

GREENE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
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REPORT TO GREENE COUNTY FOR YEAR 2022

The Greene County Historical Society had a good year in 2022 and saw an increase in their visitors to the Museum and Library as well as an increase in their outreach programs. After the 2020 and 2021 years of COVID restrictions, the Society began to plan for repairs delayed by the pandemic. The Kitchen Dependency repairs were begun; a master plan for the Bronck Museum grounds was contracted for; and a 1, 3 and 5 year plan for maintenance and repairs was prepared. Restoration efforts are planned this year for the Victorian Horse Barn and the 13 sided barn cupolas, with a plan to paint the Horse Barn; a new shingle roof for the Vedder Research Library; as well as the restoration of the rear courtyard and the Kitchen Dependency.

Museum collections and Library collections grew as objects and paper items were donated. The Society became a local partner of the Archaeology Conservancy after their acquisition of Flint Mine Hill, becoming the local eyes and ears for the Conservancy. The Society also began a partnership with Columbia Greene Community College to provide them a place to see various building styles covering the period of time from the 1660's to the early 1900's. CGCC's program for a certificate in Historic Restoration was the impetus for this partnership. Community outreach programs for schools and organizations has begun to revive as well as group tours, with programs and tours scheduled again in 2022 and 2023.

A full schedule of events is set for 2023 from April thru November, with both Museum and Lecture programs as well as the regular tour season from Memorial Day to mid October. The popular concert is in June this year and the Heritage Craft Fair is scheduled for October. If weather cooperates about 1,000 visitors will attend this event.