

THE CORINTHIAN

GREECE HISTORICAL SOCIETY and MUSEUM

July 2014

Saturday & Sunday July 26th, 27th 10am-4pm Community Yard Sale

This is a fun way to enjoy a summer weekend.

Get ready to sell your stuff.

Clear your clutter or promote your business.

See page 7 for details and space reservation.

Or stop by and search for new treasures!



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August 2014

Sunday, August 3rd, 2014 1:30-4:00 pm.

2nd Annual Family Game Day

at Greece Historical Society and Museum

Remember the days when you didn't need batteries, a computer, or Wi-Fi to play a game? The whole family can join in playing a variety of games throughout the museum and on the front lawn. There will be croquet, toss-across, and skittles. Test your balance and flexibility in a game of *Twister*. Inside the museum you can prove your gaming skills at pick-up sticks, Chinese checkers, and tiddlywinks. The event is free and children will be awarded small prizes for playing the games.



"President's Message"

2014 is already half over. It's so nice to enjoy some good weather after that long cold winter.

While we were indoors trying to say warm, our governance team of Lee Strauss, Greg



Redmond, Paula Smith and Ruth Curchoe have been busy rewriting and revising our by-laws that were originally written in 1996.

The new by-laws which will soon be mailed to our membership have dozens of small changes which will streamline our operations. The most significant change that our members will notice will be a change from a rotating membership year to one where everyone renews on the same month. We realize that this might be a small inconvenience to some but it will greatly improve to our efficiency and help us better plan our budget year. Look for an additional mailing in about a month with the new by-laws and notice about a general membership meeting to vote on these by-laws.

In the meantime, support us by visiting our Community Yard Sale on July 26-27 or view the wonderful photographs of **Robert Bilsky** on July 13, 20 and 27 and the Wizard of Oz collection of **Pam Montrois** in August.

Finally I would like to thank all our volunteers, community groups and businesses that supported our Strawberry Festival. A special thank you to the businesses that supplied the delicious desserts: **Tops Friendly Market, Tim Horton's (Long Pond Rd), Special T Cakes & Desserts, Legacy at Park Crescent, Long Pond Family Restaurant, Mel's Diner, Fleming Point, the Village at Unity** and to **Party Productions, Tie Dyed To Go Band, the Greece Special Police** and a big thank you to our corporate sponsors: **Wegmans, NW Savings Bank and Vay –Schleich & Meeson Funeral and Cremation Chapels.**

Bill Sauers, President

"Museum Events"

Museum and Museum Shop hours:

Sunday 1:30 - 4p.m.

GHS office hours: Mon-Wed 9:30 a.m.-Noon

Museum and Museum Shop are also available during office hours.

We are closed Sunday, July 6th.

July 13th - 27th

"Visions of Home" Photo Exhibit

(Presenter's visit, see page 4)

Saturday & Sunday, July 26th, 27th

Community Yard Sale

(See page 1, 7)

Sunday, August 3rd, 1:30-4:00 pm.

Game Day

(See page 1)

Sunday, August 10th

New Exhibit on *The Wizard of Oz*

(Presenter's visit, see page 3)

Currently Seeking New Board Members

The Greece Historical Society is seeking motivated community minded individuals wanting to serve on our Board of Trustees. If you like to make decisions, plan events and have ideas on managing an all volunteer organization and historical center, contact Bill Sauers at 225-3760 or email him at wsauers@rochester.rr.com. Come be a part of this active organization where you can make a difference.

Pay your GHS Membership Dues On-Line

PayPal is now available for membership dues and donations. Save postage by going to our web site, www.greecehistoricalsociety.net and clicking "Membership."

PayPal



"Our Museum Community"

New Exhibit, Program on *The Wizard of Oz*

Greece resident Pamela Montrois has been enthralled with the movie *The Wizard of Oz* since she was a young child and that interest led her to amass an impressive collection of memorabilia over the years. This year marks the seventy-fifth anniversary of the movie and Pam will share her memories and artifacts in a new exhibit and program at the museum in August. **Pam will give a presentation on Sunday, August 17 at 2:00 pm.** She'll talk about her collection, attending the Oz Festival in Chittenago, NY where the author Frank Baum was born, and meeting some of the actors who played the Munchkins. Join us for a nostalgic look back at a film so many people remember from their own childhoods. The exhibit will be up from August 10 through the end of September.



