

Update:

THREE CHEERS: We got three grants---

1. \$13,000 from the New York State Department of Parks and Recreation (pork barrel grant)
2. \$1,000 from Montgomery County Board of Supervisors
3. \$600.00 from the New York State Decentralization Program

The first two will be used to stabilize Nellis Tavern, especially the north foundation wall. If funds permit, other repair work will be done.

The Decentralization grant is for three History-through-Music programs presented this spring at the Margaret Reaney Memorial Library. Themes of the three were "The American Cowboy", "Songs of Protest", and "Celebrate the 60's". Russell Ehle and Jean Sekel mingled music and historical narrative to interpret each theme.

The Society wishes to thank Assemblyman Paul Tonko for his efforts in getting the state grant, Supervisor Revere Dockety for help with the Montgomery County grant, and especially Bob Noble, architect, who has offered to make a set of architectural drawings of the Tavern at no cost to us.

In May we will receive the final report of our '88 archaeological dig at the Tavern site from Tom Johnson of SUCE, Oneonta, our student archaeologist. We'll also get the artifacts recovered during the dig. Tom has been accepted in graduate school at the University of Pennsylvania and will be working toward his master's. Good luck, Tom!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tavern openings, Sundays during July and August, 1:00-5:00 P.M., subject to change if restoration work interferes.

July 16, Nostalgia day at the Tavern; July 30, Concert on the Lawn at the Tavern; August 27, Annual Quilt Show at the Tavern.

Want a special tour of the Tavern? Call (518) 568-7831 to make arrangements.

FOR SALE:

Superb quality vinyl placemats depicting historical structure in the Mid Mohawk Valley, Price: \$2.00 each, 2 for \$3.50, 4 for \$6.50

Christmas tree balls of Community House, St. Johnsville High School, and Margaret Reaney Memorial Library. \$5.00 each, 3 for \$10.00. Contact Betty Bilobrowka, 10 W. Main, St. Johnsville, NY 13452.

Buildings on the Placemats

Palatine Church



Nellis Tavern



Fort Rock



Indian Castle Church