MEMBERS OF THE HALL OF FAME

1976 CLASS

William W. Averell (1832 - 1900) – Native of Cameron; graduate of West Point; Major General in Civil War; inventor of asphalt paving; Consul General to Canada.


Ellsworth C. Cowles (1898 – 1992) – Native of Waverly, NY; archeologist – identified Spanish Hill near Waverly and Lamoka Indian Culture at Lake Lamoka; former Curator of Erwin Museum.

Glenn Hammond Curtiss (1878 – 1930) – Native of Hammondsport; designer and builder of motorcycles and aircraft; made first pre-announced flight in 1908.

Domenick L. Gabrielli (1912 – 1994) – Native of Rochester; Steuben County District Attorney; County Judge; Justice, N.Y. Supreme Court; Associate Judge, N.Y. State Court of Appeals.

Amory Houghton (1899 – 1981) – Native of Corning; industrialist; Board Chairman, Corning Glass Works; U.S. Ambassador to France; U.S. President of Boy Scouts of America.

Benjamin Patterson (1759 – 1830) – Frontiersman; hunter, guide and innkeeper who helped open the roads for the settlement of Steuben County.
Baron von Steuben (1730 – 1794) – Prussian who came to America in 1977 to train raw troops for General Washington; Steuben County named in his honor.

Narcissa Prentiss Whitman (1808 – 1847) – Native of Prattsburgh; accompanied husband to Oregon; one of two white women to first cross the Rocky Mountains.

Charles Williamson (1757 – 1808) – Developer of the Genesee Country for the Pulteney Estate; founder of Bath; opened roads to Steuben County; State Assemblyman.

1977 CLASS

Frederick Carder (1863 – 1963) – Native of England; founded Steuben Glass Works; developed “Aurene” glass; designed glass murals for Rockefeller Center.

George Hornell (1769 – 1813) – Developer and businessman of the Canisteo area. Town and City named after him; State Legislator.

Margaret Higgins Sanger (1879 – 1966) – Native of Corning; printed first material on birth control; started first birth control clinic; established Planned Parenthood.

Thomas J. Watson (1874 – 1956) – Native of East Campbell; hardware salesman; founded International Business Machines, Corp. (IBM); Watson Homestead, located at his birth place, named in his honor.

Dr. Marcus Whitman (1802 – 1847) – Practiced medicine in Wheeler; medical missionary among the Indians in Oregon; took first wheeled vehicle along the Oregon Trail.
1978 CLASS

**Phebe Oliver Briggs (1841 – 1924)** – Family home, Rogersvill (So. Dansville); one of the first women doctors; pioneer physician in West; assigned to Otoe Indian Agency.

**Helen Dumack (1911 – 1994)** – Native of Syracuse; graduate of Haverling High; hospital administrator at Bath and Hornell Bethesda; Life Fellow of American College of Hospital Administrators.

**Alanson B. Houghton (1863 – 1941)** – President and Board Chairman, Corning Glass Works; member House of Representatives; U.S. Ambassador to Germany and Great Britain.

**Christopher Hurlburt, Sr. (1757 – 1831)** – Founder, surveyor, and commercial developer of Arkport; shipper of produce to Baltimore; Town Supervisor; County Judge.

**Calvin U. Smith (1895 – 1983)** – From teacher in one-room school to principal and District Superintendent (1931 – 1962); leader in centralization and consolidation of Corning-Painted Post School District.

1979 CLASS

**William Hanford Curtiss (1884 – 1960)** – Lt. Col. in World War I; one of three men who met in Paris and formed the American Legion; Corning Glass executive; community leader.

**Ira Davenport (1795 – 1868)** – One of first settlers in Hornellsville area; merchant and businessman; founder of Davenport Home for Orphan Girls in Bath.
Frederick W. Parson, Jr. (1898 – 1972) – Director, War Finance and Red Cross fund drives; Chairman, Salvation Army Advisory Board; first Chairman of Board, Corning Community College.

Edward J. Smith (1890 – 1981) – Ingersoll-Rand executive; Mayor of Painted Post; Director, Corning Hospital.

Floyd J. Spaulding (1875 – 1967) – Native of Hornell; began practice of medicine at Bath Soldier’s Home; “Horse and Buggy Doctor” and community leader in Cohocton for 69 years.

1980 CLASS

Jeremiah Baker, Jr. (1791 – 1883) – Native of Adrian; one of the first white children born in Steuben County; Canisteo official; State Assemblyman.

Andrew Bay Dickinson (1803 – 1873) – First Supervisor, Town of Hornby; established stage route to Corning; Ambassador to Nicaragua.

Thomas Aquinas Murphy (1915 – ) – Native of Hornell; Navy veteran; Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, General Motors, Corp.

Lawrence O. Murray (1864 – 1926) – Native of Tuscarora; graduate of Addison High School; member of the bar of U.S. Supreme Court; Comptroller of Currency in Theodore Roosevelt’s administration.

James L. “Deacon” White (1847 – 1939) – Catcher on the first National League Pennant Team (Chicago – 1876); first to use catcher’s mask and mitt; native of Caton.
1981 CLASS

Silvina Argentieri (1895 – 1979) – Native Furci, Italy; Hornell businessman; Alderman, Hornell Common Council for 16 years; Steuben County Supervisor for 21 years.

Frank B. Finnerty (1908 – 1964) – Born in Jefferson Valley; Graduate Cornell School of Agriculture; youth leader; school teacher; 4-H Club Agent.

Amory Houghton, Jr. (1926 -    ) – Native of Corning; industrialist; Chairman of the Board, Corning Glass Works; civic leader who aided in Corning’s recovery from the Flood of 1972; U.S. Representative to Congress.

Otto P. Kohl (1893 – 1973) – Native of Rochester; OX5 Aviation Pioneer’s “Man of the Year” 1966; machinist and toolmaker, Mercury Aircraft; founder, Curtiss Museum in Hammondsport.

Robert J. McDowell (1912 – 1980) – Native of Cohocton; Chairman, Steuben County Board of Supervisors; Judge; Surrogate Court Judge; Justice, N.Y. State Supreme Court 1974 – 1980.

1982 – 1983 CLASS

Joseph A. Costa (1909 -    ) – Native of Portugal; one of last pioneer aviators to attempt non-stop flight across Atlantic in single-engine plane.

Arthur A. Houghton, Jr. (1906 – 1990) – Native of Corning; Chairman, Steuben Glass; influential in creating Corning Glass Center and Corning Community College.
William Murrell (1845 – 1932) – Born a slave in Georgia; received Medal of Honor in Union Army; served in both House of Representatives and Senate of Louisiana; promoted education of Blacks in Steuben County.

Reuben B. Oldfield, Sr. (1878 – 1954) – Native of Minnesota who grew up in Hornby; author; columnist; historian; Town Supervisor; Steuben County Clerk; N.Y. State Assemblyman.

Carmelo E. Patti (1908 – 1997) – Native of Dunkirk, NY; practiced medicine in Hornell over 50 years; contributed his services to numerous youth, school, and civic organizations.

