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Save the Date! September 18!

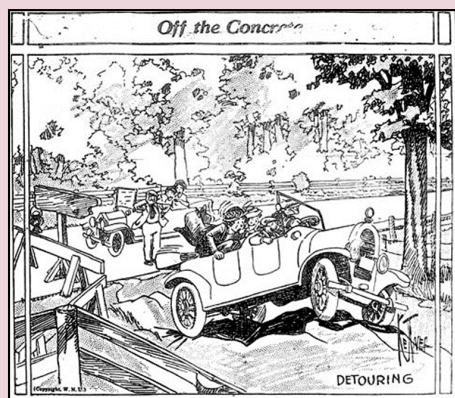
Preston Pierce, Museum Educator



A “once-in-a-half-century” opportunity just around the corner! It’s a chance to get out into our beautiful countryside, enjoy learning about our local history, and enjoy the company of other history buffs. Our annual history ride tour and dinner could not take place last year. However, it is coming back in just a few weeks—bigger and better than ever! Mark your calendars for September 18.

The history ride this year will reprise the 1976 historic circle tour of the county written by former museum director and county historian, Clyde Maffin. Created as part of our local celebration of the American Revolution Bicentennial, the tour has been largely forgotten over the past forty-five years. Revised to account for a few changes in our road system, the new edition of our Historical Circle Tour touches every town in our county and includes a few new sites not mentioned in the original. Driving the new Circle Tour may take you to sites you have never seen.

The Circle Tour route passes through historic communities, big and small. Along the way you will see the burial sites of a Basque explorer from the 1600s and the one of the first three recipients of the Purple Heart. You will learn about the missionaries from Rushville who took their faith to Hawaii and Oregon and introduced the printing press to those remote areas in the early 1800s. Tour participants will pass cobblestone houses, an octagon house, a church that still has no electricity or running water, and the hidden observatory of “Professor Brooks,” the Hobart “comet finder.” The tour also passes one of the most significant Native American sites in the Northeast, a place where spring water appears to burn, and a former Prisoner of War camp from World War II. There are many more important and intriguing places, as well.



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At about the half-way point on the tour, we will stop for a special lunch at Warfield's Restaurant in Clifton Springs at Noon. After lunch, participants will complete the tour. While we enjoy that scenic village and the wonderful examples of historic preservation that abound there, we will also have the opportunity to enjoy a special tour of the historic Foster Cottage. Just a few doors away from Warfield's, adjoining the scenic park and Sulphur Creek, the Foster Cottage was the home of Dr. Henry Foster, founder of the Clifton Springs Water Cure and later, the Sanitarium. The house now serves as the museum of the Clifton Springs Historical Society.

For the four-hour, self-driving tour, which starts and ends at the museum in Canandaigua, each participant will receive the usual booklet telling them what to look for and where to turn. It is ideal for those who want to drive with passengers on board to read the script, talk about the sites, and keep the driver on course. The tour starts at 10:00 AM. Everyone should be able to complete the tour, including lunch, by 3:00 PM. Of course, that depends on how long you stop to take in some breath-taking historic sites.

The cost of the Circle Tour will be \$40 per person, which includes the special lunch. It will also help raise a bit of money for the support of our museum. Tickets are available online at ochs.org.



Smith Observatory, Geneva. Used by Dr. Brooks of Hobart College, the famous "comet finder."



Cairn over the grave of the Basque explorer, Pabos, who died and was buried near the hamlet of Fishers (Town of Victor), 1618.



Little Church, Town of Seneca. Built in 1863, it is heated by two stoves and has no water or electricity. Services are held here by Seneca No. 9 Presbyterian Church and Bellona Memorial Presbyterian Church once a month during the summer.

From the Director's Desk

By Cody Grabhorn



The Museum is alive and well!

