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To Be Featured at March 21 Meeting By Jessie Keymel

The "Story Behind the Quilts" is the title of our next program on Monday, March 21 at 7:30 PM. It will be preceded by a brief business meeting.

We will be displaying several of our quilts and share their stories with you. Our most-viewed quilt is the one pictured above and is frequently displayed in our meeting room. This quilt was presented to the Citizens of Walworth, August 19, 1979, in celebration of Walworth's Sesquicentennial by members of the Reverse Curves Quilt Club. The subject of a quilt block often had a special meaning to the quilter. Diane Lucey lives in the house on the Lime Kiln farm and Marty Davis was the librarian at the Walworth-Seely Public Library. The subjects of the blocks are a great example of early Walworth and the talents of the many quilters who crafted it.

Attendees are invited to bring their quilts and tell their personal "Story Behind the Quilts." The program is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. The museum is located at 2257 Academy Street. For additional information, contact Jessie Keymel, president, at 315-524-9205.



Warm Thoughts

Love is a quilt – a quilt is love.
Both love and a quilt should be:
Soft enough to comfort you,
Bright enough to cheer you,
Generous enough to enfold you,
Light enough to let you move freely,
Strong enough to withstand adversity,
Durable enough to last a lifetime
And given gladly, from the heart.



How Baby Bell's Gravestone Was Found in Baker Cemetery

By Judy Markowski, Walworth Town Councilwoman

It all started when Jason Barci, an Eagle Scout candidate from Boy Scout Troop 113, asked the Walworth Town Board if they had any suggestions as to what he could do for the town for his Eagle Scout Project. The town suggested the cemeteries and Jason worked with the town's Cemetery Committee to choose his project. He decided to work on the Baker Cemetery on Route 441 across from Baker Road. This cemetery includes some of the oldest graves in Walworth. Some of the graves were removed from a cemetery at the First Methodist Church located at the southwest corner of Routes 350 and 441.

Jason and his troop leader, his father Kevin, spent time assessing the cemetery and deciding what jobs could be done. On two Saturdays last fall Jason, his troop and their parents spent the day working at the Baker Cemetery. They scrapped lichen off some gravestones, raked leaves, removed brush, cleared grass and sod around graves and repaired and righted 8 gravestones. They replaced grave bases by making new cement bases, gluing broken gravestones, and replacing rods to allow the gravestones to stand on the bases.

The highlight of the work was the two buried graves found by the scouts. The grave of John Norton, who died October 3, 1875, was completely buried. After finding one stone piece the scouts excitedly poked the area and found four out of five pieces. Disappointed that the complete gravestone was not found, they set it aside to be put together at another time.

Early on in the first work day, while clearing branches and brush by one of the pine trees at the front of the cemetery, a small gravestone and base were found. It was not like any of the other gravestones. It was small, thick and square. All gathered around as the scouts brushed off years of dirt. This most interesting grave turned out to be Baby Bell. The front of the grave said, "Lorena Bell, Daughter of (cannot read name of Dad) and Nancy Nelson d. Feb 17, 1864 girl 3 mo 4 ds." On the back it said "Our Little Bell." This little grave from the time of the Civil War gave everyone pause to wonder what was the story behind her death. This gravestone does not appear on the list compiled by the Cemetery Association when the cemetery was turned over to the Town of Walworth, adding further to the mystery.

The Town of Walworth is thankful for Jason and his troop's work at the Baker Cemetery. Jason, a senior at Wayne Central High School, chose a project that improved the cemetery and found a special little grave, Baby Belle.



Baby Bell gravestone at Baker Cemetery



Jason Barci from Boy Scout Troop 113 at Baker Cemetery.



Boy Scout Troop 113 working at Baker Cemetery

Our Collection Continues to Grow By Jessie Keymel

Once again we need to thank David Palmer for his donations to our collections from the DeBrine/Elton May family. Most exciting is the May family tree. It will be added to the file drawer we have dedicated to Walworth family histories, an important tool in our genealogy requests.

It Happened Here in 1956 By Dorothy French

From the town historian's files: News item from the Palmyra Courier-Journal June 14, 1956:

Keep Walworth Clean: Big red cans, labeled "Waste," invite the public to try for a basket. Four cans strategically placed in front of the post office, by Ray's Red and White Store, and by the Variety Shoppe insinuate the town should be kept clean. The shopping area does look much neater, but that is due in part to the fact that merchants pick up trash twice daily in a concerted effort to "Keep Walworth Clean." Credit for this project goes to Ray Pembroke, who obtained the cans from Stanley's Service Station, painted them, obtained permission to park them, and has maintained them.

