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## Indigenous People of Central Pennsylvania

by William Wagner

The typical history of Mount Gretna usually begins with the leasing of land to the Chautauqua and Campmeeting communities by Robert Coleman. While this might be the official start of these communities, indigenous people lived on this land for 12,000 years since the end of the last ice age. Lebanon County's streams, springs and fertile limestone valley were excellent resources for hunting and fishing, gathering nuts and berries, and stone for making tools. In historic times, the land was used primarily for seasonal camps for hunting and fishing with some later farming settlements later. This area also became a key crossroads for trade between Susquehanna and Delaware river systems.

Early settlers of the region encountered several different tribes including the Susquehannock, the Lenape (Delaware), the Shawnee, and the Haudenousaunee (Iroquois) who fell into two distinct ethnic groups. The Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) and Six Nations tribes were more warlike and geographically centered in New York and southern Canada, while the Algonquian tribes (including the Lenape) were coming up from the South including Maryland and Virginia.





*Fig. 2 (above): Illustration of Native community of Longhouses. (Courtesy of the Susquehanna National Heritage Area.)*

*Fig. 3 (left): Recreation of a Native Longhouse (Courtesy of the 1719 Museum.)*

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These two groups were distinguished by their language, culture, and historic political rivalries. The early settlers and traders were quick to take advantage of these differences to exploit them for resources such as fur and timber.

Figure 1 shows a rough approximation of the tribes that existed in Pennsylvania when William Penn first encountered them in 1682.

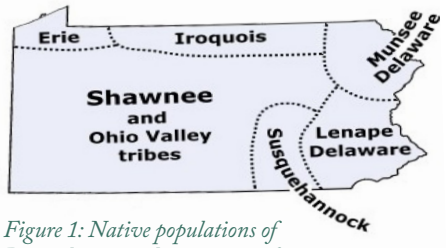



*Figure 1: Native populations of Pennsylvania in historic times from* https://www.native-languages.org/pennsylvania.htm

In central Pennsylvania and Lebanon County, the Susquehannocks were the main native inhabitants. They lived in longhouses (like the northern Iroquois tribes) and built defensive palisades around their villages (see figures 2 and 3.). One of their largest villages was along the Conestoga River near Lancaster.

The Susquehannock nation was much smaller than other native tribes. It is estimated that between 5,000-7,000 of them were living at the time the famous English explorer from Virginia, John Smith, first encountered them at the mouth of the Susquehanna River in 1608. He described them as "gyants" and fearsome enemies of the Lenape.

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THE MGAHS MUSEUM is open from Memorial Day weekend until Labor Day weekend, 1-4pm, or by appointment. We offer school and group tours, summer walking tours, and research assistance by appointment throughout the year.

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# MGAHS President's Report

by Susan Hostetter, MGAHS Board Chair



Dear Friends of MGAHS,

What a lovely time of year. After another busy summer with many visitors to our museum, we now move indoors to continue working on our next project. One improvement to moving indoors is the addition of two steps to our path leading from the museum to Pennsylvania Avenue. Our path is now safer and more level. Thank you to our Building and Grounds Committee and the Mount Gretna Borough for their coordination of this project.




We're delighted to share that *Sarah Tyson Rorer: The Pure Food Movement and Mount Gretna's Rorer Hall of Cookery* by Jean-Paul Benowitz has won **Second Place in The BookFest Awards (Spring 2026)** in the category Biographies, Food and Drink: Health and Healing.

Long before the Hall of Philosophy stood in the heart of the Pennsylvania Chautauqua, the same spot was home to the Sarah Tyson Rorer Hall of Cookery. Mrs. Rorer was one of the best-known cooking teachers, authors, and lecturers of her day, a champion of healthy food, proper diet, and kitchen hygiene, and she lived and taught right here in Mount Gretna.

As Jean-Paul put it: "The category pleases me as much as the placement. Judges who spend their days with books about food and health recognized Mrs. Rorer as one of their own, which is precisely the recognition she spent fifty years earning and then lost for the better part of a century."

