



LYONS HERITAGE SOCIETY



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SPECIAL DATES TO REMEMBER

APRIL 18

LHS MEETING

MAY 21

GARDENING DAY AT THE HOTCHKISS

OPEN HOUSE PATH THRU HISTORY WEEKEND JUNE 18-19

FROM PRESIDENT PEPPERMINT PATTY:

Dear Members,

Dave and I are still in Florida and extending our stay as snow hits New York. Sorry about that, although we heard you had a mild winter! Yeaah!

Am so pleased to have aboard Gehrig Lohrmann and Joan Wallis on our Executive Team. What assets they are to our organization.

Although I couldn't be there, I heard the March meeting was well attended and members and guests really enjoyed Joe O'Toole's presentation on Chimney Bluffs!

Our April meeting should also be VERY INTERESTING, as we are hosting Edie and Bruce Farrington from Sodus Point. They are presenting "Rural Life in 19th Century Wayne County". Enjoy!

We are also anticipating the restoration of the shingles on the Hotchkiss Building in May. MANY THANKS TO Arthur Santelli and Bob Schick of Lyons National Bank for this wonderful improvement. Work will begin and hopefully end in May. The present shingles

were installed in 1919 and right now are in bad disrepair with actual holes in the sides of the building. Arthur also donated the landscape improvements to the east side of the building last spring. I am so anticipating the look of that when I return! Again, another huge thank you to Art for that!

Enjoy your April meeting and will see you in May!

Patty

WELCOME:

So happy to welcome Marlene and Wayne Williams as NEW members to Lyons Heritage Society!



NEW PEPPERMINT MUSEUM HOURS:

FRIDAYS AND SATURDAYS 10-3
JULY AND AUGUST



**JOE O'TOOLE
PRESENTED AT OUR
MARCH MEETING**

MARCH 21, 2016

Joe O'Toole, who is Director of the Sodus Bay Lighthouse Museum, gave an interesting talk on the Chimney Bluffs, Drumlins of Wayne County and the Prohibition Era. He discussed the glacier period and the evolution of drumlins across New York State from the receding glacial stones, clay and soil. Chimney Bluffs has eroded each year by approximately three feet. O'Toole spoke of the passage of alcohol from Montreal to Kingston to Oswego and to places along Ontario Lake where the contraband alcohol made its way to local farmers and eventually to NYC.

Meeting Minutes
Annette Harris



APRIL 18TH MEETING:

Our April meeting will feature Bruce and Edie Farrington from Sodus Point, who will present life as it was on a farm in the 19th century.

Edith will be sharing with everyone insight that she has gleaned from reading the 7 diaries of her g-g-grandfather who was a small-time farmer in Wayne County in the later 1800's. We will be seeing details of what everyday life was like: differences in spoken & written language, education, diet and unusual weather patterns for these rural families in the years of 1874-1901. This presentation is in the format of a PowerPoint presentation and lasts for about 1 hour.

Edith taught for 30 years as an elementary school teacher in Hilton, NY and grew up in Clyde. She now lives in Sodus Point with her husband Bruce who is a former Project Manager at Xerox and now is the Village of Sodus Point historian.

The meeting will take place in the Lyons Public Library at 7:00. A business meeting will follow the presentation with refreshments in between.



HOTCHKISS BUILDING UPDATE!

With the arrival of Spring, we also have the arrival of NEW SHINGLES. Through our wonderful benefactors, Arthur Santelli of Santelli Lumber Company and Lyons National Bank, we are receiving a restoration project of three exterior walls of the Hotchkiss Building. Work will begin the second week of May and according to Art, be completed by the end of the month. This work entails removal of the old shingles, a wrap around the sides and then the application of the new shingles. Painting of the windows and a new electrical box will finish this project.

THANKS TO ARTHUR AND LNB!!!

IN MEMORY OF ROBERT GORTHY

We are deeply saddened by the loss of our DEAR FRIEND AND MEMBER, BOB GORTHY.

Not only was he a WONDERFUL MAN, but a truly dedicated member of our society. In earlier days, Bob would be seen behind a video camera taking photos in the Peppermint Museum. He was a big supporter of the Hotchkiss Building and was delighted when the Lyons Heritage Society acquired it.

He was a wonderful example of an active member, who wasn't afraid to pitch in to work or voice his support. Bob will certainly be missed!

MEMORIALS FOR BOB GORTHY

The following individuals made donations in Memory of Robert Gorthy:

Stuart Smart and Anne Salerno
Joan and Glenn Wallis
Rita and George Justino
Richard Kelley
Brit and Donna Wood
Wayne and Marlene Williams
Judy and Tom Brancato
Dorothy Rockwell
Wallington Cobblestone School
Glenn Buono
Ann Bohner
Adele Mlyner
Scott and Joanne Allen
Toby and Pete Beckman
Walt and Carol Agnew
Arthur and A.S. Crandon
David and Patricia Alena
Cyril W. Cretin
Joanne Smythe and John Murray



MAY MEETING

Depending on the work being done on the exterior of the Hotchkiss Building, will determine when our May meeting will take place. Tentatively, it is set for May 21st. This is our annual Gardening meeting to "spruce up" around the museum. If possible, please donate a plant for our gardens. Also, don't forget to bring gardening tools as well.

The meeting will be at 9:00 and usually ends with a pizza lunch at noon. Do come join us for some fun gardening together!



MEMBERSHIP DUES

We are most grateful to you if you joined Lyons Heritage Society and we hope you will renew your membership. Dues are one of the largest of our fundraisers, so if you have not paid your membership dues yet, please mail it in or drop it off at the next meeting or at the museum.

You may them send to: Lyons Heritage Society, PO Box 150, Lyons, NY 14489. Check out the membership form on our website or call 315-946-4595 for membership information.

2016 SPRING LYONS HERITAGE Society CALENDAR

APRIL 18- MEETING at the Library

MAY21- GARDENING MEETING at the Hotchkiss Building

JUNE 18-19 PATH THRU HISTORY WEEKEND- OPEN HOUSE/HOTCHKISS MUSEUM

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THANK YOU DAVID
ALENA, JR. FOR BEING OUR
WEBMASTER!!

2016 LIST OF DOCENTS:

The following list of members contains our active guides/docents at the PEPPEMINT MUSEUM:

Carol Agnew
Patty Alena
Carol Bailey
Chris Davis
Pat Gorthy
Richard Kelley
Bill Maddock
Bob MacDuffie
Priscilla Paliotti
Theresa Streb
Joan Wallis



Lyons Heritage Society thanks these members for their devoted work in giving tours from spring thru fall, sometimes at a moment's notice. The museum remains open for tours because of them!

If anyone is interested in joining this group of tour guides, please inform Patty at 315-879-7617 or 315-946-4596. Training is available!

*Many thanks to
Sean Dobbins who
underwrites this
newsletter!*



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