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The Birth of the Reverse Curves Quilt Club By Gwyn Bassage

In the early 1970's a revival of quilting began, thanks to the Quilt Shop in Webster and Betty Means, proprietor. I signed up for a beginner's class and stayed through advanced quilting.

It was obvious to me that many women in Walworth were interested in this art form. Classes were held at the Walworth-Seely Public Library and out of these classes the Reverse Curves Quilt Club was born. We would get together every month for lunch and quilt making. As the sesquicentennial of our town approached, we decided to make a commemorative quilt which is pictured on the cover of this newsletter.

It was a very exciting time for the club. We participated in the local parades. For several years we held quilt shows in the Walworth Elementary School gym. A second quilt (actually two quilts) was constructed and quilted by hand to raise money for a future celebration when none of us expected to be alive. Townspeople bought squares for a dollar and put their names on those blocks. Many of us and our grandbabies still sleep under some of those quilts made with love and care.

According to member Jorene Taylor, the Reserve Curves Quilt Club meets at 10 AM at the Williamson American Legion the 1st Tuesday of each month for a business meeting and the 3rd Tuesday for a project meeting. There are about 35 members and all levels of quilters are welcome.

<u>Walworth Township – Its Beginnings</u> By Dorothy French

Thanks to the perseverance and knowledge of former town historian John Traas, the history of the Walworth area has been preserved in booklet form. In 1989, John authored "Walworth – From Douglas Corners to Gananda;" it is available for \$4.50 at our museum or at the town clerk's office. Some tidbits of information:

Earliest known history: The area consisted of wooded hills and lowland swamps. Area probably inhabited by Seneca Indians. In 1799 the four Millet brothers (Andrew, John, Samuel, and Daniel) journeyed from Connecticut to become the first settlers in the Walworth hamlet. They built crude log cabins. Brothers Stephen and Daniel Douglas of Connecticut arrived here in 1800. Stephen built the first frame house on the southwest corner of our four corners. For a number of years the area was known as Douglas Corners.

<u>Memories: An Interview with Joyce Goebert VanHaneghem</u> By Dawn Russell

Joyce Goebert VanHaneghem was born March 1, 1931. Her parents were Lawrence and Eva Goebert. She has a brother Donald, a sister Carol, and a sister Virgina Rose who passed many years ago. Joyce moved with her family to Walworth when she was three years old and has lived in this town ever since.

The family first moved to Boynton Road across from Anna Hermanet's house. Joyce remembers sitting outside listening to Anna play the piano. She says the music was very lovely and relaxing. Eventually Joyce and her family moved to what she refers to as the little house across the road from Frank Lawrence's farm on Walworth-Ontario Road, also known to many as the Carlyle Darron farm in later years. Joyce's father worked the farm for a living. After a while her family moved to the big farm house.

When she was about eight years old and living in the little house next to Harold and Mildred Reynolds' home, Joyce's mom had stoked the wood fire. Joyce saw the chimney was red; not knowing otherwise, she believed the house was on fire so she called the Walworth Fire Department. To the rescue they came, but to Joyce's unfortunate surprise the trucks drove over the flowers in Mildred's yard. There wasn't a fire, but Joyce never got in any trouble because the firemen told her better to be safe than sorry.



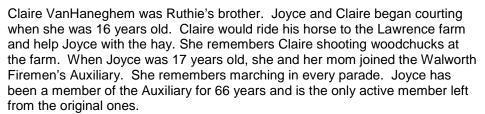
While living on the farm, she remembers making a lot of food for the thrashers who would come to their house. Joyce decided to make her first attempt at homemade bread. Her father wouldn't or couldn't eat it. He told her if he threw this bread at the pigs it would kill them. Evidently the bread was very, very well done.

Joyce remembers walking from their home to Walworth High School which she attended with her brother Donald. When it was very cold their mother would drive them to school in the big old Buick. She remembers her mom hardly being able to see above the steering wheel, but she always got them to school. Joyce was very active while in school and participated in cheerleading, band (played the trombone), and chorus. She was selected to go to the all-state competition for instrumentalists and chorus groups. Joyce graduated in 1949 (left photo), the last class to graduate from there.