Kathy Firkins tells Pinebrook School children about a one room school. This was one of about a dozen school tours conducted in May and June.

THANK YOU to the BUSINESSES That Have SUPPORTED the GREECE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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North Ridge Glass
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The Signery
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Ultimate Interiors*
Vay-Schleich & Meeson Funeral &
Cremation Chapels*
Wegman Food Markets (Latta Rd)

(* denotes Business Member)

"Tours and Education"

TOURS

It was a very busy Spring for school tours. We had over 220 2nd graders, along with their teachers and many adult volunteers, come through our beautiful house and museum. Schools that participated were Pinebrook, Longridge and Greece Christian Elementary schools. In addition to that, Linda Evans and I went to Longridge School on May 30th. We taught 6 classes for 30 minutes each to prepare them before they had their turn to come to us. We had a wonderful time dressing in our "colonial dresses" which was a visual way they could see the difference between then and now. The students are so excited to learn some of the fun facts about the town that they live in. Thank you to all of the volunteers who gave their time.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Welcome to Diana Duell, our newest volunteer to the Education Committee. She was on hand along with many of our volunteers for the Strawberry Festival. This year we again featured games such as bean bag toss, view masters, skittle bowl and others.

Our Game Day was such a success last year that we decided to plan another. It will be on Sunday, August 3rd from 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. We will once again have lawn games such as croquet, bean bag toss and twister. They were all big hits last year. Inside the house we will have several board games for people to try. Nothing will require any technology or have batteries. Last year Cootie was the most popular. We are a committee that meets regularly to plan events that educate the public on a variety of subjects.

Kathie Firkins, Tour Director & Education Committee Consultant

"Museum Shop"

It's time to make your summer reading plans and we have some new books for your reading pleasure. Don't forget the children's section with books and old time games to share with your kids and grandkids.

After you tour our new museum exhibits, please stop in. We'd love to see you.



Wendy Peeck, Museum Shop Coordinator

Museum Shop hours: Sun 1:30-4:00, Mon-Wed 9:30-12

"Visions of Home" Photo Exhibit

by Robert Bilsky

July 13th - 27th at the Greece Museum

Robert Bilsky is a longtime resident and former Councilman of the Town of Greece. His interest in photography began in high school. He is self-taught and continues to learn by reading and studying the works of other photographers. His work has a long appeared in the Life in the Finger Lakes magazine and in the Democrat and Chronicle. He is pleased to share his "Visions of Home" with you in this exhibit.

Robert will be at the exhibit on July 13th and 27th.



All the photographs will be for sale, and a portion of all sales will be donated to GHS!

Museum Gardens

Our gardens need help.

For the past six years the Woodside Garden Club has taken care of our Cupola garden on the front lawn and for almost two decades Thyme in the Garden garden club has maintained the back yard rose garden.

We appreciate their efforts and thank them for beautifying our home. Unfortunately neither club is able to continue this work. If you know of another garden club, business or civic organization willing to take on the responsibility of one or both of these gardens, please let us know. Give us a call at 225-7221 or email greecehistoricalsociety@yahoo.com. We are happy to place signage acknowledging your work.

Officers & Board of Trustees

President:	Bill Sauers
Vice President:	Paula Smith
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Honorary Trustee:	Don Newcomb
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Committee Chairs::

Building	Needed
Grounds	Bill Peeck
Historian Office	Alan Mueller
Membership	Maureen Whalen
Museum	Viola White
Museum Shop	Wendy Peeck
Newsletter	Cyndie Shevlin
Programs	Bill Sauers
Publicity	Marge Zercie
Registrar	Lee Strauss
Tours, Education	Kathie Firkins Linda Evans

Please Remember

The Greece Historical Society in your tax and estate planning. We are a non-profit organization supported by your *gifts and endowments.

We sincerely appreciate your donations.

*Tax deductible per (Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code

For newsletter input only, please contact: corintheditor@yahoo.com

Cyndie Shevlin, Editor

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

"FROM THE HISTORIAN'S FILE"

WHAT'S in a "STREET" NAME?