Many of you will recognize Jean-Paul from the Hall of Philosophy, where he has been a favorite speaker in the Pennsylvania Chautauqua's summer programs for nearly three decades. He is director of Prestigious Scholarships & Fellowships and Public Heritage Studies at Elizabethtown College.

The book was commissioned and published by the Mount Gretna Area Historical Society and the Lebanon County Historical Society. Congratulations, Jean-Paul, and thank you for telling her story so well! Copies are available on our website: mtgretnahistory.org. All proceeds support both historical societies.

Mark your calendars for two programs already on the books for 2026. At **2 p.m., Sunday, February 7**, in the Mount Gretna Fire Hall, local historian Michael Jesberger will present a program titled "Hessian Prisoners in Pennsylvania." The program focuses on how the Continental Army dealt with enemy prisoners captured in battle and uses eyewitness accounts to highlight some of the experiences of German and British prisoners of war.

Governor Dick Day will be held on **Saturday, April 17**. Kathy Lindert will present her ongoing research about the enslaved community that lived in our area in the 1700s. Stay tuned for more information. If you'd like to help with this event, let us know by emailing mtgretnahistory@gmail.com or calling 717-964-1105.

There is never a dull moment at MGAHS and you, our members, help to keep us moving forward with your gifts of time, talent and treasure.

Gratefully, Sue Hostetter
President, Mount Gretna Historical Society

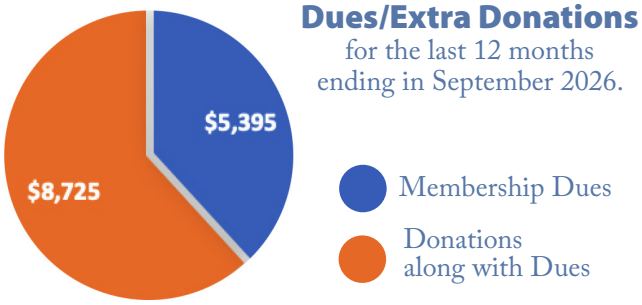
# MGAHS Financial Report: November 2026

by Bob Eynon, Treasurer

It's been a whirlwind Summer, and we are about to finish October, our fifth fiscal month. Top line – Our finances are in good shape, thanks to our members' support!

First, in May's newsletter, I said how excited I was about how the Endowment might pass $100,000 before the end of our fiscal year in May of 2027. I'm happy to report that we are still on track, and we are hoping to receive a grant from the Anne Brossman Sweigart Charitable Foundation in the next couple of months that will move us toward that goal. I'll update you in the Spring newsletter. If you would like to help us continue our growth and achieve this milestone, just indicate that on your donation, and it will go to the Endowment.

Next, this chart shows how over the last twelve months, when you renewed, you gave an additional $8,725! It is quite impressive, and we thank you.




**Dues/Extra Donations**
for the last 12 months ending in September 2026.

In other financial news, here are all our accounts as of the end of September:

- **Total financial accounts: $228,552.**
  This is an increase of about $7,400 from the end of May.
- **Endowment: $89,693. Up $1,076, again since May.**
- **Other funds restricted by donors for specific uses: $29,544.**
- **Board of Directors' emergency reserve: $25,000.**
- **Funds available for general use: $95,764.**
  Increased by over $7,300 from May.

Lastly, if you wish to gift stocks or mutual funds to the Historical Society, they can be transferred to our brokerage. To transfer securities, please give your brokerage the following information:

Brokerage: Vanguard
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After you have instructed your brokerage, please let us know at mtgretnahistory@gmail.com, or by mail at MGAHS, PO Box 362, Mount Gretna, PA 17064 so we can acknowledge your gift. Donor information is often removed from electronic transfers, and we want to thank you properly!

Bob Eynon MGAHS

## Remembering David Bronstein

We note with sadness the passing of one of our original board members David Bronstein, DO (Oct. 7, 2026).

A long-time Chautauqua resident, he was active on the boards of the Mount Gretna Historical Association, WITF, and Historic Harrisburg Association. He also served as president of Gretna Theatre. An indefatigable collector of art and antiques, he assembled one of the largest and finest collections of American stoneware in the country.

His enthusiasm was infectious, his determination formidable, and his ability to persuade others to support a worthy cause was legendary. He will be missed.

