Wayland Historical Society

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WAYLAND AREA HERITAGE

Lake Reflections
By President
Helen Sick

As I take a break from my computer and turn to my desk, I look out across frozen Loon Lake. The sun is shining brightly, a couple ice fishermen enjoy the 40° temperature and a snowmobile goes buzzing down the lake. Early this morning it was a different world, when I was walking the dog, the sun just up over the hill, the temperature was 6° and it was cold. A couple of ice fishermen were drilling holes preparing for the day's entertainment. What distractions!

I bring my concentration back to the computer and the work at hand the WHS newsletter. I hope you will enjoy the latest happenings and history presented.

The Christmas Homes Tour was a great success and we thank everyone who was involved. The blizzard had us wondering if we should or shouldn't go ahead with the event.

We received money from the estate of Magdelyn Morsch and it has been invested for future use. We hope you will consider remembering the WHS in your financial planning.

We are looking ahead to the new Spring Exhibit that is still mostly stored in Janet's head. Each time she talks about it some new idea emerges. Only when the finishing touches are put in place will we truly know the outcome.

Don't forget we will again be open on Sundays: 2–4 p.m.

What is this I hear? Carol Reynolds is dressing like Sally Patchin at the Steuben County Historical Society Fair? Of course Harry and Ken and their music will be there. Maybe you should consider impersonating some Wayland celebrity and show up at the Fair and surprise everybody.

We appreciate all of our volunteers who have contributed to the success of each and every project. Each of you did something thoughtful. You helped preserve a bit of Wayland history for future generations to see, research and wonder "how did they do it".

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Penny Social
Tuesday, March 9, 2004
at
High School Cafeteria

Doors open at 6:00 PM
Auction starts at 7:00 PM

Future Programs

April 25, 2004 "Buggies, Bikes, Bi-planes" - Kirk House
May 12, 2004 Annual Meeting
May 16, 2004 "Wayland Burbs (Perkinsville, Loon Lake, Patchinville)" Jane Schryver & Paul Hoffman
July 18, 2004 Beef On Wick Dinner

ATTENTION:
Starting in March the museum is open on
Sunday afternoon 2 – 4 p.m. in addition to our regular Monday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
Be sure to stop in when you can.
## In Memorium

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**Memorial Contributions by Connie Quanz**

We thank the people who gave to the memorial fund. We received $200.00 from January to March. Please keep us in mind as each donation in memory of a friend or relative helps to preserve the history of Wayland and make it available to present day researchers and future generations.

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**TOPS Grocery Tapes**

We are still collecting them.

If you shop at Tops and could donate your tapes it would help. Please put them in the container on the reception desk. Clara Yarger is complimented for keeping this project alive.
### Acquisitions

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<td>James Robinson</td>
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**Thank you to all who have parted with historical possessions.**

*We will treasure and display them as part of the Museum’s exhibits.*

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**Our Museum Mission**

AND YOUR MISSION

**SHOULD YOU ACCEPT THIS INVITATION TO JOIN US**

- TO FIND, PRESERVE AND DISPLAY THE HISTORY OF THIS COMMUNITY;
- TO INCLUDE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PEOPLE AND EVENTS THAT CREATED AND SUSTAINED THIS COMMUNITY;
- TO COMMUNICATE OUR PROGRESS TO YOU VIA THE NEWSLETTER;
- TO PRESENT SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND DISPLAYS FOR YOUR PLEASURE;
- PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR LOCAL HISTORICAL EDUCATION.

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**WISH LIST**

**Accessories worn by Men-Women-Children-Babies**

- Old Hats, Old Gloves, Old Purses, Old Jewelry, Old Hat Pins, Old Shoes, Old Canes, World War I Helmet, Railroad Hat or Other Occupational Hats

**Head Mannequins, Wig Forms**

**Hall Trees & Dress Forms**

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**SPRING CLEANING TIME**

Need Volunteers
to Dust and Clean the Museum
on Mondays 10 a.m. – 12 noon
Membership

Our 2003 membership totaled 556. 58 of these are new members, many of which are gift memberships. Our new year begins May 1, 2004 so we are enclosing renewal envelope in this issue for your convenience.

It is heartwarming that so many of you are interested in preserving the history of Wayland and trust you will continue your interest in 2004.

If you have paid your dues after December you will be listed as a member for the 2004-2005 membership year.

