



2026 NHS EVENTS

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Celebrating Our Place in America's Story!

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are held at the Nunda Historical Society, 24 Portage Street, Nunda. Please see the schedule for specific times and any location details. All events are free and open to the public unless indicated. This schedule is subject to change; for the most up-to-date information, visit www.nundahistory.com or follow us on Facebook.

- **Wednesday, September 9, 7 PM; “Every Foote a Mixer: A History of the Foote Company of Nunda 1898-1955” by Chris Foote** In 1898, Nunda brothers Charles and Chester Foote invented the first powered cement mixer — a quiet but transformative innovation that helped fuel the road-building revolution and construction boom of the early 20th century. Foote mixers supported major infrastructure projects, provided steady employment for Nunda families during the Great Depression, and later contributed to the Allied war effort during World War II. Presented by Chris Foote, great grandson of Chester Foote, this illustrated program draws on years of research, historic images, and family stories to share the history of Nunda’s most famous industry
- **Sunday, September 20, 2-4 pm** – Nunda Museum & Rose Shave Gallery Open *Please note- the talk by William Burt that appears on our original program schedule has been rescheduled for Sunday, Dec 6 at 2:30 PM.*
- **Sunday, October 4, 2:30-4 PM; Childhood Memories of Tuscarora!** Everyone welcome to come and share their memories! (Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open 2-4 PM.)
- **Wednesday, October 14, 7 PM; Oakwood Cemetery Art & Symbolism by Sandy Bonadonna.** Cemeteries serve as wonderful windows to the past - not only in the individuals whose names appear on the grave stones, but also through the art and symbolism that often accompany the names. Sandy will be taking you on a tour of examples found in Nunda’s Oakwood Cemetery using photographs taken on the grounds.
- **Sunday, October 18, 2:30-4 PM; Childhood Memories of Portageville!** Everyone welcome to come and share their memories! (Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open 2 - 4 PM.)
- **Sundays, November 1 & 15, 2-4 PM; Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open.**
- **Sunday, November 8, 2-3 PM; “250 Years of Haudenosaunee History,” by Perry Ground, Turtle Clan of the Onondaga Nation.** When many people think of the Haudenosaunee, they imagine life before European contact or colonial-era activities. But what has happened since the United States was founded in 1776? What role have the Haudenosaunee played in the history and culture of New York State? What relationships have been maintained with the governments of the United States and Canada? What issues still face the Haudenosaunee as they work to maintain culture, land, language, and tradition in an ever-changing world? This PowerPoint slideshow will highlight how the Haudenosaunee were shaped by, and contributed to, the growing country and adapted to changing technology and government policies.
- **Wednesday, November 11 7 PM; Fraternity, Charity, Loyalty: The Women’s Relief Corps and the Legacy of Women’s Service in Nunda by Sue Long,** Founded in the years following the Civil War, the Women’s Relief Corps became a national organization dedicated to supporting Union veterans, preserving memory, and promoting patriotic service. In Nunda, the WRC played an active role in community life through charitable work, Memorial Day observances, and civic events that shaped how the Civil War generation was remembered. Guided by its motto — *Fraternity, Charity, Loyalty* — this program explores the local history and lasting legacy of women’s service in Nunda across generations.
- **Sunday, December 6, 2:30 PM; William D Burt presents his new NHS book “The Last Days of the Rochester Branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad,”** book signing will follow the program. (Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open 2-4 PM.)
- **Saturday, December 12, 10AM-5PM; Be sure to stop by the Nunda Historical Society during this year's Christmas in Nunda Celebration!** Enjoy our traditional Christmas decorations, our special holiday displays and shop for local history gifts. **Don’t forget our Cookie Sale!!!** Watch for details!
- **Wednesday, December 15, 7 PM: Childhood Memories of Christmas.** We finish our series of programs on Growing Up in Nunda and Portage with an evening of sharing Christmas memories. Bring your own memories and special mementoes from Christmas Past!