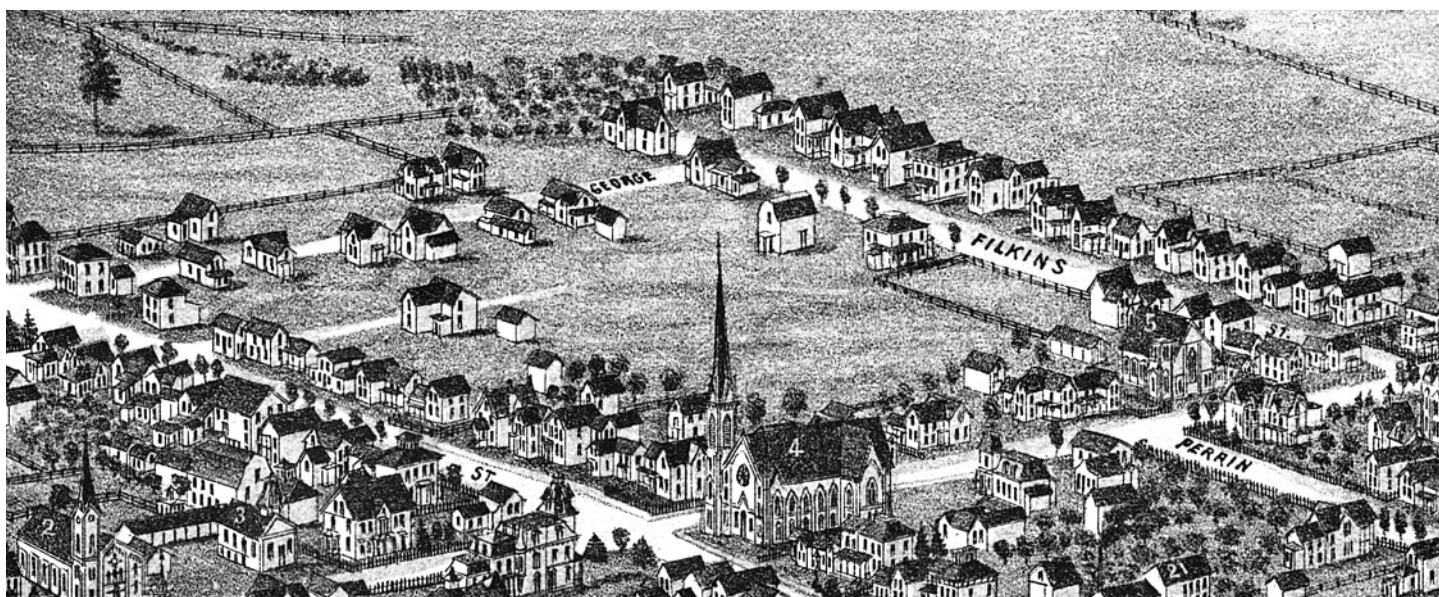


2017 PHS House Tour—*Sunday, October 1st*



Detail from the 1885 Birds-Eye View of Fairport, including George and Filkins Street

Please join us this fall for a visit to the neighborhood of George S. Filkins, a Civil War veteran, village trustee, developer and builder, featuring five distinct homes on streets that ensure his memory lives on. We'll tour houses on Filkins and George Street that date back to the late 1800s and early 1900s.

And then, for a special treat, we are proud to announce that The Inn on Church will be opening its doors to our house tour goers.

Tickets for the tour will be available for sale at the Fairport Historical Museum, 18 Perrin Street, during regular business hours. Members, be sure to renew so you can join us for this wonderful event!



Early 1900s postcard view of Filkins Street, looking to the south



Comments from your President

August 15th, deadline time for my article for the September *Historigram*. As I sit in my carriage barn office, the day has turned from a rainy afternoon to a beautiful sunny early evening. Speaking of rain, I like to follow the weather almanac on the back of the Democrat & Chronicle.

~ Bob Hunt ~

Year to date, we are about nine inches above normal in rainfall. For our little 1/3 acre lot on Roselawn Avenue, that amounts to 116,245 gallons of water. That's enough water to fill five swimming pools, 50'x20' and 3 feet deep. Cindy recently spoke with her brother in northwestern Montana, who reported they have had no rain for over two months, with extremely high temperatures. I told him we could send out a few inches to help them and us out.

Since our last chat, Fairport had its annual Fourth of July parade. The PHS Float Committee, headed up by Ann Castle, entered a beautiful float with a large cake to commemorate Fairport's 150th anniversary. Nice job by Ann and her committee. It's going to cost me a visit to Moonlight Creamery to treat the committee with ice cream. Thanks and well done.

