

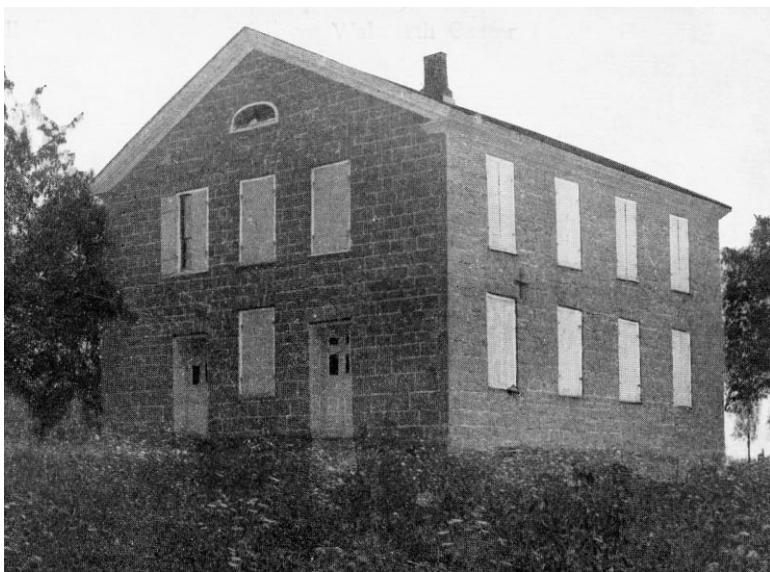


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200th Anniversary of Lincoln Baptist Church By Jessie Keymel

We have all seen the sign at the end of Downs Road on Atlantic Avenue that tells us it was the site of the Freewill Baptist Church. This is where the congregation of the Lincoln Baptist Church was formed and worshiped for several years. In 1816, Elder Thomas Lewis, a missionary from Maine, came to preach the Gospel to the early settlers here in the Far West. Eight people and Elder Lewis joined together and founded a new church in November of 1816.

This area was forest that the settlers, mostly from Massachusetts, were clearing to build their log cabin homes. There were no roads in those days, just trails through the forest marked by blazed trees. Travel to the area became easier and quicker with the opening of the Erie Canal in 1825.

On November 26, 1832, a special meeting was held in a school house to incorporate the church under the name of "The First Freewill Baptist Church in Walworth." It was decided at that time to begin building a house of worship. Blocks of limestone were quarried from local ledges and dragged up to the top of Freewill Hill by oxen near the area of #12 green and #13 tee at Greystone Golf Club. When completed, the large building had broad galleries on three sides of the sanctuary and a raised pulpit. On January 18, 1835, the dedication service was led by Rev. D.M. Rollin; the church was used from 1834-1875 (**left photo above**). Many of the supporters of the church had settled in the village of Lincoln; others left to go farther west. It became evident that the church had to move. After years of preparation and planning the church moved from Freewill Hill to its present location in Lincoln at 4966 Lincoln Road (**right photo above**).

On August 20, 2016, the Lincoln Baptist Church had a community celebration of its 200th Anniversary. Pastor Dorothea Tierson and guest Rev. James Kelsay Ph.D. from the American Baptist Churches of New York State led a Worship Celebration at 2:30 PM. Letters of congratulations and supporting prayer from former pastors and neighboring Baptist Churches were read. The service was followed by a chicken BBQ, cake and ice cream, and a time to renew old acquaintances and share church remembrances. Later there was special music and hymns led by Samantha and Friends under a tent on the church grounds. The invitation "Whosoever Will May Come" is etched on the church bell and welcomes attendees to the 10:00 AM worship service each Sunday.

This information comes from our collection of histories of the Lincoln Baptist Church that were printed to celebrate their 125th year and 200th year celebrations and from wayne.nygenweb.net. The black and white photo at the top left is from an old post card and the color photo at the top right is fairly recent. Both are from the Walworth Historical Society files at the WHS Museum.

