

Greenville Local History Group Newsletter

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2019 Calendar

An overcast, misty, 50s-degrees day greeted attendees this evening (even I, who rarely complains about weather, has been seen mumbling to myself.): John Haneke, Donna & Walter Ingalls (from Delmar, for the first), Lew Knott, Edna Huffman (aloha), Arlene & Lee Brown, Ginny & Bob Mangold, Patti Ann & Jeff Andrejcek, Kim & Ed Marks, Audrey Mattot, Deb Start, Sarah Stevens, Marvin Smith, Johanna & Robert Titus, Susan Cunningham, Sally Staunch, David Tschinkel, Ed Newman (first-timer), Bette Welter, Stephanie Ingalls, Christine Mickelsen, Don Teator, and the few who inevitably escape memory as well as the sign-in sheet.

The unveiling of the 2019 calendar was the focus of the evening. As has been tradition, Don presented a short slide show, whose theme changes each year, before the calendar

review. This year's theme was an overview of the GLHG's recognitions from its first until this current year. Photos, if available were shown, with text from the calendar to remind those present the contributions of each person. As obvious as this sounds, a couple of the first few people, going back twenty-plus years, may not have been sharp in some minds as we talked about them.

The major focus was on those we have recognized while still living. They included (with year of calendar):

- Stanley Maltzman (1996)
- Orloff & Jeanne Bear (1997)
- Chris McDonald (1998)
- Leland & Curt Cunningham (1999)
- Ossie & Bunny Gundersen (2000)
- Fred & Leona Flack (2001)
- Harry & Cris Ketcham (2002)
- George Story (2005)
- the Nicholsons family (2005)
- John & Isabelle Singer (2009)
- Harriett Rasmussen (2010)
- Walter Ingalls (2012)
- Phyllis Beechert (2014)
- Dave Battini (2014)
- Dave & Pat Elsbree (2015)
- Richard Ferriolo (2015)
- Mary Heisinger (2016)
- Tom & Joanne Baumann (2018)

In addition, there were five years whose calendars **posthumously** recognized community members. They included:

- Al Bryant, Sr (1999)
- Dr. Bott (1999)
- John I. Ver Planck (1999)
- Harry Ketcham (2000)

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- Rev. Chas. Rice (2000)
- Gerald Ingalls (2000)
- Edna Ingalls Adams (2001)
- Scott Ellis (2001)
- Rev. Richard Clark (2001)
- Capt. Leslie Gumport (2002)
- William Vaughn (2002)
- Arnold Nichol森 (2002)
- Stanley Ingalls (2017)
- Wilbur Baumann (2017)
- Robert Rose (2017)
- Richard Schreiber (2017)



GLHG 2019 Recognitions:
Ginny Mangold
Lee & Arlene Brown



And then Don took ten minutes to include pages (not the inside back cover) from the calendars that meant to specifically cite a person's contribution to the area or that just happened to include people in a photo that captured a slice of Greenville's happenings or buildings. Nearly forty more people were included in this bonus. The program should have impressed all of us of the quality and contributions of so many of our friends, neighbors, and givers to our community.

The lights came back on and Don announced it was time to recognize the 2019 GLHG recipients. And with that, Don called **Lee & Arlene Brown**, recounted a few highlights of their accomplishments, called **Ginny Mangold**, and recounted a few highlights of her accomplishments. We applauded as these three graciously accepted our appreciation. To learn the details, a view of the 2019 calendar will help.

Then we turned to the last major part of the program.

With a calendar in hand, we perused page by page. As always, I hope a worthy calendar has been assembled.

Topics covered, in random order:

- 20th anniversary of first balloon fest
- Shady Hill Farm (Turon) boarding house
- the demise of a natural landmark-the Freehold oak tree
- Greenville Dairy
- snapping the whip on the Greenville pond
- six Vaughn brothers
- Hulick's Dairy Farm - boarding house
- Doris Hempstead's 50,000 card collection
- Wilcox-Kraker-Bensen business lives recognition
- renovation recognition – Wayne Nelsen
- GCS Class of 1950's Senior Trip to DC
- generations of the Richardson families' well-drilling and pump service

Calendar selling season is here, and if you can help, please do so. I finish each year much relieved if we break even. Given our costs, we need to sell almost 200 calendars to break even, something we have done, on average, for the past several calendars.

