

Town of Warrensburg Historian January 2024 Monthly Report

Historian & Museum

January 3 & 4 was quarantined due to CoVid.

January 20 attended Warren County Annual Meeting and Luncheon at

Richard Schloss called regarding an infant who was noted as being buried in Warrensburg Cemetery. Could not find in my listings and let him know.

Spoke with Laney Rounds about filing cabinets to go in new office after February 1st. Need to have town pick them up and deliver to my new office.

Sarah Farrar continues to come in frequently doing family research.

Most of my time in the office is spent filing and adding people to the Ancestry program, from the Cindy Needham collection. There is still a huge amount to go through.

Met with Teresa Whalen to discuss a potential film about Warrensburg and it's history.

Gary and Char Bivona continue to come in weekly to help me sort the **humungus** amount of paperwork that I received from the family of Cindy Needham. Much of my time at the Historian's office is spent recording and filing all the information.

Suzanne O'Dea and I went through the items stored upstairs at the Museum. We have listed quite a few items that we would like to deaccession, as they are either duplicates of what we have, or will never be displayed due to their condition, or not having anything to do with Warrensburg. We are desperate for more space up there, and this will give us a fairly large amount of open space.

Stan Cianfrano, County Historian, picked up a large amount of information on the New England Women's organization, similar to the DAR. I do not have room, and much is not related to Warrensburg. He brought it to the Crandall Library. Stan has been a tremendous help with helping to get the info from the Needham collection to the other Warren County historians that relate to their towns.

I continue adding accessions that were given in the previous year into the Past Perfect program as the museum. Every photo is scanned, numbered and added to Past Perfect. Char and have continued entering all accessions, and information o

I am working on an article for the Quarterly on advertisements with cartoons. Harold McKinney has been going through the old newspapers at the Museum and making copies for me.

On January 31st, Char, myself and two other friends moved much of what is in my office to the new office next door. I need to have someone pick up 8 file cabinets that Laney is donating and bring them to my new office. I also have to have the computer and phone moved to the new office.

December Death that was missed

12/23/2023 Helen Cole Saddlemire

January Deaths

1/6 Alice Ann Whittemore Damp

1/7 Myrtle Putnam Buyce

1/25 Patricia A. Smith Wyncoop

1/26 Catherine E. Bartlett Needham

**Office & Museum Hours 37.75
hours**

Volunteers

Char Bivona 7 days

Gary Bivona 3 days

Respectfully Submitted,
Sandi Parisi

Museum Activities

- Software ○ Past Perfect - 2024 membership verifying with quick books
- 185 as of February 3, 2024--12 Businesses, 18 Life, 13 Family, 22 Gratis, 26 Individuals, 66 Senior, 21 Senior Couple, 3 students, 4 contributors ■ Photo upload to website ■ Quick Books - reviewing billing information - providing information as PDFs to Sharon. ■ Credit Card-
- Meetings ○ Town Board meeting -January 10, 2024- not able to attend ○ Historical Society meeting - January 3, 2024 ○ Saratoga Planning Conference -January 31, 2024 -Wetlands, Stormwater, Historic Preservation
- Grants/Fundraising -research new grant opportunities ○ looking for opportunities for proper artifact and materials storage -heating and cooling systems
- Occupancy Tax Activities ○ Museum Association of New York - ○ Lake George Chamber of Commerce 2024 Travel guide estimated ○ American Association for State and Local History - ○ Weebly -Museum Website
- Correspondence: ○ Jim Lieberum wishes to donate a library table 48X29X29 made in Mayville NY Chautauqua Manufacturing Company - Sold from Endicott furniture ○ Rebeka Nicholson of John W Wills House 1860 Inn and Livery previous antique store restored home short term rental -met with her this past saturday winter appointment to tour the museum -she is making instagram videos of the Town and would like to work with us to help promote warrensburg history
- Committee update:
- Member of Finance, Events, Membership ○ Society Events ■ Bingo(Yvonne) - 2024 Date to be determined ■ Sticky Wicket - August 18th, 2024, Volunteer Appreciation Day ■ Graveyard Walk Determine dates for 2024/ Alternative Physic Reading & or Garrow Movie ■ Garage Sale Spot for Warrensburg Thurman Historical Society - ● 2024 will be on October 4-6th - other societies/museums share our booth or Alternative to only open up the front step area the Veteran's Room ■ Thurman Fall Tour -2024 date ■ Annual Meeting February 29th ■ Glens Falls Senior Center TBD ■ Wiawaka Center TBD - ■ Museum Events - See draft calendar notes at end of report ■ Christmas in Warrensburg 2024 Date To be Determined ● Membership Drive -Goal to pursue more businesses.
- Bicentennial Book Committee ○ No new activity at this time January 2024 ○ Committee: Laura, Sandi, Myra, Evelyn, Gary, Manu, Mark
- Chair Museum Guides & other Museum ○ 2024 Weekday opening -Youth Program, Alternative Sentencing ■ Coordinating a May 2024 with Shelby Poetry Workshop with Adirondack Writing Center project includes Workshop at the Library and Museum... ○ Developing marketing materials with Student Vee Rogue ACC/Queensbury Marketing focus

