



# MARCELLUS HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

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## TIME TO RENEW MEMBERSHIP!

The time is here for our members to renew their support of our society. The year for which your dues were last paid is printed on the mailing label on the last page of this newsletter. If your label indicates 1998, then you need to renew your membership.

Remember, only members receive our newsletter. Membership can be renewed using the form on the last page of this newsletter or a photocopy of it. We thank all of our 643 members for supporting us and making our society a success. ■

## AN ANGLING HISTORY OF NINE MILE CREEK... J. Michael Kelly

*Editors note: The following is from the presentation which J. Michael Kelly gave at our April 1998 historical society meeting. This is part two of a two part series. Part one was printed in our last newsletter, copies of which are available.*

### "NOT THE STREAM IT USED TO BE"

In my opinion, the fishing in Nile Mile Creek is as about as good now as it ever was, although it varies some from year-to-year. Yet the creek has changed dramatically over the 40 seasons that I have been fishing it and, I am told, even more so in the last century.

The changes have had to do with its physical structure - due to road building and other affairs of man; its water and stream-bed quality, due to both man and Mother Nature; and its trout population, again, due to both man and natural impacts.

Today, Nine Mile is known far and wide as a brown-trout stream.

But, when I was a child, until the late 1960s, the creek was primarily known for its wonderful brook-trout fishing; secondarily for its large brown trout.

Brook trout are the native species not only in Nine Mile but in all eastern U.S. trout streams. Brown trout were brought to this country from Europe in the 1880s and were introduced to most major watersheds in the East over the next 40 years.

Brookies are more sensitive to pollution and have less tolerance for warm temperatures than brown trout. In most places where they were first introduced, browns were seen as a heartier

alternative to brook trout which had been more or less wiped out due to pollution, extensive logging or other ecological damage. I am not sure how they came to Nine Mile, or exactly when, but I know they were well established not long after WWI.

My grandfather Kelly told me he could remember, as a young man, being at a picnic when someone caught a big brown trout in Nine Mile, and he said that was the first one anybody had seen in the creek.

But as recently as the early 1960's, one would catch more brookies than browns in Nine Mile. Today, brookies are extremely rare. What happened to the brook trout? My belief is that the species never fully recovered from a fish kill that occurred in the early 1960s. I believe it was just before the reconstruction of the Gorge Road, Route 174.

Literally thousands of trout were killed in that episode. To my knowledge, the cause was never determined, but the rumor was that a tree sprayer working along the road had emptied his tank into the creek at the Martisco Mill, and the chemicals suffocated the trout from there all the way to Camillus. Among the dead fish was a 29 inch brown trout, the largest I have ever heard of from the stream.

The creek was subsequently restocked with both browns and brookies, but, while the browns thrived, the brookies didn't, and, according to my fishing diaries, Nine Mile hasn't had a large population of brook trout for almost 30 years. Today, the brookies are caught rarely. I caught more than 300 trout in the creek last year; only two were wild brook trout.

### ECOLOGY ALTERED

The fish kill was perhaps the most obvious example of how Nine Mile's ecology has been altered over the years, but there are others that come to mind.

I did not see it personally, but was told by my father and other old-time anglers that dyes from the Crown Woolen Mill used to be released into the creek on a fairly regular basis, so that the stream would temporarily take on red, blue or green tints. And I do remember, up until about 20 years ago, seeing a soapy water mixed with pulp paper coming from the Martisco Paper Mill, before the present owner made repairs to correct the situation.

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Many of you may also remember the grain-drying operation, at the site of the current Armstrong Transmitter Corp., which emitted such a foul odor for several years in the late 1970s, I believe it was. The trout and the fishing survived all these pollutants, although who knows how much better it would have been without such problems?

Of course there have been many natural calamities over the years, too. Floods have impacted the creek from time to time, most recently, the January, 1997, thaw that drastically altered the stream bed in the vicinity of Marcellus Falls.

The worst impact, in my opinion, and the only irreversible one, was the reconstruction of the Gorge Road in the 1960s.

Before that, the creek flowed past the old A.V. Smith bean mill and past the lower paper mill, then split into two channels. The Patchen family lived on the island that was formed before the two branches of the creek reformed, about 300 yards downstream. Below that island was a very pretty stretch of water, lined by big willow trees, with lots of limestone ledges and swift riffles and pools. I vividly remember my father catching a 21 inch brown trout and losing one quite a bit larger than that in a single evening on this stretch of water.