Evelyn M. Tenbrook, Membership Chairperson

Genealogy Corner

by Connie Quanz

We have a collection of genealogies that can be viewed by the public at the museum.

If your family has written up a history, we would be pleased if you would share a copy with the museum.

In future years, when another generation is doing research, they will be grateful that so much information has been saved for them to review.

We thank Mary Keenan for giving us a history of the Brick Family. One of the members of the family married Charles Morris from Webster’s Crossing.

There is also another new history about The Smart-Frazier-Wright Families.

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Welcome Phyllis Kennel to the Acquisition Department.

Our fiscal year runs from May 1, 2003 to April 30, 2004.

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Give a Gift Membership
To a Friend or Relative

Visitors

Judy Dill, Lansing, MI; Camie Thorn, Lansing, MI; Carolyn Caren, Morgan, UT; Mark J. Evert, St. Petersburg, FL; Gloria Evert, St. Petersburg, FL; Chelsea, David, and Susan Malter, New Haven, CT; Katherine Schwingel, Mission Viejo, CA; Wendy Schwingel, Phoenix, AZ.

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Webster

Webster is on his winter vacation. Just think about him golfing in the sun. Hopefully, he will return in time for the next issue. It may take him some time to get up to speed with the new display.

Thank You

Thank you Harry Reynolds for installing our new computer in the reception area.

Thank you Forbes & Evelyn Tenbrook for their donation to make the purchase of a computer and printer possible.

Thank you Marty Kimmel for snowplowing.

Thank you Sharyl Brown, Molly Tweddell, Marilyn Beaupre and Kate Ott for bringing Christmas to the museum.

Thank you Forbes Tenbrook for mail delivery every day.

WE NEED PHOTOS OR PHOTO POST CARDS TO SCAN FOR A FUTURE PROGRAM ESPECIALLY PICTURES FROM PERKINSVILLE, PATCHINSVILLE, LOON LAKE OR AREAS OUTSIDE OF THE VILLAGE. Deadline May 1, 2004 For May 16, 2004 Program

You can call to make an appointment and bring your pictures to the Historical Society. They can be scanned on the spot. This process does not harm your photo. If you wish to send an original photo, it will be returned to you.

Thank you for your help.
LIFE IN YOUR WAYLAND MUSEUM HOUSE

Christmas Homes Tour

Thank you to all 62 of you who got out in the snow storm to participate in this tour. We are sorry the 26 of you that purchased tickets were unable to attend.

Thank you to all the home owners; Mike & Jackie Kelly, Marty & Carol Kimmel, Mike & Bets Kimmel, Larry & Jacque Henty, Jim & Gayle Oas, and Bob & Ann Oxx who shared their exquisite decorations with all of us. Mere words cannot do justice to the decorations and the work these couples did to make this possible.

It was a very successful fund raiser and will help defray the expenses of the museum. ($714.00 after expenses).

We thank the host and hostesses who greeted you at each home: Joyce Zimiyarch, Molly Tweddell, Don Rauber, Betty Barber, Kay Johantgen, Linda Graham, Nancy Reigelsperger, Beverly Kota, Rita Ball, Aliene Swick, Bonnie Hughes and Lucille Wagner.

Thanks to the helpers at the museum: Gene & Madelyn Wolfanger, Forbes and Evelyn Tenbrook, Norma Smith, Jean Shaver.

Thank you to Thelma Teed and Rosemary Michael for serving the snacks.

Most of all thanks to Betty Engel for co-ordinating this effort and Marty & Carol Kimmel for contacting homeowners and getting the information about the homes for the programs. The research that each homeowner did was very interesting. These history of home may be included in future newsletter.

Thank you to Carol Reynolds for the posters and advance brochure.

Thanks to Helen Sick for the tickets and programs.

The cooperation and work that it took to make this a very successful program was greatly appreciated.

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The Gunlocke Display

Aliene Swick and Marty Richards are busy these days sorting and preparing the items for a display plus a large scrap book. We expect that this display will be ready for your summer viewing.

If any of you out there have items that you would like to donate to this collection, the girls will be glad to incorporate them in the display.

Albert Marque replica doll took in $105.00 and was won by Pat LaBell.

The three Christmas items donated by Mrs. Packard took in $21.00.

The wreath was won by Jean Shaver, 1 doll was won by Mike Landino and the other doll was won by Pat LaBell.