Robert and Hertha Rockwell (1911 - ) (1913 - 2004) – Civic leaders who established the Rockwell Museum in Corning, featuring Western American art, antique toys and Carder Steuben Glass.

1984 CLASS

John Comosh (1854 – 1933) – Famed circus performer; merchant; Corning Alderman and civic leader; helped establish Denison Park; Steuben County Supervisor.

Howard W. Gunlocke (1911 – 1985) – Native of Wayland; former head of Gunlocke Chair, Co.; community leader, benefactor of Wayland, Alfred University and Georgetown University Libraries.

William M. Stuart (1883 – 1957) – Native of Cameron; historian; lecturer and author of several books including “Stories of the Kanisteo Valley”; N.Y. State Assemblyman.
1985 CLASS

*Charles M. Fournier (1902 – 1983)* – Hammondsport winemaker; President of Gold Seal Winery; instrumental in developing the wine industry in the Finger Lakes Region.

*William H. Maichle (1883 – 1987)*- Native of Cohocton; from pioneer salesman to Vice President of Beechnut, Corp.; “Goodwill Ambassador” for the confectionery industry.

*William S. Stempfle (1895 – 1982)* – Steuben County Extension Agent; resident of Bath; responsible for revitalizing the agricultural industry in the County.

1986 CLASS

*Arthur Erwin (1726 – 1791)* – First landholder in Steuben County; Town of Erwin named for him; George Washington’s aide-de-camp; provided boats for Washington’s Delaware River crossing.

*Edward L. Humphrey (1916 – 1968)* – Town of Bath Supervisor who devoted months of time to lead the “battle” which prevented the closing of the Bath Veterans Administration Center.

*Frank R. Wyant (1918 – 1984)* – Left a legacy in Hornell through the thousands of youth he molded into productive citizens during his decades of involvement in youth sports programs.

1987 CLASS

*Ernest E. Cole (1871 – 1949)* – Native of Bath; teacher; attorney; educator; N.Y. State Assemblyman and Senator; Commissioner of
Education who was instrumental in the centralization of rural school districts.

*Everett P. Kilmer (1910 – 1986)* – Steuben County Supervisor; weather observer and planner of the Chemung River Basin flood alert system; originator of the Steuben County Hall of Fame.

*Eugene C. Sullivan (1872 – 1962)* – Dean of American glass research; first full-time scientist of Corning Glass Works; responsible for the development of heat-resisting glass, trademarked “Pyrex”.

1988 CLASS

*Fred and Harriet Taylor (1891 – 1968) (1895 – 1975)* – Hammondsport natives who founded the Fred & Harriet Taylor Foundation that yearly endows countless worthwhile institutions, projects and people for the benefit of Steuben County.

*John Magee (1794 – 1868)* – Bath pioneer; constable and collector; High Sheriff; member of Congress; declined seat on President Jackson’s Cabinet; started Cohocton Valley Railroad and Fallbrook Coal Company.

*Eunice F. Young (1913 – 1995)* – Native of Arkport; Army nurse captured at Corregidor, held captive for three years and retired as Lt. Colonel.

1989 CLASS

*F. Howard Hurlburt (1908 – 1988)*- Supervisor for the Town of Hornell for 28 years; Chairman of the Steuben County Board of Supervisors for 9 years.
Laura Houghton (1901 – 2003) – Civic leader in Girl Scouts and Project Hope.

Orson Squire Fowler (1809 – 1887) – Believed to be first white child born in Cohocton; writer; editor; designed and promoted octagon house; advocated water cure; women’s rights; 40-hour work week; world-famous as promoter of Phrenology – the forerunner of today’s Psychology.

1990 CLASS

Charles Ballou (1862 – 1928)- West Point graduate – Class of 1886; served in the Sioux Indian Campaign 1890 – 1891; Phillipine Insurrection 1899; World War I and was decorated with Croix de Guerre, French Legion of Honor; rose to rank of Major General. Morris Cohn (1853 – 1912)- Beloved immigrant back-packing peddler, his store celebrated centennial in 1981.

Dr. William E. Gorton, Sr. (1854 – 1933) – Physician; first Mayor of Corning; founded Corning Iron Works and Gorton Chocolate, Co.; first President Steuben Area Council, Boy Scouts; Camp Gorton named in his honor; President, School Board.

1991 CLASS

Martin Adsit (1812 – 1903)- Early merchant; President of the First National Bank of Hornellsville from 1865 – 1900; was instrumental in bringing the Erie Railroad to his town in 1851.

Col. Eleazer Lindsley (1737 – 1794)- On George Washington’s staff during the Revolution; pioneer in this area, purchasing a tract of land
six miles square, which we now know as the Town of Lindley; elected to the State Legislature in 1793.

*Rev. Robert F. McNamara (1910 - )* – Corning native; a founder and first President of the Corning – Painted Post Historical Society; Catholic Church historian and author of many books.

1992 CLASS

*Herman J. Bates (1887 – 1977)*- Troupsburg Supervisor for 32 years; Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for 8 years; County Clerk for 6 years.

*C. Arthur Niver (1905 – 1984)* – Hammondsport Salvation Army Committee – 42 years; Youth Commission – 39 years; supervised and directed swimming program for over 10,000 children; Hammondsport School Board – 25 years; President, Hammondsport School Board – 13 years.

*Francis C. Pollay (1835 – 1912)/Pulteney & Jonathan Goble (1827 – 1898)* – Wayne – Goble was missionary to Japan. Mrs. Goble became ill and their friend, Francis Pollay, designed a cart to transport her. This cart became known as the “JINRIKISHA”.

1993 CLASS

*James S. Drake, Jr. (1896 – 1961)* – Steuben County Attorney for over 30 years; served on Research Council for State Commission on Revision of County Law; authority on Lincoln; a historian on Steuben County.
Thomas C. Hawkes (1848 – 1913) – Perfected cut glass in Corning; was responsible for Frederick Carder coming to Corning.

James R. Houghton (1936 -   ) – As Chief Executive Officer of Corning, Inc., he has continued the support of Corning Enterprises which serves as a catalyst to attract new business to our area. Mr. Houghton in 1991 donated land to the city for a park and later announced plans to build a new corporate office building adjacent to this park which is in the tradition of his family that Corning is “Home” to Corning, Inc.

1994 CLASS

Dr. John & Phyllis Martin (1922 -   ) (1922 -   ) – John was one of the original faculty members of CCC when it opened in 1958; in 1972 he was named Deputy Director for Administration of the Corning Museum of Glass; Phyllis was Director of the Corning – Painted Post Historical Society’s first museum at the old Baron Steuben Hotel in Corning; when the society purchased the derelict Benjamin Patterson Inn building in 1976, Mrs. Martin became its founding Director and was responsible for its rehabilitation to its present condition; as a team, Phyll and John worked on the Patterson Inn project; have written several books, the last being “The Lands of the Painted Post”; so it is easy to see why they don’t often refer to them separately, but usually as “Phyll and Jack” or the Martins as a team.

Dr. Zeno Spencer Selleck (1893 – 1977) – Noted doctor and surgeon; Chief of Staff at Ira Davenport Hospital; consulting surgeon, VA Center for 30 years and former Mayor of Bath, NY.