## Upcoming MGAHS Events

**Sunday, February 2, 2027:**
*Hessian Prisoners in Pennsylvania* by Michael Jesberger.
2:00 p.m. in the Mount Gretna Fire Hall

**Saturday, April 17, 2027:**
Governor Dick Day, Clarence Schock Environmental Center

## Governor Dick Day

The Mount Gretna Area Historical Society and the Lebanon County NAACP have begun planning Governor Dick Day to be held on Saturday, April 17, 2027, at the Clarence Schock Environmental Center. Governor Dick was an enslaved man who escaped from Cornwall Furnace on April 17, 1796.

To commemorate the day of his escape, we envision an event at which we tell his story, honor his bid for freedom, and remember the strength and humanity of all the enslaved men, women and children who lived and worked in our area at that time. We are planning a lecture on Governor Dick and his escape from enslavement to be presented by Kathy Lindert who is researching and writing a book about him and the enslaved community of Cornwall Furnace. Other interactive educational activities are planned. We welcome your assistance in helping us organize and implement this meaningful event. MGAHS

# Indigenous People of Central Pennsylvania

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The area around Mount Gretna was not the site of any major native villages in historic times but rather was important as a seasonal hunting ground for the Susquehannock tribe.

By 1700, the population was down to 300 due to the rampant diseases of smallpox and cholera. Eventually, the last few were wiped out by the Paxton Boys in 1763, who insisted they were hiding Iroquois informants who were behind some of the attacks on settlers in central Pennsylvania. Interestingly, the Susquehannock tribe spoke Iroquois and had many of the cultural elements such as language, house types, and social structure of the Iroquois, but were traditionally fierce enemies of the more warlike Iroquois tribes.

The positions and boundaries for the various tribes as shown in Figure 1 were flexible and changed significantly over time. Much of the pressure to move west came from the influx of European settlers. Figure 4 shows an overview of the eleven treaties that were signed in Pennsylvania with the native peoples. Mount Gretna and Lebanon County were ceded via the two treaties of 1732 and 1736 which ostensibly covered the land between the Delaware and Susquehanna rivers. Chiefs from the Lenape tribe signed over this land to the state since they were viewed as the most powerful tribe in the region at that point.

It is important to realize that the native Americans living in central Pennsylvania and Mount Gretna had a significant impact on the world we live in today. Many of the old place names such as "Conewago" and "Swatara" and "Susquehanna" are derived from Iroquois and Algonquian names. Many of the old roads on which we drive today were built directly on top of existing native trails. Some examples include US route 422 which links Lebanon with Hummelstown. This road was built on top of a major path through the Lebanon Valley. Many sections of the historic Horseshoe Trail that pass through the game lands near Mount Gretna along with Governor Dick State Park were originally a native path through the valley.

If you have found any artifacts around Mount Gretna or if you have other information about the native peoples in Lebanon County, please contact the author, William Wagner. (William.wagner@villanova.edu). MGAHS

