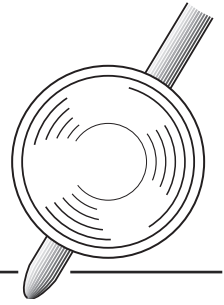


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SUMMER FUN WITH THE PAULDING FAMILY IN POUND RIDGE, 1910



*Bunny Stahlman resplendent in uniform.
The house is on Salem Road.*

In August, Edward Paulding Thiell, Jr., of Ohio, visited the Museum. He had come across an album of photos from his grandparents which pictured their stay in their Pound Ridge summer home in 1910. The Pauldings lived in White Plains but summured in pastoral Pound Ridge along with their relatives, the Morell family.

These vacation photos give us a unique view into Pound Ridge and summer fun with their families.

Our thanks to Ned Paulding for sharing this charming memoir.



Mr. Harvey and family



Doey Morell and Grace Paulding draw water from the spring.



The Pound Ridge Public School.



Hazel Paulding driving Mrs. Adams' horse Fannie.



Samuel Parker's General Store.



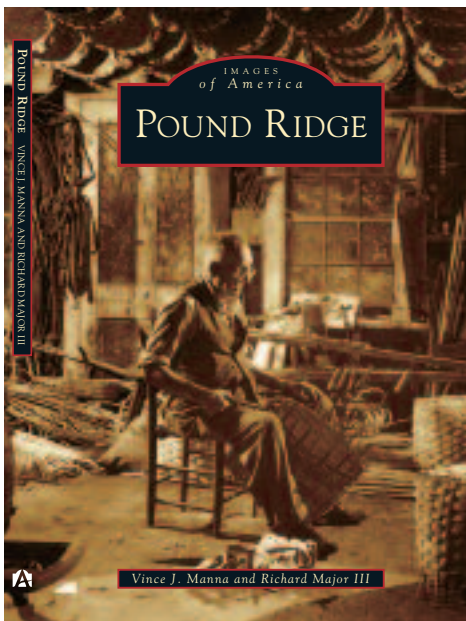
The Antiques Show That Never Was

Because of unusual circumstances beyond our control, the Pound Ridge Historical Society found it necessary to cancel our 35th Annual Antiques Show scheduled for Thanksgiving weekend 2009.

Our apologies to those who regularly attend this very special show. We have already started to plan for next year's show and hope you will enjoy the show's new look on Thanksgiving weekend 2010.

Presenting Quality Antiques & Collectibles at Affordable Prices





A GIFT-GIVING MUST!

Images of America Pound Ridge

by *Vincent J. Manna and Richard Major III*

Dick Major and Vince Manna began their authorship of this book some 18 months ago. Many hours were spent in the archives of the Pound Ridge Historical Society reviewing some 800 photographs on file.

Approximately 200 photographs were chosen along with a few lent to the society for inclusion in the book. An early 20th-century map is displayed as a background for the various sections of the town: Long Ridge to High Ridge Roads; Poundridge Village (The Hamlet); Boutonville; Barnegat,

East Woods, Fancher and Trinity Pass; Trinity Lake, and Scotts Corners along with an historical narrative. The publisher, Arcadia Publishing of Mount Pleasant, South Carolina, required all photos to be scanned and arranged with narrative in a specific format for printing.

Compare the view below left of East Woods Road, Fancher Road and Trinity Pass with today's roads and vistas.

The book may be purchased for \$22 at Antiques & Interiors, Chubby's Hardware, Pound Ridge Library, Poundridge Nurseries & Scotts Corner Market. Or, order the book (\$22 plus \$5 for shipping). Call 914-764-4333 to have a copy shipped, or email the Pound Ridge Historical Society at prhsmuseum@earthlink.net.



Vince and Dick at book signing at the Hiram Halle Memorial Library last month.



FANCHER ROAD. Fancher Road runs from south to north in this photograph. The left road is East Woods Road. The white house in the middle was built prior to 1760. In the early 20th century, the fields in the lower right of the photograph were temporarily converted into a baseball field. Lowell Thomas and his "Nine Old Men" played ball here in 1932 to raise funds to build a firehouse.