Alice Tully (1902 – 1993) – Ms. Tully was born in Corning, NY. She was the daughter of William J. Tully, a local lawyer and Clara
Houghton Tully; opera star; benefactor to the arts, to medicine and education. The Alice Tully Hall, at the Lincoln Center in New York City, is named in her honor.

1995 CLASS

_Floyd W. Annable (1886 – 1944) –_ Born in Howard; attended Avoca High School; attended Syracuse University, graduated in 1910 and admitted to the Bar in 1911; in August 1935 he was honored by Governor Lehman in the appointment to the Supreme Court Bench.

_Janet W. Richardson (1920 - ) –_ Educational and community leader; member of the Corning – Painted Post Area School District Board of Education for 17 years.

_H. Guyfod Stever (1916 - ) –_ Corning native; expert on supersonic flight and guided missile technology; former President of Carnegie Institute of Technology and former Director of the National Science Foundation.

1996 CLASS

_Arba M. Blodgett (1869 – 1957) –_ Teacher, principal and superintendent of the former Corning Northside High School. He brought vocational training and music into the school curriculum. The present Northside Blodgett Middle School is named in his honor.

_Stanley M. Clark (1917 – 1995) –_ Founder of the Clark Speciality Co., in Hammondsport; a contractor and owner of the 500 passenger restaurant-tour boat, the Keuka Maid. He also formed the Champagne Railroad Co., to operate an excursion train from Cohocton to the Taylor Wine Company.
Konstantine D. Frank (1899 – 1985) – He successfully proved the feasibility of the Vinifera method in the Eastern United States. He established the Dr. Frank Vinifera Wine Cellars, Ltd., near Hammondsport.

1997 CLASS

Charles C. Corwin (1883 – 1954) – He served as an innovative musical educator at Corning Free Academy from 1922 to 1947; founder, and for two decades, the maestro of the Corning Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra.

Joshua Merserau, Jr. (1761 – 1857) – Member of the Merserau Spy Ring reporting to General George Washington; responsible for prevention of the British crossing the Delaware; spent later years in Presho.

Rev. John Niles (1775 – 1812) – First resident minister in Bath in 1808; five of the oldest churches now in the Presbytery organized by him still remain in Prattsburgh, Bath, Corning, Almond and Angelica.

2003 CLASS

Thomas S. Buechner, Jr. (1926 - ) – He has made numerous and outstanding contributions to regional cultural enrichment and economic development. He is well-known internationally as an artist, writer, glass scholar and teacher. He is the founding director of the Corning Museum of Glass, established the Market Street Restoration Agency, the Rockwell Museum, the Corning Community Foundation and is responsible for the People Wall murals at City Hall.
George Johnson Haley (1920 – 1996) – African-American born in Bath, NY. In April of 1942, he was accepted in the Tuskegee Airmen. He flew an old plan called the “Cool Fool”. George was sent to Italy and flew Mustang Interceptors for bomber planes. The Korean Conflict broke out, so he re-enlisted and made it his career. He flew in Korea and also in the Vietnam Conflict. After three tours in Vietnam, he had flown 140 missions total. At the time of his death in 1996, he was buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

Charles Henderson (1911 - 2005) – N.Y. State Assemblyman. He implemented legislation establishing the Southern Tier Expressway and legislation later enacted providing for the construction of the State Office Building in the City of Hornell. Enacted legislation which provided tax abatement and tax credit laws for victims of Hurricane Agnes, which ravaged the County in 1972.

Charles Oliver (1915 – 2003) – In 1976 he was instrumental in organizing the Steuben County Hall of Fame and encouraged the Steuben County Board of Supervisors to authorize a County government-wide record survey. He was the former Chairman of the Steuben Area Boy Scouts Council and Board Member for 26 years. Steuben County Historian.

Dr. S. Donald Stookey (1915 - ) – A member of the Corning Glass Works research staff. He graduated Magna Cum Laude from Coe College in 1936 and received his Master’s Degree in Chemistry from Lafayette College in 1937 and a Doctorate in Physical Chemistry from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1940. He has concentrated primarily on the development of new glass compositions and processes, including Pryoceram brand glass ceramics, thermometer opal glasses, photosensitive glasses, photochromic glass, hydrosilicate
glasses and hydroceramics, and full-color polychromatic photosensitive glasses.

2004 CLASS

DeWitt T. Baker, D.V.M. (1921 - ) – Steuben County Legislator for District 13 since 1988. Vice Chairman of Legislature from 1994 – 2000. Chairman of Legislature from 2000 – 2004. The sluggish 9-1-1 program, under Dr. Baker’s leadership was re-energized and brought back on schedule and on budget. Dr. Baker served as a member of the Corning – Painted Post School District Board of Education, member of the Board of Trustees of Corning Community College, Supervisor for the Town of Corning and continues to be a member of the New York State Association of Counties. In addition, Dr. Baker also enjoyed a veterinarian practice for 35 years.

Helen Jane Knapp Bartron (1918 - ) – Steuben County Treasurer from 1960 – 1981. Mrs. Bartron also instigated new processes to make the County’s fiscal operations more effective. She acted to have the Treasurer oversee all tax rolls and tax bills, and to better serve constituents, she developed both the Real Property Tax Office and the County Purchasing Department.

Guy Bowles Bennett (1895 – 1999) – Born in Wayland. Served as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces in France during World War I. In 1999 received in person the French Legion of Honor. In 1919 he and his brother created an auto repair business and in 1922 they obtained a Buick dealer’s franchise. In 1995, at the age of 100, Mr. Bennett’s dealership was recognized as the oldest continuously operating family-owned Buick dealership in the world.
Donald R. Davidsen, D.V.M. (1936 -    ) – Dr. Davidsen came to Steuben County in 1964 when he established a veterinary practice in Canisteo. Steuben County Coroner for 11 years. In 1981 ran for Legislator for Canisteo, a position he held for 5 years. During his tenure as Chairman of the AIP Committee, the Steuben County Office building was built. In 1986 Dr. Davidsen won a seat on the New York State Assembly and served the residents of the 127th District for 8 years. In 1995 he was appointed by Governor Pataki to be the Commissioner for the State Department of Agriculture and Markets, a position he held until his retirement in 1999. Served as Commissioner of the Southern Tier Rail Commission from 2000 – 2002.

Richard V. Peer (1925 -    ) – Mr. Peer was born in Corning, NY in 1925. In 1943, following graduation from high school, he was drafted into the Army to serve during World War II. He fought in the Battle of the Bulge where he won the Bronze Star. In 1945 he attended Syracuse University’s School of Journalism and worked his summers at “The Leader”. In 1961 became City Editor of “The Leader” and after served as its Managing Editor and finished his tenure as a staff member as the paper’s Editor. He retired in 1987. He did not retire from writing for the paper, as his popular columns, “Peering into the Past”, a regular feature when he was working at the paper, have continued to this day – 17 years after his “official” retirement.