Have you ever rushed through your day focused on your checklist when something stopped you dead in your tracks and made you appreciate the moment? This happened to me a few weeks ago when I found a sticker plastered on the museum stairwell. In a hurry to get to the next task I immediately reached up to grab it, but just before I pulled it down I stopped and realized that this little sticker is a sign that our museum is alive! I thought in that moment: *“This means that a family was here and they were creating memories together. What an amazing thing to be a part of!”*

That same day, we had a family reunion pop in the museum to learn about their family history. In preparation for their visit, Wilma – our Curator - pulled out a few informational panels from last year’s immigration exhibit that included their ancestors. Those ancestors came from Italy and made Ontario County their home. Their group ranged in age from 2 years old all the way up to 90 years old and it was an amazing experience to see them engaging in conversation with each other about their family history. As I spoke with some of the family members, I thought to myself, and even mentioned to one of them, that this is the reason why museum workers such as myself love our jobs. We get to help families connect not only with each other, but with their relatives from the past.

These inside experiences from my day give you a view of what it is like to work in our museum. While we do get caught up in our to-do lists and the stresses of everyday life, there are often overlooked benefits from the work that we put in. I thought it would be great to share these stories with our members too, because it’s not just us staff members that make these experiences happen. The emotional and monetary support we get from you is also critical. You help to make this a space where people can gather and hear stories of their families or Ontario County residents who they can relate to on an emotional level. There are not enough thank yous I could express for the experiences that you and my staff allow us to have in our museum!

In the coming months you will have a chance to really see how our museum is alive and well! For example, if you visit the museum between August 30 and October 23, you will be able to see an exhibit partly created by eight 4th-6th graders. During our “Mini-Makers” event, eight students will learn historic ways to make art materials such as paper, ink, pens, stamps, and more. The materials that they produce will then be installed in an exhibit. The experience will allow the kids to learn about history through hands

on activities. It will also allow them, their families, and our community to see how the artifacts we make today fit in with the larger historic story of our county.

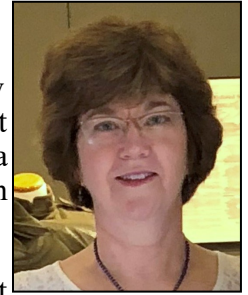
It has been a busy summer so far and I am delighted to say that we have seen more of you come into the museum! We look forward to seeing more of you as we plan more experiences that enlighten us all about our history in fun, engaging, and informative ways!



Curator's Loft

By Wilma Townsend

As we continue to celebrate our pets with our exhibit *Our Family Companions*, below is a list of U. S. Presidential pets as compiled from various websites. While most presidents and their families had dogs and cats, as well as horses, ponies, and birds, a number had unusual pets such as raccoons, possums, a badger, tiger cubs, and even alligators. The "wild" pets usually were sent to the local zoo.



On October 2, 2021, 3PM at the Museum, Kevin Coolidge will speak on President Calvin Coolidge's pets with a focus on *Rebecca* the Raccoon. Kevin is a descendant of President Coolidge and has written several children's books, one of which is about their pet raccoon.

George Washington

American Foxhounds: *Sweetlips*, *Scentwell*, and *Vulcan*

Black and Tan Coonhounds:

Drunkard, *Taster*, *Tipler*, *Tipsy*

Andalusian Donkey: gift from King Charles III of Spain

Greyhound: *Cornwallis*, named after General Cornwallis

Horses (wartime mounts): *Nelson* and *Blueskin*

Stallions: *Samson*, *Steady*, *Leonidas*, *Traveller*, *Magnolia*

Parrot: *Snipe*, said to have been owned by Martha Washington

John Adams

Dogs: *Juno*, *Mark*, and *Satan*

Horses: *Cleopatra* and *Caesar*

Thomas Jefferson

Mockingbird: *Dick*, and at least four others

French Shepherd Dogs: *Bergère* and *Grizzle*

Mare: *Allycroker*

Godolphin Arabian Stallion: *Young Fearnought*

Horse: *Caractacus*, named after a 1st-century British chieftain

James Madison

Parrot: *Polly*, outlived both James and Dolley Madison

James Monroe

Spaniel: belonged to youngest daughter, Maria Monroe

Siberian Husky: *Sebastian*

John Quincy Adams

Alligator: said to have belonged to Marquis de Lafayette, housed for two months in the East Room

