



# Clarkson Historical Society

8343 West Ridge Road in Clarkson

*December/January 2024*

*Clarksonhistoricalsociety.org*



Dear CHS members and friends,

December jingles full of excitement. The Christ Church of Clarkson and the Academy with the evening snowfall reminds me of a Christmas card. The magic of Christmas is almost here.

December is a time of anticipation but also a time to reflect on our past. The Clarkson Historical Society has been busy this past year. The cursive writing contest of 2024 was a popular event, and we are looking forward to continuing this tradition in 2025. Look for more information on the cursive writing contest this month and in early January.

August 2024 was a busy month. The Open Houses at the Academy was fun, and many of our neighbors visited during Clarkson Good Neighbor Days. At the end of August, the Academy was alive with children learning how to write in cursive. They also enjoyed lessons in art, science, music, and literature. Thank you to all the volunteer teachers who made this event possible. I want to congratulate Gabe Tuberville, a student at Brockport High School, on his induction into the National Honor Society. Gabe who has helped with cursive camp for the last three years. The cursive writing contest was expanded to include adults, with students being the judges. They found out that judging the entries is not an easy task.

In October about 40 students from the Hill School celebrated Pioneer Day at the Academy. It has been a busy year for the younger population of our town. The motto for the restoration of the Academy was to “Put the students back in the school.” This has been happening for years.

Our lecture series has been popular with the adults in our community, as well as people beyond Clarkson. Tuesday evening, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, Sue Savard gave us a lively talk on Milo Starks – Civil War hero who lived in the town of Sweden. Please be sure to look for her book at the Liftbridge Book shop. Thank you, Sue.

Please continue to check out our website at [clarksonhistoricalsociety.org](http://clarksonhistoricalsociety.org) for next year’s events.

I want to express my gratitude to the volunteers, members of the CHS Board, and our community for supporting the Clarkson Historical Society. I am looking forward to 2025.

Thank you for your support.  
Respectfully,  
Anita O’Brien, President

## *December*

25 – Holiday Blessings to All

## *January*

20 – 6 p.m. Board Meeting

2025 Cursive writing contest -  
Information on CHS website  
and the Westside News.

## *February*

No membership meeting

17 – 6 p.m. Board Meeting

## Visitors at the Academy for Pioneer Day 2024



### **Our neighbors:**

Dec. 21 & 22 – last weekend

**Holly Days** 1-3 p.m.

**Hinchey Homestead**, 634 Hinchey Rd.

\$10 non-member; \$8 member

Children 16 & under/free with adult

**Our next membership meeting will be in April.**



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