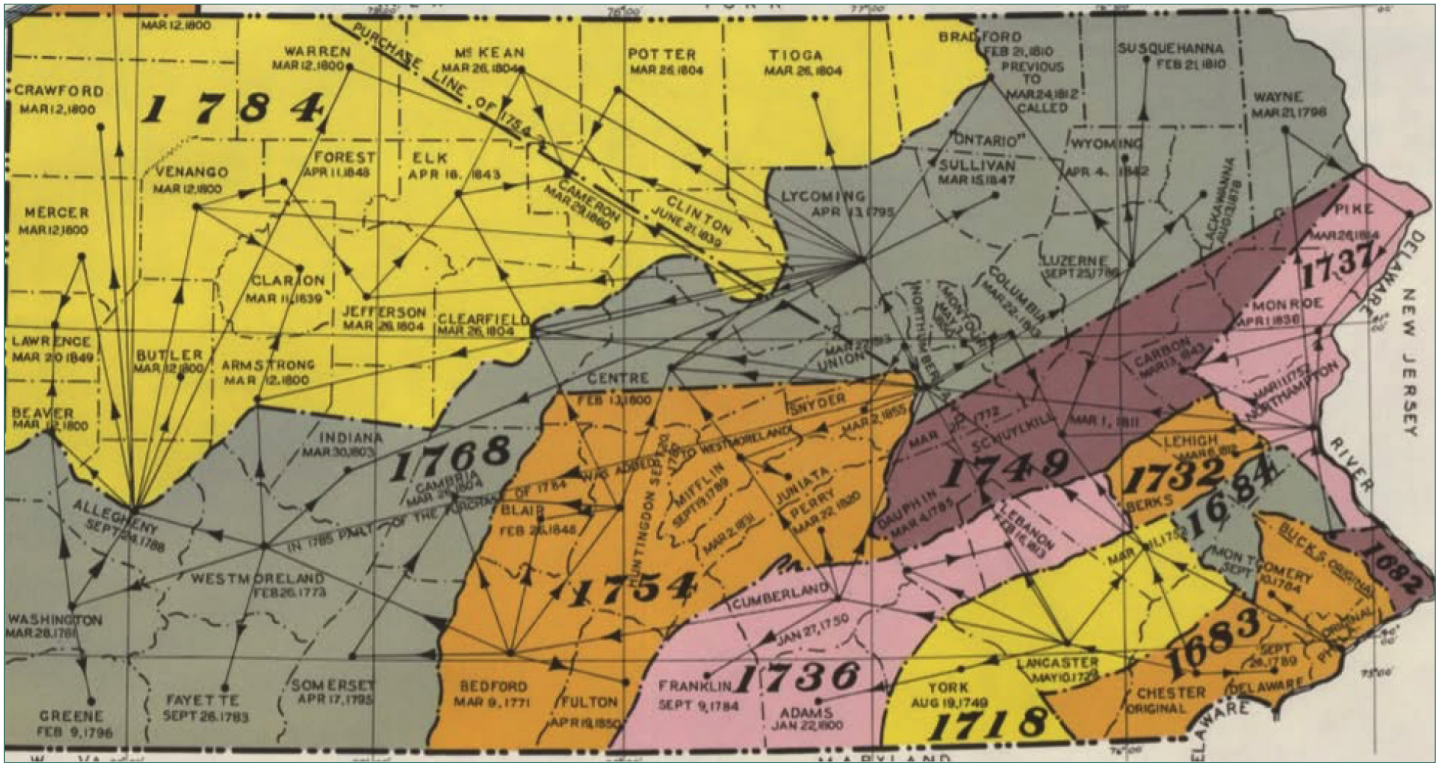



*Fig. 4: Treaties with Indigenous Peoples in Pennsylvania (source Wikipedia Commons) shows the different treaties that were signed that helped relocate the Pennsylvania indigenous peoples further west.*

# The Living Hearth Brings Governor Dick's Revolutionary-Era Charcoal Story Back to Life




*Mount Gretna-raised landscape artist Ryan Fretz designed and built the Living Hearth. An interpretive sign describes how the hearths worked, who worked them and who the enslaved man known as Governor Dick was.*

The Living Hearth at Clarence Schock Memorial Park at Governor Dick is a habitat-focused, cross-section reconstruction of a historic charcoal hearth.

In the 1700s and 1800s, free and enslaved workers on Governor Dick Hill transformed wood into charcoal, the essential fuel for nearby Cornwall Iron Furnace. Created to commemorate the 250th anniversary of American independence, the Living Hearth connects these woods and the people who worked them to the nation's founding story.

The Living Hearth is a partnership of five organizations: the Mount Gretna Arts Council, the Mount Gretna Area Historical Society, Clarence Schock Memorial Park at Governor Dick, the Lebanon County NAACP, and Friends of Governor Dick. MGAHS

# Bringing Mount Gretna's History to You

by Tina Shank, MGAHS Board Member




Part of the mission of the Mount Gretna Area Historical Society (MGAHS) is to collect, preserve, and archive artifacts related to Mount Gretna's history. Each item is documented in our PastPerfect database, helping us preserve these valuable resources and share our community's history with others.