Andrew Jackson

Parrot: *Polly* (or "*Poll*"), grey parrot, learned to swear

Horses: *Bolivia*, *Emily*, *Lady Nashville*, *Sam Patch*, and *Truxton*

Martin Van Buren

Two Tiger Cubs: given to him by Said bin Sultan, Sultan of Muscat and Oman before Congress forced him to donate the tigers to the zoo

William Henry Harrison

Durham Cow: *Sukey*

Goat

John Tyler

Italian Greyhound: *Le Beau*

Canary: *Johnny Ty*

Horse: *The General*

James K. Polk

None



Zachary Taylor

Horse (wartime mount): *Old Whitey*

Pony: *Apollo*, a present for Taylor's daughter Betty

Millard Fillmore

Ponies: *Mason* and *Dixon*

Franklin Pierce

Two miniature "teacup" Japanese Chin dogs, part of a gift exchange with Japan following the Perry Expedition

Birds: two birds also from Japan

James Buchanan

Newfoundland: *Lara*

Toy Terrier: *Punch*

Eagle

Abraham Lincoln

Goats: *Nanny* and *Nanko*

Turkey: *Jack*, was intended as Christmas dinner, but Tad Lincoln intervened

Dog: *Fido* – became a generic name for a dog

Dog: *Jip*

Cats: *Tabby* and *Dixie*; Lincoln once remarked that Dixie "is smarter than my whole cabinet."

Rabbit

Horse: *Old Bob*, covered in a mourning blanket at Lincoln's funeral

Andrew Johnson

None

Ulysses S. Grant

Horses: *Butcher's Boy*, *Cincinnati*, *Egypt*, *Jeff Davis* (his wartime mount), *Jennie*, *Julia*, *Mary*, and *St. Louis*

Ponies: *Billy Button* and *Reb*

Newfoundland: *Faithful*

Dog: *Rosie*

Rutherford B. Hayes

Cocker Spaniel: *Dot*

Newfoundland: *Hector*

English Mastiff: *Duke*

Greyhound: *Grim*

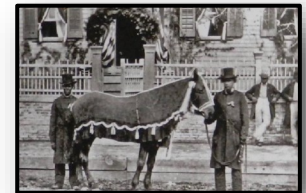
Miniature Schnauzer: *Otis* Hunting Dogs: *Juno* and *Shep*

Dog: *Jet*

Cat: *Piccolomini*, named after Italian general

Siamese Cat: *Siam*, first Siamese cat in U.S.

Siamese Cat: *Miss Pussy*



James A. GarfieldHorse: **Kit**Dog: **Veto****Chester A. Arthur**

Rabbit

Three Horses

Grover ClevelandJapanese Poodle: **Hector**

Mockingbirds

Three Dachshunds

Benjamin HarrisonGoat: **Whiskers, "His Whiskers,"** or **"Old Whiskers,"**Collie: **Dash**Opossums: **Mr. Reciprocity** and **Mr. Protection**, named from the 1896 party platform, "Protection and reciprocity are twin measures of Republican policy and go hand in hand"

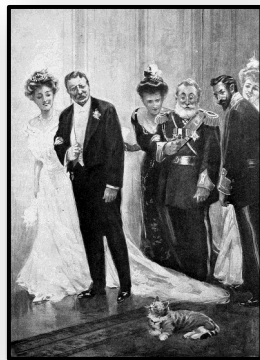
Two Alligators: kept in the White House Conservatory

William McKinleyYellow-Headed Mexican Parrot: **Washington Post**, could whistle "Yankee Doodle"Angora Cats: **Valeriano Weyler** and **Enrique DeLome**; named after Spanish general and Spanish ambassador

