

# THE GRANNYTOWN GAZETTE

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## MISSION STATEMENT

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# The Alden Advertiser

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<h3 style="text-align: center;">Alden High School News</h3> <p style="text-align: center;">Volume I    Alden, N. Y., October 9, 1914    Number 1</p> <p style="text-align: center;">EDITORIAL STAFF</p> <table style="width: 100%;"><tr><td>Editor-in-chief.....</td><td>Alice Dahn</td></tr><tr><td>Assistant Editor.....</td><td>Harvey Timby</td></tr><tr><td>Assistant Editor.....</td><td>Mary Hotchkiss</td></tr><tr><td>Assistant Editor.....</td><td>Charles Emery</td></tr><tr><td>Alumni Editor.....</td><td>Ruth Cockburn</td></tr><tr><td>Athletic Editor.....</td><td>George Reed</td></tr><tr><td>Society Editor.....</td><td>Zada Ellers</td></tr><tr><td>Censor.....</td><td>The Principal</td></tr></table> <p><small>Note—This section of the Advertiser will be devoted to school news only and will be written by the pupils themselves. An editorial staff will be selected and under the censorship of the faculty will write the articles appearing here each week.</small></p>	Editor-in-chief.....	Alice Dahn	Assistant Editor.....	Harvey Timby	Assistant Editor.....	Mary Hotchkiss	Assistant Editor.....	Charles Emery	Alumni Editor.....	Ruth Cockburn	Athletic Editor.....	George Reed	Society Editor.....	Zada Ellers	Censor.....	The Principal	<h3 style="text-align: center;">ALDEN GRANGE TO ERECT NEW BARN</h3> <p>Alden Grange held a fine meeting on Saturday evening, October 3rd. The hall was well filled. At the business session it was decided to proceed at once to the letting of contracts for the construction of the proposed Grange barn for the housing of the horses and rigs of Grangers while in town. The barn will be 50x76 and will accommodate 20 teams comfortably, thus exemplifying the Grange teaching regarding the care of animals.</p> <p>It was also decided to have a New England supper and Halloween Dance on the evening of October 30th in Liberal Hall and that they engage Legg's Colored Orchestra to furnish music for dancing.</p> <p>At the close of the business session the following program prepared by Martha Parsons Miss</p>	<h3 style="text-align: center;">Prize Winners in Farm Contest</h3> <p>Under the direction of Mr. W. L. Markham, Farm Bureau Manager of Erie county, fifteen boys were taken to the New York State Fair at Syracuse. The boys made a study of the exhibits, live stock and farm products displayed and since their return have written essays.</p> <p>Principals W. E. Evans of the Alden School and W. S. Fraser of the Akron School and A. P. Williams, instructor in Agriculture in the Hamburg schools, were selected by the Board of Directors to pass on the fifteen essays. The Judges met Saturday, October 3rd, at the Chamber of Commerce Building in Buffalo and reviewed the essays.</p> <p>The Judges unanimously awarded the prizes as follows: first, John McCrillis, Akron, prize \$15; second,</p>	<h3 style="text-align: center;">Home Coming Day</h3> <p>The Session of the First Presbyterian church at Alden has decided on observing Home Coming, Sunday, October, 18th. Appropriate services will be held morning and evening on that day in the church, conducted by Rev. Dr. P. T. Pockman, the pastor, and the people will endeavor to invite back all former members and old friends to keep the day with them.</p> <p>The hospitality of the village people and of the farmers will be extended to all comers and the day promises to be one of good cheer and splendid uplift to all concerned.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Thursday, October 15th</b></p> <p>Bear this date in mind when the time arrives don't forget it is the annual donation day of the King's Daughters Home, 134 Mariner Street, Buffalo, N. Y. Money</p>	<h3 style="text-align: center;">GREETING</h3> <p>With this, the first number of "The Alden Advertiser," we make our bow to the people of the village and surrounding towns. During the past year we have had two newspaper plants but have published only one paper, The Akron News and Herald-Breeze, while the other plant representing an out lay of \$1500, has been out of commission.</p> <p>During that time we have been looking for a live town in which to establish a good local paper, where we could place our extra plant with fair prospects of making it a paying institution, and at the same time give the people of the community in which we located, the advantage accruing from the establishment of an up-to-date newspaper.</p> <p>Our attention was called to the Alden field as a good location for</p>
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The first issue of the *Alden Advertiser* (above) was dated October 9, 1914. The publisher was Harry Childs of Akron who published *The Akron News and Herald Breeze*. He had been looking for "a live town in which to establish a good local paper, where we could put our extra newspaper plant with fair prospects of making it a paying institution, and at the same time give the people of the community in which we located, the advantage accruing from the establishment of an up-to-date newspaper." Mr. Childs talked with several of the leading citizens who were members of the Village Board of Trade who were "enthusiastically in favor of the proposition, and volunteered to do all in their power to aid in its support in every way possible."

