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Naples Historical Society sells historic building to Spirit Run LLC (Hollerhorn Distilling)

The Naples Historical Society has sold one of their properties located at 101 South Main Street (corner of Main and Mill Streets) to Spirit Run LLC (Hollerhorn Distilling). The property consists of a small building called “the tin shop” and green space named Beth Flory Park



after past president Beth Flory who was responsible for the restoration of the

Historical Society’s Morgan Hose Building in the 1990’s.

Since Hollerhorn’s devastating fire earlier this spring, the Neubauer’s realized the importance of opening a satellite tasting room sooner than planned. They had been thinking about expanding in that direction for a few years. They also felt the importance of keeping the heart of Main Street Naples humming and vibrant not only for the community, but for the many visitors now and in the future.

Plans were to start the renovation/build out sooner, and open for fall tourism, but with all the work ahead rebuilding the distillery, expectations are being adjusted. These projects are a long-term investment in the community, and in our future, and they want to make sure all details are in place for this to be a success. Along with offering Holler-

horn spirits and merchandise for sale in the new tasting room, it will be a one stop shop for cocktail enthusiasts and cigar aficionados.

The property’s history

According to an 1874 map, (one of the earliest maps in the historical society’s archives), 101 South Main was owned by H. H. Watrous with a building listed as a hardware store. (The Watrous family lived in the house that formerly was the Orange Inn). Through the years, the property has served as the E. Wells & Company Hardware Store, Edgar Haynes & Company (Grocery) store, and an appliance store owned by Amos Ippolito (who also owned the 5 & 10 cent store on Main Street). The building was ravaged by fire in the 1970’s, torn down, and the space turned into a park.

The small “tin shop” building can be found on Naples Sanborn Fire Maps in 1886, listed as a wooden two-story frame building, however the building is believed to have been built before then. At some point the second story was removed.

The building once served as an annex for Haynes Grocery. Dr. Paul Neidert purchased the property in 1979 and used the building as his Chiropractic Office. After closing his practice, the building has housed various businesses. In the 1990’s Greta and David Love offered massage therapy in the building (Finger Lakes Massage, later named Finger Lakes Natural Health). The Naples



Photo of original building at 101 South Main Street , from the Naples Historical Society archives (date unknown)

Historical Society purchased the property from Dr. Neidert in 2012 and since then, it has served as a storage facility for some of the society’s collections.

Naples Historical Society President, Trish Lambiasi, is pleased that the historic structure will be restored and used again to bring vibrancy back to that corner on Main Street. A tasting room will add to the plethora of tourist activities in Naples.

Hollerhorn owners Karl and Melissa Neubauer state, “We have always loved the tin shop and have often envisioned fixing it up to make that corner of Main Street shine a little more. We would like to reiter-

ate our humble thanks for the incredible support of our entire community during the last 4 years, and especially in the months following the fire at Hollerhorn. Our hopes are high for Naples in the coming years, and our goal is to add to the vibrant and growing business district in the village moving forward.”

The Naples Historical Society owns three additional buildings – The Morgan Hose Building at 22 Mill Street which houses the society’s office, meeting space and archives; the Red Mill, 4 Wall Street, a storage facility for artifacts; and the Cleveland House, 201 North Main Street, which opened as a museum in 2019.

Our Mission: The mission of the Naples Historical Society is to promote an interest in the history of Naples, New York and the surrounding area by maintaining and displaying historical collections and exhibits, and by providing educational programs.

Our Vision: The vision of the Naples Historical Society is to spread a love of the Naples community by preserving our local history, discovering new knowledge together, and sharing our resources with all.



Rose Mary Hooper and Naples Town Historian John Murphy shared entertaining stories with museum visitors.

A successful summer season at the Cleveland House!

Thank you to everyone who participated in our activities at the Cleveland House Museum this summer, as both volunteers and visitors.

- 2 docent orientations were held in June with 11 people attending
- A work night in June was well attended with 14 people volunteering over 30 hours
- The museum was open each Saturday in July and August (9 days) with 5 artists participating in our Summer Artisan Series. **John Murphy**, Naples Town Historian, was there on two Saturdays to answer questions.
- New this year was a children's corner with activities created by **Margo Ulmer** and **Priscilla Crawford**.
- Both a volunteer and a board member were in the museum during each 3 hour shift. 8 board members covered 18 shifts for 54 hours, and 7 docents volunteered 54 hours for a total of 108 hours.
- Special thank you to **Rose Mary Hooper** who volunteered for 8 shifts equaling 24 hours! She is passionate about the house and presented wonderful tours of the house and exhibits.
- Almost 100 visitors signed the guest book. In addition to Neapolitans, visitors came from the following NY State communities: Atlanta, Bloomfield, Brockport, Brooklyn, Canandaigua, Clifton Springs, Cohocton, Fairport, Fishers, Fulton, Geneva, Greece, Ithaca, Middlesex, Newark, New Rochelle, Rochester, Swain, West Seneca. We also had visitors from the following states: CA, DC, DE, MD, NM, OH, PA, SC, TX — and even from the country of Canada and Grand Bahama Island!