The Christmas Memory Balls took in $120.00 this year.

Thank you to all who participated in these activities.

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SPRING DISPLAY

Hats, Etc. on Parade

We are in the process of setting up a new display and need your help with items either donated or on loan. You will see many of them listed in our wish list.

We will be using old accessories used by the whole family. In addition to the ones mentioned in our wish list we need hats of service men and women, old dresser sets, farmer straw hat, spats, suspenders, canes, railroad hat, old Wayland baseball caps, old baseball glove, old train hat, conductors uniform, ladies hand mirrors, dresser items such as china hair bowl. I probably missed some items so use your imagination and help us with accessory items that could have been used 50 or more years ago.

Also looking for old Wayland newspapers, posters, or buttons of political campaigns- these could be local or presidential.

Be a part of this interesting display.

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Christmas Tour of Homes
December 14, 2003

Nothing is quite like being there but here are a few pictures to give you an idea of the exquisite decorations.
Education

by

Kay Thomas

Twelve eager sixth graders in the Tech Club at Wayland-Cohocton Middle School came to visit the museum on a Sunday afternoon with their teacher, Julie Ann Krajci. Their plan was to investigate what Wayland looked like 100 years ago. They had done a lot of preliminary work back at school, so to help them I showed them all the pictures, displays and accounts that we had to fill in the details.

Since the Christmas holidays, the students meet every Monday afternoon to build models of Wayland. They have invited me to visit with them to photograph their progress. Also, I am hoping that we will be able to display their work at the museum when it is completed.

Once they have finished their models, they want to develop a historical web site about Wayland to let others know about life in the town years ago. That's a big undertaking, but these children have a goal and they will more than likely achieve it!

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Steuben County Historical Society
Fair – July 30, 31, 2004

The 2004 Steuben County Historical Society Fair on July 30 and 31 will pay tribute to Wayland's own artist and community activist Sally Patchin. The Fair Committee is also planning a major focus on demonstrations and displays of lost crafts and skills and, in the spirit of fun, they are inviting all fair goers to come dressed up as individuals who played a part in the history of their area of the county. Spotlighting local historians and historical societies has always been part of the event and will be again this year. Music at the Fair will feature Wayland talent including Harry and Ken Reynolds and some of our own WCCS high school students have been invited to perform.

Patchin's art that once graced most area homes were utilitarian objects such as decorated wicker baskets and trays but are now valued collectibles. She was a long time member of the School Board and formed the Pacificville Cornell Club, or Parent's Club, with 35 charter members on January 9, 1913. This became the first branch of the present New York State Home Bureau. Paul Isaman and Carol Reynolds will discuss her life and art Friday, July 30, at the Dormann Library. Proud owners of Patchin art are invited to bring pieces to the Fair to share and discuss with other collectors on Saturday, the 31st from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and to the Friday lecture.

If you have a passion for a long lost art, skill or craft once practiced by the early residents of the area and can also discuss, demonstrate or exhibit your interest, the Fair Committee would like to hear from you. Our ancestors took great pride in creating something beautiful and/or useful from natural materials and hand tools and many still practice these trades and arts. Passing on your knowledge and expertise to a generation used to having all their needs fulfilled on a trip to the store is very important so please consider sharing your talent and skill at this year's Fair.

The deadline for signing up for booths and space at the Fair is June 1, 2004. Historical Societies are also invited to submit a photo of their facility for a large Steuben County map display and information about their organization for a printed booklet to be available at the Fair. To receive forms and information, call the Steuben County Historical Society at 607.776.9930 or stop in at the Magee House in Bath next to the Dormann Library. Locally, contact Harry Reynolds, co-chairman, at 728.5632.

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Reunion News

Class of 1972 – 30th Reunion – July 2002
At Lions Club House – Cohocton

Front Row L-R: Nancy (Engel) Reigelsperger, Becky Wester, Nancy (Harris) Herring

2nd Row – L-R: Alan Wolfanger, Mary (Huber) Schoonover, Mr. Bob Hughes, Mrs. Rosemary Hughes, Debbie (Mehlenbacher) Swink, Donna (Davis) Curtiss, Debbie (Lawrence) Wehnau, Teresa Goss.