2005 CLASS

Sarah Lyon Davenport (1847 - 1929) – Sarah was born February 19, 1847 in Bath, NY. She was known as “the Grand Old Lady of Steuben County”. She married John Davenport and became Trustee of Davenport Home for Girls, the family’s orphanage. In 1884, she was appointed to NYS Charities Aid Association, in 1895 she was appointed to the NYS Prison Commission. She also served as a
member of the Steuben County Board of Child Welfare, National Association for the study of epilepsy and the Commission for the care of the insane.

_Elmer James (Slim) Faucett (1891 – 1960) –_ Elmer was born March 15, 1891 on Irish Hill in Savona, NY. The Curtiss Aeroplane Co. hired him as an Apprentice blacksmith and he worked up to mechanic, later Supervisor of the Curtiss workshop. In 1916, he joined the U.S. Army and learned to fly. Upon his return to Curtiss, he piloted Flying Boats to Peru. On September 11, 1922, he made man’s first flight over the Andes Mountains. In 1918 he established his own airline and in 1938, developed his own Aviation Company for the manufacture of airplanes. Received Peru’s Aviation Cross.

_Bessie M. Hille (1887 – 1971) –_ Bessie was born in 1887 near Bonny Hill in Bath, NY. At ten years of age, an encounter with a Missionary shaped her life’s work. Graduate of Northfield Seminary in Massachusetts. In 1913, she went to China. Her first assignment was South Gate area of Shanghai. Founded the Nantao Christian Institute. Organized a Christian Church in Shanghai that had 1,500 members by 1950. In 1943, she was taken Prisoner of War for eight months, then released and after a 2 ½ year recuperation, in 1946, she returned to China to resume her missionary work. She served in that capacity for 38 years.

_Theodore W. (Ted) Markham (1921 -    ) –_ Ted was born in Lewis County, NY in 1921. Graduated from Cornell University, served in the Army Air Corps in WWII, and retired from Air Force Reserves with the rank of Major. He became the County Agent for Cornell Cooperative Extension Programs in 1957, serving in that capacity until his retirement in 1976. Ted worked with Dr. Konstantin Frank to bring the culture of European grape varieties to NYS. He worked with
several agencies to help with field and forage crops, livestock and forestry management. Was a 1962 Founder of Mossy Bank Park and Nature Center. Served on the Bath Shade Tree Committee, and very active in assisting students in Future Farmers of America projects and an active member of the International Rotary Club.

*Lieutenant General Lemuel Mathewson, U.S. Army (1899 – 1970)* – Lemuel was born in Bath in 1899. Graduated from West Point in 1922. Military Aide to President Roosevelt in 1943. He was Artillery Officer with the VII Corps in Europe, later was named Artillery Commander of XVIII Airborne Corps. He participated in the Battle of the Bulge, liberation of France and Germany to the Elbe River. After the war, he was Chief of Staff of the Caribbean Defense Command in the Canal Zone. He was Commander in Berlin, Director of the Joint Chief of Staff, Commander of the V Corps in Germany and the 6th Army. President Eisenhower recalled him to serve as Chairman of the Inter-American Defense Board. He received many awards and medals, including Legion of Merit with two Oak Clusters and the Bronze Star.
The Hall of Fame was started in 1976 by the Board of Supervisors as a Bicentennial project. Since then, more than 350 nominations have been made for 185 people. Your program lists those selected to the Hall of Fame. The other nominees are:

Emily Ackley – RSVP Volunteer.

The Alden Family – Bath business people.

Fuller John Allen – Leader in Painted Post, Corning and Steuben County community affairs.

Herbert H. Anderson – Rear Admiral; holder of Distinguished Service Medal and Legion of Merit.

Harlo M. Atherton – Adrian dairyman; leader in agricultural and community affairs; Town and County Supervisor.

Frank Rowlett Aulls (1878 – 1938) – Campbell Supervisor; County Treasurer; businessman; started Pleasant Valley TB Sanitarium.

William Aulls (1748 – 1816) – First settler of Pleasant Valley; one of the founders of the Bath Presbyterian Church; Commissioner of Highways.

Fran Avagliano – Teacher; Jr. and Sr. Class Advisor for 13 years at the Corning – Painted Post East High School.


Ross Lee Baker (1884 – 1975) – Engineer; inventor; left 4,000 volume library to Greenwood Central School; member of first graduating class of Greenwood Central School.

Judge Sameul Baker (1763 – 1842) – First settler in Pleasant Valley; first Surrogate Court Judge in Steuben County.

Benjamin H. Balcom – Former Steuben County Sheriff; County Republican Chairman; long-time member of the New York State Liquor Authority.

Larry D. Bates – Teacher; coach; United States Air Force veteran; attorney, District Attorney for 8 years; Mayor Bath; Village Trustee.

Lawrence Bauter (1919 - ) – Legislator; agricultural businessman; Town Supervisor of Wheeler; Republican Committee.

John Benson – Guidance Counselor at Corning West High School and was a relief worker in the jungles of war-torn Rowanda.

George H. Bevan (1916 - ) – 1935 – 1939 News Editor, Steuben Advocate, Bath, NY; 1937 helped organize the Bath Area Republican Club; 1962 – 1964 was Chairman of the Steuben County Republican Committee; served on the Emergency Committee during and after the
Agnes Flood in the Corning area and in 1972 was appointed by Governor Rockefeller as a member of the New York State Workmen’s Compensation Board.

*Burdette Beers (1908 – 1971) – “Mr. Addison”; Town and County Supervisor; bank director; community leader.*

*Archie Lee Blades, Sr. (1886 – 1944) – Contractor; inventor of paving equipment.*

*Clarence Brisco (1900 – 1979) – County Judge and Supreme Court Justice; instituted psychiatric procedures for those charged with serious offenses; practice in Corning.*

*Edwin S. Brown (1870 – 1942) – Native of Howard; County District Attorney and Judge; innovated plan for orphaned children, for probation officers and for Public Defenders; resident of Cohocton.*

*Robert B. Bruce (1921 – 1982) – 4-H Division Leader and County Extension Coordinator.*

*Ettienne Brule – Believed to be the first White man to discover this area.*

*Flora Buck – Has been a certified Family Day Care Provider for the Finger Lakes Developmental Disabilities Services for 20 years; worked for Steuben County BOCES as assistant for mentally retarded adolescents.*

*Otis Bullard (1816 – 1853) – Artist and painter; Town of Howard.*

*George J. Burd – Canisteo industrialist and civic leader.*
Frank Burnside (1888 – 1935) – Pioneer aviator; set altitude record in Bath in 1913; one of first night airmail pilots; Chief Scorer at National Air Races.

Frederick Calkins (1763 – 1813) – First farmer in County; settled where City of Corning now stands.

Blanche Capron – School nurse; humanitarian dedicated to health care of students and people in Steuben County.

Nathan Carey (1755 – 1835) – Early settler and farmer; served in Revolutionary War.

Guyon J. Carter – Educator, Northern Steuben Superintendent of Schools.

Carroll R. Cartwright – Hartsville author and historian.

Richard Caton (1763 – 1845) – Town of Caton named after him; his wife was Poly Carroll, whose father, Charles Carroll was signer of the Declaration of Independence.