In July Cindy and I took our annual visit to the Adam's Basin Inn to spend a night with Innkeepers Pat and Dave Haines. The Inn was featured a couple weeks back in the D & C. We took our bicycles and had a nice thirty mile ride going west from Adam's Basin and enjoyed the open farm land found in that area. Dave is the President of the Ogden Historical Society, and he took us to visit their house and barn museum located on Colby Road in Northampton Park. Their museum is about three years old and already has a lot to offer of interest, including a large lace display.

The Town of Ogden produced lots of apples in the past, which were shipped via the Erie Canal. During our visit, I offered to donate to their museum the Trescott apple sorter and washer which PHS had in storage. About a week later, Dave and Pat came for a visit to look at the rig. They said it would be a great addition to their museum, which has a large barn that offers a great place to display such items. Thanks to Matt Wells and his buddy Steve Paliotti for helping us get the big sorter up from the basement.

While Dave and Pat were here, I showed them a Fairbanks Platform farm scale and bean sorter which was used on our farm south of Dundee where I grew up. As a young lad, I can remember my dad using these scales to weigh the young pigs we raised. Dad would weigh himself on the scales and then hold a young pig about 6 months old and weigh them both. After subtracting his weight, we knew the weight of the pigs we were sending off for fattening at another farm.



A 1875 view of the Ryan House, a tavern on the Erie Canal in Adams Basin. The building, constructed around 1825, is now the Adams Basin Inn Bed & Breakfast, owned and managed by Pat and Dave Haines.

We could never train the pigs to stand on the scales alone.

I can also remember using the scales to weigh out grain before taking the filled bags to the mill for grinding. This took place in our barn granary, where I held the bags open while dad filled them with a scoop shovel. I had to hold tight to the bags to keep them from slipping out of my hands and spilling the grain. When that happened and the grain spilled, I heard my dad say "hang on to that bag and don't let it spill." The grain was either wheat or oats, and was weighed on the scales. It was then loaded onto the truck for transport to the Dundee GLF, where it was ground into feed for the cows and pigs we raised.

Thanks for your continued support of the Perinton Historical Society, it is appreciated.

Bob

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Upcoming Programs & Events

Tuesday, September 19th, 7:00 p.m.

At the museum

Program: *Harriet Tubman: With All the Odds Against Her*

Presenter: Magelene “Maggie” Moore-Holley

Sunday, October 1st, 1:00–4:00 p.m.

2017 PHS House Tour

For details, see article starting on page 1.

Tuesday, October 17th, 7:00 p.m.

At the museum

Program: *All for Suffrage: The Anthony Family Takes a Stand*

Presenter: Jeanne Gehret

Tuesday, November 21st, 6:00–7:00 p.m.

At the museum

Event: *PHS Yuletide Traditions*

Opening bids accepted for silent auction items

Tuesday, November 21st, 7:00 p.m.

At the museum

Program: *Little Journeys to Pleasant Places*

Presentation based on an essay written for Fairport’s Old Home Celebration of 1908

Presenter: Bill Poray

Tuesday, December 12th, 6:00–7:00 p.m.

At the museum

Event: *PHS Yuletide Traditions* final bids accepted for silent auction items. Silent auction winners will be announced at the conclusion of the evening’s program

Tuesday, December 12th, 7:00 p.m.

At the museum

Program: Annual Holiday Party & Program:

Christmas in Regency-Era England

Presenter: Lisa Brown

Please bring a dessert to pass

Check the October *Historigram* for additional special events occurring during our *Yuletide Traditions* fundraiser!

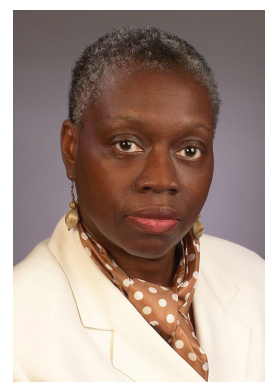
We need you!

Museum volunteers work one shift per month greeting and assisting visitors. New volunteers are paired with veterans for each shift, and training is provided. We are always looking for new volunteers to staff the museum, and especially need volunteers on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. and Sundays from 2:00–4:00 p.m. If you can give of your time just a few hours a month, please contact PHS Volunteer Coordinator Sue Scheirer by phone at 585-377-3789 or at dscheir1@rochester.rr.com. We look forward to adding you to our volunteer roster!



Harriet Tubman
(1820–1913)

Magelene “Maggie”
Moore-Holley comes to the
Fairport Historical Museum
on September 19th to portray
renowned abolitionist
and humanitarian
Harriet Tubman.



Harriet Tubman: With All the Odds Against Her

*September 19th, 7:00 p.m.
at the Fairport Historical Museum*

The Perinton Historical Society is pleased to welcome Magelene “Maggie” Moore-Holley to the Fairport Historical Museum as she portrays renowned abolitionist and humanitarian Harriet Tubman (1820-1913).