3rd Row L-R: Marsha (Gardner) Wallace, Cindy (Burke) Bourgoin, Kathy (Rauber) Snyder, Cathy (Woods) Shepard, Gail Williams, Janet (Smith) Pebbles, Linda (Bonadona) Conkin, Kathy (Didas) Hettrick, Jody (Folts) Curtiss, Karen (Fisher) Zigenfus

Back Row– L-R: Chas. Menz, John Murphy, Pat McAllister, Rich Hargrave, Anne (Ferrigno) Radesi, Hugh Jones, Debbie (Kramer) Forsythe, Francis (Noragone) Haugh, Rich Saxton, Sandy (Sabo) Batten, Wm. Kurtz, Jack Zigenfus.
During the Spring 2003, the class of 1963 began to make plans for their 40th reunion. In the past years, the participation for their class reunions had been dwindling. The committee decided to invite classmates from classes of 1963-67 to participate and thus the first 60’s “Back to the Past Weekend” homecoming made its debut. The class act event weekend began with a multi-class organizing group which brain stormed and put together a weekend that promised to be filled with memories, laughter and bonding of old friends and siblings.

Literature was mailed by each class, which included information with something for everyone in mind: Sunrise walk around Loon Lake; Kayak or Canoe around the lake; Bike-n-Glide around Wayland; Tours of the Wayland–Cohocton School; Tours of the Wayland Gunlocke Free Library with a special display for School Alumni; Finger Lake Wine and

**Class of 1963**
**October 4, 2003**

Front Row F-R: Carol (Deusenberry) Robinson, Leonard Wager, Joyan (Zimmer) Nolan, Bonnie (Dean) Worden, Carol (Morsch) Roth.

Second Row: Sharon (Knapp) Congelli, Shelia (Robinson) Case, Jeanne (Kinney) King, Charles Leeson, Mrs. Dorothy Buell.

Third Row: Ed Perkowski, Dick Szymanski, Diane (Clayson) Christiansen, Mary Gray, Forrest Dye, Dennis Shaver, Tom Mooney, Don Dolan.
Cheese Tasting at the new Springwater Fire Hall; Visiting the Cohocton Fall Foliage Festival and parade, Class Spectacular Events – games and fun at the Wayland High School Gym (challenges by each class to rack up points or to just cheer classmates), Tour of the Wayland Historical Society with coffee and fresh cinnamon buns.

The grand finale was a home cooked meal at the American Legion and a night of dancing to 60's music. When the committee decided to "Let the Good Times Roll" they certainly did as old friendships were renewed. If you see or talk to any of the 175 people that attended, they will surely tell you it was a weekend to remember, a weekend of reflections, carefree time to dance, laugh and express the wonderful opportunity to have been a part of the Wayland Central School and community during the 60's.

A special scrapbook has been prepared with pictures and literature that has been given to the Wayland Historical Society for their school alumni display.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee for Wayland Central School Homecoming 2003.

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**Class of 1964**

**October 4, 2003**

Front Row L-R: Judy (Gilman) Perkowski, Lynne (Kramer) Miller, Joan (Griffin) Rauber, Ann (Tenbrook) Owens, Betty (Gardner) Dugo, Francene (Tonkery) Applin.

Second Row: MaryAnn (Stilson) Flansburg, Donna (Leeson) Hettrick, Carol (Lawrence) Deul, Vincent Perkowski, Gerry Sullivan.

L-R Front Row: Robert Edmond, Kenneth Reimels, Sandy (Cole) Evans.
Third Row: Robert Didas, Jack May, William Abraham, Tom Morsch, Larry Judkins, Mike Kinney, Gail (Markham) Speroff.

Your Letters

December 11, 2003

Dear Webster,
I enjoy reading the Wayland Historical Society paper. As a child I spent my summers with the Lovelands, Lang’s and Landers.
My daughters and I make porcelain dolls and I’ve enclosed $3.00 check for 3 chances. Mark my chances for me and my two daughters Virginia Rose and Suzanne Phillips.
I miss my visits to Wayland, but will always remember the good times I had there.
I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy new year.
Just in the chance one of us should win your raffle,

I’ve listed a phone number. Ho! Ho! Ho!
If I ever get back to Wayland. Webster, I will certainly look for you at the museum.