What are the origins of many of the Greece Street names?

From Arlide Drive and Armstrong Road to Weiland Road and Wendhurst Drive you will also find the odd ball names of, Canasta Road and Hojack Park! Who named these Greece streets and why do they have these varied names? Why was McGuire Road originally called Sage or Ottaway Road? Podunk Road became Mill Rd., which actually had a Cider Mill on a Creek near Long Pond Rd. English Road was not named after The United Kingdom, but for the Nathan English family who were farmers in the area and Eddy Road, north of the Ridge, became Mt. Read Boulevard.

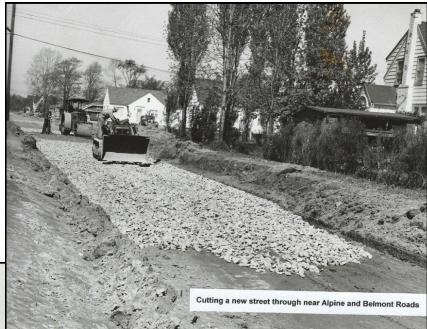
The end of World War II saw a huge influx of street development and housing. Multiple adjoining streets were named after wildflowers, types of fruit, variations of common names etc. A housing tract running north of Ridge Rd., East of Long Pond Rd. acquired a group of early New England names of towns and illustrious citizens. Some of the names are Alden, Cabot, Duxbury, Nantucket, Standish, etc.

When the Greece High Schools were built, starting with Olympia in the late 1950s, they would all carry Greek names. It was natural that Greek names would be used for new streets near the schools, i.e.: Olympia Drive, Arcadia Parkway, Athena Drive, etc.

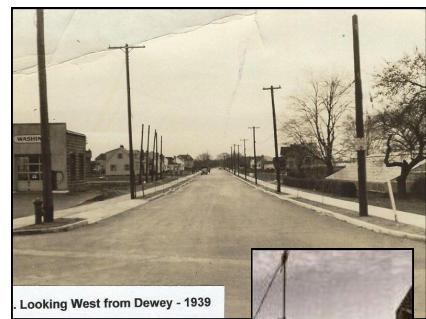
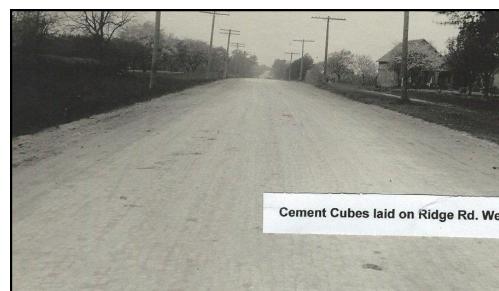
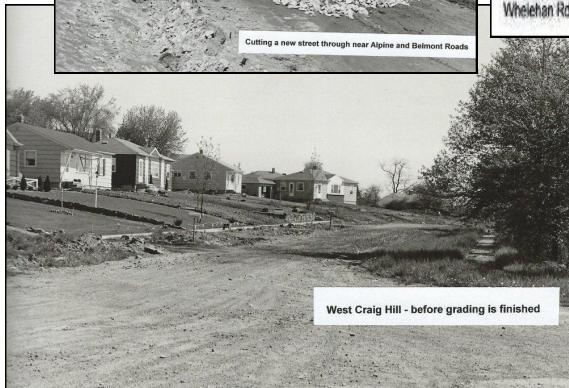
The introduction of full Zip Codes caused a rethinking of how streets would be named. The Postal Dept. and Town Hall certainly were in frenzy during those years. According to data from our DPW, the town presently has 261 miles of roads it maintains. Monroe County maintains 72½ miles and New York State has 19 miles. There are 1000 roads in Greece, plus 57 which are private.

The compiled list shown below is what I have been able to gather with over seventy Greece Street names that are linked to early settlers, farm families and tract developers, plus a few miscellaneous names not directly connected to the Greece area.

