

NEW YORK STATE COVERED BRIDGE SOCIETY

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NYS Covered Bridge Society Meeting of April 27, 2025 at 1 pm Spaghetti Warehouse, Syracuse, NY

After enjoying a delicious meal and cake, the meeting was called to order by President Marshfield at 1:10 pm with 21 guests and members present.

The Secretaries Report from November 10, 2024 meeting was read by Karen and approved.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Carol and approved.

1. Officers for 2025:

President – Wayne Marshfield

Vice President – Victor Iwanow

Treasurer - Carol Fortin

Secretary – Karen Marshfield

Corresponding Secretary – Marcia Bailey

Historians - Trish Kane, Gary Beckstead

Storekeeper – Linda Schott

Newsletter Editor - Karen Marshfield

Trustees

Linda Schott (2021 – 2025)

Marcia Bailey (2022 – 2026)

Susan Swanek (2023 – 2027)

Camille Bach (2024 – 2028)

David Wray (2025 – 2029)

2. Meeting locations for 2025

June 8th – Salisbury Center, Herkimer County, – historian guest speaker July 20th – Ashokan, NY, Ulster County, Guest speaker from Ashokan Center August – 9th and 10th - 2025 Safari, South Vermont, South NH, and North Mass.

September 14th – Virtual

November 9^{th} – Turkey dinner and annual meeting in Hamden, NY

The meeting in June at Salisbury Covered Bridge will be at the Grange Hall #624, 2550 County Route 29 in Salisbury. Directions are also on our website.

The August Safari planning is coming along nicely. 9 bridges will be visited on Saturday August 9th and 6 bridges on August 10th. A van has been rented to accommodate those that would rather ride than drive. Cost of the van is \$50 per seat for the weekend. Our website has other particulars for those interested. We have 24 so far that have committed to the safari. Should be really nice. More planning is scheduled in a couple more weeks.

The Hyde Hall Covered Bridge Bicentennial celebration will be on October 11, 2025. Committee members from NYSCBS (Wayne, Trish Kane, Dave Wray, Linda Schott, Bill Caswell) Wayne went over the highlights thus far for the celebration and answered questions. There is a Donate Button on the website for the Hyde Hall 200 celebration and the Society has committed a \$1,000 Contribution to it if needed. Free admission to the event and lots of fun for the entire family.

Karen and Wayne are doing a power point presentation of "Covered Bridges in NYS", at Lorenzo's in Cazenovia on May 31st at 1 pm. All are welcome.

Ulster County on behalf of Perrine's CB has inquired about fire retardant funding. They were directed to the website for the simple application to be used. The NSPCB has also been approached to help in the process as well and would be the primary funder.

We need a guest speaker for our September virtual meeting. Beth B. made a suggestion and it will be looked into. Thank you Beth.

Sale of Mugs for the Hyde Hall at Bicentennial Celebration will be starting in May at the Glimmerglass Park Gift shop and at the Hyde Hall Tin Top gift shop. It was suggested that we take a dozen to each gift shop, and when sold, replenish. \$10.00 for each mug.

The ones present at this meeting were asked if they would be amenable to reducing our yearly meetings from 6 to 5. It was overwhelmingly suggested that we do that.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2 pm.

Special Guests, Beth Brown-Limmer and Paul Limmer, (Beth is President of the Vermont Covered Bridge Society) Presentation on "What's the latest happenings with the VCBS", "high points and challenges". Beth covered increases in their memberships, board meetings, social media, covered bridge week, new brochures, sale items, etc. It was a very informative presentation and much appreciated. Questions and Answers followed.

Karen Marshfield, Secretary