

The Museum at The Creamery

# THE SKANEATELES HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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## New Gift Shop items

See p. 2 for information on our new Christmas ornament and other exciting items that will make wonderful holiday gifts!

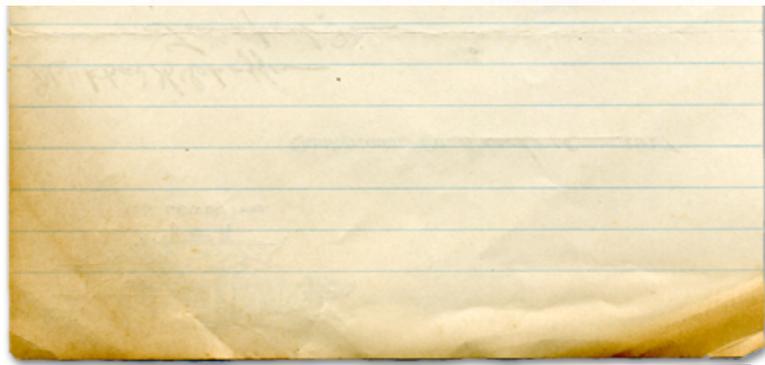
## NOVEMBER PROGRAM

### 100 Years at the Skaneateles Country Club

On Tuesday evening, November 24 at 7:30 p.m. at the Museum at The Creamery, Kihm Winship will be talking about the village's first golfers, the first links in a farmer's field, and the founding of the Skaneateles Country Club in downtown Syracuse, with visits by Gene Sarazen, Norman Vincent Peale, Otto Graham, an English Lord, a count and countess from San Marino, and jazz royalty as well. Learn why early SCC members carried mushroom baskets, the trick to finding golf balls in the water hazards, the winter home of the Club's slot machines, how a groundskeeper from England had a bridge named after him, and much, much more -- all with no greens fees.



*Original Clubhouse*



The purpose of the Skaneateles Historical Society is to conduct and encourage historical research and to collect, preserve, and exhibit historical material in connection with the Town of Skaneateles.

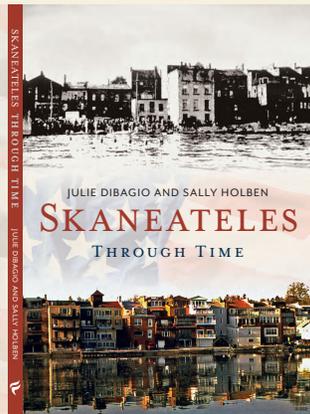
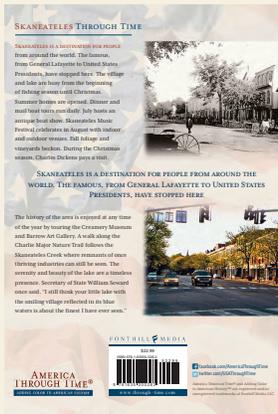


HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE



Please join us on Sunday, December 6 from 1-4 p.m. for our annual Holiday Open House. Festive refreshments will be available, Dickens characters may magically appear, and our star attraction will be Greg Young, owner of the Skaneateles Sugar Shack, explaining his craft and giving us a cooking demonstration of ways to use his delicious maple syrup.

In our gift shop, look for our yearly Christmas ornament that features our very own Museum at The Creamery building. Julie DiBagio and Sally Holben have co-authored a new book, *Skaneateles through Time*, which they will be signing. We will also have a wonderful assortment of Westerwald Pottery



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**NEW CREAMERY HOURS**

Nov 6-Nov 21, Fridays and Saturdays, 1-4 p.m.

Nov 27-Dec 20, Fri-Sun 1-4 p.m.

Jan-June, Fri-Sat, 1-4 p.m.

Or by appointment

Please note we are now open on Saturdays throughout the year!

Does your employer give Matching Grants for donations to non-profit organizations? We receive matching funds from several donors through GE. Maybe your employer does, too! Ask if your employer has a similar program.



**AMAZON SMILE PROGRAM**

Do you shop at Amazon? Especially for the holidays? If so, they have started a new program that donates a percentage of all eligible sales to a charity of your choice. The Skaneateles Historical Society is now participating, so all you have to do is go to:

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7339639>

and shop as usual. No cost to you, a benefit to us--what a great deal! Give it a try!

**SKANEATELES ARTISANS SUPPORT**

On Saturday, December 12, The Skaneateles Artisans, at 3 Fennell St. will donate 10% of all their sales to the Historical Society! We appreciate Teresa Vitale's generous support.

Please go in, look around, perhaps find a gift for someone special, and thank her for her generosity.



**We're now on Facebook!**

Let us know what you'd like to see on our page! It's under Skaneateles Historical Society.

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**Dan Bangs**

I was born and raised in Ithaca NY into a large family of seven children. After graduating from Ithaca High School, I attended SUNY Oswego where I received degree in History Education and met my wife Miki. I taught for two years in the local area before entering the US Air Force in 1971 where I served for over twenty years as a pilot before retiring in 1992 as a Lieutenant Colonel. During the next twenty years I earned a masters degree and taught History in a High School in Marlton, NJ before retiring in 2011. My wife and I always loved the Skaneateles area and have friends and family nearby, so it became an easy decision as to where we should retire. The only drawback to being here is that our children and their families live so far away - Chicago and Portland, Oregon, but they visit on a regular basis. Because of my background as a History teacher and my fascination with Skaneateles and the surrounding areas, I wanted to become involved in helping to promote the story of this great community and thus have become a Board Member of the historical society.

**RECENT ACQUISITIONS**

*The Beauty of Golf in NYS* by John Francis McCarthy

*Stump City* by Mike Quigley

*Stump City Two: Childhood without a Helmet* by Mike Quigley

Glass sign--Kopp Glass Grinding

Story of deer hunting by E.C. Hunt

Wooden box belonging to M.E. Loveless, first young woman to leave the village to attend college (Wellesley.) Box used to send books to the Deaf-Mute school in Rochester where she taught, 1884-1891

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Christmas card, 1887



Christmas post card, 1909



Christmas Post Card, 1906

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To all our loyal volunteers who work in the gift shop, offer tours, serve on the Board, and do behind-the-scenes work. We're grateful for your help.

To everyone who has donated to our Annual fund Drive. We have received \$11,183.23.

There's still time to donate to help us reach our goal of \$20,00.00!

Dave Miller, Bill Stinson, Mick Barnes, and Julie DiBagio for working on our float in the Labor Day parade that won First Prize as Judges' Choice! It featured Mick's boat, *The Freddie*.