HIRAM HALLE. Hiram Halle was a most generous benefactor of Poundridge in the early 1900s. He bought the first of his Poundridge buildings in 1928, eventually owning 700 acres. His chief interest was in restoring old Poundridge homes. Thirty homes in Poundridge were rescued through his efforts. This gave 60 local men employment in the midst of the Depression and allowed many local families to weather those difficult years.

Webmaster needed!

The Pound Ridge Historical Society is looking for an imaginative web designer to help us present our town's heritage on our web site www.PRHSMuseum.org. If you are interested in helping the Society develop its web site, please call Dick Major at 914-764-4333 or email us at prhsmuseum@earthlink.net.

Dear PRES 3rd Graders & Parents . . .



The Pound Ridge Historical Society would like to thank you for participating in the 2nd annual bus tour of Pound Ridge this October. Third graders at PRES seemed to really enjoy seeing and hearing first-hand many interesting facts about their town. For instance, did you know that:

- The bones of a million-year-old mammoth were found in Pound Ridge.
- In 1779 during the Revolutionary War, Pound Ridge was the site of the significant Tarleton raid.
- Pound Ridge was built on the cottage industries of basket making and shoe making.
- Hiram Halle, the benefactor and restorer of Pound Ridge homes, was a famous inventor; he developed the first process for waterproofing fabric, held the first U.S. rights to the diesel engine, and owned a number of patents for typewriters and other business machines.
- Pound Ridge was a pioneer of natural preservation; in 1969 it became the first town in New York State to adopt freshwater wetlands protection legislation.

Pound Ridge is a unique and wonderful town full of historical treasures. The

Pound Ridge Historical Society looks forward every year to sharing those treasures with the children of Pound Ridge and we invite families from all over to come and celebrate the history of Pound Ridge. The Pound Ridge Historical Society offers many opportunities to do so.

Programs & Events

- Bus & Walking Tours of historical homes, landmarks and cemeteries of Pound Ridge
- Annual Pound Ridge Country Fair (sponsored by the Pound Ridge Lion's Club)
- Annual Antiques Show
- Scholarships

Publications

- *God's Country – A History of Pound Ridge* by Jay Harris
- *Images of America – Pound Ridge* by Vincent J. Manna & Richard Major III
- *History of the Betsey Hunt House* by Richard Major
- *Pound Ridge Past* by Bonnie Brodnick
- *Historical Landmarks of Pound Ridge*
- Research Lists and Registries

Museum

- Archives
- Hosts talks and exhibits Open Saturdays and Sundays, 2-4pm (March through November)

Membership

- Join friends and neighbors already members of the Pound Ridge Historical Society and make a connection with the past and present history of your town. (Membership form on back page.)

The Officers and Trustees of the Pound Ridge Historical Society

A HISTORY OF THE BETSEY HUNT HOUSE

by Richard L. Major III

The Betsey Hunt House on Pound Ridge Road is a Pound Ridge Landmark and a National Register listing. This book, opening with a four-page narration, includes all legal documentation relating to the house, such as tax assessments, census records, deeds and wills, along with architectural layouts and photographs. Genealogies of the people who owned and occupied the house provide an interesting glimpse into the lives of these residents.



“This is a jewel of a book which conveys the passion of the author as he uncovered each bit of information and pieced them all together in a warm patchwork story of an old building. It places the Betsey Hunt House and its occupants in historical perspective and serves as a model for house-history research. It is undoubtedly an important addition to the compendium of historical reference material for the town of Pound Ridge.” *Nora Galvin, Connecticut Ancestry Society*

The book is now available from the Pound Ridge Historical Society for \$35. You can order the book directly from the Society via email prhsmuseum@earthlink.net, or by mail. There is a nominal charge of \$8 for mailing. Please make checks payable to the *Pound Ridge Historical Society*.



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Be Connected!

Make a connection with the past *and* present history of YOUR town.

JOIN FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS, already members of the Pound Ridge Historical Society, and explore the variety and uniqueness that are Pound Ridge. We have a variety of activities and programs, all aimed at keeping you in touch with Pound Ridge and its fascinating roots.

Join us and call us at 764-4333.

Please send your membership dues check payable to **The Pound Ridge Historical Society** to:

Membership Chairperson
 Pound Ridge Historical Society,
 P.O. Box 51, Pound Ridge, NY 10576.

Thank you!

For membership year January 1 through December 31, 2010

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