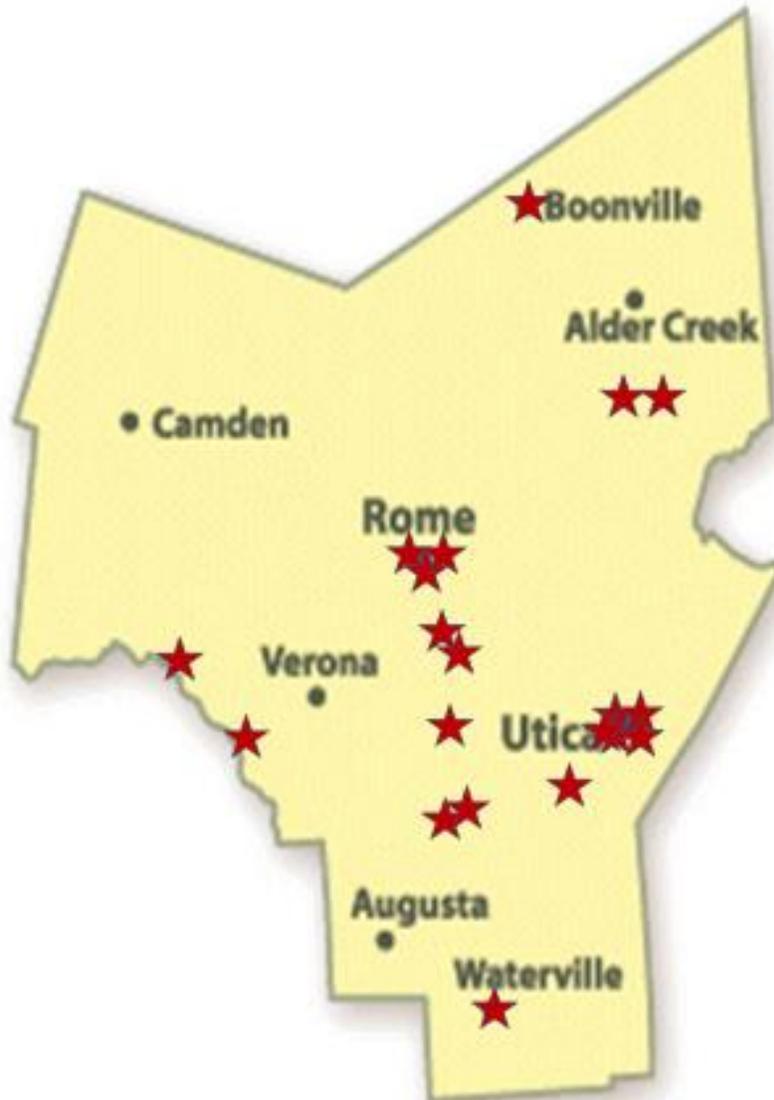


GREATER ONEIDA COUNTY MAP

Instructions: Follow the clues and take a selfie at the following historical sites, monuments, or markers on either a camera or smartphone after learning about Oneida County's regional history! You must **visit at least 15 locations**. You must include the Oneida County History Center, where you will bring evidence of your journey through history by **4:00 pm on August 31, 2018**. Upon completion all participants will be entered to win the grand prize gift basket, which will be awarded on September 4th. Children 18 and under will receive a participation prize and the **first five** to complete the scavenger hunt will also receive a membership to the history center and a fun gift. Be sure to share your adventure and post your photos on social media. Don't forget to tag the history center!

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Follow the clues and visit 15 locations of your choice by August 31st!

1.) Founded in 1876, this organization has collected, preserved, and made accessible the history of Oneida County. Today the organization is located within a former Christian Science Church. Built in 1914, the building contains many original elements including stained glass windows and pews in the balcony. Explore the exhibit gallery and grounds of this location. Snap a selfie with the organization's first president, who was New York State Governor from 1853 to 1854 and from 1863 to 1864.

2.) Opened in 1928, this baroque style theatre celebrates its 90th anniversary this fall. Originally built as a movie palace and designed by Thomas Lamb, the theatre now hosts a variety of entertainers. Recent notable acts include REO Speedwagon, Martina McBride, Tony Bennett, Jerry Seinfeld, Jackson Browne, the Goo Goo Dolls, Ragtime, Once, 42nd Street, and Jersey Boys. Take a photo with the marquee!

3.) This building was constructed as a New York Central railroad station between 1912 and May 1914, replacing an older structure dating from 1869. The Mohawk River was moved north before this structure was built as it often flooded the original station and tracks. Today, passengers cross the tracks using a skyway, but once walked along an underground passage to board their trains. Take a photo with the original ticket window in the main lobby.

4.) Utica's oldest neighborhood boasts a ton of history. In 1758, during the French and Indian War, Old Fort Schuyler was built near this location to protect this valuable commercial hub. In 1794, Moses Bagg built a log tavern that would turn into the famous Bagg's Hotel, which would welcome guests like George Washington, Henry Clay, Ulysses S. Grant, Aaron Burr, and Washington Irving. The area's history is honored by a park and memorial, which was built by Maria Proctor in the 1930s. Nearby an 80-foot-long mural, which opened in 2016, showcases 200 years of Utica history. Take a selfie with the memorial in this commemorative park.

5.) This historic site commemorates the 1777 battle where General Herkimer and his relief army were ambushed by British and Loyalist troops and their Native American allies. It was in this battle that General Herkimer received the wound to his leg that led to his death ten days later. Visit the monument, then head across the battlefield beyond the ravine to find three smaller monuments honoring those involved in this battle. Take a photo with the historical marker that marks the location where this important ambush started.