Harriet Tubman lived an embattled life, from childhood until her death, because of the situation in which she was born. Although her life was constantly interrupted by one battle after another, she was eager to get involved in a struggle that changed the course of American history, the Civil War. She faced and overcame each new battle with the same determination, courage, and faith that helped her to “keep-a-going” against tremendous odds. Harriet will discuss, in part, how her struggles prepared her for war.

Magelene (Maggie) Moore-Holley is married and the mother of two adult children. Retired from the Monroe County Department of Social Services, Maggie is a member of Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church; AKOMA, the African-American Women’s Gospel Choir; AKWAABA, the Heritage Associates, and a Harriet Tubman re-enactor. This event is free and open to the public.



The Newman-Dean house and barn at 11 West Church Street are Fairport designated landmarks. The house is an excellent example of Queen Anne architecture from the Victorian era, built by local builder H.J. Lovejoy. The photo at left was taken in 1893. Now known as The Inn on Church, this beautiful landmark will be included in our 2017 tour.

The Newman-Dean House

While Mr. Filkins was developing the adjoining neighborhood, this architectural treasure was creating some history of its own. Built in 1893 to be the home of William M. Newman, some will remember this designated Fairport landmark as the home and office of Dr. George A. Dean.

Very recently, the home has been transformed into a charming bed and breakfast, called The Inn on Church. Don't miss this opportunity to visit Fairport's favorite "home away from home!"

A Bit on George S. Filkins

A veteran of the Civil War, George Filkins was an officer of the E.A. Slocum Post, Grand Army of the Republic. He served both on the Village Board and on the Municipal Commission, and played a significant role in the development of the village of Fairport. For many years Filkins ran a meat market on South Main Street, cleverly utilizing the municipal water works to power his sausage-cutting apparatus. In winter he harvested ice from the oxbow and stored it in his icehouse for use in the spring and summer months. Most relevant to our upcoming house tour, he picked up and moved many of Fairport's early homes, typically on Main and Church Streets. He found a new lot for most of them on George and Filkins Streets, then built new houses on the vacated lots.



Tickets will be mailed to all members. Purchase additional tickets at the Fairport Historical Museum, Perinton Town Hall, Fairport Village Hall and Fairport Public Library during regular business hours.



(Above)
Interior view of the meat market of George Filkins, circa 1900.

(Left)
An early image of the meat market of George Filkins. This is the same building, where the Fairport Savings Bank has been located for decades, at 45 South Main Street.

Both photos from the collection of the Perinton Historical Society



What is Yuletide Traditions?

At this time of the year, the phrase “Yuletide Traditions” is bandied about in the Perinton Historical Society *Historigram* newsletter, on our Facebook page, at the Fairport Historical Museum and in the media. What does it mean? *Yuletide Traditions* (YT) is the Perinton Historical Society’s annual fundraiser.

During a three week time frame in November and December, visitors to the museum have the opportunity to bid on beautiful Christmas trees, wreaths and gift baskets that have been donated for silent auctions by members of our community, organizations and businesses. All proceeds from the silent auctions benefit the Perinton Historical Society (PHS) and help fund the operation of the museum, pay the honorariums for the interesting speakers who are invited to present, and assist in the acquisition of new artifacts for the museum. The proceeds are also used to allay costs associated with the printing of the PHS *Historigram* newsletter and other general office expenses.

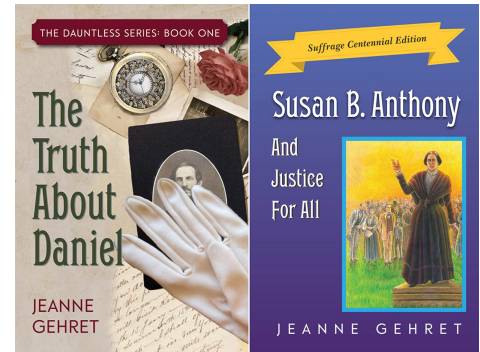
Yuletide Traditions is also an opportunity to highlight local authors and artists in special events at the museum. We’ve had book signings, musicians, kids’ crafts and even visits from Jolly St. Nick!

In its first three years, 138 items were donated by the community for silent auctions resulting in proceeds exceeding \$5,700. The PHS sincerely appreciates the efforts of those who donate items for silent auctions, purchase auction items and volunteers who assist with the *Yuletide Traditions* fundraiser. We look forward to our fourth YT event coming this fall.

Additional information about *Yuletide Traditions 2017* will be found in the October issue of the *Historigram*, on the Perinton Historical Society Facebook page, and in its website, www.PerintonHistoricalSociety.org, in late September.

If you are interested in joining our YT Committee, donating or becoming one of our guests at a YT special event, please contact Vicki Masters Profit:

(Director@PerintonHistoricalSociety.org).