Marjorie Chambers – Volunteer work; 1975 “Women of the Year” by Business and Professional Women’s Club of Corning.

Charles Davenport Champlin (1829 – 1875) – In 1860 headed a group of prominent area residents that organized the first winery in the Finger Lakes Region. It was named the Pleasant Valley Wine Co., and was designated U.S. Bonded Winery #1.

Susan Chiodo – Leader in bringing fine arts and folk arts to the area; resident of Corning.

Peleg G. Coal (1797 – 1873) – Early Howard settler and principal of the Howard School for many years.

Manson B. Coger (1878 – 1964) – Corning businessman and local leader.

Alvah M. Cole (1821 - ) – Born in Addison; was a teacher for 36 years and held the offices of Town Supervisor, Assessor and Highway Commissioner.

Howard Cole – Corning Councilman – 3 years; Mayor – 4 years; member of Board of Education; civic leader; banker.

Alton M. Comstock – Hartsville Supervisor – 20 years; 50-year Grange member; instrumental in placing orphan children.


Thomas Corbitt (1751 – 1829) – First settler at Savona.

Earl L. Cortright (1896 – 1975) – Was instrumental in establishing the Local Flint Glass Workers Union at Corning Glass Works.

Finla Goff Crawford – Cameron Mills native who became Vice Chancellor of Syracuse University.

Myron Dascomb – Addison Town and County Supervisor; Assistant District Attorney; County Attorney for 16 years.
Levi Davis (1782 – 1863) – First settler in Greenwood; started trade center and social center; established Post Office; first Greenwood Supervisor; organized Greenwood Universalist Church.

Ruth Viola Tice Davis (1899 – 1979) – Parachutist; made first jump from open cockpit in 9118; member OX-5 Hall of Fame.

Morgan M. Days – Religious leader; Chaplain in U.S. Army; responsible for building Friendship Baptist Church, Corning.

Virginia Burns Dickey (1917 - ) – Town of Canisteo Historian – 22 years; assisted startup of Canisteo Historical Society and the new building of the Historical Society.

Leo Dickson – Town Supervisor – 18 years; President REA Board – 15 years; innovative farmer – built County’s first Quonset style barn, first bulk tank; first to use sub-surface injection of animal waste.

Thomas P. Dimitroff – Co-authored the book “History of the Corning – Painted Post Area”.

Helen Minnerly Disbrow (1918 – 1994) – Manager of “Gifts and Endowments” at Berkley Campus, University of California.

John R. Drake (1799 – 1852) – Prattsburgh pioneer.

Leora Wilson Drake – Town of Canisteo Historian; nationally known genealogist.

Robert S. Drake – Town and County Supervisor for 19 years; Advisory Board, N.Y. State Fair; Past Master, N.Y. State Grange.

Percy Lawrence Dunn – Steuben Area Boy Scout Council Executive.
Patricia A. Eaton – Project Director, Steuben County Economic Opportunity Program (SCEOP); cited for work with less fortunate.

John Ebernenz – Corning merchant; 25-year member of school board; member of Corning Community College Board.


Ward Flaxington (1895 – 1965) – Pastor Westminster Church, Hornell; educator; journalist; “Hornell’s Ambassador Out of Town”.

Terry Lynn Fleischmann (1946 – 1975) – Taught guitar; had a Bath radio show; his band was “The Hilljacks”; seeing impaired.

Fordyce Foster – County Supervisor for Urbana for 20 years.

Lorenzo Fowler – Native of Cohocton; Phrenologist.

Barnard C. Gardner (1841 – 1910) – Civil War hero; sharpshooter; took part in many battles.

Paul Vickers Gardner – Former Curator of Ceramics, Smithsonian Institute; author “Glass of Frederick Carder”; native of Canisteo.

Raymond M. Gehrig – World War II aviator and war hero.

Edward Gilroy – Prominent attorney and coin collector in Wayland.

Alderman F. Gleason (1891 – 1979) – Historian; former Supervisor; resident of Wayne.

Virgill Gledhill – Attorney; member Haverling School Board; President Bar Association; helped found Bath Savings and Loan.

William Goff (1781 – 1859) – Pioneer of Howard; built Goff Mills; furnished grain for neighbors during 1816 famine year.

Raphael E. Gonzales – Humanitarian; Wayland.


Francis Joseph Green – Bishop of Tuscan; one of participating Bishops at Second Vatican Council; native of Corning.


Samuel Hallett (1827 – 1864) – Native of Canisteo; contractor for construction of Union Pacific R.R., Eastern Division.

Dr. Mavid K. Hariprasad – Is in charge of the dialysis unit at St. James Hospital in Hornell, NY; he knows his patients on a personal basis, you are his friend and a part of his family, not just a number.

Norman L. Harvey (1918 – 1996) – Born in Canisteo, NY; graduated from Canisteo Academy in 1935; Syracuse Law School 1948; Mayor
of Canisteo 1979; elected to the State Supreme Court in 1967 in the Fourth Judicial District.

**Joseph Hauryski (1924 – 1996)** – Native of Bradford, NY; member of the Steuben Rural Electric Cooperative for 45 yeas; on Board of Directors for 15 years; Bradford Assessor, Highway Superintendent; Republican Committeeman and Steuben County Legislator for 18 years.

**Emmett Duelle Hees (1869 – 1952)** – Prominent citizen of Avoca where he owned and operated a pharmacy for 61 years.

**Betty Hess (    -    )** – “Extraordinary Volunteer”, volunteers fulltime for Boy Scouts, Salvation Army, YMCA United Church, Hornell’s Kid Café.

**John Hess** – Early settler and founder of Wayland.

**Philip E. Hickey** – Wayland humanitarian.

**Otto Hilbert** – Corning Glass Works executive; historian.


**John Hill** – Prominent Caton farmer; former Justice of the Peace.

**Donald “Dutch” Hoag** – Stockcar driver; only five-time National Champion of Modified Sportsman Championships; native of Bath.

**Francis “Dye” Hogan** – Hornell athlete and community leader.
Shawn D. Hogan – Community leader involved in many youth activities.

Leonard D. Hollenbeck (1892 – 1978) – Dairy farmer; started first milk testing in area; Justice of the Peace; Town Board member for 44 years.

Herbert C. Holley (1869 – 1937) – Inventor of Holley grape sprayer; native of Pulteney.

George Buell Hollister – Corning Glass Works executive; Chairman Federal Civil Works Administration – 1930.

Johanna S. Hood – Director of Corning Head Start Program.

James Hope – Historian; genealogist.

Lisle E. Hopkins – Owned and operated Hopkins Dairy Farm from 1945 until 1988; member of Steuben County Farm Bureau since 1955; Director of New York Farm Bureau from 1964 – 1974.

Stoner E. Horey, M.D. (1946 - ) – Physician, 4-term Chairman of the Steuben County Legislature, Chairman of multiple legislative committees, appointed Assistant Commissioner of Economic Development for NYS by Governor Pataki.

John C. Hostetter – Former Director of Research, Corning Glass Works.

Robert E. Hubbard – A 1944 graduate of Painted Post High School; All-County basketball team; former Dean at Wayne State University in Michigan.

