

Saturday, May 5th, 2018, Greece Museum, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm

Free Photo Scanning and Preservation Event

Back by popular demand, this is the third year Greece Historical Society is hosting a **free** photo scanning event. Local members of the **Association of Personal Photo Organizers** and experts in scanning and preserving photos will be on hand – **Kate Jacus**, The Photo Curator; **Bruce Holroyd**, Digital Scan Solutions, and **Nancy Carr**, Preserve a Photo – will be using professional scanners at each station.

Visitors can stop by any time during the day with up to 50 photos or slides.

Be sure to bring your own USB memory stick or memory card.

The Museum will be open during the event for visitors to tour our latest exhibits. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate Mother's Day by preserving your family memories.



Tuesday, May 8th, 2018

Greece Public Library 7:00 p.m.

Albert Stone Photo Collection by Glen Galbraith

Glenn Galbraith, great-great grandson of Albert R. Stone, Rochester's first newspaper staff photographer and pioneer photojournalist, will discuss his family lineage and the story of how a collection of thousands of glass plates was saved by his grandmother and how it inspired him to re-photograph the images and what he plans to do with the ROC Archive.



Glenn Galbraith holds a Certificate in Film and Media Preservation and a B.S. in Photography Gallery Management. In addition to his current work at the Livonia Area Preservation & Historical Society, he is Curator of the Stone Family Collection, consisting of glass plate negatives, prints, books, scrapbooks, newspaper clippings, and other artifacts related to the Stone photographic lineage.



From the Albert R. Stone Negative Collection, Rochester Museum & Science Center, Rochester, N.Y.

"President's Message"



We've had another busy month at GHS. Three of us attended the Museum Association of New York's annual three-day conference (this year held in Rochester) and one volunteer attended a class at Rochester Regional Library Council. On April 8th, we had a full house with over 40 guests in our museum for Dave Shields' talk on the Erie Railroad. We had a similar crowd to hear the George Eastman Museum's curator Kathy Connor talk about Mr. Eastman's philanthropy.

We participated in a webinar class on collection care, submitted an annual report to the State Education Department as required by our charter and, of course, there were the standard committee and board meetings.

We were able to coordinate with a few other historical societies and museums and dispose of a few items that were not fitting our collection criteria.

Our pasta dinner on April 15th was one of our most successful with nearly 140 of our friends and neighbors enjoying dinner. We were especially grateful to have second ward **Councilman Bill Murphy** and **Senator Joe Robach** in attendance. We all appreciate it when our elected officials show interest and support for any community organization. Joe took the mic and had kind words to say about all the committed volunteers we have in our community.

Office volunteers are keeping busy with membership renewals which are coming in daily. We thank all our members who renew in a timely manner.

The Greece Chamber awards dinner was attended by several of our friends and trustees. To round out the month, I had the opportunity to attend a one day conference of the Rochester Genealogy Society and learn about the legal aspects of historical/genealogy research. There is one more Tuesday evening program scheduled for this season and we already are planning some more outstanding speakers for the fall.

As always, thank you to all our volunteers, members, sponsors, and neighbors who help support the Greece Historical Society.

Bill Sauers, President



Quote of the Month

"If you stop learning, you stop creating history and become history"
~Vadim Kotelnikov

We greatly value and appreciate your donations*.

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"Museum Shop"



We are so ready for warmer weather and opportunity to get out and about!

We have had lots of visitors for the events and programs offered at our Museum. There are many new events and speakers scheduled in the upcoming weeks, you must come by and learn about our local history – and check out our Museum Shop while you are here.

We still have items from the estate donation available for your purchase - \$1.00 each.



Wendy Peck, Museum Shop Coordinator

Museum Shop hours: Sun 1:30-4:00 ~ Mon-Tue 9:30-12

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This newsletter is published monthly by the editor for the Greece Historical Society and Museum.