Walworth Postmasters Through the Years By Dorothy French

In our last issue Gordon Youngman wrote about the history of the Walworth Post Office and listed names of several postmasters. Gordon noted that prior to April 1829 our area was part of the Town of Ontario in Ontario County. Harry S. Moore was appointed postmaster 01.27.1823. In April 1823, we became part of Wayne County; postmasters were Allen H. Howland (04.01.1824) and Vaniah Yeomans (11.21.1828). On 12.23.1830 our post office name was changed to Walworth and Luther Tucker, who was appointed postmaster on 09.25.1829, continued in that position until 1837. Here's a list of the postmasters who have served Walworth through the years.

Name	Title	Appt.	Name	Title	Appt.
Luther Tucker	Postmaster	09.25.1829	Mrs. Gwendolyn L. Naber	Acting Postmaster	07.19.1944
Benjamin Billings, Jr.	"	04.10.1837	Mrs. Gwendolyn L. Naber	Postmaster	05.29.1945
Albigence W. Tucker	"	01.27.1840	Mrs. Gladys VanHaneghem	Acting "	05.03.1957
Vaniah Yeomans	"	07.15.1841	Mrs. Gladys VanHaneghem	Postmaster	07.16.1958
Lewis Eddy	"	03.29.1842	Mrs. Etta M. Bavis	Acting "	08.23.1968
Theron G. Yeomans	"	06.13.1844	Mrs. Pearl N. Scott	Officer-in Charge	04.01.1969
Benjamin Billings	"	06.30.1846	Mrs. Pearl N. Scott	Postmaster	03.20.1971
Elias D. Cone	"	12.12.1849	Mrs. Etta M. Bavis	Officer-in-Charge	10.31.1975
John McLouth	"	03.25.1851	Joseph A. VanHaelst	Postmaster	01.03.1976
Riley Hill	"	05.16.1853	Peter Dougherty	Officer-in-Charge	12.03.1980
John W. Baker	"	05.10.1861	Lawrence J. Smith	Postmaster	05.30.1981
Nathan S. Eddy	"	10.31.1866	Verna Stewart	Officer-in-Charge	No date listed
John W. Baker	"	05.31.1867	Lisa Haun	Officer-in-Charge	09.26.1985
Theron G. Yeomans	"	09.25.1877	Thomas C. McLouth	Postmaster	10.26.1985
John W. Baker	"	10.23.1878	Linda C. Pembroke	Officer-in-Charge	03.24.2004
Copeland A. Morse	"	07.07.1893	Ronald P. Coon	Postmaster	08.07.2004
John W. Baker	"	12.08.1896	Scott C. McKay	Officer-in-Charge	03.29.2006
William A. Baker	"	10.06.1899	Paul J. Sidoti	Postmaster	08.05.2006
Harry E. Conant	"	07.16.1915	Brian L. Nau	Officer-in-Charge	06.08.2010
Charles W. Clark	Acting "	06.10.1922	Joe Buttaccio	"	01.05.2011
Charles W. Clark	Postmaster	08.14.1922	Karen Walker	"	02.02.2011
Irvin M. Salyerds	Acting "	05.01.1925	Brian L. Nau	"	06.24.2011
Irvin M. Salyerds	Postmaster	08.05.1926	Brian L. Nau	Postmaster	04.20.2013
Charles M. Buckley	Acting "	01.01.1941	Eileen Fioco	Officer-in-Charge	02.10.2014

School Days – Walworth Elementary: 1947- 48 By Dorothy French



The photo on the left was recently donated to the museum by Leon Seen and depicts third grade students at Walworth Elementary School 1947 – 1948. The photo was taken in the gymnasium/auditorium; the teacher was Jeannie E. Brown.

Front row, left to right: Beverly Buys, Lonnie Scott, Dorothy Young, Elwood Johncox, Dale Powell, James Seen, Roger Keymel, Patricia Sharrow, and Sharon Westfall.

