

Greenville Local History Group Newsletter

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Share Session

A classic June day – 70-ish, moderately humid, to be enjoyed – greeted attendees to this month's share session: David & Judy Rundell, Bette Welter, Carol Bryant, Jeannette Rose, Phyllis Beechert, Stephanie Ingalls, Sandy Noirot, Ron Golden, Dot Hesel, Bob & Marie Shaw, Al Drexel, Charles and Mary Kruppenbacher, and Don Teator. It was gratifying to see Carol and Dot. And, Harriett, we missed you.

Don had brought in a bunch of small stuff. Of very recent note is the publication the Greenville Mountain View Pioneer, a weekly newspaper that has made a promising start and offers a focus on the Greenville area, not just a Greene County news (hey, that is important too but it is nice to have our own). Of course, any newspaper is an important historical document and we hope the new paper is competent and worthy. Subscriptions are now available.

Other items included: the current menu from the Greene Dish at the Freehold House, the former Country Inn site that is open again for lunches, with breakfasts coming soon; a reminder that the Friends of the Library is seeking membership (and our group has cer-

tainly benefited from use of the Library's rooms); a review of the Greene County Home Tour in Windham in early June; and the booklet from the Saugerties Stone House Tour in late-May.

Also shown were the yearbooks from GCS. I say "were" because there are two publications: the high school version and the middle school version. The HS version is totally in color, something many of us would have thought impossible during our heyday. Of course, when one hears the price of the new books, we would have thought that impossible also.

Phyllis brought in the leaflet from the Memorial Day observance this year. One always wonders what should be saved without moving the car out of the garage. Paper material like this, a once-a-year program, is certainly worth saving. Thanks, Phyllis. (This led to a discussion of Greenville as a very busy chicken barbecue center, busier than most places. Which, of course, led to the merits of Brooks and Giffy's, and... our usual exploring many tangents.)

Jeannette brought in family history material. Photos of ancestors on the Comstock and St. John lines, dating from the early 1800s and accompanied by the marriage certificate, certainly testifies not only to the importance of the

preservation of documents but also to some luck that such documents can survive for decades, if not centuries.

We spent a half-hour on the post cards that Charles and Mary had brought. Even though many of us had seen some of the cards before, it is certainly with some interest and wonder that we view them again, or for the first time. About a dozen showed the Gayhead area, a Kruppenbacher center. A few others showed the Catskill Cats, a popular theme for post cards 75-90 years ago. The rest of the cards showed area and regional perspectives, ranging from Catskill, Cairo, mountain-top sites, Greenville, and more. We allowed time for everyone to view them, tell our usual connections (or otherwise) to the post cards, or remind the group of some historical (or otherwise) note pertaining (or otherwise) to the cards. It was fun, entertaining, and educational.

David Rundell finished off the evening with a cautionary article about the effects of cap-and-trade legislation that might affect older houses. I suspect one of the major reoccurrences in our lives is the dealing with the influence of outside forces. Keep us posted, David.

The July 12 meeting will be a program on Gayhead, spearheaded by the Kruppenbachers, but we will need help from as many sources as we can get. If you have post cards, photos, memories, etc., of Gayhead, bring them with you. If you can't make the meeting but want to share, contact me.

Enclosed is a copy of appropriate parts of the Greenville and Cairo maps from the 1867 Beers series. This is the one that represents buildings with dots and includes the head of household on the map. The road that runs diagonally across the maps, close to the middle of the page, is the same road – today's Rt 67 and Schoharie Turnpike.

On the back of that page is a partial copy of a 1926 Geologic Map of the Cocksackie Quadrangle, with Gayhead fitting into one of the corners. (The fit is tight enough to not show much of the Town of Greenville.)

Also enclosed is a list of names from the Gayhead area in the 1925 census that I transcribed in the 1990s. I am hoping some of the names will jog a memory.

The heading indicates one of those milestones for this newsletter. Issue #200 certainly makes me realize a little water has gone under the bridge. Or, is it water over the dam. Or...

Take care,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Don Teator". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "Don Teator".