Virginia R. Phillips. Ocala, FL

December 20, 2004

Happy Holidays Friends:
Hope all the joys of this wonderful season will be yours and that you can enjoy being with your family and friends this holiday.
I can picture the beauty you created inside and outside the WHS building.
Your dedication to preserving the local history is outstanding. I feel several hundreds of people realize what you have accomplished over the years. God bless you for your concern.
L-R Front Row: Debbie Rauber, Linda (Mark) Phillips, Judi (Kern) Clark, Gerald Bricks, Beverly (Belanger) Hart.

Second Row: Michelle (Banker) Dermody, Paula (Carmichael) Carmen, Sally (Kuhn) Leeson, Linda (Smith) Erk, Claudia (Payne) Ganshall, Cindy (Drum) Eckstrad, Jerry Deussenberry, Jeanette (Archibald) Lehman.


Enclosed is a little something for Santa’s bag. I’m sure he can use it after the holidays.

Thank you very much Helen and staff for the excellent newsletter. We thoroughly enjoy reading about how Wayland was established and how you are saving the town.

Looks like we’ll be up your way in June or July. My 60th class reunion will be held up in Rochester. This makes for a good time to visit everyone.

Take care, (walking and driving on those icy sidewalks and streets).

Love and hugs from Jim & Marge Robinson, Vero Beach FL.

January 26, 2004

I would like a notice put in the next bulletin of my brother’s death.

Norman P. Evans (A.K.A. “Pee-Wee” “Brown”) died late November at Bethesda Naval Hospital after heart surgery. Burial was at Arlington National Cemetery on December 10th – with full military honors.

Thank You
Mrs. Patricia (Evans) Porter, Canisteo, NY.

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Thank you to all who took time to send us a letter, an article or pictures. We really appreciate your participation.
Class of 1967
October 4, 2003

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People and their Homes

We are considering adding a new feature highlighting the history of a home each month.

We did have some wonderful write-ups on the homes on the Christmas Homes Tour and hope to feature at least one in our next issue.

How far back does your land search go? Do you have pictures of your home then and now, and maybe some of the past residents or yourselves? Maybe it burned or was torn down and a replacement built.

This could be a fun project for you as well as our readers.

Let's get those articles coming in!

Reunion time is right around the corner.

Please keep in mind to send us a copy of your class reunion picture. It is one of the things our reader enjoy the most.

HELP! HELP! HELP!

We are always looking for

Family History
Individual Achievements
Noteworthy Waylandite
History of your home
(how far back can you go)
Or
Just someone who's memory is important to you.
The Musical Sawdeys

Zachary Sawdey, a 7th grader, and Samantha Sawdey a 9th grader, are musicians in the 21st Georgia Music Corps. They chose this unit because it has many area people in it. They became interested in the Civil War when they learned they had an uncle five generations back that died on the second day of the Battle at Gettysburg. He was a Union Berdan Sharpshooter. Zachary and Samantha have been involved with the 21st Georgia Unit for 3 years. Lieutenant Jason Rose, Social Studies teacher and Living Historian of Gettysburg National Park, has been their instructor. Zachary is a drummer and Samantha dresses as a boy to fife and is also a civilian girl that wears hoop skirts. They are also educators back at camp. They sleep in civil war tents, cook and eat at the camp using 1860 style cast iron utensils, and entertain the public. Their evening entertainment is going to a ball or stories around the campfire. A favorite is ghost stories of Gettysburg told by Lt. Rose.

They have many roles as re-enactors. As part of the Music Corps., they have performed at many of the 140th year events that commemorate those battles that took place during the Civil War. Their role is to march with their unit to the battlefield (sometimes marching many miles) playing during the battle, and playing as they march back to camp. Their unit is so pleased to have them. The music takes the boredom out of tedious marching. The first event of the year is the School of Soldiers. The unit practices shooting, marching, and the musicians playing. They have played at these battles: Antietam, MD; Gettysburg, PA; Cedar Creek, VA; and Zoar, Ohio. Other places they have performed are: Genesee Country Village (Mumford, NY); Memorial Service (Elmira, NY); Remembrance Day (Gettysburg, PA); and Oak Valley Inn (Geneseo, NY). They performed in September at Caledonia for the Historical Society who had Bob Marcotte talk about his book, “Where They Fell” (Rochester Civil War people). They participated in an event in December playing at Antietam for the Illumination.

They placed over 23,000 candles, each candle representing a person who died there on the bloodiest day’s battle. The 21st Georgia Music Corps, participated in the ceremony and played during the day around the park.