Middle row: Joan VerPlank, Charles Forman, Jane Bombard, Beatrice Polino, Joyce Shaffer, Janice Freer, Paul Geil, and Richard Shoales.

Back row: Ronald VanHoover, Daonna Reilly, Harvey Almekinder, Nancy Nortier, Robert Yuker, Mary Verkey, Dorothy Foss, Catherine Ebert, Glen Hyman, and Leon Seen.

In Memoriam By Jessie Keymel

We lost Winnie Pease, another supporting member of our Historical Society, on August 12. In our July newsletter we published an interview with Winnie done by Dawn Russell. Winnie and her husband John moved to Church Street in Walworth in 1958 where they raised their son Chris. After retirement Winnie remained in her home and, from her window, watched the view change from an orchard to the home of our fire department, a gas station at the corner, and now Tops grocery store. Winnie will be remembered by her friends and neighbors, her Methodist Church family, and the students she taught in the Walworth Elementary School.

A Tour of Main Street: #3697 - Walworth Baptist Community Center

By Donna Klaeysen

Editor's Notes:

- This is the 5th in a series of stories spotlighting the businesses and homes on Main Street. The tour begins on the west side of the four corners and travels south.
- The two signs on the front of the cream-colored building at 3697 Main Street identify this facility as the Walworth Youth Center and the Walworth Baptist Community Center. If it could talk, this multi-purpose structure would have an interesting story to tell about the people, businesses and the Masonic Lodge previously associated with this site. The building began as a Masonic Lodge but on August 15, 2002, it was sold to the 2nd Baptist Church of Walworth. Below is Donna Klaeysen's story about the Community Center.

After we purchased the building, we named it the Walworth Baptist Community Center. It is open for groups to meet and currently AA and a Boy Scout troop meet there. In 2014 Benjamin Leone put in a much appreciated path from the church parking lot to the Community Center sidewalk. He also added the benches and some landscaping to the front of the building. This was his Eagle Scout project. He did a great job.

The Center has been used over the years for various celebrations, baby and wedding showers, fund-raising dinners, various church gatherings and public events. I especially remember a dinner to raise money for Martin Seppeler to help with his cancer expenses. Those wishing to inquire about use of the building may call the church (986-1288) and leave a message for Elaine Henning.



**2016 Photo: Walworth Youth Center and
Baptist Community Center**



**1969: Construction of New Masonic Lodge
Above photo courtesy of Gordon Youngman**

The building has needed some upkeep over the years. The roof was replaced about two years ago. The steps both going down to the dining room and going up to the second floor were replaced in the first year or so. All the wiring has been replaced. The back steps and door were replaced and in 2015 the septic line was redone. It used to run to the back of the lot, then loop around to the front to meet the sewer line in the street. Now it takes a more direct path to the road. The front door was replaced approximately 2015. We're hoping to be able to put up new siding in a couple of years.

We continued to host the Blood Drives until 2013. In September of that year the drives were moved to the Fire Hall in Walworth. It's easier to move equipment in and out of there.

Early on Scarlet Thread asked to use the upstairs for a youth program. There have been several directors of the Walworth program over the years. The current director is Nadine Seppeler, who grew up in our church. Scarlet Thread's goal is to bring Christ to all the young people in the county. They meet with the kids (ages 12 to high school seniors). There are video and other games, homework help, and activities for the kids. Adult helpers are there to aid the kids in various activities, etc. The program is open Thursdays from 3-6 pm. If you wish more information about this, call Bob Williams (986.1526) or Candy Komorowski (986.1356)

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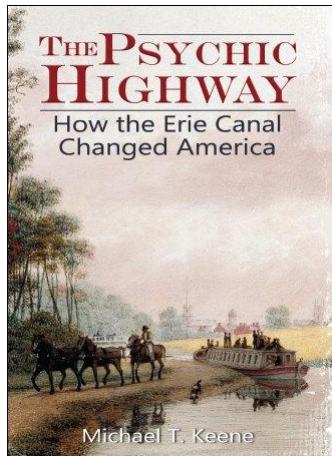
**Our next issue will feature the Masonic Hall and the various businesses
that occupied the site.**

