

# Rethinking of Old Orleans

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## Significant Happenings For 1988

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### Reflections Of Our Municipal Historians

Town of Gaines

**By Della Robinson, Historian and  
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During 1988 Gaines lost two prominent residents, both of them historians: Cary H. Lattin, former county historian died in January and J. Howard Pratt, author, died in November.

Construction of the P.A.W.S. building located on Gaines Basin Road was begun by Job Corps in the summer. In late December a steeple was erected on the Gaines Congregational United Church of Christ. Also, the J.G. Peters Harness Shop at the Cobblestone Complex was restored.

emergency vehicles and farmers. The problem with bridges has been a topic at every town meeting and is of greatest concern.

Town of Albion

**By Edith Anderson, Historian**

Perhaps one of the most news worthy events of the Albion area during 1988 was the temporary closing of Swan Library and the laying off of staff after voters in the Albion School District voted down a funding proposition twice. A new addition was started on the Albion Primary School and the auditorium at the Albion Middle School was named in honor of Theodore N. Anderson. A play-



ng it underway for a park. A Fall Festival was very successful in Holley as well as the first village Christmas party with 200-300 people attending activities on the Square followed by a Christmas party at the Legion Hall.

Construction projects in the Murray-Holley area included the erection of a new water tower for the village which was put into use; completion of the Bennetts Corners railroad crossing and work began on Fox Hollow, the old Fancher Campus which will be a country club with golf course and camping sites.

### Village of Medina

**By Elizabeth Childs, Historian and Margaret Shannon, Deputy Historian**

During the spring of 1988 the village board appointed the above replacement to the historian's post after the death of the former historian, Cell White in 1987.

Renovation and restoration of downtown business blocks continued in 1988. Roger Hungerford purchased the Curry Building and has done a superb job of restoring it to its original design. The S.A. Cook Block, built in 1910 was sold for the first time. Purchasers were Lance Mark and Tom Mack. Medina Savings and Loan Association celebrated its 100th anniversary. Two other businesses celebrated 75th anniversaries. They were the Charles Slack Insurance Agency and the Medina Cold Storage. The Apple Grove built the fascimile of a packet boat to give rides to tourists on the canal. The sixth annual Canal Days and related festivals were again successful in 1988.

### Town of Ridgeway

**By Evelyn Allen, Historian**

The year 1988 can be summed up in one word for Ridgeway - bridges! The closing of the Fruit Avenue bridge over the canal was one of the worst things to happen. Likewise, the lowering of the weight limit on other bridges has caused great concern and much inconvenience, especially for

son of the year by the Journal-Register; Winny Zinkevich who was named Dairy Princess; the Rev. Wesley F. Kofahl, who was appointed new pastor of Millville United Methodist Church; Mark Weide, senior patrol leader of Troop 33 was presented with an American flag, the Liberty Documents and National Anthem Plaque by Edith Lyndaker, president of Ladies Auxiliary of VFW Department New York; Arlene Watson was honored for 33 years in food service at school cafeterias; and Troop 33 honored Ed Woodbridge for over 40 years of service.

In an effort to save taxpayers' money, Niagara Mohawk was requested to change from mercury vapor to high pressure sodium lights in Millville and Shelby Center. Further efforts in Millville included removing three of its 13 lights. The Ironquois National Wildlife Refuge celebrated its 30th anniversary in May.

### Town of Yates and

### Village of Lyndonville

**By Virginia Cooper, Historian**

A new restaurant opened in Lyndonville called the Apple Nook and also a new beauty shop and tanning parlor called the Short Cut. A contest was begun, which is still underway, for a logo for Lyndonville and a logo for Yates. Residents of the village or town may submit designs at their respective halls. A \$50 bond will be the first prize for each.

### Town of Kendall

**By Frank Clow, Historian**

A few new homes were constructed during 1988 and construction began for the new K&K Store on Route 18.

### Town of Barre

**By Helen Mathes, Historian**

One significant occurrence in Barre was the laying of a micro communication cable under the power line. This will be of great service to telephone users in cars.

## Nursery School

### Watch "Y

the Most Rev. Mr. Tutu to the community. Tutu is the Archbishop of Capetown and Metropolitan of the Church of the Province of Southern Africa. He is a Nobel Peace Prize winner and a vehement opponent of apartheid.

Learn about the works and life of architect Frank Lloyd Wright in a six-session course beginning Feb. 11. The Saturday morning classes will be held 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. until March 18.

four-week course will cover composition techniques, use of color, and more. The course begins on Feb. 1. 9:30 a.m. in room F149 on the Sanborn campus.