Silvia K. Huber – Elected to the Corning School Board of Education for 8 consecutive years; first lady who sought Mayor’s chair in Corning; was Chairwoman for the Corning City Democratic Committee for 6 years; active in Gregg School PTA; Cub Scouts; Brownies and Girl Scout leader.

John Hudson (1770 – 1838) – Circuit Rider who established Canisteo Methodist Church.

C. Leroy Hurlburt – Trustee of Wayland Gunlocke Library and Supervising Principal for the Wayland Central School for 31 years.

Milton R. Hurlburt – Awarded Charles Taylor “Master Mechanic” Award.

Virgil H. Hussey – Savona School principal; District Superintendent of Schools; head of Teacher Education Department – Roberts Wesleyn College.

Mary Karr Jackson (1889 – 1969) – Hornell community leader; one of first two women judges in New York State.

Dr. William Oren Jackson (1902 – 1981) – Responsible for the hospital on Saipan during World War II; family doctor for the Avoca area until retirement in 1963.

Eugene Jacobs – Member, Board of Directors, Steuben County Boy Scouts of America – 1952 – 1965; Legislative Chairman; Steuben
County Fireman’s Association – 1957 – 1980; volunteer worker, American Red Cross – 1958 – 1977; New York State Deputy Fire Coordinator; member of Steuben County Civil Service Committee; received Presidential Commendation for distinguished volunteerism from President Reagan.

*Dr. Jessie P. Janjigian (1881 – 1973)* – One of the first to practice Psychiatric Medicine in Northeast PA, 50-year member PA Medical Society, DAR, Daughters of 1812.

*John Henry Jones* – Born in Steuben County and worked for Corning Glass for 45 years as did his son, Ernest.

*John “Jack” Kahabka (1921 – 2004)* – WW II Veteran, Head of Steuben County Soil and Water Conservation District – 20 years; provided the design work for construction of Mossy Bank; organized Bath Shade Tree Committee.

*William K. Kastner* – Bath native; retired Air Force veteran with over 20 years of service; Director of the Steuben County Veteran’s Service Agency 1981 – 2003.

*Lynn Kellogg (1893 – 1930)* – Former County Sheriff; native of Bath.


*John R. Kelly, M.D. (1920 - )* – Physician, WW II Veteran, Chief of Obstetrical Services, First Executive Director of Bethesda Foundation, Director of American Red Cross and Hornell Children’s Home.
Francis Kernan (1816 – 1892) – Assemblyman; delegate to New York Constitutional Convention; U.S. Senator; fought Tweed Ring; native of Wayne.

Virginia H. Kiff (1905 – 1980) – She was selected as Bath’s most valuable citizen in 1952; active in the Bath Women’s Republican Club; member of the school board; active in Red Cross work; Chairman of the Red Cross Council and was a volunteer at the Bath Veteran’s Administration Center.

Bob Kimble – Corning athlete.

Martin Kimmel – Former Wayland postmaster and community leader.

Daniel Warren King (1920 – 2004) – The Bee Man, WW II Veteran, former foster parent for 30 years; Bath Grange Member, 25 years; founded Bath’s Farmer’s Market, 4-H Leader 20 years; beekeeper, founder Steuben County Honey Bee Association.

Mary Robie Kingsley (1841 – 1925) – “Lady Bath”; former Baron Steuben Chapter, D.A.R.

Kevin E. Kosty – Musician with Marine Corps Band; native of Hornby.

Richard Krivonyak – One of the founders of Hornell Area Council on the Disabled; member of the Board of Directors of Independent Living, Inc. in Olean and Southern Tier Office of Social Ministries in Elmira.

Dr. John R. Kuhl (1903 – 1982) – Country doctor; served Hammondsport area for 48 years; devoted 49 years to scouting.
John “Randy” Kuhl, Jr. (1943 - ) – Attorney, NY State Assembly, NY State Senate, Chairman Senate Agriculture and Education Committees, Advisory Committee of the Steuben Area Council of Boy Scouts, Republican Committee.

Mildred M. Landis, Ph.D. – World-wide educator; lecturer; writer.

Betty D. Landon – Director of Schuyler County Historical Museum – Corning.

Francis F. Latham (1907 – 1985) – Canisteo teacher and community leader.

Joseph Latham – Editor, Canisteo Times for 48 years.

John Hoyt Lillie – First President of Hornellsville Village; developer of area; inventor.


Dorothy D. Littrell – In 1975 she was the first woman elected to Steuben County Board of Supervisors, representing the City of Corning; active in Corning Youth Bureau.

Douglas A. Loescher – Executive Director of the Market Street Restoration Agency.

Bernice E. Lyon – International authority on genealogy; listed five “Who’s Who” and four other biographical works.
Herbert L. MacDonnell – Noted criminologist and inventor of the MAGNA Brush for fingerprinting.

V. Jay Madsen (1885 – 1960) – Established the Bath Livestock Auction (now Empire Livestock); Trustee for Bath Village; Bath Mayor; founded Madsen Equipment Co., that manufactured rear engine school buses.

Louise K. Maloney (1908 – 1997) – Corning Social Service Society, Steuben County Welfare Dept., Corning Alcoholism Committee, Executive Director of Social Service Society.

Floyd Manwarren – Distinguished Corning Glass cutter and local leader.

Gilbert A. Mathews – Electrician for 40 years; USAR for 28 years; Scoutmaster of Bradford Boy Scout Troop 45 since 1984.

Leon Matson – Native of Woodhull; Corning Glass Works executive; holder of USA Citation, Distinguished Service Cross and British Military Medal.


Maurice E. Miller – Author; editor weekly newspaper for 35 years; gave antique Sackett and Tabor drugstore to Chicago Museum of Physicians and Surgeons.

Pearl Miner – Director of Head Start Program in Hornell.
Frank Minichello – Native of Kanona; holder of Purple Heart; Bath town Councilman; active in community affairs.

Pauline K. Molegnone – Art teacher.

Patrick & Betty Monahan – Pat & Betty both spent more than half of their lives serving and honoring the veterans of Steuben County. Pat, to-date has 44 years and 22,515 hours. Betty, when she died, had 42 years and 20,024 hours of volunteer time at the Bath Veterans Facility.

Philip R. Morse – Past President of the N.Y. State Moose Association; Supreme Governor of Moose – 1972 and is now the Moose Treasurer.

Jack Murphy – Corning athlete and World War II hero.

Bernard Murphy – New York State Game Warden for over 25 years.

John McBurney (1796 – 1867) – Early settler of Corning; State Assemblyman; Supervisor; Justice of the Peace; Assessor.

Mary L. McCabe (1890 – 1963) – From 1922 till her retirement in 1955, Ms. McCabe was responsible, more than any other person, for the growth of the Corning Library from a collection of mostly unread tomes to today’s well organized and highly used library which ranks as one of the best for its size in New York State.

Elsie McCarty – Volunteer work; “Secretary of the Year” at Corning Glass.

Carol McConnel – Author of “A tale Begun in Other Days”; storyteller of local history; Prattsburgh librarian for over 20 years and “gray lady” at Bath, VA.