While growing up her close friends were Katie Luke (Youngman) and Ruthie VanHaneghem (Reybrouck). Joyce and her family moved to Walworth-Marion Road next to the garage and house owned by Ruthie's parents, Peter and Gladys VanHaneghem. Joyce remembers when she and Ruthie weren't allowed to play together because they had gotten into a fight. Instead, they would each stand in their own yard tossing a ball back and forth to one another. Joyce also remembers picking berries in the summer with Ruthie at the Stanley Allaart farm on Boynton Road.



Joyce and Claire at Walworth Hardware Store with Katie Youngman 1984



After Claire returned home from the Navy, they continued to court and went to every carnival. They planted a big cabbage field between his house and hers and used the profits to pay for their wedding. They married at the Second Baptist Church in Walworth on January 14, 1950. Their honeymoon was in New York City and Long Island. Joyce stood in the ocean only long enough for one picture, because she doesn't like the water.

The newlyweds lived in an apartment above VanHaneghem's house on the northeast corner of Main Street and Walworth-Ontario Road until they built their own house to the north. Joyce and Claire built most of the house themselves with some help from family and friends. She remembers the blizzard of 1966; she and Claire tied a rope from his parent's house to their new home and used

the rope to guide them because the visibility was so bad. The house was finished in 1967. Joyce and Claire have two children, Debbie and Donald. They also have two grandchildren, Stephen and Becky, and several great-grandchildren.

While raising their family, Claire worked with Harold Ginegaw at Matthews Trucking and also worked for Charlie Pembroke. Later after schooling, Claire, with the help of Joe Finley, became a Wayne County Sheriff. He worked for the Sheriff's Office for 33 years, retiring in 1988 as Undersheriff. Joyce worked at Ray Cring's pancake bar which was located across from the old firemen's building on Walworth-Penfield Road. She later worked at the bank in Macedon for 27 years.

Joyce and Claire have had many beautiful years in Walworth. Sadly, Claire passed on December 21, 2014. Joyce continues to stay very active at the Second Baptist Church and enjoys knitting and being with her family and friends. She still lives in the house that she and Claire built those many years past, and loves living in the town of Walworth.

Joyce and Claire VanHaneghem



<u>Take Pride in Our Town</u> By Judy McMillan

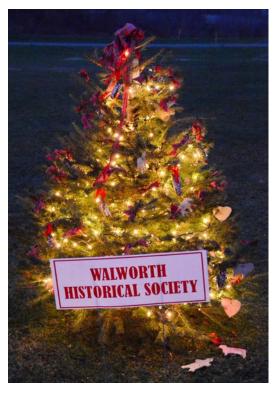


Walworth Historical Society currently has a display in the glass case at the town hall that features area landmark buildings, including churches, schools, homes, and businesses. These wooden miniatures were painted by our local talented artist, Edie Pasquini.

While putting up this display, I was asked by several people if any of these buildings were still available for sale. She still has a limited supply; people can contact her at 315-576-3798. We hope the community will pause to view our presentation, as Edie has captured many Walworth bygone days in her works of art.

<u>Light the Night Celebration</u> By Becky Appleman

On the day after Thanksgiving, Judy McMillan, my granddaughter Brooke and I set out for Ginegaw Park to decorate the Walworth Historical Society's Christmas tree for the town's Light the Night festival. It was a warm sunny day with temperatures in the 50's. Dressed in our windbreakers, we headed for the park with our totes full of decorations. We finished our task in short time because there was no snow, no rain and no wind to impede our progress.



By festival time, there were a total of nineteen trees decorated by local businesses and civic groups. The celebration began on December 5 at 4:00 PM. There were more than1000 visitors who came, voted for their favorite tree and enjoyed hot chocolate and cookies which were donated by Tim Horton's. There were Alaskan sled dogs and, although we couldn't have demonstrations because of no snow, we could pet them and watch them interact with each other and their owners. We had our usual hayride with the wagon decorated to look like a sleigh. Young and old alike enjoyed the ride in the brisk night air before going inside the lodge to warm up with cocoa and cookies.

First place for the decorating went to the Three Sisters Girl Scout Troop and second went to the Gananda Bandits Soccer team; following in third place was the Walworth Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary. First place prize was a free lodge rental which will be a good opportunity for the scouts to gather together. The event was to end at 8:00 PM but due to the long lines for the hay rides the crew finally finished after 8:30. It was a beautiful night to get the community together to celebrate the festival of lights and, even though we didn't win, we always have fun decorating and participating. This is the third year the Walworth Recreation Department has hosted this town-wide event and WHS is always there to show our support.

