# MEDINA SANDSTONE SOCIETY, INC.

Proud to Serve The Village 'Founded on A Rock' **MEDINA Sandstone** Society, Inc. Est. 2004 A Salute to a **Community Heritage** Medina, N.Y

## Sandstone Society –What is it?



Help yourself to a brochure - join us!

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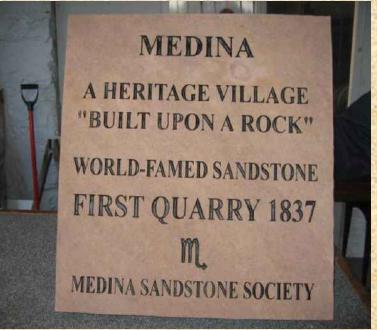
### **Accomplishments since 2004**

**Surveyed** Medina's notable sandstone building \*Non-profit incorporation Preservation work at Armory \*Shipped historic stone birthday tablet to Buffalo **\*Established Sandstone Trust** grants and scholarships \*Developed Sandstone Hall of Fame **\*Participated in community** celebrations

Published souvenir Sandstone publications \*Encouraged historic preservation \*Established John Ryan School of Historical Excellence \*Distributed community

### Marking special sites with Sandstone tablets





### Sandstone resources

Videocassette – Story of Sandstone Booklets – "The Stone Ever Lasting", "30 Years", etc. Article in <u>Stone Magazine</u>, Sept. 1960 "Part of the life and some of the work of: Glenn Beach, Architect" Walking tour of Sandstone structures Medina Sandstone HALL OF FAME Websites: www.SandstoneSociety.org www.CompanyFMemorial.com





### Travel afar, enjoy the art of masonry and Medina Sandstone



The Sonnenberg mansion, Canandaigua, NY was constructed of rusticated graystone, with Medina sandstone trim and gables of half timber and stucco



Medina Sandstone has been used worldwide, including to build the steps of the New York State Capitol Building and significant architectural structures in New York City & London.



The sandstone used in Mt. Hope Cemetery is the Medina Sandstone, named for the small town about halfway between Rochester and Niagara Falls. The red, or Grimsby Sandstone is the variant of the Medina used.





Medina sandstone masonry and foliated capital ornamentation of Buffalo Psychiatric Center, designed by H.H. Richardson.

City Hall, Medina



400 million years ago – the Silurian Age, tiny sands began to gather . . .

1837 - John Ryan's first stone quarry along the Erie Barge Canal in Medina, NY











### **Views from the Quarries**









### **Generations of Stonecutters**





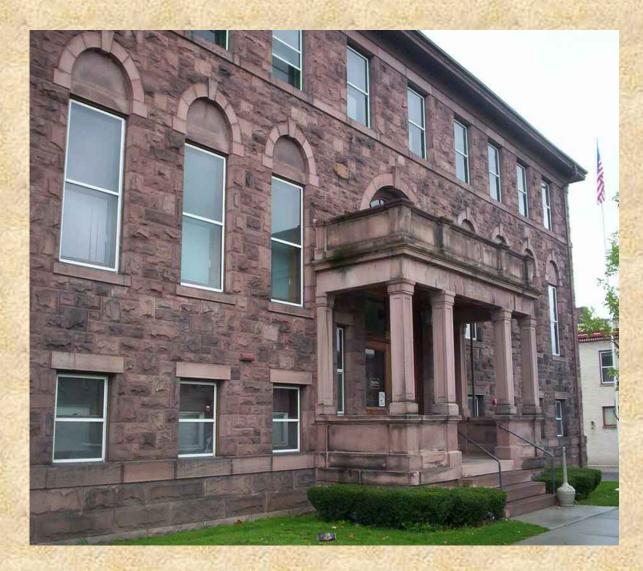




# Pride in our Present

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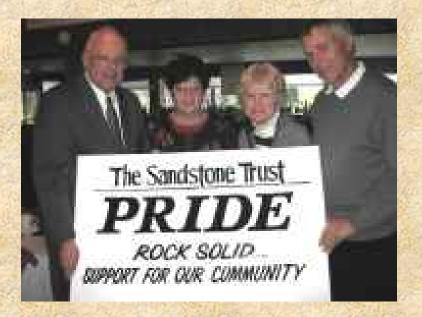
OUR VILLAGE Built on a Rock Look around you, take a walking tour. Maps available here