Donations Are Tax Deductible By Gene Bavis

The Walworth Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization chartered by the New York State Board of Regents as an educational institution. Our mission is to purchase, collect, preserve, display, and generally deal with those items and artifacts of historical interest and importance to the history of the Town of Walworth and environs and to generally promote interest in the study of the life, growth, and history of said area. I think we do that pretty well with a small group of dedicated volunteers. We have been collecting many more artifacts, photos and other information, and we put on some very interesting programs. We produce five newsletters each year filled with current events as well as great historical information. When I compare our newsletter with others, we are definitely among the very best. We hope that YOU agree and will continue to maintain your WHS membership (dues are due in April).

Our historical society also hosts the Walworth Town Historian's Office and assists him in research tasks. The Town provides an annual stipend to the Walworth Historical Society, but MOST of our income is from DUES and DONATIONS. We are approaching the end of the 2016 tax year, and we know that many people look at their finances with regard to making year-end tax-deductible donations. We hope that the Walworth Historical Society is on your "radar" screen for a possible year-end gift. If you would like to make a donation to the Walworth Historical Society now or at any time, please mail it to Walworth Historical Society, P.O. Box 142, Walworth, NY 14568. You will be able to take any donation as a tax deduction under the current IRS rules. THANKS for your support!

Nov. 21 Program: Michael Keene Talks About the Erie Canal



Last year we invited author Michael Keene to our November meeting to talk about his book, "Abandoned: The Untold Story of Orphan Asylums." Because the standing-room-only crowd was a testament to the success of this program, we have invited Michael to return on Monday, November 21, at 1 PM.

The subject will be Michael's new book, "The Psychic Highway: How the Erie Canal Changed America." It documents the origins of the Erie Canal intertwined with the historical, religious and social issues of the day. The opening of the canal created passageways through Upstate New York during the 19th Century that led to exploration of other areas of our country.

Please note the afternoon meeting time. A brief meeting will precede the program. As always, refreshments will be served and guests are welcome. Our museum is located at 2257 Academy Street, corner of High Street.

October WHS Museum Open House By Bob Mogray



On October 2 the Walworth Historical Society held its annual Open House at the museum on Academy Street. It started out to be a beautiful Sunday afternoon. There were quite a few visitors to see the displays at the museum. For the first half-hour the museum was open with many displays. In the meeting room there were photo books, our cases filled with displays, refreshments, and much more.

About 2:30 "Dotty and Friends" entertained everyone with a sing-a-long of old-time traditional songs. This was very well attended but after about 30 minutes, even though it was under a tent, the rain and wind caused an early end to this part of the open house. All the visitors were able to go back into the museum for snacks and to check out the displays. The WHS wants to thank the Lions Club for the use of their tent and also everyone who attended. The support was greatly appreciated.

Mid-Nineteenth Century Cooking By Mary Jane Devlin



Attendees filled the museum's meeting room on September 19 to listen to Sue Leurgans tell about the challenges and dangers of cooking in Mid-Nineteenth Century kitchens. Sue started Civil War Re-enacting 34 years ago. At one event she saw some re-enactors who camped in canvas tents. She offered to cook for them, resulting in a lifetime pursuit of historical cooking.

Sue had a power point presentation. She also displayed and talked about the utensils of the day. There was a question and answer period following her presentation.

She often volunteers at Genesee Country Village and Museum teaching sausage making and general cooking to the public and to other cooks. She has experimented with many old recipes and revised them to fit today's ingredients. She has written a small cookbook which will be for sale soon. Everyone enjoyed refreshments and fellowship after the program.