In his Greeting in the first issue, Mr. Childs stated that: "The primary object of the Advertiser will be to promote the interest of the village in every honorable way possible, and if we succeed in accomplishing this task

to any degree, we are confident that we shall receive the support of every citizen of the village who is in any way interested in the material growth of the town." He ended his greeting by reminding the readers that long evenings were drawing near and they would need something to read. "Keep in touch with your neighbors and friends by having the ADVERTISER sent to you a year for \$1.00."

And keep in touch it did over the years. The first issue had two columns of Alden High School News on the front page, written by the students themselves with their own editor-in-chief (Alice Dahn was the first) and staff, including a censor—the principal. In the 30s and 40s a whole page called "Nutshell News" (all the news in a nutshell) was devoted to school news. The news included where the faculty members spent their weekends and vacations!

Personals, or as called in the first issue, General News, was a way to keep up with the doings of your neighbors and friends. In the first issue we learn that Nicholas Collard had purchased a new Oldsmobile and Ralph Stowell and Everett Reed had returned for their senior year at the University of Buffalo, October 8<sup>th</sup>. There was news too, from Marilla, Fargo and Crittenden.

These Neighborhood Correspondents, plus more, would continue to report for many years.

The first issue was eight pages long, but four of those pages were ready print pages which included items of interest from around the world, stories and general ads. The October 9<sup>th</sup> issue included "Revelations of the Kaiser's Personal Spy."

THE WEEKLY

# ODDAOGRAPHIC.

FREE AND INDEPENDENT IN EVERYTHING.

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**Vol. 1. No. 20. Alden, N. Y. March 30th, 1876. Price 2cts.**

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<p><i>The Weekly Oddaographic.</i></p> <p>Published every Thursday P. M. (if possible.)</p> <p>Terms of subscription, - - - 50cts. a year.</p>	<p>eration should pattern after; this may be so, but we guess they are no better than our home talent who were cast out from the exhibition list because their moral character was at a discount.</p>	<p><i>New Advertisements.</i></p> <h2 style="text-align: center;">WANTED BAD.</h2> <p>The following back numbers of this</p>
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The *Advertiser* was not Alden's first newspaper, but has certainly lasted the longest. The longest any of the others lasted was about 18 months. The first we have of record is the *Oddaographic*, a weekly published by E. C. Dodge beginning in November 1875. The first issues were 9 1/2 by 12 inches, folded in half, with six pages; it became larger in size as it became more

successful. The paper was published every Saturday P.M. "Rain or shine, 'Snow or blow.'" An important feature of this little newspaper was a history of Alden called "Home Matters" written by E.H. Ewell. The installments ran from December 4<sup>th</sup>, 1875, until April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1876.

# THE ALDEN TRUMPET.

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DEVOTED TO THE PROMOTION OF HOME INTERESTS.

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**VOL. I. ALDEN, N. Y., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1880. NO. 40.**

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<p><i>HOME REVISITED.</i></p> <p>Thanks, John, I'll tetter on alone. My staff will be sufficient stay—</p>	<p>that the devil need want no better position to wreak his spite on any poor human soul than this of Captain Tom's—autocrat of an Indiaman; lord of all he</p>	<p>stretch of high bluff, with a narrow beach running along its foot, and this, from its shape, is known to navigators as the "back" of the Cape—the place where</p>	<p>Captain Tom, as he felt himself torn from his firm grasp of the rigging, and slung far into the seething cauldron of waters; slung out into the surf, where,</p>
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*Happy America.*  
A dispatch to the British Government from Mr. Drummond, Secretary of Le-

A stock company was formed in 1880 under the management of George A. Webb and established the *Alden Trumpet*, which died the next year.