Roosters

Theodore RooseveltGuinea Pigs: **Admiral Dewey, Bishop Doane, Dr. Johnson, Father O'Grady, Fighting Bob Evans**Shetland Pony: **Algonquin**, favored by Roosevelt's son ArchieHen: **Baron Spreckle**, named after sugar baron Claus SpreckelsLizard: **Bill the Lizard**, from California, probably named after Lewis Carroll's character in Alice in WonderlandManchester Terrier: **Blackjack**Hyacinth Macaw: **Eli Yale**, named after the British merchant and college namesakeGarter Snake: **Emily Spinach**, so named by Roosevelt's daughter Alice because "it was as green as spinach and as thin as my Aunt Emily"Pony: **Fidelity**Dogs: **Gem** and **Susan**Terriers: **Jack** and **Peter**Black Bear: **Jonathan Edwards**, from West Virginia, named after the religious leader, eventually sent to the Bronx ZooPiebald Rat: **Jonathan**Badger: **Josiah "Josh,"** president acquired 2-week-old badger on railroad tour of WestPekingese: **Manchu**Pig: **Maude**Rabbit: **Peter Rabbit**Bull Terrier: **Pete**, exiled to Long Island "after chomping on one too many legs"Saint Bernard: **Rollo**Dog: **Skip**Chesapeake Bay Retriever: **Sailor Boy**Cats: **Tom Quartz** and **Slippers**, Tom Quartz named after a cat in a Mark Twain storyLaughing Hyena: **Bill**, Emperor Menelik II of Ethiopia

Barn Owl

One-Legged Rooster: **Fierce****William Howard Taft**Dog: **Caruso**, a gift for Taft's daughter Helen from opera singer Enrico Caruso after a White House performanceCows: **Mooly Wooly** and **Pauline Wayne****Woodrow Wilson**Airedale Terrier: **Davie**Cat: **Puffins**Bull Terrier: **Bruce**Ram: **Old Ike**, led flock of 48 sheep

Sheep: which kept the White House lawn trimmed "in the most economical way," the wool sold to benefit the Red Cross

Songbirds

Warren G. HardingAiredale Terrier: **Laddie Boy**Bulldog: **Old Boy**Canary: **Petey**Squirrel: **Pete****Calvin Coolidge**White Collies: **Rob Roy** and **Prudence Prim**Wirehair Fox Terrier: **Peter Pan**, their first White House dogAiredale Terrier: **Paul Pry**, half-brother of Harding's Laddie BoyShetland Sheepdog: **Calamity Jane**Chow Chows: **Tiny Tim** and **Blackberry**Collie: **Ruby Rouch**Boston Bulldog: **Boston Beans**Belgian Sheepdog: **King Cole**Black and White English Setter: **Palo Alto, "Palo"**Collie: **Bessie**Raccoon: **Rebecca**, First Lady Grace had a treehouse built for herRaccoon: **Reuben**, male raccoon acquired for Rebecca; soon escapedDonkey: **Ebenezer**Olive Green Canaries: **Nip** and **Tuck**Canaries: **Peter Piper** and **Snowflake**South American Songbird: **Do-Funny**Goose: **Enoch**Bobcat: **Smoky**Cats: **Blacky** and **Tiger**Lion Cubs: **Tax Reduction** and **Budget Bureau**, sent to zooPygmy Hippopotamus: **Billy (William Johnson****Hippopotamus)**, sent to zoo

Wallaby: given to zoo

Duiker: (small type of antelope), sent to the zoo

Black Bear: **Bruno**, from Mexico, sent to the zoo

Pekin Ducks: 13 ducklings received as an Easter gift; sent them to zoo

Herbert HooverOpossum: **Billy Possum**, a wild opossum that occupied Rebecca's vacant treehouse and was "adopted" by the HooversRoller Canary: **Caruso**Belgian Shepherd: **King Tut Pat**Fox Terriers: **Big Ben** and **Sonnie**Scottish Collie: **Glen**Canadian Eskimo Dog: **Yukonan**Irish Wolfhound: **Patrick**Setter: **Eaglehurst Gillette**Norwegian Elkhound: **Weegie**

