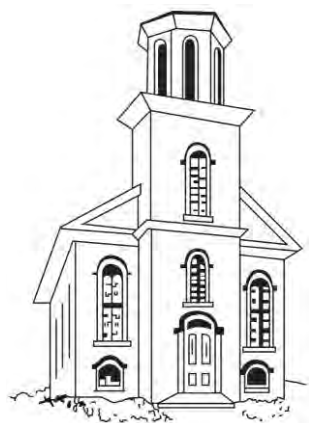


Clinton Historical Society



**Annual Program
2025-2026**



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A clarinet trio with Lynne and Ken Cook provided lovely music for our Holiday Socializer

CHS Calendar of Events

The Richard L. Williams Speaker Series

2025

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| September 14 | <i>Airplane Tales: The Homefront Edition 1941-1945</i>
Jim Coulthart, Aviation Historian |
| October 19 | Book launch: <i>“Richard L. Williams, Selected Historical Writings: The Village of Clinton and Town of Kirkland”</i> |
| November 9 | <i>1914: A World War Stops for Christmas</i>
Joe Schmidt, CHS Outreach Coordinator |
| November 28 | Shopper’s Stroll |
| December 14 | Holiday Socializer |

2026

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| January 11 | <i>Drying Out: The History of the "Gold Cure" for Alcoholism in Clinton</i>
Mike Revenaugh, Vice President, CHS Board |
| February 8 | <i>Fires along the Canals of New York</i>
Matthew Urtz, Madison County Historian |
| March 8 | <i>The Elihu Root Papers at Hamilton College</i>
Jeremy Katz, Hamilton College Archivist |
| April 12 | <i>Elijah Wampey: A Brothertown in the Old Burying Ground</i>
Joanne Gilles, Secretary, CHS Board |
| May 6 | Spring Fling / Annual Meeting |
| May 17 | <i>George Eastman and Kodak</i>
Wade Lallier, President, CHS Board |

All monthly speakers’ programs will be held at the Clinton Historical Society, 1 Fountain Street, starting at 2 pm. Programs will be recorded and available on our YouTube channel at a later date. Members will be notified of any program changes by email and FaceBook post as well as our website,

www.clintonhistory.org.

Letter from the President

Dear Fellow Members,

It is with great pride and relief that we have just concluded the 2025 History Camp. This year, twenty youngsters explored and discovered the rich wealth of history in their hometown with a scavenger hunt at the Old Burying Ground, trips to the Cleveland house and Oneida County History Center, an archeological dig, and a special day of artmaking at the Kirkland Art Center.

Our summer interns, Gavyn Burgdoff and Abel Widess were hard at work preserving 19th century surrogate court documents and digitizing hundreds of local historical documents.



History Camp at the Old Burying Ground.



Intern Morgan Pflanz dug deep into our archives to curate the exhibition, *Celebrating the Creative: Art from the Clinton Historical Society*, which was launched with an opening reception. Be sure to see this incredible collection now on view

CHS collaborated with the American Red Cross to honor former Clinton resident Clara Barton with a blood drive and special exhibition of Red Cross artifacts, drawn from the Red Cross regional archives and our own permanent collection.

Morgan Planz and Wade Lallier at the exhibition opening.

A fundraising campaign for the Old Burying Ground was relaunched with press coverage including the Rome Daily Sentinel, The Utica Observer-Dispatch, and radio stations WUTQ, and WIBX.

Life-sized cutouts of historic Clinton figures Grover Cleveland, Clara Barton, and Elihu Root not only grace the main floor of the museum, but have made their presence known throughout the community and have been prominently featured in CHS social media.

The Richard L. Williams Speaker Series hosted an exciting and informative array of topics including Repairing Antique Windows, The History of Greater Utica Magazine, the Loomis Gang, Indium Corporation, and more. I am particularly excited at the lineup for this year's series as we present a diverse selection of topics that present history, local and global.

Looking ahead, I anticipate more growth and excitement as we continue to engage, inform, and entertain our community through our exhibitions and programs.

Thank you, as always, for your support.

Wade



"Clara Barton " visits with a local family.

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