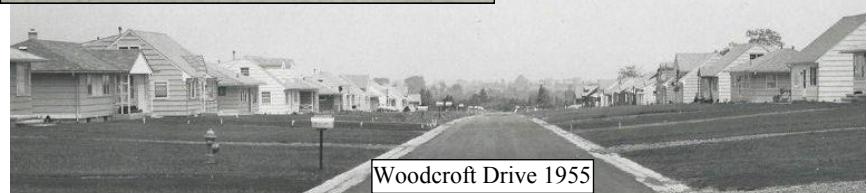
See last month's Corinthian, page 5, for the first article on "Google Mapping." In the future you will be able to go to Google Map Engine Pro and find some of these streets with a short sentence about the origin of their names and more. That will be an interesting but ongoing project.



Almay Rd. - Arlide Dr. - Armstrong Rd. - Bakerdale Rd. - Barnard Crossing Rd. - Bartholf Rd. -
Beatty Rd. - Buckman Rd. - Britton Rd. - Bonesteel Rd. - Canal Wood - Clark Pk. -
College Ave. - Conrad Dr. - Denise Rd. - Desmond Rd. - Dobson Rd. - Dewey Ave. - Dohrcrest Rd. -
English Rd. - Erath Rd. - Estall Rd. - Fallenson Rd. - Fetzner Rd. - Fleming Creek Circle -
Frisbee Hill Rd. - Frear Dr. - Greenleaf Rd. - Goethels Dr. - Hincher Rd. - Hogan Pt. Rd. -
Hojack Pk. - Holmes Rd. - Hoover Dr. - Howesdale Rd. - Island Cottage Rd. -
James Rd. - Kaiser Cl. - Kirk Rd. - Kuhn Rd. - Larkins Crossing - Letta Rd. - Lawson Rd. -
Long Pond Rd. - Lowdon Pl. Rd. - Marilyn Dr. - McCall Rd. - McGuire Rd. - Mill Rd. - Mitchell Rd. -
Newcomb Rd. - Owens Way - Payne Beach Rd. - Pearson Lane - Peck Rd. - Preston Circle -
Post Ave. - Rigney Lane - Shirley Terrace - Straub Rd. - Stone Rd. - Studley St. - Suttons Dr. - Tiernan
Venees Rd. - Verstreet - Vince Tofany Blvd. - Wendhurst Rd. - Weiland Rd. - West Craig Hill -
Whalehan Rd. - Willmae Rd. - Yarkerdale Dr.



Looking West from Dewey - 1939



Photos, data supplied by **Alan Mueller**, Greece Historian's Office. If you have any information on our photos, call Alan at 663-1706.

Happenings at the Greece Museum

2014 Strawberry Dessert Festival

Over 500 of our members, and neighbors enjoyed a beautiful summer evening filled with delicious desserts, good music and lots of fun. Thanks to all the wonderful volunteers who helped make it our most successful festival ever. See you next year!





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VENDOR AGREEMENT

EVENT:

TITLE: Greece Historical Society and Museum Community Yard Sale

PROVIDED: 10'x12' yard space, vendor parking area, restroom facilities

AVAILABLE: Refreshments, Food (for purchase)

REQUIRED: Bring your own table, tent, etc. Leave your space clean/empty, including trash.

Note: We do not have trash pickup here. You must take it with you.

DATE OF EVENT: Sat, 7/26 and Sun, 7/27 **Open:** 10 am-4pm

Setup begins 8am to select your space. (Disputes settled by rock,paper,scissors.)

Contact: Cyndie: call/text 585-230-8218)

LOCATION: Greece Museum, 595 Long Pond Rd Rochester NY 14612

VENDOR:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone No. _____

E-Mail _____

FEE* Enclosed: (Checks payable to Greece Historical Society)

\$30 per space single day or \$50 double space single day

\$50 per space/both days or \$85 double space both days

Yes, I will support GHS with a new membership:

(GHS Members may deduct additional \$5 per day)

\$12 Single \$20 Family \$50 Business \$500 Life

Total amount enclosed _____ for ___ # of spaces ___ #days ___ new membership.

SIGNED by Vendor _____ Date _____

Mail reservation by 07/16 to Event Coordinator:

Cyndie Shevlin, 55 Snowy Owl Ridge, Rochester NY 14612-2969

Phone No. 585-230-8218 Call/text E-mail: ultint@yahoo.com

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When you receive your renewal letter, please consider upgrading.

Membership Application

GREECE HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM

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