The reconstruction project straightened the road, replaced several old style stone-arch bridges with box-culvert-type bridges that no longer provided cover for fish and, worst of all, closed off the west channel where the creek split. Many beautiful, deep pools were lost forever. A long, winding part of the creek was straightened and made shallow.

Remarkably, much of the straightened water continues to provide good fishing today, although it is nowhere as beautiful to behold as it once was.

### FISHING HAS CHANGED, TOO

Not only the creek itself, but the methods of fishing it, have changed. In my grandfather's day, fly-fishing was very popular in the Catskills but in Central New York was seldom practiced. Bait fishing, mainly worms and spun minnows, was the dominant method, by far. Beginning in the years after World War II, spin-fishing, a method invented by the French, became popular on Nine Mile Creek, but fly-fishing was still quite rare.

I remember that an old gentleman named John Hunter who lived on Scotch Hill was known as the only fly-fisher in town, and he seldom tried it on Nine Mile, preferring instead to fish Grout Brook, at the south end of Skaneateles Lake.

Bait fishers in the 1950s and earlier used fly rods, fly lines, fly reels, but worms or minnows instead of artificial flies. I suppose good flies were hard to come by, and fly-tying was something of a mysterious craft in those days.

Sometimes, odd baits were used. My grandfather

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used a mouse, live-trapped in the Martisco Paper Mill, to catch a 27 inch brown trout beneath the old Gleason's bridge, the stone-arch structure that stood beside Mary Gleason's tavern. It was the largest trout ever caught by an angler in Nine Mile, so far as I know.

Both fly and spinning rods were usually made of bamboo until the 1950s, when Fiberglas became popular; then, starting in the late 1970s, graphite fly rods came into vogue.

Fly lines used to be made of braided silk. Since the early 1950s, plastic coated nylon has been used, and it is much superior to silk in terms of floatability, casting and especially, ease of handling.

Leaders, the clear line between hook and fly line, used to be made of silkworm "gut," but have been made with nylon since the 1950s. Gut had to be presoaked before every use, as it was quite brittle, and was much thicker than modern nylon, which holds up well with very little care.

Fly fishing became noticeably common on Nine Mile sometime in the 1960s, why, I do not know. Although bait-fishing is now the most common practice early in the season, with spin-fishing a close second, a majority of anglers encountered on the creek after about mid-May will be fly-fishing. This is probably due to the soaring popularity of fly-fishing in general.

### THE FUTURE

What does the future hold? Population growth, fishing pressure and development along its banks continue to threaten the creek, but fortunately it has some influential friends. Two sportsmen clubs, the Iroquois Chapter of Trout Unlimited and the Owaskantisco Anglers, have conducted stream-bank cleanups, experimental stocking and other research projects on the stream in recent years, and are constantly advocating for its protection. The Nine Mile Creek Conservation Council, and umbrella organization of sportsmen canoeists, birders and conservationists, has helped secure additional fishing access and protected the Amboy section of the stream from future development.

If Nine Mile is treasured and respected as the great recreational and economic asset that it is, it should retain its place as one of New York's finest trout streams.

The ultimate key to Nine Mile's future, as with any trout stream, is the volume and quality of its water. To my mind, the best thing the community could do would be to protect that resource, and particularly the large springs which give the creek its unique quality. ■



## Test Your Knowledge of Marcellus History

- a) The Ralph Share Post of the American Legion was formed in 1919, 1929 or 1939?
- b) The Marcellus Garden Club was formed in 1939, 1949 or 1959?
- c) The International Order of Odd Fellows was instituted in Marcellus in 1893, 1903 or 1913?
- d) The Marcellus Optimists formed in 1938, 1948 or 1958?
- e) The Ralph Share Post Am. Legion Ladies Auxiliary was formed in 1914, 1924 or 1934?
- f) Friends of the Marcellus Library was organized in 1958, 1968 or 1978?

ANSWERS: (a) 1929 (b) 1939 (c) 1903 (d) 1938 (e) 1924 (f) 1958

## HISTORY OF THE GRANGE

... J. Michael Plumpton

*Editors note: This is part two of a three part series. Part one was printed in our last newsletter, copies of which are available.*

In our last newsletter I talked about the National Grange. In this edition I will tell about the State Grange, called Subordinate Grange.

