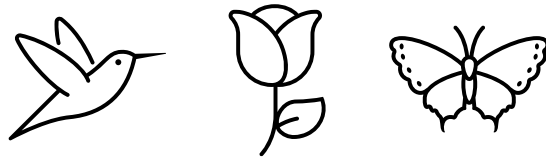




Parma Hilton Historical Society
1300 Hilton Parma Corners Rd.
Hilton, NY 14468



April 2024 Newsletter

The museum is open from 2 to 4 pm on Sundays
from April through November, except holidays.

Other tours may be booked by calling the museum.

"We are always looking for more museum guides. No experience necessary, training available. Only requirement is a love of history, local or not. You don't even need to be a member of PHHS". Contact the Curator at 585-748-9411 or stop by any Sunday after April 7.

Parma Hilton Historical Society Banquet

Monday, May 13

Details coming



**PARMA HILTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY
BE A PART OF HISTORY AS IT HAPPENS**

Monday, April 8 Solar Eclipse

Eclipse Trivia Contest

Thanks to John Foster

(Expert Level)

- 1. During a solar eclipse, in what order are the Sun, Earth and Moon aligned?**
 - a. The Sun is between the Earth and Moon.**
 - b. The Earth is between the Sun and the Moon.**
 - c. The Moon is between the Sun and the Earth.**
- 2. Identify the road intersection within the Town of Parma that will be closest to the centerline of the April 8th eclipse? [Along the centerline of an eclipse is where totality will occur for the maximum duration.]**

3. What are some of the differences between a total solar eclipse and an annular solar eclipse?

4. When was the last time that Hilton was in the path of totality of a total solar eclipse?

5. When was the next to the last time that the place we now know as Hilton was in the path of totality of a total solar eclipse?

TIE BREAKER: When did the first predicted solar eclipse occur?

(The answers will be listed in MAY'S PHHS Newsletter.)



There will be NO PHHS PRESENTATION, that evening

--- but if you are going to see the eclipse, fill out the form below and be part of history.

PARMA HILTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY
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TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE IN PARMA HILTON
APRIL 8, 2024

The Parma Hilton Historical Society wants to make a record of living history from our residents during the solar eclipse.

Please fill out this form or call Assistant Town Historian, Nancy Leport, at 585-943-3314 and she will come and interview you. You can also text the above number or email naleport@gmail.com.

Include any pictures you might have of your venue and other participants. We want input from all ages so please encourage your children to fill this out as well.

There will not be another total solar eclipse in Parma Hilton until the year 2144 and none of us will be here for the next one; but we can leave a historical record for our descendants. The results will be published for all to read. Feel free to write on the back or attach a separate sheet of paper.

Name: _____

Address:

Email address: _____

Age: _____

Where were you during the eclipse?

Who else watched with you?

Did you have out-of-town visitors? If so, from where?

What was your impression of the eclipse

“The 59th Anniversary of the Great 1965 Main Street Fire”

By Historian David Crumb

Photos by Nancy Leport and Kathy Edsal

Despite a winter storm warning on Saturday, March 23 the Hilton Fire of 1965 Historical Marker event turned out beyond my expectations. Somewhere between 65 to 70 people were on hand for the “unveiling” while PHHS Historian David Crumb and Sr. Fireman Ken Mullen did the honors. Many of the firemen who fought the fire as young men were there to reminisce. Charle Lissow was featured on Ch. 13.-ABC News at 6 and 11 pm. Special thanks to Tom Ban, owner of the Arlington Restaurant, who did everything possible behind the scenes to make the event a success. Thanks to Rob Dickerson, Nancy Leport, Amanda Dudley, Jeri Pickett, and others for their contributions. Also we appreciate Larry Speer for his part in bringing the firemen and fire truck to the scene, and thanks also to Ryan Rockafellow for his support and the coffee and donuts. Jeff Pearce from the Hilton DPW installed and covered the sign. Without everyone’s effort we would not have had a ceremony.



Many firemen and other town people attended the event.

The Great 1965 Hilton Fire



It was a freezing cold day to fight a fire



Bernie Kedian jumps between bank vaults.

Photos from 2016 Calendar
Hilton Village Disasters



Four of the brave men who fought the fire:

Gene Preston
North Greece FD

Darryl Prince
Hamlin FD

Ken Mullan
Hilton FD

Red Voight
Hilton FD

Volunteer Position:

From the Parma Hilton Historical Society Nominating Committee



We are looking for someone to fill the Secretary's position **OR**, some folks who would be willing to fill in for the secretary or assist the secretary.