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## Our Mission – Community Pride



Our Society hopes to encourage pride and enlighten local people, using an undisputed local symbol

..... MEDINA..... the stone everlasting

### Sandstone Society's presence at Community events



#### **Medina's Light Parade**



#### Lois McClure Event



#### **Home Show**

# Medina Sandstone Trust

- Our Trust awards grants to support worthy local projects. These grants will come from funding derived from investment of principal managed by the Community Fund of Buffalo.
- Typical projects supported include festivals, celebrations, community improvements, youth and senior citizen programs, scholarships, tourism efforts, cultural programs, etc.



### John Ryan School of Historical Excellence

Mission: to instill Medina's youth with a heightened pride in our local community

Qualifications: Must be a MHS Junior or Senior Maintained a GPA in all social studies courses of 90 or above Scored higher than 85 on both social studies regents

Awards: Awarded with title of "John Ryan Scholar" at graduation and on diploma

Names permanently displayed on honorary plaque at MHS Eligible to compete for the John Ryan Scholarship

John Ryan Scholarship: Awarded to a Senior, based on their level of involvement in the group and a written essay or project. Essays and/or projects



Judged by a committee from the Sandstone Society and the MHS History Dept. A scholarship of at least \$500 will be awarded upon graduation and announced at Honors Convocation.

Madeline Winters, John Ryan Scholarship winner for 2017, being presented her award by Dave Miller and Sue Holland.

## Medina Sandstone Hall of Fame

- Established in 2013 with a Hall of Fame photo exhibit in City Hall.
- Nominations are solicited from the public each Spring, nominees are vistited and new inductees recognized in the Fall.
- Inductees have come from all over WNY and from Watertown to the east, Jamestown to the south and Erie,PA to the west.

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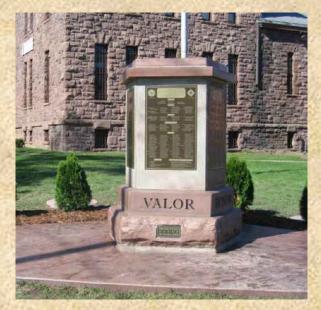






# **Company F Memorial**

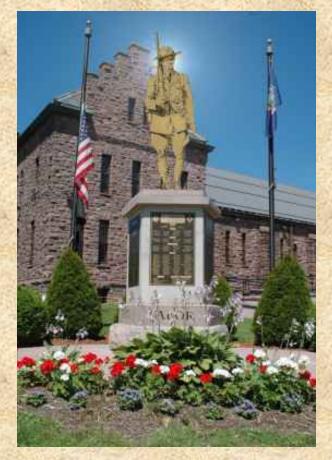
In 2007, a committee was formed to create a memorial to honor troops who served in Company F from 1898 to 1947.







## Company F Memorial Phase II



During 2016-18 Bill Menz led a successful effort to raise funds for a statue of a pre-WWII soldier to be erected on top of the existing monument.



## It all started with a rock...





### **Please join us!** Become a Medina "Stone Cutter"

### Sandstone Society Board (original directors in 2004 board)





Pictured center right photo, Founder Robert E. Waters 1935-2015 – His dream lives on....

### <u>MEDINA</u> <u>SANDSTONE</u> SOCIETY, INC.

This New Civic Organization Gives You An Invitation to Become A Volunteer "STONE CUTTER"

Join The BOOSTER RANKS of the Sandstone Society, dedicated to: – Preservation of Medina's Historic Treasures – Community Events – Modern Progress Built on A Proud Past

Write P.O. Box 25, Medina, NY 14103