The Subordinate Grange oversees the county, or Pamona Granges. For many years grange halls all over New York State were filled to overflowing on grange night. Farmers and interested people from all over the county flocked to the grange halls or met in the homes or barns of brother and sister grangers.

The grange offered fire insurance, auto insurance and good buys on farming needs such as grains, corn and cattle feed. The G.L.F. (Grange League Foundation) was the forerunner of today's Agway. Of course anyone could buy from the G.L.F., but only grangers got the discount.

The local granges would have a purchasing agent who worked with the local businesses to buy in quantity and sell to local farmers. This was also done through Pamona County Granges.

You must remember, before modern machines farmers always helped each other get the crops in, one farm at a time. Also, when a farmer was injured or taken sick, as is the same today, neighbor farmers came and gave a hand at chore time. And, in the case of a fire, once the new lumber and material was brought in, most of the

neighbors for miles around would come in and hold a barn raising. The men worked on the barn and the women would do the cooking. And, in a day or two, the farmer had a new barn. The worst thing a farmer could ever hear was "your barn is on fire." That was his livelihood, better to lose the house than the barn for neighbors could always take you in.

In our next newsletter I will tell about the local granges including the Marcellus Grange. ■



## HISTORIC HOUSES TOURED BY MANY

Two-hundred and forty-two tickets were sold at our second annual Tour of Historic Marcellus Houses. Participants enjoyed touring the four beautiful historic homes owned by the Clark, Debevic, Blanchard and Dean families, the modern home owned by the Blakslee family and the truly amazing gardens on the Stanford estate.

The event raised \$1,925 for our Museum Fund. The tour committee, consisting of Maureen Kantor, Jan Debevic and Arlene Milne are to be commended for the terrific job they did on the tour. The Marcellus Historical Society thanks them and the many volunteers who helped on the day of the tour, and especially the homeowners, without whose generosity the tour could not have been possible.

A third annual tour is being discussed for next autumn, and volunteers and houses are being sought. Anyone interested can contact Bill Reagan at 463-4160. ■

## NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Another year has gone by already. I was always told that the years go by faster as one gets older - I see now that its true. 1998 was a good year for our historical society. We started the year with \$10,345 in our New Museum Fund and are ending it with \$15,655. We are also ending the year with 643 members!

Our Historic House Tour and our Olde Homes Days Museum Open House did very well this year. Speaking of the museum, over 100 new artifacts were donated to our collection in 1998.

I thank everyone who volunteered to help out this year and those who donated items to our museum collection. And, I would like to thank our members. It is this kind of community support that makes our society so successful. Have a safe and happy new year! ■

*Bill Reagan*

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## FROM THE GAVEL



### September 9, 1998 - General Meeting

The September 9th meeting was canceled due to the devastating Labor Day storm. Our meeting place, the Marcellus Fire Station, was used as an emergency base for personnel who assisted in the aftermath of the storm with dry ice and generators among other things.

### October 4, 1998 - General Meeting

Plans were made for our December 6th Holiday Party, to be held at the Links at Sunset Ridge. A motion was passed to order more of the Marcellus Afghans, which have been selling well. In addition to cranberry and green, it was decided to also order them in blue. An election nomination committee was formed. Volunteering for the committee were Bruce Widger, Vince Murphy and Mary Tuthill. A wonderful program by Jane Amidon followed the meeting.

### November 1, 1998 - General Meeting

All four officers agreed to run for another year, and no one ran against them, so the Secretary, Joyce Murphy, cast one unanimous vote for the slate of officers. It was announced that the Historical Society has received a grant through Senator John DeFrancisco's office in the amount of \$2,000. The grant is to be used for the preservation of the over 2,500 historic photographs in our museum collection. Ideas for new items to be sold in our museum gift shop were discussed. Suggestions included stationary, envelopes and postcards.

