

## **QUICK RESEARCH ROOM GUIDELINES at the Schuyler County Historical Society**

Research is **free** for Society members. Please inquire about membership if interested. Yearly memberships start at \$25 for individuals or \$20 for Seniors. We accept cash or check only.

For non-members the research fee is **\$5** per hour or any part of an hour.

Xerox copies are \$.25 for members and non-members. \$.50 is charged for color copies.

Please sign your name and address on the Research Room sign-in sheet and indicate whether you wish to be contacted by other researchers interested in your family or topic.

The Research Room is equipped with free wireless internet access.

Please no eating or drinking and no cell phone use in the Research Room.

### **QUICK RESEARCH ROOM TOUR**

The Research Room does not contain any *official* county or State documents unless photocopies were donated to the Society. For official records you may contact the Schuyler County Courthouse, 105 Ninth Street, Watkins Glen, NY 14891 or (607)535-8133.

#### **Shelf on the immediate left as you enter the room contains:**

- Burial listings for all cemeteries in Schuyler County, mostly transcribed from the burial stones/markers
- Transcribed and indexed census listings for all towns in Schuyler County
- Business directories for Schuyler County (also available at [www.archive.org](http://www.archive.org))
- Schuyler County related histories, including many towns and villages

#### **File cabinets on the immediate right as you enter the room contain:**

- Alphabetically filed Surname Files. Many Schuyler County families have folders containing obits, newspaper articles, or genealogies. We are always adding names so if you would like to donate your research and add your family's name to our Surname Files please let us know.
- Subject Files having to do with Schuyler County history. Here you can find information on many topics/subjects in Schuyler County history, such as the *Glen Springs Resort*, the *Salt industry*, the *Seneca Indians*, etc.
- On top of the file cabinets are alphabetically listed card catalogs of transcribed obituaries, marriage, and birth announcements for Schuyler County residents or former residents. These have been collected and transcribed from old and current newspapers and scrapbooks. Many from the *Watkins Review*, the *Montour Falls Free Press*, etc.

#### **Across the room on the shelves to the left:**

- Neighboring county histories
- New York in the Civil War regiment listings (short histories and officer listings)
- Other local and New York histories
- Watkins and Odessa/Montour school yearbooks

#### **Across the room in the middle black map drawer:**

- Map drawers that contain maps of the county, towns, and villages.

#### **Across the room on the far right shelf:**

These binders/books/folders are alphabetically shelved family genealogies donated by Schuyler County families.

### **QUICK TIPS**

- Many of the old out-of-print books on Schuyler County can be found at [www.archive.org](http://www.archive.org) in PDF.
- The Montour Falls or Watkins Glen libraries have microfilm rolls of old Schuyler County newspapers. The Society's microfilmed newspapers have been digitized and are available on [www.fultonhistory.com](http://www.fultonhistory.com).
- Much of what we have here dates from when Schuyler County was incorporated in 1854 and up. For earlier research dates you may have better luck in Chemung, Tompkins, Steuben, or Yates counties.