Our Collection Continues to Grow By Jessie Keymel

Did you notice 10 large loose-leaf notebooks when you were at the museum for the last two programs? That is the winter project for the filing committee. The notebooks were compiled by Dottie DeMay, under the guidance of Town Highway Supervisor Mike Frederes. They contain the history of the highway department and other stories of interest from the Walworth area. We will be cataloging their contents; if you are interested in helping you would be welcome any 1st or 2nd Wednesday of the month. Ruth Kessler Weykman has donated her collection of Walworth business advertising memorabilia. We are displaying them in our accession's glass case during our November 21 program. Robert Manning has donated his grandfather's scythe, a welcome addition to our farm tool collection; he also included information about the Findley Cemetery which he maintained for many years on Walworth-Ontario Road.

This gathering of items and information is a good example of the wide varieties of historic information we keep for future residents of Walworth.

Barmaster Residence on Jacobs Road By Richard Terry Busch/Mary Jane Devlin



Pictured above left is the home at 434 Jacobs Road in the 1920's, which at the time had an address of Lincoln, NY. William Frederick Barmaster's parents purchased the 22-acre property in January 1875 from William and Alzina Holdridge for \$1075, and the family lived there in a log cabin, according to family lore, until the pictured house was built. The family believes that William had built a smaller version of the house to be ready for his bride in September 1904. The home was enlarged in 1934, when a room was added over the kitchen. The photo on the right shows the home as it is today.

Together, the Barmasters and their children worked this rich muck land acreage raising annual crops of carrots, potatoes, celery, sweet corn, squash, pickles and other crops including hay and wheat. William F. Barmaster built the barn that still stands opposite the farmhouse today. After William died in 1936 of leukemia, Mary stayed in the house until the mid-1940's when she sold the house to her daughter and husband, Helen Barmaster Forman and Clint Forman. Mary lived with them until her death at 99 in 1982. There will be more information about the Barmaster family in a later edition of this newsletter.

Memories: Ruth Kessler Weykman By Dawn Russell

Ruth Kessler Weykman was born on May 9, 1926, in Rochester and moved to Walworth in 1927 with her family. They lived on a farm located at 331 Walworth-Penfield Road. Her parents were Howard and Alice Hoad Kessler. She had one sibling named Harold. Her father was a farmer: dairy, crops, fruits, chickens and such. Her mother helped with the farm and was a homemaker. Ruth remembers helping with the farm when she was older. She was enticed by receiving a doll if she would help.



Ruth at 17 years old.

Her mother told her when Ruth was a very little girl she needed surgery. While getting well at home, a neighbor, Mr. A. Fredenberg, would walk across the orchard every day to come visit little Ruth. He would bring her books, cards, and a special chocolate cup. Ruth came to call him Grandpa. To this day, she still has the chocolate cup he gave her. Inscribed on the cup, in German, it says: "Forget me Not." Ruth remembers her mother would bring the oil lamp to her room when it was bedtime and read her stories.

Ruth became friends with the Frowley neighbor girls: Marie, Carol, Virginia and Janice. Janice was her best friend while growing up. The girls would have fun playing in the hay loft. Ruth remembers every summer she and the Frowley girls would take their wagons and go into the woods and have a picnic. Halloween was a great time. Mrs. Frowley would have a party for the neighbor children; Ruth would always look forward to this. They would bob for apples, eat popcorn, and play games; this was more fun than trick or treating.

Ruth had chores while growing up, as most farm children did. When she was old enough, it was her chore to fill the reservoir in the old cook stove they had in their kitchen. She would use the hand pump to draw the water. She also would fill the wood box for the cook stove. They had no refrigerator in the early years. There was an icehouse between the barn and their home. They purchased ice from the Duell brothers, who cut ice on Mill Pond. They also purchased their sawdust from the Duell brothers and would use that to pack the ice.