# The Alden Gazette.

VOL. 1.

ALDEN, N. Y., THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 1882.

NO. 7.

**THE ALDEN GAZETTE.**  
WEEKLY.

EDDY & CO.

PUBLISHERS.

SUBSCRIPTION (including postage)  
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## LOCAL NOTES.

- Sugaring.
- Republicans got left.
- No partnership in that society.

—The Elbridge Rockers at Webb's Furniture Rooms, Alden, N. Y.

—If you are going to make sugar this spring, you can get the best sap pails and spouts at H. P. Patrell's, and get them cheap too.

## Town Meeting.

Below we give the officers elected at the Town Election held on Tuesday last. For Supervisor, George T. Patterson, majority, 182.

For Town Clerk, Alois Rohner, Jr.

Next was the *Alden Gazette*, first issued in January 1882, published by Eddy & Co. That company was looking for a Washington Hand Press in 1882 that was "in good condition and cheap for cash." (Inland Printer, American Lithographer, Vol. 7). The paper closed June 1, 1883.

# CHAFF.

VOL. I.

ALDEN, N. Y., JUNE, 1887.

NO. 1.

*Chaff*, a monthly, arrived in 1882, published by Eddy & Co. We have no record of when it folded.

# THE ALDEN UNION.

VOL. IX.

ALDEN, ERIE CO., N. Y., FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 1901.

NO. 50.

## MCKINLEY INAUGURATED

President's Induction Into Office Marked by Brilliant Ceremonies.

ROOSEVELT NOW VICE-PRESIDENT

attended at the review by Vice-President Roosevelt, the Admiral of the Navy, the General of the Army, the Cabinet, Senator Hamant and General Corbin.

The ball in the great corner of the Pension Building was the most brilliant inaugurated ball in the history of

## MCKINLEY'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

Washington, D. C.—President McKinley's second inaugural address, in part, as follows: My Fellow Citizens: When we assembled here on the 4th of March, 1897, there was great anxiety with regard to our currency and credit. None enters now. Then I felt constrained to convene the Congress in

## IRISH M. P.'S IN CONTEMPT

Sixteen Members Carried Out by the Police After a Free Fight.

CAVE "HORRIBLE" & LIVED IN THESE

## STATE NEWS.

### Condition of Savings Banks.

State Superintendent of Banks Killbuck, in a report to the Legislature, says that the total amount of money deposited in the savings banks of the State in 1900 was \$208,227,312, and the amount withdrawn was \$240,123,271, making a net gain in deposits exclusive of interest of \$68,104,041.

## LABOR WORLD.

The miners of Massachusetts and Connecticut, France, have rejected the idea of a general strike.

The strike of men here at the "Cement and Shivers" docks, Providence, R. I., has collapsed.

Workers of the Philadelphia and Company at Philadelphia, Pa., were on strike against a wage reduction.

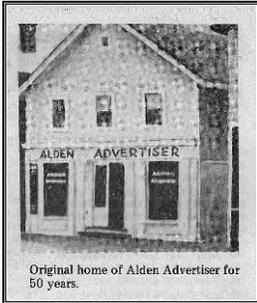
The *Industrial Union* started in 1892, published by Benjamin and Evan Morey. It started in Marilla, but moved to Alden and sometime shortly thereafter, the name was changed to the *Alden Union*. It was printed in a building that stood on the site of the Alden Pharmacy. That building (shown at right) was moved south on Exchange Street, across the railroad tracks to what is now 1319 Exchange Street when Howard Wright built his drugstore on the corner of Main (Broadway) and Exchange.

It is at the *Alden Union* that the Weisbeck name became associated with printing. Joseph Weisbeck, Sr., father of Leonard A. Weisbeck, Sr., (Editor) and grandfather of Leonard A. Weisbeck, Jr., present publisher of the *Alden Advertiser*, learned to set type and run a printing press, under the tutelage of the Moreys. It would be several years before Weisbeck and *Advertiser* became synonymous.