(Flashback one year: A thank you to those of you who contributed to the GLHG fund (the calendar fund) which allowed me to pay for the calendar entirely from the GLHG bank account, the first that has happened. No new funding needed.)



Well drilling about 1920: George Richardson, son Clifton on ox-drawn wagon. More of the story in the calendar.

The following businesses are displaying our calendar for public sale: **Kelly's Pharmacy, Greenville Library, Tops, and GNH.** Please thank the owners/managers of these establishments for their support.

Calendars are available at the places listed above for \$10 a calendar. Anyone wanting a member discount, come to the next meeting.

Calendars can be ordered by mail. Make a check to GLHG (Don Teator, 3979 Rt 67, Freehold, NY 12431). One for \$11, and then add \$9 for each additional calendar (\$20, \$29, \$38 etc.)

Notes:

—The **November program** will feature **Sylvia Hasenkopf** for what I have labeled the Third Annual Sylvia (this will be her third consecutive November, season-closing program). Her topic: **Greenville: Pre & Neo** – will overview the beginnings of what would become the Town of Greenville and recount the first years, roughly covering the 1750-1810 era. This should prove to be an excellent primer on Greenville's early history.

—A **thank you goes to Stephanie and Christine** for providing the “light refreshments” I advertise in the newspapers.

—I showed a copy of the Windham local history calendar. This calendar has as its theme boarding house/resorts, with each page showing one. John Smith of Windham does a nice job organizing their calendar production.

—I often re-read/proof-read my newsletters, sometimes chuckling at my switching back and forth between first and third person. I try to minimize the first person but it just seems more appropriate at times. I

hope you will endure the split personalities!

—**Calendar captions:** I have made a computer file that contains all the captions and write-ups from all the calendars, something I share with all the purchasers of the calendar photo book. I am willing to share the file with anyone who wants it. Just keep in mind that the captions written back in 1991 could use some updating, which I will do at some point. Also, I do have one copy of the book that contains all the photos of all the calendars (except 2019), at a cost of \$30. Let me know if you are interested in the book. You are still welcome to the caption file if you want it.



Curt (L) and Lee Cunningham

A.J. Cunningham

GLHG Recognition: 1999



GLHG Recognition: 1998
Chris McDonald

The Big Note: the 2020 Recognition

I need input and I might be needing help in putting together the 2020 calendar. I know it sounds early but I usually try to start in January 1 so I have time to ponder, revise, and rewrite.

Although some of you have nominated a teacher before, only Prof Ketcham has been recognized. Often, the number of teachers dilutes the possibility of any one teacher being recognized. A couple years ago, the idea was floated that **GCS teachers should be recognized as a group**. Of course, the question is, "How do you do that?" After talking to some of you, here are some leading calendar ideas.

—One: Use the inside back covers, a short paragraph to talk about the influence of teachers, and then 6-12 photos and very short captions for these top vote-getters. All in the inside back pages, like we do now.

—Two: In addition to using the back covers idea, add a historical sketch of the school on the cover, and have one of the pages recognize 3-6 teachers, with a short caption for each.

—Three: **Dedicate the entire calendar** to teachers, with a couple pages with photos of

school buildings, all the other pages recognizing 2-4 teachers each and then use the inside back pages with a dedication paragraph and short captions for another 6-12 teachers. —(Option Four: do not do teachers this year. Go back to the usual format)

Which of these do you think we should do? Email or call me with an opinion in the next couple weeks.

If we recognize teachers, we would have to decide how to choose. Although I do not underestimate this difficulty, I believe I think we can produce a fitting and worthy end product.

Take care,



GLHG Recognition:
Harriett Rasmussen—2010
Stanley Maltzman—1996