Ruth's family received electricity in 1931 when the electric company came through the town and everyone had to sign for electricity in order to receive it to their property. She remembers coming home from school and going from room to room turning on one light in each room. There were many neighbors on the road where Ruth lived: Frowleys, Darrons, Bakers, Clarks, Fredenbergs, Halls, Scotts, Pembrokes, and Ginegaws, all the way to the Dewitt Tuttle farm. The only family who had a phone was the Bakers. They were so generous with the phone, letting the neighbors use it when needed.

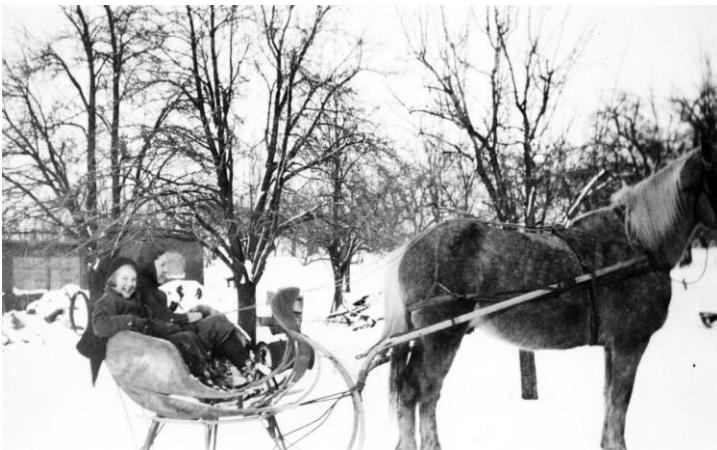
Ruth and her brother Harold used to ride in the bob sleigh to Abe Almekinder's to get feed for the animals and they would also go the Balzar Mill on Walworth-Palmyra Road to get feed. She loved riding in the sleigh. She remembers her bed was a straw mattress, and every year it was changed with fresh straw after thrashing. Ruth started school at the Walworth Academy in 1931. She graduated from this school in 1943. While in school she played the cornet,

marched in parades, sang in the chorus, and was involved in the camera club. She attended school basketball games. Her 7th & 8th grade teacher, Mr. Fox, left quite an impression on her; she says he was a really good teacher. Ruth would walk two miles to school every day. In the winter if it was very bad weather she would get a ride on the back of a truck driven by her teacher, Mrs. Fredenberg, or her dad would start the old Model T and take her to school. Ruth worked picking berries for three summers and raised enough money to buy herself a bicycle. She would then use that as a mode of transportation to school.

While school age she attended the Walworth Methodist Church; she could always count on a ride home from church with the Darron family. During her teenage years, Ruth was active in the Walworth Pioneers 4H Club. Her leaders were Emily Huntley and Bertha Wignall. Mrs. Huntley would take Ruth to the fairs to enter her exhibits. After graduation, Ruth worked at Triou's IGA on Main Street in Walworth. She also worked for Milford Kester at the Red & White Store. This was the time of World War II, and she remembers ration tickets for sugar and other products so there would be enough for the soldiers to have food.

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Top: 1935: Ruth and Harold.



Right: Ruth with her 4H preserves and awards.

Ruth met her husband-to-be, Larry Weykman, at a neighbor's house when she was sixteen. She says they just clicked right away. They both were brought up in similar backgrounds. They courted until Larry was to go into the Air Force. They wrote to each other almost every day and were married when he returned home in 1946. They went to New York City and the Poconos for their honeymoon. They lived in Newark for five years and then bought a farm on Armington Road in Palmyra. Larry had his own milk trucking business and Ruth was a homemaker. They have three children: Marjorie, Judy, and Ed. They also have seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Sadly, Larry passed in 2014. They were married 68 years. Ruth still lives in the same house they bought those many years ago. At age 90, Ruth enjoys reading, sewing, and especially gardening. Her fondest memories of growing up in Walworth are the friendly neighbors, the love she felt, and the small town feeling.