Asa McConnell – Developed McConnell Co. of Hornell, manufacturer of wood products.

Richard McDonald – Corning Superintendent of Schools for 9 years; BOCES Superintendent for 9 years; N.Y. Council of School Superintendents “Distinguished Service Award”.

Roger Eugene McGlynn – Leader of Steuben Area Dairy Festival for over 25 years.


Thomas George McHenry – Athlete at CFA and Corning.


Harry L. Merring (1885 – 1965) – Rathbone native; graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, Class of 1911; retired as a Rear Admiral in 1947.

Joseph Nasser – City of Corning Mayor for over 20 years.

Clara Nelson – Hartsville artist and teacher.

Dr. Frank Nicklaus – Member of Bath School Board; Mayor of Bath; Bath National Bank Board Member for 40 years.
Lawrence Nixson, Sr. – Retired Corning Glass Works gaffer.

Robert F. Oaks (1918 – 1995) – Has been with the Hornell Evening Tribune for 55 years and has written a weekly column “Historically Speaking” for many years; was a World War II correspondent; City Alderman for 4 terms and Hornell City Historian.

James J. O’Hara – Supervisor and Chairman of the Board in early 1900’s.

Edwin Ober – Chief school physician, Corning – Painted Post School District; Director of Medicine, Founders Pavilion; public health official; private practitioner.


Lillian Ostrander (1871 – 1917) – Educator; first woman School Commissioner in Bath District.

Meade H. Ostrander – Avoca Justice and civic leader.

Frederick A. Owen (1867 – 1935) – Founder and publisher of “The Instructor” magazine for elementary school teachers; native of South Dansville.

Ralph H. Overstom (1901 – 1935) – Served as County and Corning Supervisor for 26 years; active in Boy Scout work for 30 years.
Joseph Paddock, D.V.M. (1927 - ) – Veterinarian, United States Army Reserve, Past President Steuben County Historical Society, Director 6 years Bath Humane Society, Major contributor to “The Bath Heritage” of Bath, NY.

Milton A. Paltrowitz (1907 – 1983) – He organized and was the first President of the Corning Sports Hall of Fame; active in all forms of sports in the Corning Area for many years.

Zenas L. Parker (1819 – 1911) – Haverling School Principal; Steuben County School Commissioner; Steuben County Treasurer; was President of the Steuben County Sportsmen’s Club, he was instrumental in securing the New York State Fish Hatchery located at Cold Springs.

Lawrence A. Parks (1910 – 1975) – Supervisor for the Town of Cohocton from 1965 – 1975; President of Cooperative Extension 1975; active in Boy Scouts for 31 years; recipient of the Silver Beaver with Honor Bar.

Myron Patchin – First Justice of the Peace in Wayland.

Walter Patchin – First settler in Patchinsville.

Benjamin Nott Payne (1839 – 1917) – Corning industrialist and inventor; received Diploma of Honor from Academy of French Inventors.

Dr. George M. Peabody – Well-known physician in Wayland for many years.

Curtis Peer – Corning athlete.
Dr. James F. Pepper (1898 – 1963) – Native of Pulteney, NY; honored for Distinguished Service by the Department of the Interior; mapped bedrock geology of Hornell Quadrangle in Steuben County.

Benjamin Perkins – First settler in Perkinsville.

Edward J. Pfeiffer – Wayland Mayor and civic leader.

Norman Phelps – Artist and sculptor; Addison.


Bill Pullman – Native of Hornell, NY; had a starring role in the most popular movie of 1996 – “Independence Day”.

Walter Redman – Astronomer; established planetarium at Genesee State University; native of Greenwood.

John Reed – Physical education teacher at Bradford Central School for over 26 years.

Charles H. Reynolds (1906 – 1978) – Sheriff Deputy for 19 years; Sheriff for 8 years; member of New York State Patrol Board for 10 years.

Dr. Ardean E. Richmond (1879 – 1965) – Friend and physician to the people of the Wayland area for nearly 50 years; he delivered over 2,500 babies during his years as a doctor.


Clayton Robinson, Sr. – Town Board member and Justice, Corning.


Howard Rock – Teacher; Superintendent of Bath School; President of Southern Tier Library.

Leon M. Roe (1909 – 1984) – Canisteo physician; member New York State Hospital Review and Planning Committee; Director Syracuse Blue Cross; Chief of Staff at both Hornell hospitals; Fellow International College of Surgeons.

William C. Rogers (1794 – 1855) – Founder of Rogersville and Rogersville Union Seminary.

Althea Roll – Corning Town Assessor; Town of Corning Supervisor; Steuben County Legislator; real estate sales.

Hamilton Rosecrans – Supervisor, Wayland.

Eleanor C. Rutledge – One of the five original signers to begin in the Southern Tier Library System.

Judy Schoenthal – Hornby Town Clerk; established Hornby Model Archives.

Robert J. Schultz – Town of West Union Supervisor for 16 years; Town Justice since 1994; coordinated the Child ID Program in Steuben County.

Ambrose E. Scudder (1882 – 1964) – Painted Post “Master Farmer”; President County Farm Bureau and County Agricultural Society; Supervisor; banker; overcame handicap of losing hands in farm accident.

Glen H. Scutt – Corning native; charter member of the Wine Country Senior Citizens Club, Wine Country Tourist Association and Crooked Lake Historical Society; Vice President of Bath Chamber of Commerce.

George Washington Sears (1821 – 1890) – Early naturalist; conservation; author – penname “NESSMUK”; residing for many years in Painted Post from 1850 on.

Dorothy Sheedy – Corning civic volunteer.

John Shethar (1752 – 1835) – Captain in Continental Army; when Washington lost his sword at Brandywine, Shethar gave his own and it
was later returned personally by Washington; founded Hammondsport; first Grand Jury Foreman in Bath 1796.

_Harold Shults_ – Supervisor; historian; tax expert in Wheeler.

_Mary Shults (1907 – 2004)_ – Teacher, Regent of the DAR, Avoca Town Justice.

_Cornelius Augustine Silke (1875 – 1937)_ – “Farmer Priest” and leader in agriculture in County; credited with restoration of agriculture in Rexville.

_Henry P. Sinclaire (1864 – 1927)_ – Part owner Corning Glass Works; part owner of T.G. Hawkes and Co. (cut glass); owner of H.P. Sinclaire and Co.

_Ernest P. and Mary Smith_ – Beloved doctor and nurse team in Cohocton and Bath area for 46 years.

_Gail Preston Smith_ – Manager, International Research, Corning Glass Works; developed ribbon glass capacitor during World War II.

_Jeffrey Smith_ – Community Leader in Woodhull and Addison areas.

_Martha Cameron Smith_ – Former head librarian at Corning – Painted Post School District.

_Sarah C. Smith_ – Missionary in Japan for 50 years and founded a Christian School for Girls; born in Painted Post.

_William T. Smith_ – State Senator who led fight against drunk driving.
Richard Snively – Organized in the 1960’s Youth for Christ in Elmira; 1967 organized and built a youth center north of Bath; 1973 founded the New Life Homes – Snell Farm.

