

**“Back Roads of Duanesburg”  
A Self-Guided Driving Tour**

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**250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

**Duanesburg Historical Association  
September 19, 2015**

## **Welcome Tour Participants!**

You may begin the self-guided drive about at any location you choose. Note: There will be a special quilt exhibit at the Reformed Presbyterian Church. "Barns of Duanesburg: Windows to the Past", a quilt designed by Linda Armour with the assistance of Ellen Grasek, Janet Fritz, and Sherry Schrade, will have its debut display at the church from 10-4. Don't miss it!

### **Bramans Corners Union Cemetery (700 Herrick Road, Delanson)**

Officially established in 1881, this is one of the oldest active cemeteries in the Town of Duanesburg.

### **Canal Street Station (2100 Western Turnpike, Duanesburg)**

Canal Street Station is a reconstructed 1920s to 1940s American railroad village representing the "Great American Dream."

### **Christ Episcopal Church (132 Duanesburg Churches Road, Duanesburg)**

This church was built by James Duane in 1792. It is the oldest unaltered Episcopal Church in NYS; its first sermon was conducted on August 24, 1793.

### **Christman Home (3021 Schoharie Turnpike, Delanson)**

In 1865, farmer/poet William Weaver Christman, was born here. In 1934 he won the prestigious John Burroughs Medal for his work "Wild Pasture Pine."

### **Christman Sanctuary (Schoharie Turnpike, Delanson)**

Christman Sanctuary, originally part of the Christman farm, is a nature preserve that protects part of the Bozen Kill creek. The site is a Registered National Historic Landmark.

### **Delanson Historic District (Meet at the Gazebo, Main Street, Delanson)**

The buildings in the village were built between 1860 and 1890, at the height of Delanson's period of growth and prosperity brought by the railroad industry.

### **Delanson Methodist Church (112 East Shore Road, Delanson)**

A distinctive example of the Victorian era Carpenter Gothic style in Duanesburg which is found mainly in Delanson.

### **Duanesburg Cemetery (7083 Duanesburg Road, Duanesburg)**

Duanesburg's first permanent settler, the man who lived in a cave, is buried here.

### **Duanesburg Florida Baptist Church (7967 State Route 30)**

This church was constructed around 1868, and is home to the oldest Baptist congregation in Schenectady County. The square tower is the most prominent feature.

### **Eaton Corners Historic District (Eaton Corners Road at Bramans Corners Road)**

The Eatons Corners Historic District is a grouping of three early buildings which are the only surviving remains of the nineteenth century hamlet of Eatons Corners.

### **English Barn (1253 Youngs Road)**

The English barn, or three bay barn, was the most widespread type of barn in America. This barn type has been called the "grandfather of the American barn."

### **Estes House (6139 Schoharie Turnpike, Delanson)**

The earliest part of the house was built by Benjamin Estes, a Quaker, in the late 1700s. The original was a saltbox style house.

### **Frost Homestead (8866 Mariaville Road, Pattersonville)**

In 1834 James Frost (1783-1851) built this home. Frost was active in both business and civic affairs serving in a variety of capacities.

**Gaige Homestead (482 Weaver Road, Delanson)**

The Gaige Homestead was built about 1830 and is a rectangular two story, five bay frame building in a vernacular Federal style.

**Grove Cemetery (2285 Main Street, Delanson)**

The Grove Cemetery has been a part of the community since 1873 with over 3,000 burials.

**Herrick House (2533 Batter Street, Pattersonville)**

Built in 1794 by Eliza Herrick. Eliza was a revolutionary war captain and a Baptist minister and is buried in the cemetery next to the house.

**Jenkins Octagon - (868 Main Street, Delanson)**

An example of the octagon house built in the 1850s by Duanesburg's most prolific and skilled master carpenter, Alexander Delos "Boss" Jones.

**Macomber Stone House (640 Barton Hill Road)**

Built around 1836, it is the only stone building in Duanesburg. The home's second owner, Hon. Alonzo Macomber, served as a Member of the NYS Assembly in 1861.

**Mariaville Cemetery (365 Batter Street, Pattersonville)**

A community cemetery located at the West end of Mariaville Lake which includes three veterans of the Civil War.

**Marsh House (176 Batter Street, Pattersonville)**

A notable example of the two-story, five-bay, center-hall house with distinctive attributes including a wide frieze, prominent cornice returns and wide corner pilasters.

**North Mansion (558 North Mansion Road, Duanesburg)**

Built in 1791 for General William North and his wife Mary Duane. General North was a member of the NYS Assembly between 1792 and 1810.

**Our Lady of Fatima (1757 Alexander Road, Delanson)**

The parish began in 1872 as a mission of St. Vincent DePaul parish in Cobleskill. Our Lady of Fatima Church was established in December 1952 by Bishop Gibbons of Albany.

**Quaker Meeting House (10226 Duanesburg Road, Delanson)**

The Friends (Quaker) Meeting House (1813) and the burial ground, located behind the Meeting House, contains graves dating back to 1780.

**Quaker Street Bible Church (10328 Duanesburg Road, Delanson)**

The First Christian Church of Quaker Street was the outgrowth of religious services that were first held in a very primitive chapel on Gallupville Road. Its present church building was dedicated in June 1860.

**Quaker St Historic District (meet at Wolfes Market, 10218 Duanesburg Road, Delanson)**

Quaker Street was a Quaker settlement in the late 18<sup>th</sup> century and the core business center serving the surrounding area before the era of the railroad transportation.

**Reformed Presbyterian Church (6512 Western Turnpike, Duanesburg)**

A quilt exhibit and a slide show on the history of Duanesburg will be shown from 10 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Reformed Presbyterian church.

**Sheldon Farmhouse (13818 Duanesburg Road, Delanson)**

Built about 1795 this is a vernacular federal style farmhouse.

**Swing Beam Barn (13818 Duanesburg Road, Delanson)**

The swing beam barn was an American innovation by eighteenth century timber framers. These barns regularly appear in the Schoharie and Mohawk River Valleys

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## Site List & Docent Schedule

Docents will be available (shaded) according to the schedule below. Each site will be designated with balloons with a written description for use when docents are not present.

Site	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30
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2. Canal Street Station												
3. Christ Episcopal Church												
4. Christman Home												
5. Christman Sanctuary												
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12. Estes House												
13. Frost Homestead												
14. Galge Farmhouse												
15. Grove Cemetery												
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