### December 6, 1998 - General Meeting and Holiday Dinner.

Some minor changes to our Constitution were approved in order comply with federal regulations regarding our application for 501(c)(3) Federal tax exempt status. Fifty people attended our Holiday Dinner. The Links at Sunset Ridge provided a huge buffet and a good time was had by all. ■

## AFGHANS NOW IN BLUE

Our historic Marcellus afghans, which have been selling very well in green and cranberry, are now available in blue. The afghans can be seen and purchased at the Marcellus Village Hall, or through our gift shop on the last page of this newsletter. It was felt that adding the additional color may be helpful to those who wish to display the afghan in their home, but have a blue color scheme. ■

## MARCELLUS HISTORY CONTEST

Mary Tuthill solved our last riddle with the

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correct answer of Otisco Lake Dam and received a gift certificate compliments of Brian's Creekside Inn for ten dollars.

Because of a lack of entrants, we will be discontinuing our history contest for a while. ■

## SOCIETY RECEIVES GRANT

The Marcellus Historical Society has been awarded an Onondaga Heritage Awards grant in the amount of \$2,000. The grants, sponsored by Senator John A. DeFrancisco and the Onondaga Historical Association, are given to local historical societies who apply for the grants for a specific project.

Our grant will be used for the preservation of the over 2,500 historic photographs currently in our museum collection. We thank Senator DeFrancisco for his support through this program. We will supply more details on the preservation project itself in our next newsletter. ■

## ELECTION REPORT

In October, a nominating committee made up of volunteers Bruce Widger, Vince Murphy & Mary Tuthill, was formed to prepare for our November election of officers.

All current officers agreed to run for another term, and no other nominations were made. At the November meeting, Secretary Joyce Murphy cast one unanimous vote for the slate of officers: Bill Reagan, President; Sidney Tuthill, Vice President; Richard Smith, Treasurer; Joyce Murphy, Secretary; Mike Plumpton & Tom Reagan, Trustees.

1999 will be the fourth year in a row that our executive officers have presided over the Society together. ■

## NEW AND RENEWED MEMBERS

Since our last issue, 24 more people joined our Society, bringing our total membership to 643. The following people are new members or have renewed or extended their membership.

Bruce R. Baker; Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Barstow & Family; Mr. & Mrs. Ronald C. Bond; Donald & Doris Buschbascher & Family; Patty Crocker; Sara H. Fogarty; Nattie Gilmour; Elizabeth Hamm; Peggy & Eliza Kehew & James and David Cahill; Don & Jane Kozlosky; William Latimer; Robert L. Lehman; Paul & Cathy Marsden & Family; Jim & Dorothy McMahan; Jodell Zahn McVey; Pierre & Mary Montague; Hugh & Joyce Norris; Ethel Trendowski; Eleanor Winslow. ■

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## RECENT ACQUISITIONS

We wish to thank the following people for donating historic items to be added to our museum collection:

William Buffan for a very old photograph of the inside of the upper Crown Woolen Mill which shows employees and machinery and for a newspaper article on the 1931 Marcellus High School County Championship football team. Peg Nolan for a horse & buggy model. Polly Rossiter for an Exempt Fireman's shirt. Gay Prue for a 1948 fire extinguisher. Cy Vile for Mulroy Dairy milk bottle caps. Charles Schneider for a booklet from 1964, promoting Marcellus to businesses. Mrs. Richard Amidon for a scrapbook, W.W.I book and a 1914 Olde Home Days book. Margaret McManus for an Allen V. Smith split pea bag and a photograph of Neil Fiske and contest winners at the old Big M. Stanley E. Munro for slides of Marcellus. The Bridge Hampton Historical Society for a family bible which belonged to Mr. & Mrs. Jewett Dunlap. Hugh Norris for Marcellus Observers, a folding chair from the Utley / Norris Funeral Home, a photograph of the 1917 high school basketball team and a photograph of the St. John's Episcopal Church choir and others standing outside the church, cir. 1927. Alice McDonald for yarn spools from the woolen mills. Joyce Murphy for a Marcellus Auxiliary jacket. Bill Lang for a Verna Lang Real Estate sign. Ruth Oliver for a W.W.I book. Chris Amidon Bacon for A.V. Smith Barley Mill sacks, scrapbooks and Crown Woolen Mill cloth samples. Marcellus Native James M. Glover for a copy of "A Wilderness Original, The Life of Bob Marshall," which he authored. ■



## BUSINESS CONTEST

In our last issue we ran a contest where someone could win a \$25 gift certificate to anyone of our advertisers by listing six businesses in our directory whose ads stated certain things. Stephanie Turner was the winner, drawn at random from all correct entries, with answers of: Alvord House, Reagan & Dailey, DW Desktop Publishing, Warners Autobody, First Impression and Yuhas Real estate. Stephanie chose a gift certificate to Angel Heart Gifts. ■

## MEETING SCHEDULE

*The tentative speaker and presentation schedule for our upcoming meetings is as follows:*

**Sunday, January 3** ..... 2:00 p.m.  
Marcellian Freddie McClaude will speak and answer questions on his memories of living in Marcellus.

