

Saratoga County New York



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Saratoga County

A Brief History

By Lauren Roberts, County Historian

Saratoga County was formed from lands previously belonging to Albany County on February 7, 1791. These lands included most of the Kayaderosseras Patent granted by Queen Anne to 13 of her “loving subjects” in 1708. Saratoga County occupies an important geographical position; bounded on the north and east by the Hudson River and the south by the Mohawk River, the confluence of these two great waterways have made the County a prime destination in times of both war and peace. The northwestern portion of the county is a mountainous area located within the Adirondack Park, while many important rivers and streams such as the Sacandaga and Kayaderosseras dominate the fertile valley areas. The diverse geography of this County has made it appealing to many different people who have chosen to call Saratoga County home.

The Mohawks of the Iroquois Confederacy used this area as hunting and fishing grounds before the Europeans settled here. Many waterways and well-worn Native American trails were used during the French and Indian War (1755-1763) and during the American Revolution. In the Fall of 1777 British troops led by General John Burgoyne were headed south along the Hudson River when they encountered a large number of Americans entrenched at Bemis Heights. After two battles, the Americans were victorious and General Burgoyne surrendered to the Americans, led by General Horatio Gates on October 17, 1777. The Battle of Saratoga became famously known as the turning point of the American Revolution.

Saratoga County sits on a geological fault line from which mineral springs push forth to the surface. These mineral waters were thought to have healing powers by the Native Americans and eventually became a much sought-after resource for European settlers here as well. Ballston Spa became a well-known destination for visitors hoping that the medicinal effects of the mineral springs would heal their diverse ailments. Hotels and railroads were built to accommodate the multitudes of summer visitors. Eventually, Saratoga Springs would trump Ballston Spa as the “Queen of the Spas” and enjoyed much prosperity through the Victorian Era. Summer visitors came to Saratoga Springs to “see and be seen” by others. Along with the various drink halls, fountains, and bathhouses, Saratoga Lake and the Saratoga Race Track became other popular destinations for those visiting the area during summer months.

Saratoga County is filled with various museums, historic sites and parks that preserve the rich history of this area. Both visitors and residents alike enjoy the diverse environmental and historic attractions Saratoga County has to offer.

Focus On Saratoga County Town of Charlton

In 1792, the year after Saratoga County was founded, the New York State Legislature divided "Balls Town" into four parts forming three new towns: Galway, Milton and, in the southwest corner of the county, Charlton. Previously Charlton had been called "New Freehold" by its settlers who were mostly immigrants from Freehold, New Jersey. Why the name Charlton was chosen, or where it came from, is not known. It may have been for John Charlton, a squatter already living in the area when early settlers arrived. The Town had close to 1,500 residents and held its first Town meeting on April first.

First settlers in the southern part of West Charlton were the Gonzales, a Spanish Huguenot family farming there in 1770. Starting in 1774, Episcopalian and Presbyterian families from Freehold, NJ and downstate NY settled eastern Charlton. Settlers from Scotland arrived in West Charlton in 1775. French Huguenots, Dutch, Irish and others followed. Research on northern West Charlton shows land first deeded from Native Americans in 1708 and a stage route through a busy hamlet during the 1700s, but the date of first settlement there remains to be established.

From the start, agriculture has been Charlton's main industry. Several hamlets with a variety of mills, shops, taverns, schools, churches and cemeteries formed along the Town's waterways and stage routes. These community centers came to be known as New Freehold (Charlton Hamlet), Slab Troy (Little Troy), Liberty Three Corners (West Charlton), Scotch Street (Scotch Church), Blue Corners, Holbrook Corners and Harmony Corners. In 1865, Charlton's population had changed little: 1,589 people living in 333 dwellings.

Charlton may be considered small in size but is vast in agricultural resources and has been fortunate to retain its rural beauty. Agriculture continues as the town's main industry.

According to the 2010 Census, Charlton's population has increased 4.5% since the 2000 census; the Town now has 4,133 residents. Families represent 84.3% of the population giving Charlton a higher than average concentration of families. Median age for residents is 42.2 which is older than the average age in the U.S. Five public school districts serve the Town. Charlton has six postal ZIP codes spread across three counties. Three of seven churches remain, and there is a chapel at the Charlton School (a residential school for young women with special needs). There are three fire districts in Charlton as well as five parks, and eleven cemeteries. A Town Board consisting of a supervisor and four councilmen meet twice monthly. Charlton does not have a Town tax.