— Trish Lambiasi, Society President

2022 Grape Pie Baking Workshop keeps local traditions & culture alive



Above: The class was taught by Neapolitan **Meghanne Freivald**, Grape Pie Contest multi-year winner! Many thanks to Meghanne for teaching the class and donating the ingredients, Bristol Springs Viticulture for supplying the concord grapes and Trinity Church for the use of their kitchen.



Above: **Class of 2022 Grape Pie Baking Workshop (Saturday, September 17)** Fourteen intrepid bakers participated this year, including folks from Rochester, Webster, Canandaigua and Wayland, alongside familiar faces from Naples.

At right, clockwise: Society board member **Margo Ulmer**; One baker brought her own ingredients for a gluten free crumble top (it was a huge success!); **Martina Wismer**, who had never baked (any kind of) pie before; Society member **Jan Murphy**. (Photos: Trish Lambiasi)



UPDATE Congratulations to this year's Naples Grape Pie Contest winners!

First place: **Miranda DelVecchio** (shown at left)
 Second place: **Sue Kingsbauer** — Third place: **Patrick Freivald**
 Fourth place: **Dave Gotham** — Fifth place: **Ann Connelly**



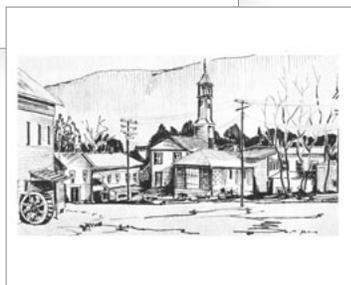
Clockwise from above: Mac's Wood during our Summer Artisan's Series; the new children's activity center; the June cleanup crew trimmed landscaping and trees, cleaned off roofs and gutters, and removed enough debris to fill the trailer in the background! (Photos: Blanche Warner, Trish Lambiasi, Mike Terry)



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Naples Notes notecards

featuring original drawing by local artist **Sten Persson**, reproduced with permission of the Persson family available at *Carriage House Quilts, Finger Lakes Wild Goods, Sutton Spoons, Naples Apothecary* and also at our annual meeting (see notice at right)



Sten Persson was born in Vingåker Sweden, in 1930; the 2nd son of Teofil and Greta Persson. His father was a butcher, and Sten and his older brother Sven would often fish in the warmer months to supply the shop. After WW II, Sten attended college in Germany, studying electrical engineering. Sten also served in the Swedish Navy, where he studied sonar. He was recruited by General Dynamics, and came to the US in 1957 to work as a sonar engineer at their plant on North Goodman Street in Rochester. His girlfriend Ulla Oquist followed in 1958, and they were married later that year. Sten continued to work for General Dynamics for several years in various locations, including Boston, MA and Palo Alto, CA. Sten joined Raytheon's Amana division in Manchester, NH, and worked on the development of the first home microwave oven, the Amana Radarange. He left Amana in 1966 to move to Naples, NY where he was a founder of Elenex inc. Elenex started out manufacturing antennas for CB radios, and later moved to manufacturing quartz crystal oscillators, used in radios, computers and other applications.

Throughout his life, one of Sten's major passions was art. He was an accomplished artist, with multiple shows in New York and Florida. He was a founding member of the Naples Mill School for Arts and Crafts. Branching out into new media such as glass or wrought iron brought him great joy. He always said that he was an artist first.

NOTICE : ANNUAL MEETING of the Naples Historical Society

**Thursday, November 17th
7:00-9:00 p.m.**

**@ Morgan Hose Building
22 Mill Street, Naples, NY**

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President's Message

Approval of 2021 annual meeting minutes

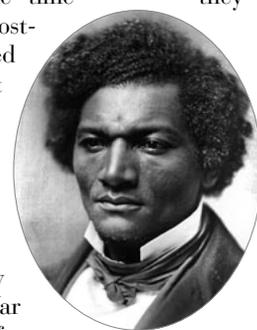
Presentation of 2022-23 budget for approval

Election of board members and officers

Program: Naples and the Underground Railroad

The final talk in our 2022 Civil War series will be presented by Past President **Wayne Buchar** on Naples involvement in the Underground Railroad. Learn about Naples furniture maker and undertaker **William "Billy" Marks** and his wife **Emily**, their involvement in the Underground Railroad, and the time they invited and hosted renowned abolitionist **Frederick Douglass** to come speak in Naples.