Walworth Show and Tell By Gene Bavis

On Sunday, October 16, we did a slightly different style of Walworth Memories. We called it "Walworth Show and Tell" and it seemed that the 15 people in attendance enjoyed sharing and seeing what others brought:

- Vaughn and Linda Pembroke brought a portrait of a man that had hung in the home of Vaughn's parents, Charles and Bertha Pembroke, for many years. Although written on the back was this note "Give to Charlie Pembroke," they were unsure as to who this person was. After the meeting, we removed the backing and thankfully someone had labeled it, "J.C. Pembroke" (Vaughn's grandfather, Jake Pembroke). So, one mystery was solved!
- Jessie Keymel showed a similar portrait that had been donated to us. It was found in the Bills home in West Walworth.
- Mary Abrams brought a 3-gallon pottery butter churn in great condition which she donated to the museum. It had been found under the porch at the Daansen Road home where she grew up.
- Gordon Youngman brought three items that he also donated. The objects were the kerosene container for a stove, an old-fashioned seeder and a stovepipe crimper found in his hardware store when he took over the business.
- Roger Keymel showed 3 items, two of which were family items: a crumb sweeper for the table and a cream skimmer. The other object was something he was not familiar with, but fortunately, I, as a collector of old and unusual tools, also own one. It was a turkey de-beaker.
- Dawn Russell brought a very large iron ladle with a pour spout that came from the Boynton Road farm owned by her grandfather, Stanley Allaart.
- I showed the pie stamp used by my mother (Etta Bristol Bavis) for many years. Mom was well known for her pies and they were always desirable at church dinners or bake sales. I also shared a photo of my grandmother, Sarah Smith Bristol whose father lived on Smith Hill Road (named for the Smith family). My son's photo in his Army uniform was shared; October 16 was his birthday. He is currently serving in Germany. A sketch done by my daughter in high school was recently given to me by her former teacher, John Contino.
- Liz Bavis, who is "not from here," brought some objects that were unique and significant to American history. Her aunt served in the Army Nurse Corps during WWI in Siberia and China. Liz showed a small rug, a plate, a pair of tiny shoes for women with bound feet, and a beautiful embroidered silk skirt. All of these objects were obtained by her aunt around 1919 in China.

Thank you Kathy....and Welcome Ellen By Jessie Keymel

Our organization would be nothing if it were not for our volunteers. Many people contribute their time and talents that are never recognized. Kathy Aeckerle is one of our committed volunteers. Kathy's knowledge of family histories in our area has been valuable as she looked for connections when people were searching their family histories. She is retiring from her position of Genealogist so that she can travel to see her growing grandchildren. Thank you Kathy for the many hours you have spent on our behalf. The good news is we have filled this position with the appointment of Ellen Dietterick, another native Walworthian with connections to many early families. Welcome Ellen; we look forward to working with you.

Editor's note: After the interview of Ruth Kessler Weykman on pages 6 and 7 of this newsletter we realized that we did not have a composit photo or class photo of the Walworth High School from 1943. If anyone has either of these photos we would like to borrow it for copying. We are also looking to borrow any local Walworth area photos of old buildings, events, or people. If you have any of these items and would like to share them with us, please call Bob Mogray at 585-576-4156.

2016 Events Calendar

Date	Time	Subject	Location
Mon., Nov. 21	1:00 PM	General Meeting: Program: Michael Keene - "The Psychic Highway: How the Erie Canal Changed America."	Museum

Board of Trustees: Next meeting Nov. 21 at 2:00 PM following the general meeting.

Open House Hours: Museum open June, July, August, and September on Sunday and Wednesday afternoons 2 - 4 PM. Contact Judy McMillan at 315-524-4219 or Becky Appleman at 315-524-3289 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.

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November 2016 WHS E-mail Newsletter Bonus Photos

Photos on this page are of the October WHS open house



Note: The bottom right photo is of the NYS marker at the end of Downs Road on Atlantic Avenue that marks the site of the original Freewill Baptist Church.



All of the photos on this page are from the "Memories" meeting on October 16 at the museum. See the story by Gene Bavis on page 7 of this newsletter.