Our primary mode of telling the story of Mount Gretna began with the establishment of the museum on Pennsylvania Avenue in Mount Gretna and *The Gretna Chronicles Newsletter*. In recent years, MGAHS expanded our outreach by presenting a program featuring historic postcards to organizations in surrounding communities. This past summer, we introduced a walking tour of the Historic PA Chautauqua, with plans to add another walking tour in Campmeeting for the 2027 summer season.

## So, what's Next?

PastPerfect also offers an online platform that allows users to explore selected archival collections from the comfort of their own homes. We are now in the very early stages of making this resource available through PastPerfect Online (PPO), beginning with our collection of historic photographs. Once available, members will be able to search for topics of interest and browse related photographs.

Initially, access to PastPerfect Online will be limited to MGAHS members. Stay tuned! In the coming months, we will share instructions on how to access the online archives so you can begin exploring Mount Gretna's rich history from home.

Questions? Please contact Tina Shank at mgahs.archives@gmail.com. We look forward to making more of Mount Gretna's history accessible to our members! MGAHS

# Healing, curative powers said to flow from Gretna spring

by Margaret Hopkins

In the summer of 1888, John Wesley (J.W.) Etter, a popular Methodist pastor in Lebanon, camped for several weeks in the unsettled woods of Mount Gretna where he experienced an easing of the illnesses he had endured throughout much of his life.

It is not clear whether Etter ever attributed his improved health to drinking daily from one of the area's many natural springs—but that didn't stop others from asserting that Etter had discovered a 'medicinal spring' with healing properties.

"The medicinal spring is one of the many that attracts special attention for its coldness and wonderful flow of crystal water," according to a July 13, 1892, story in the *Lebanon Daily News.*

Where exactly Etter camped is unknown, but an 1897 map labels a 'medicinal spring' at what is today the Mount Gretna Tennis Club.



*Undated photo of what might have been the medicinal spring. When the hand pump was removed is not known.* (Photo courtesy of Mount Gretna Area Historical Society.)

### "Numberless springs of water"

In the early 1880s, Robert H. Coleman sought to develop a picnic grove along his Colebrook Valley Railroad—later, Cornwall & Lebanon Railroad—to boost ridership. The easily accessible springs along with abundant woodlands put Mount Gretna on the map.

These springs stem from the area's geologic past and the sedimentary rock strata formed through erosion and deposition. The rock layers of Mount Gretna include quartz pebble conglomerates, shale and sandstone, with sandstone predominant.

Sandstone has large fractures and pore spaces so can hold sizable quantities of water that can be tapped with pumps and wells. Springs—where groundwater flows onto the land surface—are common in sandstone rock.

Within two years of siting a picnic grove and park, Coleman had many of the springs enclosed perhaps to protect the water from any contamination. "A unique feature of the place is the numberless springs of water," according to the *Catalogue of the Pennsylvania Chautauqua 4th Annual Assembly.* "Many of them are walled up with confining circles of masoned sandstone."

When the Pennsylvania Chautauqua was founded in 1892, two springs were identified, according to the *Daily News*' August 4 edition of that year. One was near the entrance to the grounds—and can still be found close to the Porch & Pantry restaurant. The other was off the main avenue and was frequented by cottagers going to the lake.

In Chautauqua's first years, that spring is most often touted for its refreshing, pure and cold water with little mention of healing or curative powers—but that changed in 1895.