Much of Charlton's population increase came with residential areas built in the mid-twentieth century in the southeastern part of town. The stagecoach routes that connected the hamlets were straightened and paved; and now all of the mills are gone. Few shops and one tavern remain. Land sub-divisions and property sales throughout the Town have brought many more new homes and residents.

Education has always been important to the people of Charlton. In the late 1700s citizens helped to found Union College to educate leaders of the new United States. Three well-known first graduates of the College were from Charlton. Gideon Hawley, successful lawyer and businessman, founded New York State's public education system. In response to his 1812 New York State Law for the establishment of common schools, Charlton setup ten one-room school districts so that no child had to walk more than a mile to school. Joseph Sweetman, a Charlton minister for seventy-one years, spread the Presbyterian Church throughout the Northeast and into Canada. John W. Taylor, Attorney-at-Law, served as both New York Senator and Assemblyman, and was twice Speaker of the United States House of Representatives in its formative years.

There is Town-wide interest in preserving Charlton's heritage. Presently eighteen historic markers and other signage mark places of importance. The Charlton Historic District, New York State's first rural hamlet historic district and Scotch Church Historic Site are listed on the New York State and National Registers of Historic Places. They may also be found on related websites. The Historic District has a Historic Main Street Improvement Plan, and the Town acknowledges significance of its history in the Comprehensive Plan.

For fifteen years students and faculty advisors of the Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Richard O'Rourke Middle School have helped to place flags at veterans' graves in Charlton cemeteries for Memorial Day. More than 240 graves receive flags. The Charlton Historical Society sponsors an annual Memorial Day ceremony in Gideon Hawley Park, which is followed by an annual Founder's Day celebration, during the first weekend of June. There are special community activities, fireworks, and a Sunday afternoon parade. The Sons and Daughters of Liberty Ancient Fifes and Drums were founded in Charlton in 1975 and continue its unending commitment to portraying the early history of our nation through music and historical re-enactment.

2004 saw a significant step to permanently preserve and protect farmland, forests, and riverbanks in Charlton. Acreage was donated as a conservation easement to Saratoga P.L.A.N. to protect Charlton's landscape heritage to help retain its rural character.

In 2006, the Town broke ground and built a new Town Hall in the Historic District. The new Town Hall was built with funds that previous Town Boards and the current Board had put aside over the years specifically for this purpose. Care was taken to safeguard historic and archaeological resources, and to preserve community character. The interior of the old Town Hall has been somewhat updated and is now used as a Community Center...the outside of the building remains the same.

The Town has an 'Explore Charlton' weekend every September.

2013 Saratoga County Supervisors

Town of Ballston

323 Charlton Road, Ballston Spa, NY 12020
Mailing Address: PO Box 67, Burnt Hills, NY 12027
Phone: 518-885-8502 Fax: 518-884-2839
www.townofballstonny.org

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 1st & Last Tuesday of the Month at 7:30 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Patricia Southworth 885-8502 ext 13

Town of Charlton

Town Hall: 758 Charlton Road, Charlton, NY 12019-2804
Phone: 518-384-0152 Fax: 518-384-0385
www.townofcharlton.org

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 2nd Monday of the Month at 7:30 p.m.
Monthly Town Board Agenda Meeting: Last Monday of the Month at 7:30 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Alan Grattidge 384-0152 ext 207

Town of Clifton Park

Town Hall: 1 Town Hall Plaza, Clifton Park, NY 12065
Phone: 518-371-6651 Fax: 518-371-1136
www.cliftonpark.org

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Mondays of the Month at 7 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Philip Barrett 371-6651

Town Supervisor: Anita Daly 373-8802
(E-mail: adaly617@gmail.com)

Town of Corinth

Town Hall: 600 Palmer Avenue, Corinth, NY 12822
Phone: 518-654-9232 Fax: 518-654-7751
www.townofcorinthny.com

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 2nd Thursday of the Month at 7 p.m.
& 4th Thursday of the Month at 4:30 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Richard Lucia 654-9232
Fax: 654-7615

Town of Day

Town Hall: 1650 North Shore Road, Hadley, NY 12835
Phone: 518-696-3789 Fax: 518-696-5391
www.townofday.com

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 2nd Monday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Mary Ann Johnson 696-3789 ext 301

Town of Edinburg

Town Hall: 45 Military Road, Edinburg, NY 12134
Phone: 518-863-2034 Fax: 518-863-2985
www.edinburgny.com

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 3rd Thursday of the Month at 6:30 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Jean Raymond 863-2034

Town of Galway

Town Hall: 5910 Sacandaga Road, Galway, NY 12074
Mailing Address: PO Box 219, Galway, NY 12074
Phone: 518-882-6070 Fax: 518-882-6090
www.townofgalway.org

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 2nd Tuesday of the Month at 7:30 p.m.