Your Historical Society



Vecchi Reunion



Recent Collections Acquisition



Stop on the History Ride, September 18

***Pitts Mansion, Main St. (Rt 20-A) in Honeoye.
An Underground Railroad station, Frederick
Douglas' second wife was the daughter of
builder, Gideon Pitts.***

I WISH I HAD ASKED.....

But I was busy with other things that claimed my attention. How many times, since, have I wished I had asked my parents or grandparents – or great-grandparents – about their lives or about those they remembered from past generations. Now, all that knowledge is lost to history. Or is it?

That is the challenge for the research team at OCHS. Questions come to us from all over the country asking for information on births, deaths, burial places, marriages and the names of children. They want to know about any military service, what church they attended, any civil office they may have held and what they did for a living. A favorite question is whether we have photos or a location on a map where they lived. Did they keep diaries that might hold personal stories? What were their lives like? Were they immigrants to this country? And if so, where did they come from and why?

The research team reviews each written request to determine which OCHS resources are most relevant to the request. They then review each identified resource, compile the collected information, and organize it in a logical manner. The last step is to write a report sharing what we have learned and providing possible additional avenues for future research.

If you have any of these questions about your ancestors, contact us at www.ochs.org/research by surname. We will try to find those answers for you. We hope you will be delighted with the results.

Arts Corner

By Judi Cermak

The Arts Council has been getting ready for the 2022 exhibits Celebrating Fabrics and Fibers by putting together workshops and demonstrations. In July, a basket-making workshop was taught by Susan Besaw. Each participant completed a small basket .

Coming up on September 11th, upcycling clothing will be introduced. This will be a free event to learn techniques, ask questions, and drop off donations of denim and wool sweaters. Upcycling continues on September 25th with free materials and embellishments available to use, and we'll have examples of upcycled clothing and consultants ready to help with projects visitors may bring in.

Along with that, on the 25th, Mary Gleason and Deborah VanDieren will be demonstrating Bobbin Lace. This is one of the oldest fiber crafts, dating back to the 16th century. It was a major cottage industry in Europe until the Industrial Revolution, when machine-made lace replaced bobbin lace. The American colonies developed a cottage industry to avoid paying tax on imported lace which lasted until the Revolutionary War.

Using the available downstairs space at the Museum has allowed the Arts Council to developed a variety on unique programs. The exhibits and displays add to the participants' enjoyment of spending time at the museum.



Upcycled Outfit

What's in the Collection?

By Wilma Townsend

As New Yorkers have been weaned off using plastic bags and try to remember to bring their own bags into the grocery store, this recent artifact donation gives us insight into how 19th and early 20th century shoppers had their purchases packaged.

Remember the *Sound of Music* lyrics; “brown paper packages tied up with strings, these are a few of my favorite things.” This brass string holder, made c. 1875-1900, was used in the Ellis Hardware Store, 215 South Main Street, Canandaigua for this purpose. The ball of string was placed inside the holder with the end of the string coming out the top opening where it could be easily accessed for tying packages. About one hundred years ago and earlier if you went shopping in downtown Canandaigua, you would have had purchases wrapped this way. Paper bags, invented in the late 19th century, were not popular with shop keepers until the 1920s due to their cost.



James A. Ellis opened a gunsmith shop in Canandaigua in the 1860s and later broadened his business to include hardware and repair, becoming the Ellis Hardware Store. In 1910, the store was described as having “the best of facilities for handling lawn mowers, clothes wringers, etc. and has in stock a full line of hardware specialties, including rope, twines, garden hose, guns, fishing tackle, wire netting, boat oars, cutlery, etc.” When James Ellis died in 1923, sons George and Herbert took over the store. The store closed in the early 1960s, having been a mainstay downtown for one hundred years.