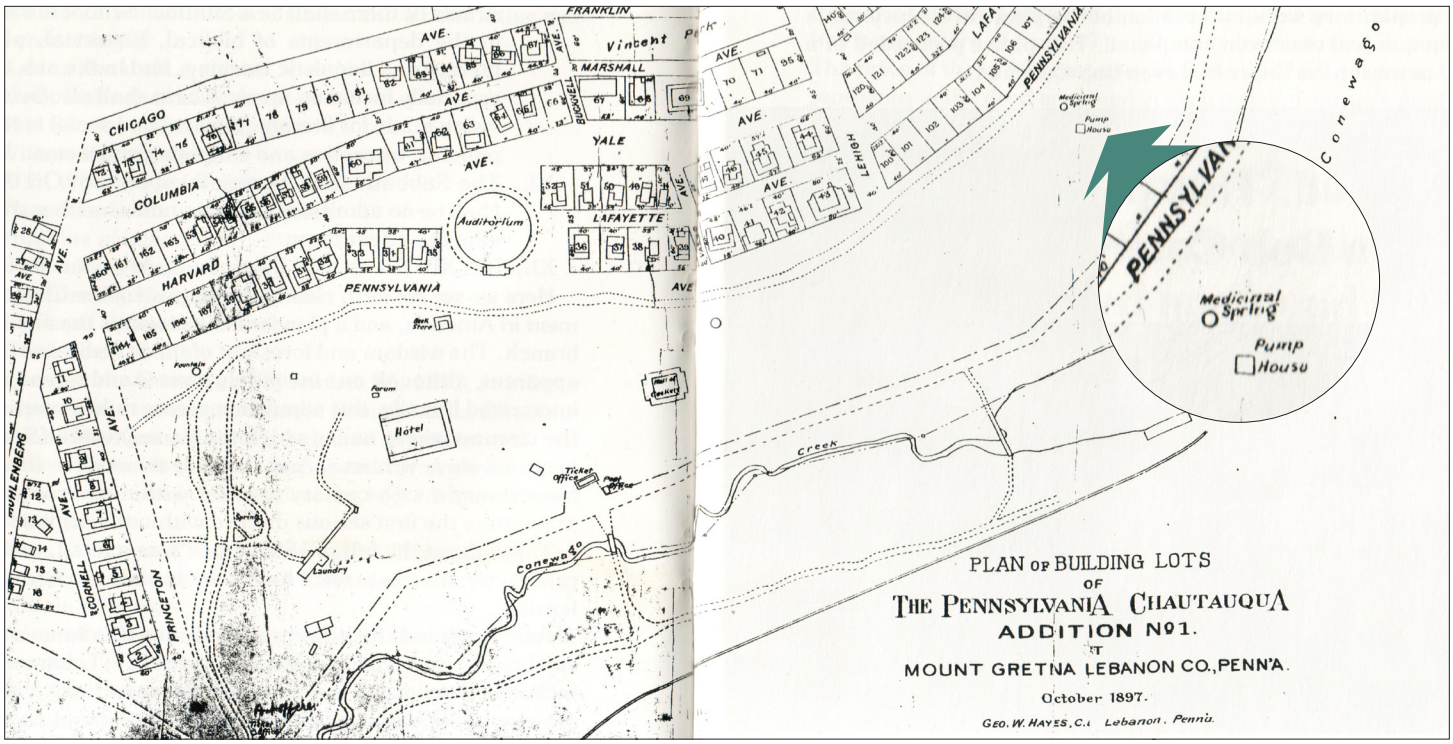
### Spring's 'medicinal' reputation grows

The illnesses that Etter suffered throughout his life are never described, but they clearly were debilitating. In late 1886, they caused him to step away from pastoral duties for several months.
A year later, when offered the presidency of Lebanon Valley College, he turned it down, citing health reasons.

Etter's seeming recovery isn't noted in news stories until his death in March 1895. According to his obituary in the *Lebanon Daily News*, during his four years in Lebanon, he "improved in health, having been especially benefitted by camping out several months at Mt. Gretna at the spring since become noted as the 'Medicinal' spring."

Several months later, the *Lebanon Courier and Semi-Weekly Report* credited Etter with discovery of "this spring of water, that has such remarkable medicine properties."

Others also extolled the spring's curative powers. John Cilley, who designed Chautauqua's first auditorium, described himself as a "great lover of the Mt. Gretna water and especially the medicinal spring which he claims is better for him than medicine and of which he drinks large potions daily," the *Lebanon Daily News* reported in September 1895.




*1897 map of the Pennsylvania Chautauqua showing the site of a 'medicinal spring' and 'pump house.'*

By 1897, the spring became known for "toning up the system, curing dyspepsia, rheumatism and kindred ailments," the *Lebanon Daily News* reported in August 1897.

J.R. Boughter, address unknown, sought to capitalize on the spring's medicinal reputation. In January 1896, he offered to deliver Mount Gretna water for 5-cents/gallon provided enough people sent him a postcard requesting the service, according to the *Lebanon Daily News*. Whether this early foray into bottled spring water was successful is not known.