Town Supervisor: George Hargrave 882-6070

Town of Greenfield

Town Hall: 7 Wilton Road, PO Box 10, Greenfield Center, NY 12833
Phone: 518-893-7432 Fax: 518-893-2460
www.townofgreenfeild.com

Month Town Board Meeting: 2nd Thursday of the Month at 7:30 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Richard Rowland 893-7432 ext 309

Town of Hadley

Town Hall: 4 Stony Creek Road, PO Box 323, Hadley, NY 12835
Phone: 518-696-4797 Fax: 518-696-5401
www.townofhadley.org

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 2nd Thursday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Arthur 'Mo' Wright 696-4797 ext 1

Town of Halfmoon

Town Hall: 2 Halfmoon Town Plaza, Halfmoon, NY 12065
Phone: 518-371-7410 Fax: 518-371-0936
www.townofhalfmoon.org

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Mindy Wormuth 371-7410 ext 2228

Town of Malta

Town Hall: 2540 Route 9, Malta, NY 12020
Phone: 518-899-2552 Fax: 518-899-4719
www.malta-town.org

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 1st Monday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Paul Sausville 399-3434

City of Mechanicville

City Hall: 36 N. Main Street, Mechanicville, NY 12118
City Hall Phone No.: 518-664-9884 Fax: 518-664-7955
www.mechanicville.com

Monthly City Council Meeting: 1st Wednesday of the Month at 7 p.m.
& 3rd Wednesday of the Month at 3 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Thomas Richardson 664-8776
Mayor: Anthony Sylvester 664-9884

Town of Milton

Town Hall: 503 Geysler Road, Ballston Spa, NY 12020
Phone: 518-885-9220 Fax: 518-885-0895
www.townofmiltonny.org

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 1st Wednesday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Daniel Lewza 884-2766

Town of Moreau

Town Hall: 61 Hudson Street, PO Box 1349, South Glens Falls, NY 12803
Phone: 518-792-1030 Fax: 518-792-1062
www.townofmoreau.org

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Preston Jenkins 792-1802

Town of Northumberland

Town Hall: 17 Catherine Street, PO Box 128, Gansevoort, NY 12831
Phone: 518-792-9179 Fax: 792-9203
www.townofnorthumberland.org

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 1st Thursday of the Month at 7:30 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Willard 'Bill' Peck 695-9630

Town of Providence

Town Hall: 7187 Barkersville Road, Middle Grove, NY 12850

Phone: 518-882-6541 Fax: 518-882-5085

www.townofprovidence.org

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 3rd Thursday of the Month at 7 p.m.
Workshop Meetings as needed: 2nd Thursday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Town Supervisor: John Collyer 882-6541 ext 106

Town of Saratoga

Town Hall: 12 Spring Street, Schuylerville, NY 12871

Phone: 518-695-3644 Fax: 518-695-6782

www.townofsaratoga.com

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 2nd Monday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Thomas N. Wood, III 695-3644

City of Saratoga Springs

City Hall: 474 Broadway, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Phone: 518-587-3550 Fax: 518-587-6512

www.saratoga-springs.org

Monthly City Council Meeting: 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 7 p.m.

City Supervisors: Matthew Veitch 587-2198
Joanne Yepsen 526-5272

Town of Stillwater

Town Hall: 66 East Street, Mechanicville, NY 12118

Mailing Address: PO Box 700, Stillwater, NY 12170

Phone: 518-664-6148 Fax: 518-665-0287

www.stillwaterny.org

Monthly Town Board Meetings: Agenda – 1st Thursday of the Month at 7 p.m.
& Regular Session – 3rd Thursday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Edward Kinowski 664-6148 ext 201

Town of Waterford

Town Hall: 65 Broad Street, Waterford, NY 12188

Phone: 518-235-8184 Fax: 518-235-1547

www.town.waterford.ny.us

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 1st Tuesday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Town Supervisor: John E. Lawler 235-8184

