

# Historian Report

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September 30, 2021

## To

John Lawrence  
Town Supervisor  
Afton, NY

Janice Nickerson  
Mayor  
Afton, NY

Dear John and Janice,

The following is a report of my activities for September 2021.

- Office hours: 3.5 hours
- Museum hours: 4 hours
- **New activities:**
  - Met secretary for St. Matthew's Church in Unadilla to photograph old photos and a ledger book from 1847-1940 that will be used in the preparation of the book on their cemetery. Began transcribing ledger into a spreadsheet.
  - Renewed the domain name for the Historical society.
  - Participated in Sand Hill Cemetery Work Day.
  - Visited Ives Settlement Cemetery and Greenlawn Cemetery to obtain photos of gravestones for relatives.
  - Met a donor at the museum to accept donation of dresses and baby & doll carriages of her mother's.
  - Met a visiting descendant at my office to discuss her family in the area.
  - Franklin Historical Society has contacted me to speak on my recent book in October.
- **Continuing:**
  - To maintain the website for the Historical Society & Facebook pages for Afton Town Historian, Afton Historical Society, Otsego Co. Genealogy & Evergreen Hill Cemetery.
  - Afton cemetery spreadsheet – continuing to update with obituaries.
  - Spreadsheet on the Afton vital records held by the Town Clerk. This sheet will eventually enable her ease of access to these old record books. Have completed through 2021 (births and deaths) and 1989 (marriages) thus far.
  - East Side Cemetery information is being assembled for upcoming book.
  - Continuing to write Book #2 on Chestnut Hill Cemetery; research begun on Book #3 St. Matthew's Cemetery; Book #4 will be the small cemeteries in Afton-Baptist, Guy Reed, Wakeman & Melody Hill. (North Afton and Eastside have been done).
- **Research:**
  - 9 email requests for information
  - 5 FB requests for information - stemming from my FB page posts.
  - 2 Face to Face meetings in Office
  - 1 Phone calls for information.

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- **Attended:**
  - None

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