News and Announcements

Covid-19 and Masks – Due to the rise in cases of the Covid 19 Delta Variant, we are suggesting that visitors wear masks while inside of the museum.

Social Media News! – We are creating a new Facebook page that aligns directly with our name: Ontario County Historical Society. We are posting this change on our current page so that anyone who follows will know that we are switching to the “Ontario County Historical Society” page. If you have been following us on social media, you may have noticed that we are trying to have a more active presence lately. That is because we are lucky to have a social media intern who is leading the way for us on the digital front. Check out her work on our Instagram account (ochsandmuseum) and our new Facebook page (Ontario County Historical Society).

Mini Makers Exhibit – After students make their own art in an historic way during our weeklong “mini-makers” camp, it will be displayed in the museum as a mini-exhibit from August 27th – October 23rd. This exhibit will be free so that friends, family, and the community can observe what the participants learned and how each piece turned out. Thanks to the sponsorship of numerous local businesses, eight children will participate at no cost. These local businesses have each given enough money to support one of the participants for the entirety of the project.

History Ride Fundraiser - This driving tour on September 18th is a roughly 150-mile loop through Ontario County, which will highlight many important pieces of the county’s history. In addition to the route booklet, the tour includes two other experiences. The first is a lunch at Warfield’s Restaurant, lounge, and bakery in Clifton Springs. The second experience, which will follow lunch, is a visit to the Foster Cottage, which is a part of the Clifton Springs Historical Society.

Tickets, which include the route guide, lunch, and your visit to Foster Cottage, are \$40/person. The tickets can be purchased in our museum at 55 North Main Street, Canandaigua, NY, or on our website: OCHS.org. This is a fundraiser for the Historical Society, so the proceeds go to the operations of our museum. Support for this event is greatly appreciated.

Book Talk for Kids – Author Kevin Coolidge will join us at the museum on October 2nd to talk to any kids or adults who want to learn about Calvin and Grace Coolidge’s pet raccoon, Rebecca. This event is free, but donations will be accepted. His book “Rebecca, White House Raccoon” tells the story of the beloved pet. Since it fits in so well with our current exhibit “Our Family Companions: The History of Pets in Ontario County,” we are excited to welcome him for this educational experience.

We Welcome These New Members

Linda Pulhamus
Charles Parlato
Cari Chauss
Richard M Buxbaum
Scott Hill
Linda Rienecker
Marilyn Dysinger

The Oliver Phelps Fund

William & Donna Andrews, Jeff Steele	In memory of Mary Purdy
Ruth Outhouse	In memory of Mary Purdy

IN MEMORIAM

We were saddened to learn of the recent loss of several members.

Our condolences to the family of lifetime Centennial member John Paul, who passed away this past year. We also remember longtime member David Breyo, and offer condolences to his partner, Ilona Español, who informed us of his passing, and the rest of their family. Finally, we send our condolences to the loved ones of Heritage Circle member John Spare. The society is grateful for their friendship and support and will remember them fondly.

Franklin D. Roosevelt

Scottish Terrier: *Fala*
 German Shepherd: *Major*, former
 NYS Police dog
 Scottish Terrier: *Meggie*
 Llewellyn Setter: *Winks*
 Old English Sheepdog: *Tiny*
 Great Dane: *President*
 Bull Mastiff: *Blaze*



Harry S. Truman

Cocker Spaniel: *Feller*
 Irish Setter: *Mike*

Dwight D. Eisenhower

Parakeet: *Gabby*
 Weimaraner: *Heidi*

John F. Kennedy

Poodle: *Gaullie*
 Welsh Terrier: *Charlie*
 Cat: *Tom Kitten*
 Canary: *Robin*
 Parakeets: *Bluebell* and *Marybelle*

Ducks: JFK's daughter, 5-year-old Caroline raised ducklings at the White House, were moved to Rock Creek Park.