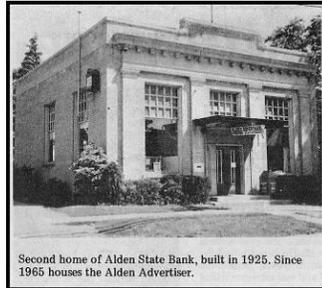
Leo F. Whitney purchased the *Advertiser* in 1917 and published it until he sold it to John Soeman of Lancaster in the 1920s. His adopted son, Paul Stockman, was the editor until Joseph A. Weisbeck, Sr., purchased the paper in 1932 at the age of 54. He published the *Advertiser* until 1959 when he retired at the age of 80.

Leonard, Sr., started working full time with his father in December 1941 after attending Rochester Athenaeum and Mechanics Institute. Father and son formed a partnership in 1948, and then upon his father's retirement in 1959, Leonard, Sr., purchased the business. Lenny remained publisher until 2000 when Leonard, Jr., (Lee) became publisher.



Original home of Alden Advertiser for 50 years.

The *Advertiser* was published at 13193 Broadway (Marie's Diner) from 1914 until 1965 when it moved across the street to 13200 Broadway, the former Alden State Bank building.

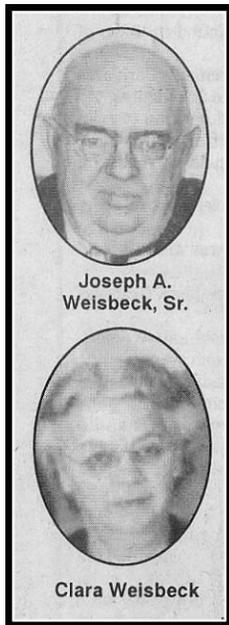


Second home of Alden State Bank, built in 1925. Since 1965 houses the Alden Advertiser.

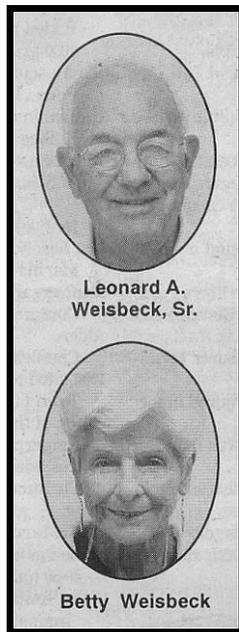
Today's staff includes two full-time and two part-time people. Joseph Weisbeck's great granddaughter, Bonnie Lee James, is on the staff, and some of the helpers include great-great grandchildren.

From setting type by hand and printing one page at a time to a computerized operation, the process of printing has changed, but the goal of the *Advertiser* is the same as Harry Childs stated in Volume 1, No 1:

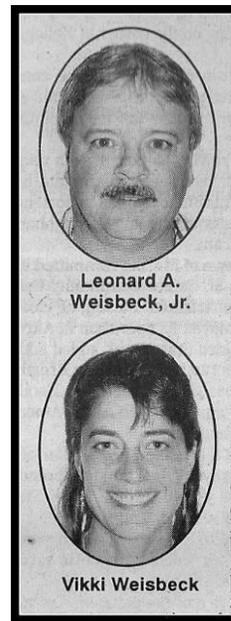
"The columns of this paper will be open to the citizens of the village for the discussion of all live topics, but petty personalities must be eliminated in every case, as it will be the supreme effort of the publisher to print a paper that will be clean, and in every way fit to be read in the homes of the community."