Irv Snyder – Educator; athletic coach; active in Red Cross; Council on Alcoholism; American Lung Association.

John Snyder (1917 – 1989) – County Legislator for 16 years; Corning Town Supervisor for 6 years; Inductee of the Corning – Painted Post Sports Hall of Fame.

Alfred L. Spencer (1879 – 1953) – Teacher; principal; author “Spencer’s Roster of Native Sons”; national head of the campaign for revision of book postage.

Iva Gorton Sprague (1893 – 1984) – Lecturer; writer; world traveler and active civic worker.

Theodore M. Sprague (1927 – ) – Pilot WWII, World Champion Singles and Doubles in rowing three times, member Sports Hall of Fame, Supporter of Corning Historic District.

Leo Stanton – Teacher; educator; banker; farmer that used innovative agricultural practices.

Harry Y. Stebbin (1893 – 1967) – Born in Hammondsport, NY; was a Captain during World War I; he developed the six-wheel truck; he later invented the way to air condition railway refrigerator cars and revolutionized the perishable industry in it’s shipping procedures.

Henry S. Stebbins (1858 – 1929) – Owner of the Bath-Hammondsport Railroad; founder of General Motors Truck, Co.
**John B. M. Stephens** – Teacher; attorney; Monroe County Judge; established the Monroe County Children’s Court; New York State Supreme Court Justice; Director of Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

**Uriah Stephens, Sr.** – Pioneer settler of Canisteo area of Steuben County.

**Ernest G. Stewart (1889 – 1959)** – Howard native; Mayor of Hornell for 10 years; Hornell City Clerk for 4 years and Alderman for 8 years.

**Fay Stewart** – Leader in Steuben County dairy industry; former Supervisor.

**Merrill L. Stickler (1892 – 1987)** – Corning native; author; Curator of Arms – Rockwell Gallery of Eastern Art; Director-Curator of Glenn H. Curtiss Museum; past President of Corning – Painted Post Historical Society.

**Myrtle Newell Stone** – Artist; poet; writer from Hornell.


**Marion “Sam” Stratton** – Bath Police Department for 26 years; Chief of Police from 1960 – 1968.

**Edith L. Strobel (1884 – 1976)** – Editor of the Cohocton Valley Times Index from the 1940’s until the paper ended publication in 1963; she had no children and never married; Cohocton’s children were all hers and she loved them.
Gary L. Swan – National President Future Farmers – first ever selected from New York State; invited to Brazil to establish Future Farmers of Brazil; Chairman Youths Highway Safety Commission, established by the U.S. Secretary of Transportation; native of Jasper.

Elaine Swiler – She has worked with the beef industry on local, state and national levels to ensure quality and safe and highly marketable product since 1970.

John W. Taggart (1878 – 1956) – Served as Bath Village Clerk for 48 years.


Walter Taylor – Established Taylor Wine Co. in 1880; developed New York State Wines.

William Chittenden Taylor – Chemist for U.S. Department of Agriculture; Chief Chemist of Corning Glass; developed a workable heat resistant glass, trademarked “NONEX”.

Dr. Margene M. Tichane – Physician for Corning area for over 30 years; has chaired the Red Cross; Clionian Circle; has been President of the American Association of University Women.

Grace Ione Tobey (1892 – 1983) – Educator; one of the founders of Corning Area Retired Teachers Association; advocate of protection of animal and bird life.

Ellsworth R. Tripp – Physical education teacher at Cohocton Central School for 25 years; responsible for Cohocton Sports Complex; recipient of Section V Sportsman Award several time.

Robert Turner – Corning athlete.


Harry L. Tyler (1873 – 1931) – Newsman; magazine editor; advertising expert; composer; inventor – held some of the first patents on the electric chair.

Edwin S. Underhill, Jr. – Bath native; President of Urbana Wine Co. from 1934 – 1950; affiliated with the Corning Leader from 1910 – 1950.

Edwin Stewart Underhill, III – Publisher of the Corning Leader 1961 – 1974; founding Director, President, Route 17 Association which spearheaded the effort to create the Southern Tier Expressway.

Alton Vanderhoff – Ingersoll Rand employee; former Town of Erwin Historian.

Emily VanScooter – RSVP volunteer.

Thomas Waaland – Corning Glass Works executive; holder of Silver Antelope Award and “Distinguished Citizens – 1985” by the Boy Scouts.

Mary Lu Walker – Internationally known folk singer and recording artist.

Thomas Warner (1831 – 1890) – Cohocton lumberman; made housing possible for many less fortunate; Supervisor for several years.

Elsie E. Watkins – Was part of the “team” at Corning Hospital for 25 years; a woman of high integrity and perseverance, she loved people, to serve them was her pride and joy.

Kathryn Belknap Watkins (1879 – 1950) – First Superintendent of Bath Memorial Hospital.

Carl Wellington (1904 – 1980) – Arkport farmer and Supervisor – Chairman for 6 years.

Dr. Benjamin F. Wells (1756 – 1813) – Revolutionary War surgeon; first Wayne Supervisor; killed in battle, War of 1812.
Charlotte Fowler Wells – Native of Cohocton; Phrenologist; helped establish the Phrenological Journal.

Wilma Welty – Lindley native; retired school teacher after 40 years; Lindly Historian; Lindley City of the Year for 1922.


John C. Wheeler (1886 – 1982) – Judgeships: Corning City, County Surrogate, New York State Supreme Court – Appellate Division, Court of Appeals, Supreme Court Referee; Trustee Corning Museum of Glass; banker.

Sila Wheeler – Revolutionary War Captain; captured four times by the enemy; settled Village of Wheeler.

Donald A. White – Mayor of Addison for three terms; Village Trustee for ten years; received Masonic Distinguished Service Award for Community and Fraternal Service.

Nelia Gardner White – Popular novelist – two books on best seller list in early 1900’s; lived in Cameron.

Alton J. Wightman – Bath Village Attorney; County Judge for 10 years; Supreme Court Justice.

William Windsor – Greenwood-Canisteo minister; helped build South Hornell Church.

Dr. Paul J. Wolfgruber (1919 - ) – Physician 40 years. U.S. Army WWII, on staff at Bethesda and St. James Mercy Hospitals, Health Officer for many towns, Board of Education at Arkport.

William Wombough, Sr. (1796 – 1853) – Addison pioneer; built woolen mill, grist mills and sawmills in Addison area.

Louise Wood – “The Salvation Army Lady” for 45 years.

Pam Wood – Wayland humanitarian.

Locie Doty Woodmancy – Former pastor of General Methodist Church, Utica and Grace Church, NY; native of Cameron.

Elroy H. Young – Former Chairman of Steuben County Supervisors; Supervisor Town of Lindley.

John N. Young (1889 – 1978) – Elder Cohocton Presbyterian Church; member Steuben Area Boy Scouts; Camp Gorton counselor; Grand Marshall Cohocton Memorial Day Parade for 55 years; U.S. Army veteran.

Marbel Young – Former Chief of Blind Rehabilitation at Bath VA; volunteer worker in Corning area.

Christopher Zimmerman – First settler in Wayland.