



# Historical Highlights

NEWSLETTER OF THE SAND LAKE HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
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1979  
JANUARY - JUNE

## PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

THIS PAST YEAR HAS BEEN A MOST FRUITFUL ONE.

THE SAND LAKE LOOSE LEAF HISTORY BOOK HAS BEEN PRODUCED AND IS ON SALE THROUGH MADOLYN CARPENTER. THIS WILL BE A CONTINUOUS PROJECT.

FOR THE FIRST TIME, WE WORKED WITH ANOTHER ORGANIZATION IN RESEARCHING, DIGGING AND SELLING PIECES OF GLASS LAKE GLASS. MONEY RECEIVED FROM THE SALE OF THIS GLASS WAS DONATED TO THE SAND LAKE AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION.

ANOTHER 'FIRST' WAS THE DONATION OF BOTTLES AND PIECES OF GLASS LAKE GLASS TO THE NEW NATIONAL BOTTLE MUSEUM IN BALLSTON SPA. OURS WAS ONE OF THE FIRST DONATIONS THE MUSEUM RECEIVED FROM AN HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

THIS YEAR WE GAVE THE FIRST SANFORD YOUNG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS OF \$25. EACH, FOR EXCELLENCE IN HISTORY TO A GIRL AND A BOY IN THE JUNE 1979 GRADUATING CLASS AT AVERILL PARK HIGH SCHOOL. THE WINNERS WERE LAURA MURRAY, DAUGHTER OF MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM MURRAY OF RD #2, AVERILL PARK; AND DAVID STRAIT, SON OF MR. AND MRS. GERALD STRAIT OF RD #5, TROY.

THE SOCIETY WILL GIVE A SCHOLARSHIP AWARD EACH YEAR FOR EXCELLENCE IN HISTORY, TO A GIRL AND A BOY OF THE GRADUATING CLASS AT AVERILL PARK HIGH SCHOOL.

ON OCTOBER 1ST, 1978 WE HAD A MOST SUCCESSFUL HOUSE TOUR, AND THE CURRENT HOUSE TOUR COMMITTEE, CHAIRED BY JANE VAN PRAAG, IS WORKING ON ANOTHER HOUSE TOUR FOR THE FALL.

WE HAD A SUCCESSFUL PLANT SALE LAST YEAR AND WOULD LIKE TO HOLD ANOTHER THIS YEAR. I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM MEMBERS INTERESTED IN WORKING ON A PLANT SALE.

WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED A LOT BY MEMBERS WORKING WELL TOGETHER, AND I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO MY SECOND YEAR AS PRESIDENT, HOPING THAT THIS YEAR WILL BE AS PRODUCTIVE AND AS PLEASANT AS LAST, AS I CONTINUE TO WORK WITH SUCH DEDICATED AND DELIGHTFUL PEOPLE.

## -PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT CONTD.

I WISH TO THANK ALL OF YOU WHO WORKED SO HARD IN THE PAST YEAR TO MAKE OUR PROJECTS A SUCCESS.

A SPECIAL "THANK YOU" TO THOSE OFFICERS WHO SERVED LAST YEAR, AND A SAD "GOODBYE" TO THOSE WHO ARE TAKING A SABBATICAL. NEW OFFICERS, "WELCOME ABOARD!"

BERYL VANNIER

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## VICE PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

YOUR VICE PRESIDENT PRESIDED AT MEETINGS DURING THE PRESIDENT'S ABSENCE AND ARRANGED THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS FOR THE YEAR.

- JUNE 12 - CHARCOAL BURNING BY FRED WAGNER AND RICHARD HIXON.
- JULY 10 - FILMS, "COLLAR CITY SONG," AND "UNCLE SAM, THE MAN."
- AUG. 14 - PICNIC AND SWIM AT MIG CIPPERLEY'S.
- SEPT. 11 - TRASH OR TREASURE WITH PANEL OF EXPERTS, JEAN DAVIS, ROBERT HARRIS, ROBERT SHUEY, AND BERYL VANNIER.
- OCT. 9 - ADVERTISING TIN CONTAINERS WITH MARY & JOHN POCHOBRADSKY.
- NOV. 13 - "COUNTRY PAINTING ON TIN, AND STENCILING," BY CAROLYN REID.
- DEC. 11 - YULETIDE MEETING. SHARING OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS ARTICLES. ALSO RAFFLE OF SANFORD YOUNG COVERED BRIDGE PAINTING WHICH WAS DONATED BY DOCTOR MILDRED ALLEN. THE LUCKY WINNER WAS MEMBER DONALD B. CROWTHER.
- JAN. 4 - CANCELLED BECAUSE OF SNOWSTORM.
- FEB. NO MEETING PLANNED BECAUSE OF SEVERE WINTER WEATHER.
- MAR. 12 - SPEAKER MADOLYN CARPENTER ON "THE ROLE OF THE TOWN HISTORIAN."
- APR. 9 - ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION, "THE WAY IT WAS," WITH MYRA HOLD-  
RID  
RIDGE WEHNAU AND HELEN CRAPE GUY.
- MAY 18 - FOURTH ANNUAL DINNER MTG. AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS AT THE  
GLASS LAKE INN.