Joseph and Clara  
1932-1959

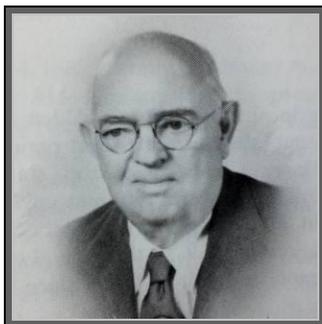


Len and Betty  
1959-2000



Lee and Vikki  
2000-

*Karen Muchow, Archivist*



**Joseph A. Weisbeck, Sr.**  
**1878-1962**

**Editor and Publisher of the *Alden Advertiser***

Joseph A. Weisbeck, Sr., eldest son of Anton (Anthony) and Josephine Phillips Weisbeck, was born in Nevadaville, Colorado, on October 31, 1878. Anthony had followed his brothers Joseph, George, Martin, Michael and sister Cecila Weisbeck Gundy west to mining territory. The 1885 census shows Anthony and Josephine still in Colorado, but now with three children, Joseph, Rose and Ida. By 1892 they are back in Alden. Anthony is a farmer and they have five children. Two more children would join the family.

Joseph helped on the farm and during high school learned the printing trade from the Moreys, publisher of the *Alden Union*, and earned ten cents an hour, working after school and on weekends. At the age of twenty he learned to be a glassblower in the local plant of the New York Glass Works, operated by V.W. Pancoast. When the plant closed in 1910, Joe became

a clerk in the general store of Charles Steinfeld, later changing to A.J. Thomas.

He served as Postmaster for nine years during the Wilson administration and then worked as a key punch operator at Bennett Manufacturing. He served three terms on the Village Board and was appointed Village Clerk in 1934. He was also village assessor for six years.

Joseph became interested in photography, starting with glass negatives. He developed this skill and had his own studio where he took portraits. We are grateful for the many photographs he took of the village and surrounding areas that we have today that show life in the early 1900s. Daughter Doris tells the story of how whenever they broke a glass pane in a barn window playing baseball, they would scrape off a negative and use the glass to repair the window. Wonder who or what was lost in those ruined glass plates.

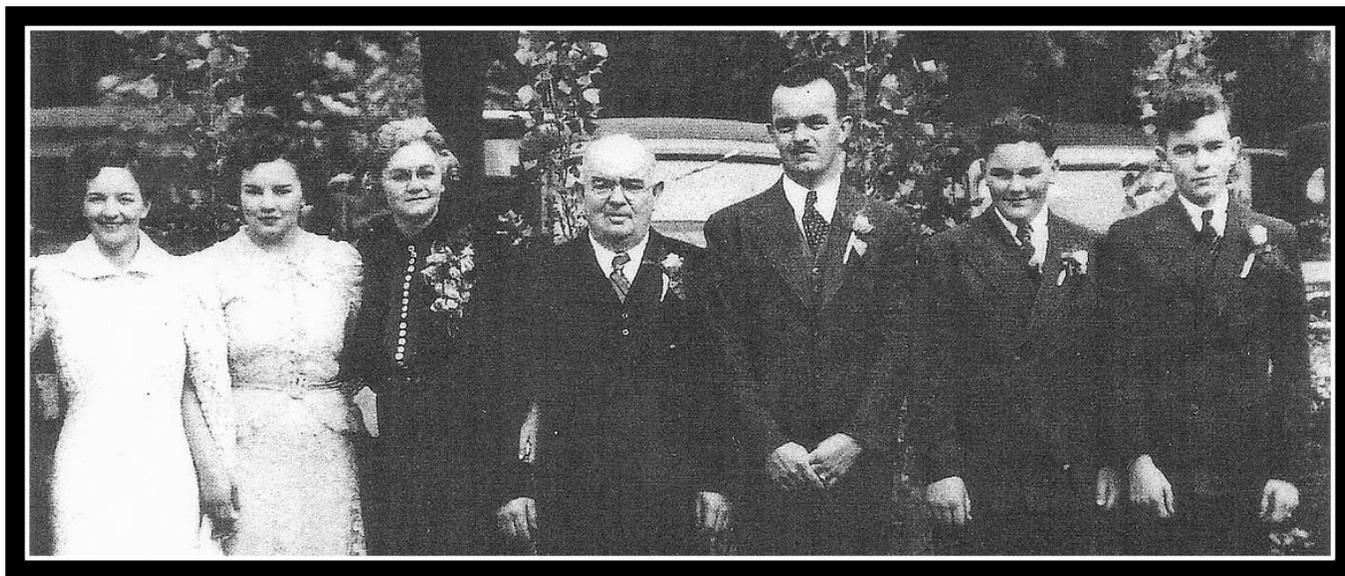


photo circa 1937

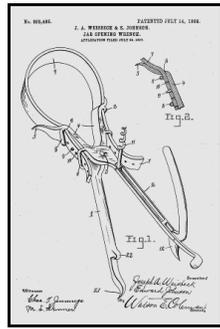
Left to right:

Olive Weisbeck King, Doris Weisbeck Kostecky, Clara & Joseph Weisbeck, Richard, Joseph, Jr., Leonard, Sr.