Cyndie Shevlin, Editor

"GHS Events and Programs"

Museum and Museum Shop hours: Sundays 1:30 - 4:00 p.m..
and during office hours Mondays 10 a.m.- Noon

The Greece Museum will be CLOSED Mother's Day, May 6th

Saturday, **May 5th, Free Scanning Day**, Greece Museum, 11:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Tuesday, **May 8th, Albert Stone Photo Collection** by Glen Galbraith *

Sunday, **May 20th, Holy Sepulchre Cemetery**, Greece Museum, 2:00 pm

Monday, **June 18th, Annual Strawberry Festival**, 4:00 - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, **Sept 11th, History of WXXI** by Norm Silverstein *

Tuesday, **Oct 9th, Buried Treasures at Mt Hope Cemetery** by Richard Reism *

Please join us for any or all of these events. We are here for you, finding items of historical interest we think you might enjoy. If you've been curious about something in Greece's past, or have thoughts or ideas for stories of interest, please let us know. We might be curious, too!

*Tuesday programs are at the Greece Public Library, 2 Vince Tofany Blvd., 7:00 p.m.

GHS History by Bill Sauers

In the spring of 1999, during the demolition of the old Town Hall on W. Ridge Road, our executive director, **Lorraine Beane** approached Town Supervisor **John Auberger** about the possibility of salvaging the cupola atop of the old Town Hall. With the Supervisor's help, the cupola was saved. After many months of restoration by our volunteers and with the help of the Town DPW crew, the old cupola became part of our new sign in 2001.

The photo shows **Greg Weren**, a Greece DPW employee, lowering the cupola as **Mark Lang**, **Larry Zarnstorff** and **Scott Kirchoff** help steady it onto the brick foundation.



Sunday, May 20, 2:00 p.m. Greece Museum

Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

Founded in 1871, Holy Sepulchre Cemetery is the largest and most active of Rochester's cemeteries, with 332 acres of land and nearly 300,000 burials. Approximately 1,800 interments take place in our gardens, mausoleums and columbaria each year. **Lynn Sullivan**, Chief Executive Officer Holy Sepulchre Cemetery and Ascension Garden will present a program on the history and special features of the cemetery.



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Museum Happenings

Share Your Stories and Memories



Bill Bartling's story in this issue is what we hope is the start a new series of stories and memories by YOU, the average Greece resident. Every one of you has a story to tell. Our readers can submit their personal stories or memories of growing up in the Town of Greece. We may not have room to publish all, but would like to have at least one personal story in each Corinthian. How about it! Share YOUR story with your fellow members of the Greece Historical Society. Email your story or memory to: greecehistoricalsociety@yahoo.com along with a photo and brief bio of yourself. (Your story should be about 500 words.)

It's Time to Renew Your Membership!

May 1st through April 30th is our membership year in the Greece Historical Society and Museum.

To renew for 2018-2019 we have sent a reminder letter with a form and return envelope, or you may use the form on the back of the newsletter. Please make your check payable to Greece Historical Society. You may also pay your dues online with Pay Pal by going to our web site at <http://greecehistoricalsociety.org/join-us/membership/>. Fill out the form and click on the Pay Pal button. A donation button is on the site also for those who like to add a donation to their dues.



The Greece Historical Society truly appreciates your support as it is about one third of our yearly income. To those of you who have already paid your dues, we have sent you new membership cards. Thank you all for your help in keeping our community's history and sharing it through programs, publications, and social media.

We hope you will continue to enjoy being a member of the Greece Historical Society. When you renew, please consider upgrading your membership. Your generosity will help us do even more in the coming year.

If you are uncertain about your membership status, give us a call at 225-7221 or email us at greecehistoricalsociety@yahoo.com and we will check our records.

Last Chance to See Woman's Suffrage Exhibit

The exhibit *Winning the Vote: The Women of Greece Involved in the Woman's Suffrage Movement* runs through the end of May. As you may know, the exhibit marked the 100th anniversary of women winning full suffrage in New York State. It celebrates some of the remarkable Greece women who supported the campaign to win the vote, particularly **Jean Brooks Greenleaf**, **Georgia Bonesteel Raynsford**, and the **Charlotte Political Equality Club**.

It also details the three county conventions held in Greece.

Recently at The Museum...



Thank you to all that enjoyed our pasta dinner fundraiser on Sunday, April 15th. It was one of our most successful dinners to date.