Come early to view a display of Civil War memorabilia from our archives.



Frederick Douglass, c. 1850

You will also have the opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping! We have new note cards "Naples Notes" with 4 Naples scenes by local artist **Sten Persson** (see pictures at left), and books including *Naples Community Bands - A Musical History 1875-2005* by member **Ken Poole**.

Masks are optional.

Oral Histories of Naples

Early in August, Kim Torpey and I interviewed **Priscilla Crawford**, whose family ancestry intertwines with much Naples history, including ties to the McJannet, Outhouse, Smith and Sutton homes and families.

Later in August, with the help of member Carol Thompson, we interviewed Naples-born **Jean Otto MacIntosh**, who served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and has maintained close ties to Naples all her life.

All of our recent interviews are currently being edited and prepared for upload to YouTube, where they will be accessible for public viewing.

We also had the opportunity to view an informative Bloomfield Historical Society presentation about recording oral histories, given by Naples Society member **Aaron Mumby** and his father, **Steve Mumby**.

We look forward to recording and sharing many more Naples stories!

- Blanche Warner,
Vice President

Scholarships Awarded to NCS Class of 2022 graduates



Congratulations to the Naples Central School Class of 2022 students who were chosen as this year's recipients of Naples Historical Society Scholarships: **Jaidn Maslyn**, who will study psychology, and **Samuel Stevens**, who will study engineering. Best of luck to you both!

Each year the Naples Historical Society awards two \$500 scholarships to Naples students who have a lively interest in history. One scholarship is in memory of **Bill Vierhile**, former Naples Town Historian and an active member of the society; the other scholarship honors **Bill Cooper** for his active involvement with the NHS throughout the years.

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To all Grape Festival Volunteers, Organizers & Revelers,

Thank you for volunteering your time and energy to help the Naples Historical Society, as we all contributed to making this year's Historic Naples Grape Festival a success!



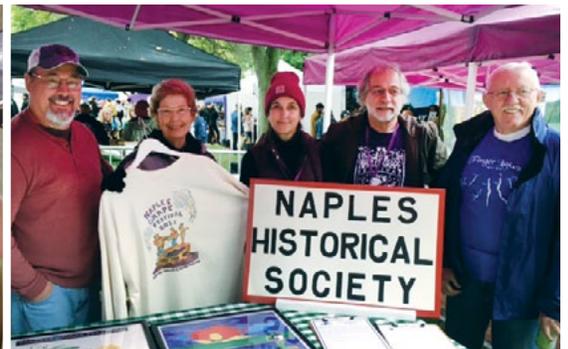
There was much work to be done - planning and setting up before the festival, rolling 200 vintage posters, staffing the merchandise and pie contest booths, tearing down after - all of which could not have been done without your help.

This year also included special community events held the week before the festival. Thank you to all who marched in the parade with us and who attended the gala.

If you helped one day, many days, a few hours or many hours, before, during or after the festival, it was all appreciated! At times we stood around waiting for deliveries, at times it seemed there was nothing to do, but in the end it all worked out. We learned new skills (square machine!), talked with many old and new friends, got wet, welcomed a few new members, and had fun.



My sincere thanks to you all,
Trish
Naples Historical Society President



Poster rolling on Thursday, September 22nd; Grape Pie Contest on Saturday, September 24th; Merchandise Tent on Sunday, September 25th. (Photos: Blanche Warner, Trish Lambiase)

DONATE

Did you know that you can be a sustaining member of NHS for as little as \$10.00 per month? Just click the donate button on our website and check the box "Make this a monthly donation."

2022 Wish List

- ✓ Gift cards for office products
- ✓ iPad Pro for showing 360° video of the Cleveland House Bedchamber stencil work
- ✓ Rolls of stamps

Thank you to everyone who has donated to our efforts! If you are interested in contributing towards this wish list, please contact NHSNYinfo@gmail.com

Thank you to an anonymous donor for the printing of our fall newsletter! Next year we will be printing three newsletters. If you would like to sponsor a newsletter for \$175, please let us know.