They are also planning to participate in the burial of the 8 confederate soldiers of the Hunley in April 2004. It is a very interesting hobby being a re-enactor. They get to educate people that this war was not only over slavery but it was a war that finally united our country. They have enjoyed learning the history in the areas they have visited and the friends they have made all over the country.

140th Year Events at Gettysburg

21st Georgia Music Corps.

Sam is in front on the right and Zach is behind her – next row on right with red shirt.

Playing at
Mumford Historical Society
What's In a Name?
By Marion Scott
Wayland Historian

Yes, what is in a name? Very often it is History!
The territory now known as our State of New York
was, of course originally New Amsterdam when set-
tled by the Dutch. In 1664, King Charles II laid
claim to all that land west of the Connecticut River
to the east side of Delaware Bay and put his brother
James-Duke of York and Albany as the Lord Pro-
tector. James named Col. Richard Nichols as gov-
ernor and sent him to the colony. Nicholas was
successful in winning over the burgomaster and
several prominent citizens and so New Amsterdam
became New York in honor of James, Duke of York
and that also is where the name Albany came from.

Once the Revolutionary War was over and set-
tlers began moving away from the coast, this part of
the country became a state and was divided into
counties. Many of these counties took names of the
Indian tribes that had lived there – Cayuga, Seneca,
Oneida, Onondaga, and the like.

Others took names of some of the men who were
famous in the early founding of the nation, i.e. Jef-
ferson, Franklin, Madison, Monroe and Hamilton.

Then there were those stalwart men who fought
so hard for our freedom. There were Maj. George
Sullivan, Gen. Joseph Warren, and Baron Von
Steuben.

Baron Frederick William Augustus Henry Ferdi-
nand VonSteuben is the one we are most interested
in. From the age of 14, he led a military life. He
was reared in the military school of Frederick the
Great. He showed such promise in the battles that
he fought in, that Frederick made him his aide-de-
camp and he was a famous German soldier for
many years. After his retirement from the German
military, he visited an old friend, the Count of St.
Germaine, then the French Minister of War, who per-
suaded him to go to the aid of the American colo-
nies who were struggling to free themselves from
British rule. This he did and he trained Washing-
ton’s troops at Valley Forge. Later he trained the
Virginia army until LaFayette took over.

It is believed that the fact that Steuben County
was named for this famous German soldier is the
reason that so many German immigrants chose this
place to settle when they came to America.

Now let’s take a look at the names of the towns in
Steuben County and where their names came from.
Bath of course, named for Lady Bath, the only
child of Sir William Pulney of the Pulney Estate
that owned a large portion of the land.

Addison for Joseph Addison an English Author.
Coming for Hon. Erastus Corning of Albany.
Dansville for Daniel Faulkner. Prattsville for Capt.
John Pratt (an ancestor of Schuyler Pratt).

But, so many were named to honor veteran com-
manders of Revolutionary fame. Erwin for Col. Ar-
ther Erwin; Fremont for Col. John Fremont, Wayne
for Gen. Anthony Wayne, Wheeler for Capt. Silas
Wheeler (the first settler in that town who was very
active in the war and was made prisoner four
times), Woodhull for Gen. Nathaniel Woodhull.

These facts were taken from French’s Gazeteer
of New York. They may be true and maybe not for
J. H. French lists Wayland as being named for Dr.
Francis Wayland of Rhode Island. Our Charles
Jervis in his 1901 history gives a different view on
that subject. (Wayland in (Massachusetts) was the
one named for the Doctor) not our Wayland...

Within the Town of Wayland we have two ham-
lets, Perkinsville named for its first settler Benjamin
Perkins, and Patchinville for the Patchin family
who settled there.

However, when you drive around the area you
find the names of those German immigrants on the
road signs. Undoubtedly, the roads were named for
those who back in those early days had settled in
that spot. To name just a few: Erno, Gross, Rou-
ber, Kiesel, Kiefer, Isaman, Pfaff, Recktenwald,
Wolfanger, Drum, Kurtz, Sick, Bills, Marks,
Schradir, Yocom, and Mendolein. Many of these
folks were not famous as far as history is con-
cerned but their presence here is recorded in these
road signs.

Streets in the village also bear names of earlier
residents: for instance, St. John, Bush, Fowler,
Shults, Clark, Clearwater, Mack, Granger, Wein-
hart, Helen Place and Hamilton.

We wonder whose names will be on view some
50 or 100 years from now.

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