As the trees get decorated, so must they get "un-decorated." The week after Christmas, still no snow, Judy McMillan and her granddaughters Lucy and Chloe removed the decorations so the park employees could recycle the trees. We look forward to another year of tree lighting and festivities in 2016.

Walworth Memories: "Emergency Preparedness" April 10 By Dorothy French

"Emergency Preparedness" is the subject of our next Walworth Memories program on Sunday, April 10, from 2 – 3:30 PM. Today's state-of-the-art technology is a tremendous help for current emergency personnel. However, it wasn't always easy to report a fire or ask for an ambulance. The process was time consuming and sometimes directions could be vague. Our local fire departments and ambulance service personnel willingly give their time to protect us. Did you volunteer with a fire department or ambulance service? Come share your memories and stories.



This is the 25th Walworth Memories program; since 2003 we have gathered valuable information from these programs.

The program will be held at the museum, 2257 Academy Street, is free, and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Questions?

Contact Jessie Keymel, president, at 315-524-9205.

(left) Lincoln's fire truck in the Walworth Festival in the Park parade.

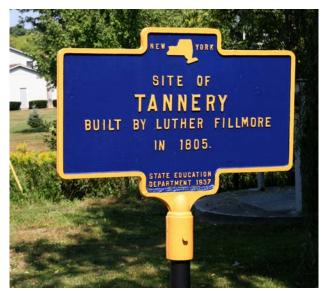
Community Service Award Nominations Needed By Bob Mogray

Since 1990, the Walworth Historical Society has chosen to honor an individual or group of people to receive its Community Service Award. This award is given at our annual business meeting in May. Every year we ask you for help and a chance to express your opinion as to which person or group may deserve this award. If you know of a deserving person or group who has stood out in the Walworth area with a reputation of giving and serving our community, please contact WHS President Jessie Keymel at 315-524-9205 by April 1. This year the award will be given at our meeting on Monday, May 16, at the Lodge at Ginegaw Park. We welcome your help and suggestions.

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The Tannery, Luther Fillmore, and Others By Dorothy French

Editor's Note: Words and dates in parenthesis have been added for clarification.



A short distance north of Walworth's four corners, opposite 3825 Walworth-Ontario Road, is an historical marker (left) noting the site where a tannery was located by a nearby creek. There are no visible signs of the structure but, thanks to documentation at our museum and other sources, we have information about the tannery and several men who operated businesses on that site.

Luther D. Fillmore

Luther was a successful businessman and politician and the first supervisor of the newly-formed Town of Walworth. Information obtained from Ancestry.com: Between 1823 and 1828 Luther was a member of the Ontario County Board of Trustees and elected chairman at their first meeting October 1823. (NOTE: Walworth was not incorporated as a town until 1829.)

Luther Fillmore and Thomas Armstrong represented Wayne County in the New York State Assembly in 1828, according to information provided by the office of New York State Assemblyman Robert Oaks.

The Military History of Wayne County, published in 1883, verified that Luther served as Walworth town supervisor in 1830, '31, '32, and '33.

Electa Wilson's "The History of the Town of Walworth" (undated): Luther Fillmore and his family came from Massachusetts in 1805. In the new settlement he moved to a small farm bought of Eliza Kent, north of the village, and died there in 1854. He built the first tannery where he tanned hides, dressed them into leather and then made them into boots and shoes. At one time as many as 20 apprentices worked for him. His boots and shoes were of the finest workmanship and everyone was eager to have his shoes made at the Fillmore tannery.

Mrs. Elton (Anna) May (circa 1955): The tannery was about 50 feet long and 20 feet wide. It was made of wood and contained eight pits/vats where hides were soaked. The pits were about 8 feet long, six feet wide and six feet high.

<u>Electa Wilson</u>: Luther, with his cousin Gleason Fillmore, was instrumental in promoting the Methodist Church of Walworth. Many descendants of the Fillmores are still residents of this vicinity and they are proud to tell tales of Luther Fillmore and his tannery. They also never fail to mention that President Millard Fillmore was a cousin of Luther Fillmore.