All for Suffrage: The Anthony Family Takes a Stand

October 17th, 7:00 p.m. at the Fairport Historical Museum

Susan B. Anthony’s whole family put themselves on the line to promote equality for women and African-Americans. These startling relatives, though rooted in the Quaker values of nonviolence and frugality, included soldiers, radical publishers, and people of privilege.

Meet the brother who fought with John Brown, the dying sister who voted illegally with Susan, and the brother who killed, burned, and pillaged in the name of the anti-slavery movement. Trace their comings and goings across early America, from Martha’s Vineyard to the Kansas frontier. This riveting 60-minute program includes a PowerPoint presentation with archival photographs.

Jeanne Gehret filled the rooms in Fairport and Pittsford when she re-enacted Miss Susan B. Anthony in July, honoring the 100th anniversary of women’s suffrage in New York State. She is the author of the 2017 historical novel about Susan’s brother, *The Truth About Daniel* (\$15), and the recently updated children’s biography, *Susan B. Anthony And Justice For All* (\$10), both of which will be available for sale, cash or checks accepted, following the presentation. This event is free and is open to the public.

Little Journeys to Pleasant Places

November 21st, 7:00 p.m.
at the Fairport Historical Museum

One hundred nine years ago, the village of Fairport held an enormous week-long event, *Old Home Week*, for past and present residents of the community, and anyone else who cared to visit. A souvenir booklet was published as part of the celebration, and within this publication is an incredibly informative essay, *Little Journeys to Pleasant Places*. This essay will serve as the foundation for a presentation by Perinton Historian Bill Poray, who will use text from the 1908 essay, along with documents, photographs, and insights to provide a unique historical perspective.

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Potter (\$250-\$499)

Paul Edward Earl (memorial)

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Dan and Doreen Spoor

Celebrating 150 Years

This year's Perinton Historical Society Fourth of July float celebrated an important village milestone: its 150th birthday. Feting the village's sesquicentennial meant building a festive eight-layer cake—a "piece of cake" for an experienced design team, which included Sue Broda, Ann and Harold Castle, Sharon Catanese, Anne Johnston, Lucy McCormick, Sue and Dave Scheirer, Sue Templeton, May Thomson, and Barb and Dave Wild.

Back by popular demand to ride on the float was another veteran team: the Bauer family, Anne Johnston's daughter and grandsons: Heather, Taran, and Tristan, decked out as a cupcake.

The Bauers truly were the "icing on the cake."



The PHS float in Fairport's Fourth of July parade



PHS's float and design team in front of the museum

Support the Perinton Historical Society with Your Membership

If you haven't already renewed your annual membership in PHS or would like to join for the first time, please fill in the form below and send in now. The annual PHS House Tour is scheduled for October 1st. House Tour brochures (tickets) will be mailed to all those for whom membership forms have been received by September 25th.

Special Recognition Levels: Our membership form includes special recognition levels of membership authorized by the Board of Trustees. Business memberships will be acknowledged as supporters of the Perinton Historical Society in each issue of the *Historigram*, on the PHS website and at the museum. The DeLand, Potter and Perrin memberships acknowledge greater monetary contributions: These members will be recognized once in the *Historigram* and listed on the website and at the museum, unless they prefer to remain anonymous.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

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Please check the level of membership you prefer:

- () Individual\$15
- () Family\$25
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- () Patron\$50
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Special Recognition Levels:

- () Business\$100
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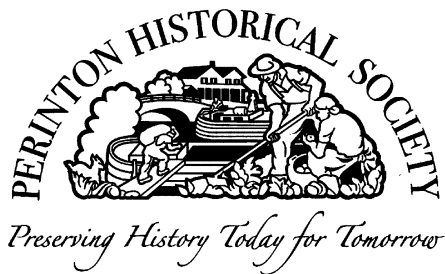
Our membership year runs from
September 1st to August 31st.

The success of PHS depends on your gifts of time and talent.
Consider volunteering by joining a committee.

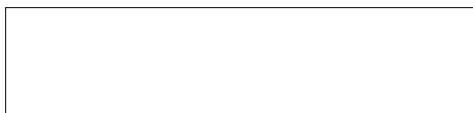
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- () Board of Trustees – governing body for PHS
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In this photo from August 25th, 1937, construction work continues on the new Fairport Public Library at 18 Perrin Street. The roof has been completed, as has most of the work on the portico, supported by four tapered columns. Signs identify the site as a Works Progress Administration project.

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Fairport Historical Museum

18 Perrin Street, Fairport, NY 14450

The museum is open to the public on Saturdays, Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays at the hours below:

Saturday 10:00–1:00 p.m. Tuesday 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Sunday 2:00–4:00 p.m. Thursday 7:00–9:00 p.m.

Group tours, presentations and special projects are by appointment. Please call and leave a message at **585-223-3989**.

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