Responsibilities of Secretary Position: One year term
Attend monthly meeting: 4th Wednesday of the month

A. Maintain the official records of the Society, pertaining to:

1) Elections and appointments

2. Minutes of all Board and membership meetings

3) The Parma Hilton Historical Society Operations Manual

B. Communications, including:

1. board communications

2. delivery of required notices

3. electronic communication

C. Reports:

1. monthly to the board

2. annually to the membership regarding the Society's activities

Our current secretary, Nancy Leport, has just been named Assistant Town Historian; and if we can provide at least an assistant to help with some of the duties of Secretary, it would lighten her responsibilities. Please contact Dave Crumb or Nancy Leport (585-943-3314) with questions or availability.



Hilton Alumni Association's Second Annual Casino Night April 13, 2024 from 7-11 pm at Hilton Exempt Club

Mark your calendars and get your tickets to this evening of fun and fundraising for the Hilton Alumni Association. Last year we were able to raise \$7500 at our first Casino Night and we are hoping to match or exceed that this year. All of this revenue went directly to our Scholarship and Grants Fund.

It is not a night of gambling. We can't do that! It is a night of casino style games with dealers who know how to make it fun and help you win. What do you win? At the end of the evening, you will be given a ticket for every chip you have accumulated during the night. These tickets can be used in our raffle for a variety of prizes. No one loses money because no money is

exchanged. Your entry fee is a donation to the Association. When you enter you will be given a number of chips to use as you wish.

There will be finger foods and desserts, music from The Grove Street Band, a prize wheel, celebrity bartenders and lots of fun around the tables. Some of the prizes include a 55" TV donated by West Herr Automotive group, a round of golf at Deerfield Country Club, and many gift cards to local restaurants and businesses to name just a very few.

Tickets are \$40 in advance and \$50 at the door. You can purchase them on our website, Foster's Restaurant, Z's automotive or from any member of the committee.

All proceeds will go to our Grants and Scholarship Fund. So far in 2024 we have awarded almost \$5,000 in grants to the school. One grant was to the Merton Williams Music Department for \$500. A special needs class will be working with a music producer from San Francisco to write and produce their own song! Since we began in 2021, we have given grants totaling \$15,000. We can do this because of the generosity of alumni and the Hilton community.

Hope you will join us for this night of fun with friends and other members of the community. All are welcome. You do not need to be an alum to attend. It is open to the public.

If you have any questions, please contact hiltonalumniassociation@gmail.com or check out the website at www.hiltonalumniassociation.org.

Gates Historical Society Upcoming Events

April 15

Don Alhart, Associate News Director, Sinclair Broadcast Group and Author: "A Generation of Idiots", "A Generation of Idiots". This includes taking a look at the changing face of journalism and how technology has changed news coverage since 1966. He will be bringing his book "Sibley's Christmas Adventure" to sell and will autograph copies either purchased that night or previously.

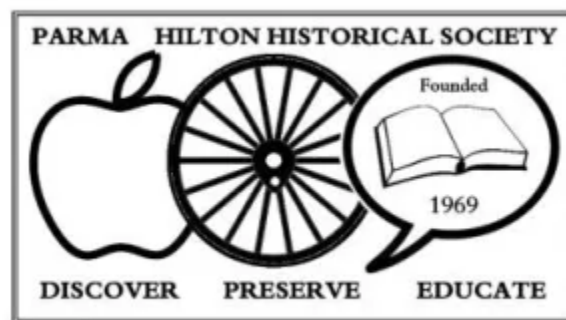
MAY 20

Don Shillings, Author and Popular Speaker: "The Roaring Twenties". His presentation will cover events happening after WWI, such as the return of the Dough Boys, flappers, the 19th Amendment, Kodak invents color prints and many other events that happened during that time in history.

Programs are held in the Gates Town Hall Annex, 1605 Buffalo Road, Rochester, NY 14624 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on the third Monday of the month except December, January and February. This facility is handicapped accessible.

Check out our website www.gateshistory.annually to the membership regarding the Society's activities.

NOTE: The Greece Historical Society Events calendar did not arrive in time to put in our newsletter.



Check our related sites:
PHHS website
PHHS Facebook page
Hilton Central School
Parma Parks & Recreation
Hilton Central School Alumni Association

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