Several years ago Walworth's Doug Churchill did extensive research on area cemeteries. His records for Walworth Cemetery on Sherburne Road list a Fillmore family gravesite for Luther, his two wives (Susan and Hanna), and a son (Franklin). This data, combined with Ancestry.com, has given us additional information about his family.

Luther was born appx.1784. Military records on Ancestry.com state he enlisted January 5, 1814, during the War of 1812, but was discharged one month later on February 1, 1814. He married his first wife, Susan Ford, January 28, 1808. She was born appx.1788 and died in 1819 at age 31. Luther and Susan were parents of Franklin F., born appx. 1814 and died in 1815 at age 18 months.

Luther married Hanna A. Sheffield April 11, 1820. She was born appx. 1791 in Connecticut. According to Electa, Hanna came to Walworth in an ox cart in 1818. Dick Roland of Hall Center Road has Fillmore family information that Luther and Hanna are parents of Susan (born January 26, 1821), Hannah, Jane, and Emeline. The 1860 United States Census lists Hanna living in Phelps, NY as a widow.

Through the years at least three other Walworth men operated a business on the tannery site.

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Alonzo and John Dennis (J.D.) Kipp

<u>Walworth Methodist Church records:</u> An 1879 quarterly report lists Alonzo Kipp, who was born in Pompey, NY. Alonzo purchased the tannery in 1850. According to <u>Wayne County Business Listings</u> of 1863-1864, A. Kipp owned the tannery; later records show he still owned it in 1872. His son, John Dennis Kipp, (usually referred to as J. D.), became owner after his father's death in Walworth on October 25, 1879, at age 63. J.D. operated the business until 1893 and served as Walworth Town Clerk. (NOTE: In January 1925 J. D. wrote "A Glimpse into the Past," which gave a detailed description of Walworth and its citizens.)

Charles Pembroke's "Walworth. As I Remember It," published 1990: John Dennis Kipp lived near the tannery and became its owner. He would put cattle and horse hides in these vats to be tanned and made into leather. I can just remember one of the vats standing north of the old barn. He lived north of Walworth where Peter Ricci now lives (3816 Walworth-Ontario Road) and was always at church (Walworth United Methodist).

Anna May: About the year 1893 Dennis' mother made him quit because of ill health.

Thad Bruzee

Anna May: Thad Bruzee worked for Ally Franks and Will May before he opened his own blacksmith shop north of Walworth, property now owned by Peter Ricci. He was one of the last blacksmiths in Walworth.

Charles Pembroke: Thad bought the old tannery place of John Dennis Kipp, across from the Jacob C. Pembroke home (3825 Walworth-Ontario Road) now (in 1990) owned by Joe Englert, Sr. He ran a blacksmith shop there for many years. He would put new rims on wagon wheels, make a tongue or a reach for a wagon, and had the knack of welding different kinds of steel by the old forge method, before electric welders were ever thought of.

Walworth News from 1960 By Dorothy French

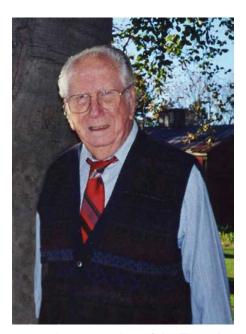
Editor's Note: Bob Plant recently donated a copy of the April 15, 1960, <u>Penfield Republican</u> newspaper. It included several items of Walworth interest:

Spring has finally arrived, according to the maple trees' calendar, Ray Cring tells us. Last Thursday, April 7, the saps started to flow so fast some of the pails were brimming over.

Another sure sign of spring is grass fires. The fire siren Monday morning was for a grass fire back of Eddie Lonnenville's.

The George Bassages have moved to West Walworth.

Methodist young people have accepted the responsibility for serving the breakfast after the Sunrise Service Easter morning. Kathy Yuker, president of the MYF, and Dick Churchill, her assistant, have completed plans with their committees.



In Memoriam: John Traas By Gene Bavis

On November 26, 2015, the Town of Walworth lost a valuable contributor to our quality of life here in Walworth. John Traas lived a productive life for 99 years, serving his family, town, and church. For 74 years he was married to Walworth native, Doris Smith Traas. John, who was originally from Rochester, came to Walworth as a young man to work on the Keymel farm. That's where he met Doris, who was a neighbor. His parents and two sisters migrated to the United States from Holland; John was born in Rochester. He was able to visit Holland and had the opportunity to play the organ in the church of his ancestors.