Names in the 1925 Census in Gayhead

(first column: page of census; surname; first; names; relationship; #of family listed; age; occupation)

(the # of family: a 0 ending indicates head of household, 1 the next person – usually a wife, 2 and so on are the next persons listed in census, in order. Elmer Flansburgh was the head of household, Rose was listed next, Ruby next; then, a change of number indicates the next family in the census. The Flansburghs were the first family in the Greenville census, the Smiths were 2nd, the Waldrons were 67th but they were the third family attributed to Gayhead.)

101	Flansburgh	Elmer P.	h	1.0	55	farmer-oa
101	Flansburgh	Rose F.	w	1.1	52	hw-x
101	Flansburgh	Ruby M.	d	1.2	26	school teacher-w
101	Smith	Calvin D.	h	2.0	61	farmer-oa
101	Smith	Lilla F.	w	2.1	55	hw-x
101	Smith	Gladys	d	2.2	15	school-x
101	Smith	Harold D.	s	2.3	12	school-x
101	Smith	Earl F.	s	2.4	9	school-x
105	Waldron	Herman	h	67.0	50	farm lab-w
105	Waldron	Dorothy	d	67.1	12	school-x
201	Cronk	Willis	h	186.0	53	farm lab-oa
201	Cronk	Libby	w	186.1	53	hw-x
201	Cronk	Emma	d	186.2	36	hw-x
201	Cronk	Fronnie	d	186.3	21	hw-x
201	Cronk	Myron	s	186.4	17	school-x
201	Bradford	Bertha M.	h	187.0	43	hw-oa
201	Bradford	Fredrick C.	s	187.1	17	farm lab-x
201	Bradford	Elinor M.	d	187.2	12	school-x
201	Bradford	Clarence	s	187.3	9	school-x
201	Smith	Enos	h	188.0	87	farm lab-x
201	Rang	Joseph	h	189.0	52	farm lab-w
201	Goldhaven	Kopel	h	190.0	68	farm lab-oa
201	Thorne	Elmer L.	h	191.0	60	wood turner-oa
201	Thorne	Fannie	w	191.1	54	hw-x
201	Wright	Charles N.	h	192.0	74	farm lab-oa
201	Wright	Emma	w	192.1	54	hw-x
201	Anthony	George	FiL	192.2	81	farm lab-x
201	Hulbert	Aaron O.		192.3	36	farm lab-w
201	Kelly	Edward A.	h	193.0	68	farm lab-oa
201	Kelly	Mary C.	w	193.1	68	hw-x
201	Mohr	Fennand	h	194.0	38	farm lab-oa
201	Mohr	Mary A.	w	194.1	41	hw-x
201	Mohr	Fennand Jr.	s	194.2	18	farm lab-x
201	Mohr	Marie	d	194.3	11	school-x
201	Becker	Albert	n	194.4	14	school-x

201	Jurgensen	William	h	195.0	56	farm lab-oa
201	Jurgensen	Mary	w	195.1	50	hw-x
201	Jurgensen	Emmaline	d	195.2	31	hw-x first name not clear
202	Juur	Calvin	h	217.0	32	farm lab-w
202	Juur	Nellie	w	217.1	28	hw-x
202	Juur	Anna	d	217.2	6	school-x
205	Braum	Edward	h	260.0	40	chaufer(occ misspelled)
205	Betch	Henry	prt	260.1	45	farm lab-w
205	Barlow	Frank	h	261.0	38	farm lab-oa
205	Barlow	Millard	s	261.1	18	farm lab-w
205	Barlow	Albert	s	261.2	11	school-x
205	Barlow	Sarah	d	261.3	11	school-x
205	Barlow	Clarence	s	261.4	6	school-x
205	Swan	Oscar	h	262.0	44	farm lab-oa
205	Swan	Louise	w	262.1	42	hw-x
205	Noirot	Estella N.	h	263.0	23	hw-w
205	Noirot	Addison J.	s	263.1	3	x
205	Noirot	Evelyn F.	d	263.2	2	x