Joseph married Clara Elizabeth Kegler in 1906. They had five children: Richard, Olive, Doris, Leonard and Joseph.

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Always interested in his community, Mr. Weisbeck was active in St. John's Church, was secretary of the Alden Hook and Ladder Fire Company, was a member of the Alden Comet Cycling Club, played trumpet in several local bands, was instrumental in having the bandstand built and operated a silent movie theater in Liberal Hall (now Legion Hall.) He used the family's Victrola for music during the films when there was no piano player available.



Joseph Weisbeck was also an inventor. He and Edward Johnson of Alden received a patent in 1908 for jar opening wrench, "an improved wrench for opening fruit jars and the like, and its object is to provide one which will be simple, compact and handy and which may be readily adjusted for application to jars of different sizes." A Google and E-Bay Search did not find any wrenches exactly like the one pictured in the patent application.

Joseph Weisbeck—printer, publisher, editor, glass blower, machinist, inventor, musician, volunteer fireman, village official, movie theater operator, son, husband, father, grandfather—died April 10, 1962.

*Karen Muchow, Archivist*

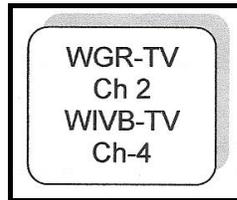
## Notes from the President



### Coming Soon!!!

Our 5th Annual Bake Sale will be held on **Sat., Dec. 6, 2014**, at the Alden Historical Society Building. Details coming soon. The sale will coincide with the Alden Chamber of Commerce premier community event--- **"Christmas in the Park."**

Please be sure to stop in, warm up a bit and check out all the bake goods, most of which are home made!



Winter is coming and we all know what that means. In the event of inclement weather and we find it necessary to cancel or postpone one of our events you may check out the TV Stations noted at left for an update:

We will attempt to make as early a decision as possible and post it for you. Sometimes it is just too dangerous and we would not want to see anyone harmed trying to attend a program. Thank You.

## Unveiling Historical Marker at Alden Presbyterian Church



We have just completed our second Historic marker project with the ceremony honoring the Alden Presbyterian Church. Judging from the comments I heard, it was a rousing success. The day was perfect, the setting was beautiful and the speeches were eloquent. All those in attendance seemed to enjoy the presentation and dedication of the historic plaque. Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Davis performed the unveiling with a flourish. I heard many comments as to how beautiful the plaque was. We are very grateful to all who had a hand in the ceremony and especially thank our generous contributors who made the day possible.



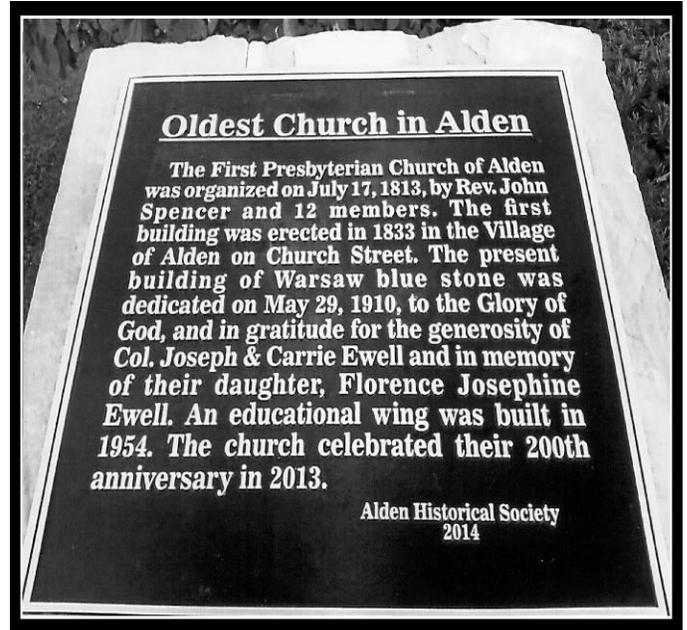
We have already begun to receive donations to our historic marker fund, which as you might expect is seriously depleted. The only way we can begin to think about the next marker project is to rebuild our designated fund for that purpose. As I have said before, "No gift is too big -- No gift is too small." They all fit and collectively we can accomplish great things in our community. Thank you for your trust and support.