Pony: *Macaroni*
 Yucatan Pony: *Tex*
 Connemara Pony: *Leprechaun*, gift from President of Ireland, Éamon de Valera

Doberman Pinscher: *Moe*
 Hamsters: *Billie* and *Debbie*
 Dog: *Pushinka*, gift of Soviet Union Premier Nikita Khrushchev, puppy of Soviet space dog Strelka
 Cocker Spaniel: *Shannon*
 Irish Wolfhound/Schnauzer Mix: *Wolf*

German Shepherd: *Clipper*
 Dogs: *Butterfly*, *White Tips*, *Blackie*, and *Streaker*, puppies of Pushinka
 Rabbit: *Zsa Zsa*
 Horse: *Sardar*

Lyndon B. Johnson

Beagles: *Him* and *Her*
 Beagle: *Edgar*
 White Collie: *Blanco*
 Beagle: *Freckles*

Dog: *Yuki*, famous for "singing duets" (howling) with the President for White House guests

Hamsters
 Lovebirds

Richard Nixon

Poodle: *Vicki*
 Terrier: *Pasha*
 Irish Setter: *King Timahoe*
 Cocker Spaniel: *Checkers*

Gerald Ford

Golden Retriever: *Liberty*
 Dog: *Lucky*
 Golden Retriever: *Misty*, puppy of Liberty
 Siamese Cat: *Shan*
Jimmy Carter
 Afghan Hound: *Lewis Brown*
 Siamese Cat: *Misty Malarky Ying Yang*, owned by daughter Amy Carter



Ronald Reagan

Bouvier des Flandres: *Lucky*
 Cavalier King Charles Spaniel: *Rex*
 Golden Retriever: *Victory*
 Irish Setter: *Peggy*
 Siberian Husky: *Taca*
 Belgian Sheepdog: *Fuzzy*
 Horses: *El Alamein*, *Nancy D*, *Baby*, *Little Man*, and others at Rancho del Cielo

Tortoiseshell Cats: *Cleo* and *Sara*, at Rancho del Cielo

George H. W. Bush
 English Springer Spaniel: *Millie*
 English Springer Spaniel: *Ranger*, one of Millie's puppies



Bill Clinton

Cat: *Socks*
 Chocolate Labrador Retriever: *Buddy*

George W. Bush
 English Springer Spaniel: *Spot*
"Spotty" Fetcher, puppy of Millie
 Scottish Terrier: *Barney*
 Scottish Terrier: *Miss Beazley*
"Beazley Weazley" 2005 birthday gift from George to his wife.



Cat: *India "Willie"*

Longhorn Cow: *Ofelia*, at Bush's Prairie Chapel Ranch

Barack Obama

Portuguese Water Dogs: *Bo* and *Sunny*

Donald Trump

None

Joe Biden

German Shepherds: *Champ* and *Major*

The OCHS Organization

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We are open Tuesday through Friday 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.,
Saturday 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Business Members

We wish to thank the business members listed below for their continued support. Please consider them when purchasing goods and services. In addition to these business members, we also appreciate the small donations we receive from dozens of local businesses in Ontario County each year.

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	Rachel's Heartfelt Designs	

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sept 11 – (1 P.M. – 3 P.M.) Opening Reception for OCAC “Plein Air” Exhibit
- September 18 (10 A.M.) – History Ride
- September 25 – (11-3) Bobbin Lace Demo
- October 2 – (3 P.M.) Kevin Coolidge Book Talk for Kids “Rebecca, White House Raccoon”
- October 16 – (4-6 P.M.) Opening Reception for OCAC “Celebrations” Exhibit
- October 30 – (5-7 P.M.) Halloween Open House
- November 17 – Annual Meeting
- November 21 – (2 P.M.) Charles Dickens’ “A Christmas Carol” by Kim Tenreiro

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