When the Walworth Historical Society was formed in 1975, John and Doris became Charter Members. John served in various capacities including president, trustee and newsletter editor. He was the author of a self-published history of Walworth entitled "Walworth - From Douglas Corners to Gananda." The proceeds of his book were donated to the Walworth Historical Society. In 1996, the Walworth Historical Society recognized John with the Community Service Award.

John was active in the Walworth community. He became the 3rd Walworth Town Historian in 1989 and held that position until 2003. In addition to Town Historian, he served the town in several other capacities. From 1960 to 1978 he was a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. From 1978 to 1982 he was on the Planning Board. He

served as a member of the Town Board from 1984 until 1987. From 1990 until 1993 he was a Library Board Trustee.

In a 2003 newspaper story John said he had thought of becoming a minister, but changed his mind when he learned what his salary would be. A member of Trinity Reformed Church, he sang in their church choir for almost 80 years. John is survived by his wife, Doris; his children, Patricia (Elmer) Sutton, David (Karen) Traas and Barbara (Jim) Stoops; 11 grandchildren, 40 great grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren. Interment was in Walworth Cemetery.

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<u>President's Message</u> By Jessie Keymel

Even after Joyce Finney retired as a trustee for the Walworth Historical Society she continued to serve as our Publicity Chair. Joyce was responsible for every announcement that you have read about our events over the past seven years, Thank you Joyce for your dedication and continued support of our Society.

Dawn Russell is our new Publicity Chair. Dawn has conducted interviews and written articles for our newsletter; her latest interview is printed in this issue. Dawn grew up in Walworth, graduated from Wayne Central School and is familiar with the history of our town. Thank you Dawn for taking on this position and for your past contributions.

Last year was a busy one for us. In addition to scheduled programs and meetings held at the museum, we were open Sunday and Wednesday afternoons during June through September. There was an increase from previous years for special requests for visits. All of this resulted in 534 people signing our attendance book. This is all part of our mission to preserve and honor Walworth's history.

2016 Events Calendar

Date	Time	Subject	Location	
Mon., March 21	7:30 PM	General Meeting: Program "Story Behind the Quilts"	Museum	
Sun., April 10	2 – 3:30 PM	Walworth Memories. Theme: "Emergency Services"	Museum	
Mon., May 16	6:15 PM	Annual meeting: Pot luck supper, election of officers, community service award, program	Lodge at Ginegaw Park	
Mon., Sept. 19	7:30 PM	General Meeting: Program: Sue Leurgans - "Historic Cooking"	Museum	
Sun., Oct. 2	2 – 4 PM	Open House	Museum	
Sun., Oct. 16	2 – 3:30 PM	Walworth Memories. Theme: TBA	Museum	
Mon., Nov. 21	1:00 PM	General Meeting: Program: Michael Keene - "The Psychic Highway: How the Erie Canal Changed America.	Museum	

Board of Trustees: Meetings held Apr. 11, June 13, Aug. 8, and Nov. 14 beginning at 2:00 PM at the museum.

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<u>Open House Hours:</u> Museum open June, July, August, and September on Sunday and Wednesday afternoons 2 - 4 PM. Contact Judy McMillan at 315-524-4219 or Jessie Keymel at 315-524-9205 for appointment for other times.

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Mission Statement: The Walworth Historical Society is a volunteer organization established in 1975. Our chartered purpose is to collect, preserve, and display items and artifacts of historical interest and importance to the Town of Walworth and its environs. We are a not-for-profit organization with 501(C)(3) status; donations are tax deductible. I am interested in making a tax deductible donation of \$ **Level of Membership** I am interested in making a tax deductible donation of \$ _____ 5.00 memory of Student \$ 10.00 _ I am interested in joining and have checked the membership level. Individual Family 15.00 25.00 Supporting Name(s): Sponsor 50.00 Address: Patron 100.00 City/Town/Zip: _____ Phone: _ Corp. or Bus. 150.00 Life Member \$ 150.00 _____, payable to Walworth Historical Society, and mail it to Please mail your check for \$ P.O. Box 142, Walworth, NY 14568. Thank you for your support.

March 2016 WHS E-mail Newsletter Bonus Photos

(All photos on this page are of Boy Scout Troop 113 working at Baker Cemetery)













Even though it is a wintery time of year, what better time to share some older Walworth area agriculture photos.