On April 7th-9th, GHS trustees **Gretchen Kolowski**, **Ruth Curchoe** and **Bill Sauers** attended the Museum Association of New York's annual conference along with 400 other museum professionals from across New York State.



On Tuesday, April 10th, **Kathy Connor**, curator of the George Eastman Legacy Collection told us about Mr. Eastman's Philanthropy to the medical community of Rochester.

On Sunday April 15th, **Dave Shields** entertained over 40 of our members and friends with his stories about the Erie Railroad and the Rochester & Genesee Valley Railroad Museum



Our History

Memories of Dewey Stone Area by Bill Bartling



This is what it was like in the 1940s growing up in Greece in the Dewey Stone area.

When I was 5 we moved to 22 Dalston Road. It was the first house on the street behind Sarvey's Gulf station. Across Dewey, one block toward the city, was Shorty Junker's Barnard Grill. Directly across from Sarvey's was a Hart's grocery. It was sort of a 7-11 before there were 7-11s. Next to Hart's going toward Stone Road was Veltri's shoe repair. Back on the West side, next to Sarvey's was Esler's, which sold records and probably some other electronic stuff. Back on the East side was a little strip shopping center with a little haberdashery shop and on the corner of the center was Johnny's Diner. Then there was Cowan's drug store. Across from Cowan's was, and still is, the Dutch Mill. There was nothing behind the Dutch Mill at the time, just an open field. Back across Dewey there was a small country store on the Northwest corner. Going East on Stone there was McBride's Tavern. Heading west on Stone was Barnard School and behind Barnard was St. Charles. Back on the other side of Dewey was a church and farther down the Barnard Fire House. The fire house was much smaller then. There was a large home just before the fire house with a large open lot between the house and the fire house. The home owner let the firefighters make a large garden on the lot where they grew food for fire house use.

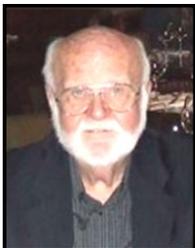
You'd find mostly homes from there to the Britton Road area except for Hope Lutheran Church. Every day at noon the firefighters sounded the siren. I don't know if that was to test it or to let everyone know it was time for lunch. The siren's real purpose was to alert the volunteers that it was time for action when there was a fire. When the siren sounded shopkeepers would come running out of the stores, jump into their cars, and head for the fire house to learn where the fire was.

Kids would be out all day in the summer and after school when it was in session. Parents didn't worry about the children's safety and usually the Barnard school playground was the destination. Smaller children played on the swings, slides, monkey bars, and whatever else was there while the older kids played baseball, football, or soccer, whatever was in season. With no assigned teams, we chose up sides, and had no coaches or even adults. I almost think this was better. We learned a lot about life without an adult directing what we should do and how we should act. There were no school buses; we all walked to school.

Every year a group of Gypsies came and camped in the lot behind the Dutch Mill. We youngsters always went there to talk to the exotic people who were really quite nice to us. Today people would never let their children go there unsupervised. Later, the shopping area around the back of the Dutch Mill was built and the Gypsies' camping grounds were no more. One of the shops there was a bakery. A young ex-sailor by the name of Jackson started his bakery which still exists today now found across the street.

One event we always looked forward to was the minstrel show performed by the Barnard firefighters and exempts members. It was amazing to see people we knew performing— some with great talent and others with great enthusiasm. The shows were stopped because they were considered racist I believe. We were too young and innocent to understand racism and we all wanted to be one of the End Men (as they were called) when we grew up.

Another annual event we looked forward to occurring was the Christmas party the Fire Department conducted for children of the firefighters. We always were given a net stocking filled with hard candy, a little toy, and an orange which was a real treat. We only had whatever fruit was in season in those days and seldom from a faraway place like Florida..... So many more memories.....



Bill Bartling was born and grew up in Greece. He attended Barnard Elementary and then John Marshall High School as there were no high schools in Greece at that time. Bill's father was one of the first four full time firefighters at the Barnard Fire House, so Bill spent many hours there. He knew Chief Carter and the police officers there too as they were housed at the rear of the fire house. After a career in the electronic security industry, Bill and his wife of 54 years retired to Austin, Tex as along with their three children.



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