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6.) Visit this Copper City historical society to learn about the birthplace of the Erie Canal, Oneida County's role in the American Revolution, and much more. Dig into their new archaeological excavation pit and snap a selfie with your favorite discovery.

7.) This spot was an important link in the main 18th century trading route between the Atlantic seaboard of North America and the interior of the country. It connected the Mohawk River and Wood Creek, which allowed Native Americans, pioneers, fur traders, and soldiers to travel from the Atlantic via the Hudson River to the Great Lakes. The only other significant waterway connecting the Atlantic Ocean to the continental interior was the Saint Lawrence River in Canada. Take a selfie with the historical marker located on Martin Street.

- 8.)** Within this small village you'll find the official museum of a US Navy ship that bears the village's name. Learn about our nation's naval history, plus some local history with information about Trinkaus Manor, Holland Farms, Waterbury Mill, and a Revolutionary War battle. Take a selfie with the Starboard Anchor, which is a memorial to the 44 shipmates who perished in a fire on board the ship in 1966.
- 9.)** The inventor of the Kodak camera was born in this southern Oneida County town. He grew up where a schoolhouse now stands. His actual house can be seen at the Genesee Country Village and Museum in Mumford, NY. Take a selfie with the historical marker located off of State Route 12 where there is now a retirement home.
- 10.)** Three concrete towers were built on Oneida Lake in 1916 to help guide trade ships through the waterways. Sitting at the east end of Oneida Lake on Verona Beach, this 84-foot structure was first lit in the summer 1917 and was built to mark the entrance to Wood Creek Canal from the eastern end of the lake. The tower was originally lit by gas, but later changed to electric. The tower is maintained by the Verona Beach Lighthouse Association. Take a photo with the tower!
- 11.)** In 1795 Welsh immigrants came to northern Oneida County and settled this area. The first church was built in 1805 and this stone building opened in 1831 as a Welsh Calvinistic Methodist Church. Located just east of Route 12, this house is listed on the New York State and National Registers of Historic Places and is home to one of the largest Welsh libraries in America. Snap a selfie with the historical marker or building.
- 12.)** Opened in 1836, this 97-mile long, man-made waterway connected Binghamton to Utica and was primarily used to transport raw materials such as iron ore and coal between the Susquehanna River and the Erie Canal. Visit the street that shares the same name as the waterway in this village named after New York State's first governor. Take a photo with historical marker!
- 13.)** Cultivation of this arboretum started in 1850 and was cared for by three generations of the same family. The second guardian of the land, Elihu Root, was a Nobel Peace Prize winner, a Hamilton College graduate, and served his country as Secretary of War, Secretary of State, and US Senator. Take a stroll in this beautiful spot and find the largest Norway spruce in the United States measuring 116 feet tall, 187 inches in circumference. Snap a photo with the tree!
- 14.)** Support for the Underground Railroad was strong among the Welsh Community of Remsen and Steuben, under the leadership of Dr. Robert Everett, who was minister of this church. The "Welsh Anti-Slavery Society of Steuben, Remsen, Trenton, & Vicinities" started at this spot in 1842. Freedom seekers stayed here and sometimes spoke before the congregation. Capel Ucha no longer stands, but you can find the cornerstone and small sign commemorating this spot on the Remsen/Steuben town line. Snap a photo with the cornerstone of the church.
- 15.)** At this site in 1768, the British government renegotiated with the Iroquois the boundaries set by the Proclamation of 1763. A second peace treaty was organized here in 1784 between the new American government and the Iroquois League. Enter the national monument and take a photo with a ranger or reenactor.
- 16.)** This train depot serviced a spur along the Delaware, Lackawanna, & Western Railroad. Coal, grain, flour, and other agricultural products were commonly transported on this line. The station remained active until the 1950s and was later used by the municipality as a community building. The station was renovated in 2013 for use by the local police department, but is still pretty easy to guess its original use. Take a selfie with the station!

17.) This stretch of road was designed by famed landscape architecture firm the Olmsted brothers and is home to 13 monuments dedicated to everyone from the military heroes of the Revolutionary War to the soldiers that lost their lives in the wars that came after the country's independence from England. There also are statues remembering those who dedicated their lives to the city through good works and service to the community. Take a selfie with Baron Von Steuben and a miniature Lady Liberty! (Take 2 photos)

18.) Built in 1812, this house served as an inn and was considered to be the most famous hotel between the Erie Canal and the St. Lawrence River in the 1800s. The hotel hosted many famous guests including the 18th President of the United States Ulysses S. Grant. It is thought to be haunted and has been investigated by many paranormal investigators. Snap a selfie with the house!

19.) Founded in 1868, Oneida County is home to one of the oldest _____ clubs in the United States. The club was founded by an English immigrant, Benjamin Allen, a stone cutter who worked on the Erie Canal expansion and the Chenango Canal. The club's first rink was made by damming the shallow section of Ballou Creek near Rutger Street to form a large ice surface that could be used for this and other winter sports. Locate the club's present day rink and snap a selfie with the club sign.

20.) This building was declared a National Historic Landmark in 1965 and was built to house the utopian community led by John Humphrey Noyes from 1848 to 1880. The house was designed in the leading architectural styles of the mid-19th century and was home to a commune of 300 people who were known as a "Perfectionist community." Although not technically in Oneida County, the community played a large role in the development of Oneida County's and New York State's smallest city. Take a selfie with the mansion!

Need help finding answers to your clues? Visit the Oneida County History Center, Oneida County Tourism, New York State Path Through History, or research online. *Children: Please ask an adult for assistance when searching online.

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