**Sunday, February 7** ..... 2 p.m.  
General Meeting. Speaker TBA

**Sunday, March 7** ..... 2:00 p.m.  
General Meeting. Speaker TBA

**Sunday, April 4** ..... 2 p.m.  
Marcellus native and Syracuse Newspapers columnist Dick Case will take us on a "Personal Walking Tour of Marcellus in the 1940's and 50's."

**Sunday, May 2** ..... 2 p.m.  
General Meeting. Speaker TBA

**Saturday, June 5** ..... 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Olde Home Days Museum Open House.

General meetings:

**Wednesday, July 14** ..... 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, August 11** ..... 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, September 8** ..... 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, October 13** ..... 7 p.m.

**Sunday, November 7** ..... 2 p.m.

**Sunday, December 5** ..... 2 p.m.

Meetings are open to everyone and are held at the Marcellus Fire Station unless indicated otherwise.

## Marcellus Historical Society

### Officers

<b>President:</b>	Bill Reagan	.....	463-4160
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## ONLY IN THE GOOD OLD DAYS!

The following is a report (*written verbatim*) of the financial standing of St. Francis Xavier's Church for the year 1899. We found it amusing and hope you will too.

### RECEIPTS:

Pew rents .....	1,423.75
Plate collections .....	88.63
Extraordinary collections .....	109.39
Cemetery money .....	164.00
Pic-nic, festivals, etc .....	121.78
Rec'd for balance on mortgage .....	9.00
Old windows sold Jno. Ryan .....	2.00
On festival during Xmas holidays .....	88.40
Collection at Vespers .....	5.68
For damage to church by lightning, rec'd from insurance company .....	200.00
Coll. for foreign missions .....	8.00
Coll. for the preservation of the holy places at Jerusalem .....	7.00
Seminary collection .....	15.00
Papal collection 1 .....	5.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$2,252.88</b>

### EXPENDITURES:

Bal. due pastor, last report .....	157.84
School and corporation tax .....	21.47
Rauch, Syracuse, 4 comforters .....	6.50
Jno. P. Mulroy for wood .....	16.00
Two lamps for the church .....	6.25
Music books for choir 3.10	
Int. on church and residence .....	152.72
Printing .....	5.75
N. G. Cas & Sons .....	9.80
For search of deed and examination of property .....	28.45
DeCoudres' old account .....	16.00
Messrs. Stone, Petit & Gannon for services on bank loan & incorporation of church .....	22.00
Mr. Peck repairs on church windows .....	2.61
Messrs. McDonald & Furlong for repairing church .....	155.00
Dennis Tierney for coal .....	94.34
M. J. Lawless for twenty posts .....	3.00
W. Alvord for drawing posts .....	1.00
For building side walk .....	57.00
For masoning to Mr. Whitmore .....	7.40
Diocesan fund .....	15.00
For painting residence S. M. Griffin .....	75.00
Cathedraticum .....	75.00
Simon Connolly horse work .....	34.00
For candles .....	8.35
J. L. Shultz for windows on residence .....	38.03
Premium on insurance .....	60.00
M. Shehan's bill .....	19.88
Organist .....	25.00
Van Vranken for oil, etc .....	3.27
Keeping of horses .....	25.00
Half cost of new buggy to Packwood .....	75.00
Paid on mortgage of church .....	75.00
Pastor's salary .....	1000.00
Sexton's wages .....	120.00
<b>Total expenditures .....</b>	<b>\$ 2,414.76</b>
<b>Total receipts .....</b>	<b>2,252.88</b>
<b>Balance due pastor .....</b>	<b>161.88</b>

Michael Cassin & Edward Hackett, Trustees  
 Rev. J. J. Renehan, Pastor  
 Owing church mortgage \$1,000.00  
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