## Pumping the spring

Within two years of its founding, the Chautauqua board recognized the need for a continuous and abundant supply of water to meet cottagers' and visitors' needs and set about creating a water system.

A pump was installed in the spring and powered by "a pretty little engine," according to the Catalogue of the Pennsylvania Chautauqua 4th Annual Assembly. That engine pumped water to a holding tank with a capacity of 4,000 gallons located on a hilltop at the southern end of Chautauqua.

From there, water flowed down into Chautauqua in two-inch mains and into 28 hydrants throughout the grounds, according to the June 25, 1894, *Lebanon Daily News*.

As more and more cottages were built, demand for water grew. In 1897, a reservoir of brick and cement with capacity of 10,000 gallons was built "on the highest point in the Chautauqua grounds," according to the *Lebanon Daily News*.

Three years later, the system grew again with another reservoir—this one had a 50,000-gallon capacity. A steam pump moved the water



*Pictured is one of Chautauqua's two springs. When it was enclosed is not known. This spring is located near the Porch and Pantry. (Photo: K.Donahue, MGAHS.)*

from the medicinal spring up the hill, and the two-inch water mains were replaced with four-inch mains extended to all cottages. The spring yielded 1,800 gallons/hour—a remarkable quantity, according to the *Lebanon Daily News*.

By 1910, all mention of the medicinal spring in local news reports dries up. Today what likely was the medicinal spring is capped and enclosed although when that happened is unknown. Also not known is when a hand pump was removed. In the 1960s, there was a drinking fountain, but that, too, is gone.

Not far from the spring is one of the borough's three wells that provides water to residents and businesses. Its yield is 80 gallons/minute and likely draws from the same aquifer as the medicinal spring. MGAHS

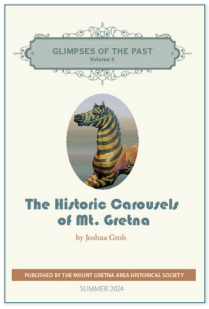
# *From Our* **MGAHS Bookshelves** *Take home a bit of history. . .*

*DON'T MISS OUR STORIES OF MOUNT GRETNA, as told by local authors — historians, MGAHS members, seasoned researchers and emerging new writers.*

*All are illustrated with images, objects, and information gleaned from our MGAHS Collections. Our authors and archivists strive for authenticity; they spend hours researching these topics making new discoveries. Purchase at the museum or from our website https://mtgrethahistory.org/shop. Booklets are $8 members/$10 non-members. Perfect bound book is $19.99.*

## The Historic Carousels of Mt. Gretna

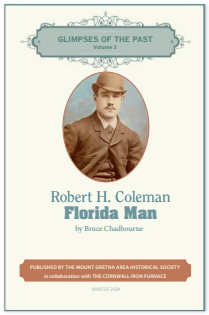
*by Joshua Groh*




Mt. Gretna has been home to three carousels: the "Flying Horses," introduced in June 1886; the "Palace of Flying Animals," appearing in June 1891; and the "modern" carousel, arriving in June 1917. Learn about manufacturers, owners, and the demise of Mt. Gretna's "Golden Age of Carousels".

## Robert H. Coleman: Florida Man

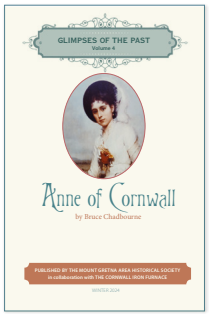
*by Bruce Chadbourne*




Beloved son of Lebanon and Cornwall, Robert Habersham Coleman would ignore the advice of trusted advisors and risk all in pursuing his passion for all things railroads and trains. Despite his foibles, his legacy is a life well lived in the midst of tragedy, and for that he was and still is admired.

## Anne of Cornwall

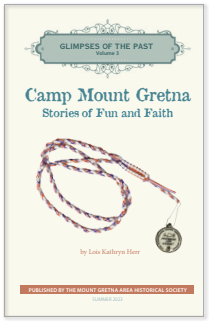
*by Bruce Chadbourne*




Robert H. Coleman is well known for his wealth, the railroad he built, his philanthropy, and the founding of Mt. Gretna. But what about his sister, Anne Coleman Rogers? Spanning the timeframe of L.M. Montgomery's *Anne of Green Gables* series, you'll see that "our" Anne lived an equally remarkable and romantic life.

