped out included, among others, Bill Robinson, Bruce Midkiff and Scott George. The project was completed in 2004.

Michael has revisited the smokehouse several times. Mary, his mother, requested that some of her ashes be spread beside the smokehouse, which Michael said he accomplished unbeknownst to museum personnel in an off-season.

#### Welcome New Board Members



By Tom Rivers, Board Member and Nominating Committee Chairman

The Cobblestone Society Board of Trustees has recently received five new members to serve various

terms of office in upcoming years. We would like to welcome these folks to the board and wish them the very best in their years of service.

- Maura Pierce of Medina is a retired Albion English teacher and administrator. She also has been active with Hospice of Orleans, most recently serving as the Board Vice President.
- Kevin Hamilton of Carlton recently retired as the Vice President of Finance and Operations at Genesee Community College. Before GCC, he was Albion's school Business Administrator.

- Maarit Vaga of Albion is a government banking account manager for Evans Bank. She is a former President of the Albion Main Street Alliance and ran the Elsewhere Coffee House in Albion. She has been active with the Cobblestone Museum and organized a Progressive Organ Concert in Albion in 2018. She also wears the "Cobble the Mouse" costume in local parades to promote the museum.
- Joyce Riley of Albion is a former member of the Albion Board of Education. She worked as a registered nurse and later supervised an ambulatory surgical unit in Washington, D.C., overseeing 200 employees. When she retired, she moved back to Albion in 2015.
- Pat O'Brien of Brockport has been active in revival of Emily Knapp Museum on the second and third floor of the former Seymour Library in Brockport.

#### Holiday Shoppe 2018 Boasts Success—By Sue Bonafini, Assistant Director







(Center Photo) Board President Jim Bonafini presents raffle winner Al Capurso with his Cigar Box Guitar prize on Nov. 4. (Right Photo) Author Sherry CassanoLochman (center) greets guests at her book signing on Dec. 1.

Trustees, volunteers, and friends of the Museum kindly donated new or gently used Christmas items to be sold at the Holiday Shoppe during the first weekend of November and the first Saturday in December. Many donations were decorative while others inspired gift giving. Holiday titles and a variety of higher quality book donations from the Used Book Sale operation were sold at a fraction of the original cost.

Shoppers could nibble complimentary cookies and enjoy live music while browsing merchandise in November. On Dec. 1, guests could purchase a signed copy of a book written by Kendall author Sharon CassanoLochman, who gave a portion of the proceeds to the Cobblestone Society.

Trustee Al Capurso won the handcrafted Cigar Box Guitar (historically popular from 1840-1860) when his winning raffle ticket was drawn on the final sale date in November. Steady sales at the Shoppe plus revenue generated from the raffle totaled nearly \$850 in added income for the Museum.

Many thanks to our donors of goods, volunteers who assisted at the Shoppe or behind-the-scenes, and especially our satisfied customers! I hope that YOU will be one of them in 2019.

## Cobblestone Museum Day at Lures Restaurant—Thursday, March 21

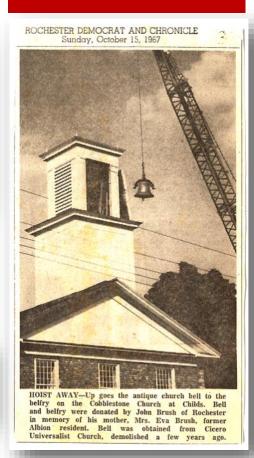
The Cobblestone Museum invites you to participate in a great fundraiser to be held at Lures Restaurant, 1033 S Lakeland Beach Rd, Kendall. The fine folks at Lures have joined forces with the Cobblestone Museum to create "Cobblestone Museum Day at Lures" to be held on Thursday, March 21 (11am-9pm)

- Mark your calendars now and plan to dine at Lures on Cobblestone Museum Day.
- Order from the menu and pay your bill as usual and Lures will donate a generous percentage of their proceeds for the day to the Cobblestone Museum.
- This fundraiser is a win-win. You receive a great meal at one of Orleans
  County's newest restaurants with a beautiful view of Lake Ontario and make
  a donation to the Cobblestone Museum at no extra cost!

Don't be disappointed. Tables will fill up fast! Make a reservation today at (585) 548-1020.



#### From the Archives



### Volunteer Recognition Holiday Party



Brian Daddis demonstrates mortar repairs at a local cemetery.

The Cobblestone Museum is pleased to announce a hands-on Historic Masonry Workshop with Brian Daddis Masonry on Saturday, March 16. The Masonry Workshop will take place at the National Historic Landmark Cobblestone Schoolhouse in Albion NY.

The full day workshop will focus on the repointing process for reconditioning mass stone composite basement walls. Also addressed will be the different methods for removing the old mortar, mixing lime mortar, placing fresh lime pointing mortar, curing the lime mortar, and finishing techniques. The handson portion of the workshop will be preceded by a classroom session that will discuss the definition of historic masonry and the importance of reconditioning it using lime mortar.

The Masonry Workshop is the second in a series of Historic Preservation Workshops presented by the Cobblestone Museum. In 2018, the Museum partnered with the Landmark Society of WNY to offer a Historic Wood Window Repair Seminar.





By Sue Bonafini, Assistant Director

Cobblestone Museum staff invited committed volunteers who accepted assignments throughout the season to a holiday party on Dec. 5, held in the Proctor Room of the Cobblestone Church. Local businesses – Tops and Walmart (Albion) and Wegmans (Brockport) donated gift cards which were redeemed for food and supplies for the gathering.

Messages of gratitude for volunteers were placed near goodies to emphasize the staff's appreciation. A small gift for each volunteer was provided as their list of accomplishments were shared with the assembly. This year the gifts were hand-made by residents of a nearby senior living community. The felt mice sporting a candy cane tail can function as a tree ornament or provide a sweet treat. The gift was an homage to the Museum's mascot – Cobble the Mouse.

## Cartwrights Maple Tree Inn—March 30





Our second bus trip for 2019 features a maple syrup tour and pancake breakfast at Cartwrights Maple Tree Inn in Angelica, NY. Enjoy some of NYS's finest maple syrup produced by the Cartwright family since the 1850s and served in their own restaurant since 1963.

Save-the-date: Saturday, March 30 (10am-4pm)

## Come Experience the Heart of Cobblestone Country!

## Registration Form for May 1, 2019 Cobblestone Society & Museum Membership Fundraising Dinner (Return this form by March 1<sup>st</sup> to receive entry into our Early Bird Raffle!)

Name
Mailing Address
Telephone Number (Home)(Cell)
Email Address
I will be attending the Membership Dinner
I can't attend, but have enclosed my Membership Donation to support the Cobblestone Society.
I will donate items to the Membership Fundraising Dinner (Antiques, Artwork, Gift Certificate, etc.)
I am a new memberI am renewingI am a life member
Please contact me about volunteer opportunities.
I prefer an electronic copy of the newsletter.
Membership Category
Individual \$25+ Silver \$1,000 + \$
Family \$40 + Gold \$2,500 +
Patron \$100 + Diamond \$5,000 +
Bronze \$250 +
Dinner (s) @ \$30 Per Dinner \$
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