Town of Wilton

Town Hall: 22 Traver Road, Gansevoort, NY 12831

Phone: 518-587-1939 Fax: 518-587-2837

www.townofwilton.com

Monthly Town Board Meeting: 1st Thursday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Town Supervisor: Arthur Johnson 587-1939 ext 218

Villages: (Websites included if they have one)

Village of Ballston Spa

66 Front Street, Ballston Spa, NY 12020

Phone: 518-885-5711 Fax: 518-885-0512

e-mail address: villageofballstonspa@yahoo.com

Monthly Village Board Meeting: 2nd & 4th Monday of the Month at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor: John P. Romano

Village of Corinth

244 Main Street, Corinth, NY 12822

Phone: 518-654-2012 Fax: 518-654-6202

www.villageofcorinthny.com

Monthly Village Board Meeting: 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the Month at 6 p.m.

Mayor: Dennis Morreale

Village of Galway

PO Box 213, Galway, NY 12074
Phone: 518-882-6488 Fax: 518-882-1346
e-mail address: whyde@nycap.rr.com

Monthly Village Board Meeting: 1st Tuesday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Mayor: William Hyde

Village of Round Lake

PO Box 85, Round Lake, NY 12151
Phone: 518-899-2800 Fax: 518-899-1501
www.roundlakevillage.org

Monthly Village Board Meeting: 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Mayor: Dixie Lee Sacks

Village of Schuylerville

PO Box 56, 35 Spring Street, Schuylerville, NY 12871
Phone: 518-695-3881 Fax: 518-695-3883
www.villageofschuylerville.org

Monthly Village Board Meeting: 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Mayor: John Sherman

Village of South Glens Falls

PO Box 1210, 46 Saratoga Avenue, South Glens Falls, NY 12803
Phone: 518-793-1455 Fax: 518-793-3063
www.sgfny.com

Monthly Village Board Meeting: 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Mayor: Keith Donohue

Village of Stillwater

1 School Street, PO Box 507, Stillwater, NY 12170
Phone: 518-664-6258 Fax: 518-664-2166
www.villageofstillwaterny.org

Monthly Village Board Meeting: 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Mayor: Ernest Martin, Sr.

Village of Victory

PO Box 305, 23 Pine Street, Victory Mills, NY 12884
Phone/Fax: 518-695-3808
www.villageofvictory.org

Monthly Village Board Meeting: 1st Tuesday of the Month at 7 p.m.

Mayor: James Sullivan

Village of Waterford

65 Broad Street, Waterford, NY 12188
Phone/Fax: 518-235-9898
www.waterfordny.org

Monthly Village Board Meeting: 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor: J. Bert Mahoney

Saratoga County Departments:

Located at 40 McMaster Street, Ballston Spa, NY 12020

Board of Supervisors:

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Pamela Hargrave, Clerk of the Board
Lauren Roberts, County Historian
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Sandi Cross

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Phone: 518-584-7460 Fax: 518-583-2498

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John DeMartino, 339 Northline Road, Ballston Spa, NY 12020 518-885-4208
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Other:

Cooperative Extension
50 West High Street, Ballston Spa, NY 12020
Phone: 518-885-8995

Saratoga County Courts:

<http://www.nycourts.gov/4jd/saratoga/index.shtml>

**County Judge: 451-8815
Honorable Jerry Scarano**

**Family Court: 451-8888
Honorable Courtenay W. Hall
Honorable Jennifer Jensen Bergen**

**Supreme Court:
Honorable Thomas Nolan – 451-8820
Honorable Stephen Ferradino – 581-1006
Honorable Ann Crowell – 451-8840
Honorable Robert Chauvin – 451-8840**

**Surrogate Court: 451-8825
Honorable Richard Kupferman**

**Commissioner of Jurors: 451-8850
Susan Gavin-Lant**

State Representatives:

**Governor Andrew Cuomo
NYS Capital Building
Albany, NY 12224
518-474-8390**

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**43rd Senatorial District
Kathleen Marchione
188 State Street, Room 306
Albany, NY 12247**

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Hugh Farley
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Albany, NY 12247
518-455-2181**

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Tony Jordan
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114th Assembly District
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Albany, NY 12248
518-455-5565

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112th Assembly District
James Tedisco
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Albany, NY 12248
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108th Assembly District
John McDonald
Legislative Office Building #417
Albany, NY 12248
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Paul Tonko
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Schenectady, NY 12305
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21st Congressional District
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Glens Falls, NY 12801
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