GEORGIANA PATTI

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## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

WE FEEL THAT OUR ORGANIZATION HAS HAD ONE OF THE BEST YEARS IN ITS HISTORY. THE PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN DIVERSIFIED AND INTERESTING.

WE THANK OUR PRESIDENT, BERYL VANNIER, FOR HER WORK IN PREPARING FOR A PERMANENT CHARTER.

WE ALSO THANK PRESIDENT VANNIER, VICE PRESIDENT PATTI AND OUR OTHER ELECTED OFFICERS AND STANDING COMMITTEES FOR JOBS WELL DONE.

WE FEEL THAT THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY HAS ACHIEVED A GREAT DEAL IN THE FEW YEARS IT HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE.

## REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

WROTE THANK YOU LETTERS TO DOCTOR MILDRED ALLEN FOR HER DONATIONS TO THE SOCIETY, TYPED CORRESPONDENCE TO NEW YORK STATE FOR PERMANENT CHARTER AND EXEMPT ORGANIZATION SALES TAX NUMBER, AND SENT SYMPATHY CARDS TO MEMBERS WHO HAD LOST LOVED ONES.

ARTHEA B. GIBBS

## REPORT OF PUBLICITY CHAIRPERSON

ARRANGED WITH NEWSPAPERS FOR PUBLICATION OF NEWS OF THE SOCIETY'S MEETINGS AND SPECIAL PROJECTS. ARRANGED FOR FEATURE STORIES ON DIG FOR GLASS LAKE GLASS AND ON THE 1978 HOUSE TOUR, WITH PHOTOGRAPHS. ALSO ARRANGED FOR RADIO SPOT ANNOUNCEMENTS RE HOUSE TOUR AND CANCELLATION OF THE JANUARY MEETING BECAUSE OF SNOWY WEATHER.

NEWSPAPERS WHICH PUBLISH OUR NEWS ARE THE SAND LAKE ADVERTISER, THE (TROY) TIMES RECORD, THE RENSSELAER COUNTY SUN (TUES. INSERT IN ALBANY TIMES-UNION AND KNICKERBOCKER NEWS) AND THE CHATHAM COURIER.

ARTHEA B. GIBBS

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

WE HAVE MANY INTERESTING BOOKS IN THE SOCIETY'S LIBRARY WHICH MEMBERS MAY PERUSE AND BORROW AT THE REGULAR MEETINGS.

PLEASE SAVE BOOKS YOU NO LONGER WANT FOR OUR BOOK SALE.

MYRA WEHNAU

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## NEWS OF OUR SOCIETY

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1979-80

PRESIDENT	BERYL VANNIER	TRUSTEES	DON CARPENTIER
VICE PRES.	ARTHEA GIBBS		HELEN GUY
RECORDING SECY.	PETER SPRAGUE		ANDREW MACE
CORRES. SECY.	GEORGIANA PATTI		JIM MILLER
TREASURER	ADA MILLER		MYRA WEHNAU
	CUSTODIAN	JANE VAN PRAAG	

## MEETINGS

AUGUST 6 - EXECUTIVE MEETING AT 8 PM AT MIG CIPPERLEY'S.

AUGUST 13- PICNIC AND SWIM, BEGINNING AT 4 PM AT MIG CIPPERLEY'S.  
BRING A COVERED DISH TO SHARE, AND YOUR MEAT, BEVERAGES,  
PLACE SEETING AND CHAIR. SUPPER AT 6 PM. THIS TAKES THE  
PLACE OF REGULAR MEETING IN AUGUST. RAIN DATE IS AUG. 20TH.

WATCH NEWSPAPERS FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES.

RENEW MEMBERSHIPS! SENIOR CITIZENS HALF PRICE!

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## NEWS OF OTHER SOCIETIES

NATIONAL BOTTLE MUSEUM SOCIETY

ON JUNE 2, 1979, THE NATIONAL BOTTLE MUSEUM WAS OPENED IN BALLSTON SPA. THE MUSEUM IS LOCATED IN A LARGE HOUSE AT 20 CHURCH AVE. WHICH WAS DONATED BY ABBA AND KATHERINE NEWTON OF BALLSTON SPA IN MEMORY OF THE VERBECK FAMILY.

IT IS PLANNED TO MAKE THE MUSEUM THE NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS FOR THE HISTORIC BOTTLE CLUBS FEDERATION.

THE MUSEUM WILL HOUSE EXHIBITS OF BOTTLES, JARS AND OTHER GLASS PRODUCTS HAVING SIGNIFICANCE IN AMERICAN HISTORY, AND WILL ALSO HOUSE A LIBRARY OF REFERENCE BOOKS AND DOCUMENTS RELATING TO GLASS PRODUCTS AND THEIR PRODUCTION.

BERNARD PUCKHABER IS THE CURRENT PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL BOTTLE MUSEUM SOCIETY. THE MUSEUM WILL BE OPEN DURING MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY (HELD IN THE EVENING) AND ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

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