- Member Publications/Media ○ Collaborate between Beautification and the Historical Society for a promotional video - ■ The video would follow an interview format with hopefully the following folks: Charlanne Burke, Manu Davidson, Denise and Ken Geiger, Julie Garcia-Woodward Block and Darby Langworthy Bandstand Brew Works

- Member of Bylaws - incorporation paper and bylaw etc

- Member of Education/Library/Programs ○ Nothing to report for January

- Historian -Accession of items -Thurman Collection.

- Deaccession/Loan of items - Director and Historian - future project development of process

- Short Term and Long Term Goals - coordinate with Executive Committee and others

Tentative Calendar for 2024

February 2024 –

2/29 Annual Meeting at Lizzy Keays

March 2024

Date to Be Determined -North Country Museums and Societies Meeting

April 2024

Date To be Determined Speaker to be Determined - Solar Eclipse, Speaker Dean Moore

May 2024

5/9 Floyd Bennett Day Volunteer Meeting Luncheon and Volunteer sign up -Calendar 5/25 & 5/26
Opening Day Date to be Determined Poetry Workshop Coordination with Library

June 2024

4th Grade Museum Visit Unknown /Maybe Artifact July 2024 July 13th Warrensburg Beautification
Garden Tour Unknown/Maybe Author weekend

August 2024

August 8th AARCH Tour- Historic Buildings Coordinated with/by Beautification

August 150th St Cecilia's Anniversary August 18th Sticky Wicket/Volunteer Appreciation Day

September 2024

Graveyard walk/ or maybe a movie night “ Ed Garrow” -hope to hear from the producer shortly

October 2024

Garage Sale - Book Sales - Might open front room of Museum only instead of packing a tent and chairs and tables... Thurman Days

November 2024

Unknown/ Maybe Bingo

December 2024

Christmas in Warrensburgh Holiday Dinner

MUSEUM Committee Meeting 1/7/2024 Summary

1. Additional guides

- A. Warren County Youth Program
- b. Alternative Sentencing Contact - Possible volunteers
- C. Town of Warrensburgh

2. Recruit more Volunteers

- a. Museum to be open three days per week during season
- b. Board Member 1 day per month at minimum.
- c. Meet with volunteers twice a year to update.
- d. Hold luncheon meeting twice a year for recruitment

3. New exhibit and establish schedule.

- a. Exhibit at school
 - i. Eclipse display and activity
 - ii. Revolutionary war celebration in 2025
- b. Committee to update displays
- c. Develop audio displays for existing and new exhibits at the museum
- i. Shirt factory

4. Identify school for more involvement

- a. Superintendents Day -set up meeting with Superintendent Amy Langworthy develop opportunity for more student interaction.

5. Quarterly Museum Committee Meetings.

- a. April - develop list of volunteers with phone numbers and a draft letter

6. Learn Accession process, 3 people a. Recruiting - Kelley Baker, Rebekka Nicholson etc.

Respectfully submitted, Laura Moore Laura Moore, Museum Director