*Gilbert Dussault Jr., President*

## *Alden Historical Society Dedicates Historical Marker*



Alden Presbyterian Church, September 28, 2014



With blue skies, bright sunshine, and warm temps, the heavens, indeed, seemed to be smiling down on Alden on Sunday, September 28, when the Alden Historical Society dedicated a historical marker to the Alden Presbyterian Church in commemoration of the church's more than 200 year history of serving the community. The marker was affixed to a stone pedestal fashioned from some of the Warsaw blue stone that was originally used in the church's construction. Preserve-a-Stone constructed the pedestal and Garland Graphics provided and installed the marker plaque. The inscription, shown above, was determined by the church Session in collaboration with the historical society.

Historical Society President Gil Dussault introduced the honored guests, which included Reverend Bronwen Boswell, Presbyter of Discipleship, Communication and Transformation for the Presbytery of Western New York; Alden Village Mayor Michael Manicki; Town of Alden Supervisor Harry "Bud" Milligan; Reverend Katherine Evans, Pastor of Alden Presbyterian Church; Town Councilman Ralph Witt, and Village Trustee Theodore Mezydlo. Following Reverend Boswell's invocation, President Dussault invited remarks. Mayor Manicki commented that his great grandparents had been long-standing members of the church and that he also had attended Sunday school there. Supervisor Milligan injected humor when he recalled well-known Presbyterians – Dwight Eisenhower, John Wayne, and Ronald Reagan- and then went on to recognize the church's long history of community service. Pastor Evans briefly shared details of the church's early history, identifying the twelve early founders, and pointing out the church's first deacon Nehemiah Estabrook and Elizabeth, his wife, portrayed in costume by Tom and Reyne Jankowski.

Appreciation for the church's record of community service was echoed in Society President Dussault's concluding remarks. He identified the church as a catalyst for good things in Alden, through its many outreach programs. Quoting Danny Thomas, entertainer and founder of St. Jude's Hospital, he reasoned that "Success in life has nothing to do with what you gain... for yourself. It's what you do for others," stressing that the church has a long history of "doing for others," serving as a beacon of spiritual guidance, learning, comfort, and hope. He then invited long-time members of both the historical society and the church, Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Davis, to unveil the marker. Ralph served as treasurer of the society and Ruth served as curator for over twenty years.

The program closed with church member Richard (Dick) Koelbl, dressed in Scottish attire, playing Beethoven's "Ode to Joy" on the bagpipes. All in attendance were invited to a reception in the fellowship hall where refreshments were served. Alden Town Clerk Debbie Crist, who also is a church member and trustee of the historical society, organized the refreshments, with support from church and society members.

*Elli De Filippo, Editor*

*With Deepest Sympathy* The Alden Historical Society extends heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of *William Cunningham, Jr., Esq.*, who passed away on July 15, 2014. He is survived by his wife Christine; children Bill, Elizabeth "Betsy" Wasiak, Mary, Maureen Stewart, Michael, and Ann Olszowska; and 8 grandchildren. Bill served as Alden Town Attorney, was instrumental in the organization of the historical society and was a life member.

**WELCOME MEMBERS**

**NEW MEMBERS:**

Barbara & Edmund  
Huestis

**RENEWED MEMBERS:**

Judy & Francis Downhower  
Marlene & Steve Kotlowski

**RENEWED COUPLES:**

**DONATIONS IN LIEU OF DUES:**

Jennifer & Christopher Gust

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION:**

New members are always welcome. Your support will ensure that the Alden Historical Society will continue to grow and prosper for years to come. Please make check payable as noted below.