## Camp Mount Gretna: Stories of Fun and Faith

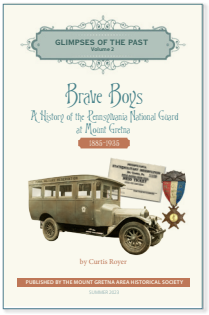
*by Lois Kathryn Herr*




Many of us, in our younger years, have gone to a camp. The experience, whether it was the songs, the crafts, the games or the friendships, can leave an indelible impression. From 1949-1970, Camp Mount Gretna did just that. Includes first person accounts and photos.

## Brave Boys: A History of the Pennsylvania National Guard at Mt. Gretna

*by Curtis Royer*




From 1885-1935, thousands of troops converged annually in Mt. Gretna for military training and to hone their marksmanship. Beginning with 125 acres donated in 1885, Mt. Gretna served the Pa. Natl. Guard and U.S. Army until 1935. Guests and dignitaries came to view troops preparing for a war with Spain, a Mexican border war, and WWI.

## Farmers in the Woods: Mt. Gretna's Little Known Agricultural Background

*by Lois Kathryn Herr*




Imagine thousands of visitors with prized poultry and livestock, converging on Mt. Gretna for a 'Farmers' Encampment.' An August event from 1890-1916, it was held in the building now used as the Mt. Gretna Roller Rink. It is often considered a precursor to the Pa. Farm Show.

## Gone but not Forgotten: The INN

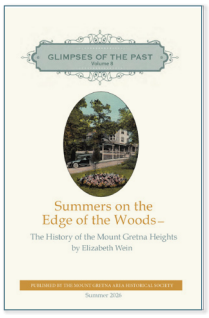
*by Pat Gibble*




In 1897, the Pa. Chautauqua Assn. drew up a plan for building lots and services, featuring a hotel designed and constructed by John CIlley and Miller Construction Co. of Lebanon. For 72 years that hotel, "the INN," provided rooms and meals for guests of Pa. National Guard Soldiers and guests of the "new" park and resort.

## Summers on the Edge of the Woods The History of Mt. Gretna Heights

*by Elizabeth Wein*




Uncover stories of real estate developer Emanuel Keener, who named the community "Mount Gretna Heights," of Abraham Kauffman's development of "The Willows" resort, of "Camp Mount Gretna" religious summer camp, and today's year-round residential community.

## Sarah Tyson Rorer: The Pure Food Movement and Mt. Gretna's Rorer Hall of Cookery

*by Jean-Paul Benowitz*




Learn some remarkable facts about Sarah Tyson Rorer and view artifacts from this early food expert who campaigned to reform our food, how we prepare it, and how we teach culinary arts. 92-page perfect-bound paperback for $19.99.

**Available for purchase at the MGAHS Museum and from our secure website at** https://mtgretnahistory.org/shop

# If a Cottage Could Talk...

One of the most often asked questions asked at the Historical Society is, "What can you tell me about my cottage?"

We have a collection of cottage histories, so we might be able to provide some history. But if your cottage isn't in our database, we can help you get started on learning the history of your property. Call the Society for an appointment. 717-964-1105.



Once you have completed your research, please share what you have learned. We have both an Online Input Form (located at: forms.gle/drBXh5DsTDxGczPr9) and a Printable Input Form. If you wish to submit the printable History of Your Cottage, stop into Mt. Gretna Area Historical Society on a Tues. or Fri. morning. MGAHS

## MGAHS LEGACY GIFTS

Imagine what Robert Coleman would think if he could see Mount Gretna today! Many of our greatest community assets exist because someone thought it important enough to bequeath funds to develop and sustain them.

If you are interested in learning more about legacy gifts to the Mount Gretna Area Historical Society, call us at (717) 964-1105 or email us at info@mtgretnahistory.org

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- complete an online membership form at https://mtgretnahistory.org/membership/
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