**Please note that the membership year runs from April 1 through March 31, with annual payment due by April 1.**

Thank you for your support.

**DUES**

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Debbie Crist, Membership Secretary  
Alden Historical Society  
13213 Broadway  
Alden, NY 14004

*Debbie Crist, Membership*

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*Please remember the Alden Historical Society in your estate plans.*

*A bequest in your memory or in memory of someone you love can help preserve the heritage of our community.*

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**General Fund and Other Donors**

Recently the Alden Historical Society has received generous donations to the general fund from the following:

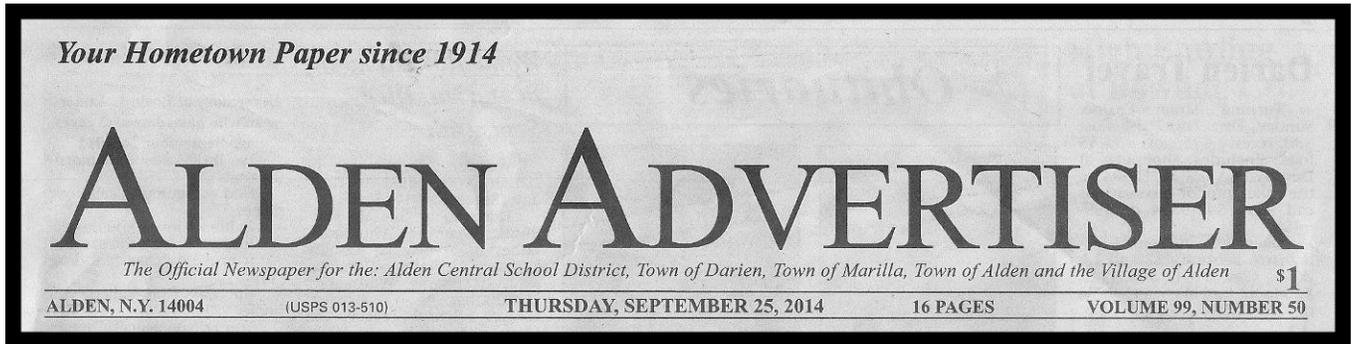
***Ruth & Ralph Davis, Janet Hartmann, George McGaughey***

Please be advised that donations to the Alden Historical Society are not tax deductible since it is not a 501(c)(3) organization.

# MONTHLY PROGRAMS

**October 9, 2014**.....**Alden Advertiser Celebration**  
7 PM, Community Center

*Help us Celebrate!*



Our local hometown paper, The *Alden Advertiser*, will be 100 years old this very month! The *Advertiser*, one of our most cherished institutions, is an integral part of the fabric of Alden life. The Weisbeck family and staff of the *Advertiser* will share their memories of this remarkable achievement. The Alden Historical Society will be presenting a plaque to the Weisbeck family in honor of the *Advertiser's* century of service and dedication to the community. Join us to show your support, acknowledge your appreciation, and add your congratulations!

**November 13, 2014**.....**Potluck Supper & Annual Meeting**  
6 PM, Community Center



It's time for our annual potluck supper and business meeting. Dinner will start at 6 PM. Please bring a dish to pass in the form of a hot casserole, salad, or dessert, and your place setting. Rolls, butter, and beverages will be provided.



As a special treat, there will be a brief patriotic presentation by a surprise guest. The annual meeting will immediately follow, during which elections will be held for 5 trustee seats. Some of the current trustees have consented to run for re-election; nominations will also be accepted from the floor. Officers and committees will submit and read their annual reports.

**December 11, 2014**.....**TV Trivia Challenge**  
7 PM, Community Center



If you can identify the theme songs from *Bonanza*, *Gilligan's Island*, *I Love Lucy*, or *Superman*, and if you can name the ranch on *Bonanza*, Mr. Howell's wife's first name, Lucille Ball's hometown, or Superman's home planet...then, December's program is for you!

Take our TV trivia challenge. Identify the theme songs of over 50 old time programs and answer trivia questions about them. It promises to be a fun way to usher in the holiday season.

*Conrad and Carol Borucki Program Committee*

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