



NHS EVENTS 2026



Celebrating Our Place in America's Story!

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are held at the Nunda Historical Society, 24 Portage Street, Nunda. Please see the schedule for specific times and any location details. All events are free and open to the public unless indicated. This schedule is subject to change; for the most up-to-date information, visit www.nundahistory.com or follow us on Facebook.

- **Sunday, March 1, 2-4 PM; Open House - Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery** - Come see our new displays including *Childhood Remembered - Home, School, Play & Community*.
- **Wednesday, March 11, 7 PM; Childhood Memories of Nunda.** This program will kick off a series of panel discussions where local residents will be sharing memories about Nunda. Everyone welcome - and bring your favorite memories! Check the schedule for more of these sessions on Dalton, Hunt, and other local places!
- **Sunday, March 15, 2-4 PM;** Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open.
- **Wednesday, April 8, 7 PM; Clara Barton, Dansville's own "Angel of the Battlefield" by Jane Oakes.** Best known for her work as a battlefield nurse and as founder of the American Red Cross, Clara Barton made neighboring Dansville her home base for many years because of her close association with "Our Home on the Hillside" water cure. Drawing on diaries and letters from private collections, local historian Jane Oakes explores Barton's life in Livingston County and the work she carried out from there.
- **Sunday, April 19, 2:30-4 PM; Childhood Memories of Dalton.** Everyone welcome - and bring your favorite memories! (Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open 2-4 PM.)
- **Sunday, May 3, 2-4 PM;** Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open.
- **Wednesday, May 13, 7 PM; Vintage Tweets: Suffrage Era Postcards by Carol Crossed.** The presentation highlights original suffrage-era postcards and explores themes such as women's suffrage, abolition, temperance, and the artists behind the movement. It's a lively, visual, and engaging 45-minute program shared by author and historian Carol Crossed, founder of the Susan B. Anthony Birthplace Museum in Adams, MA.
- **Sunday, May 17, 2:30-4 PM; Childhood Memories of Hunt.** Everyone welcome! (Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open 2-4 PM.)
- **Visit our booth on Friday and Saturday of Nunda Fun Days! Watch for Details!**
- **Sunday, June 7, 2-4 PM;** Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open.
- **Wednesday, June 10 – NHS Annual History Tour & Picnic:** From **4:00–5:00 PM**, members are invited to a guided history tour of one of the area's historic houses or buildings. The **Annual Picnic** will follow from **5:30–6:30 PM** at the NHS Pavilion, with the **NHS Annual Meeting** held in the History Resource Room from **6:30–6:55 PM**. At **7:00 PM**, musician and storyteller **Don Dwyer** returns to the NHS with his new program, "*The Patriotic Songs of the American Republic*" (**7:00–8:00 PM**). **The 7:00 PM concert is open to the public.**
- **Sunday, June 21 2:30-4 PM; Alumni Memories** Everyone welcome - and bring your favorite memories of Nunda and Dalton Schools! (Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open 2-4 PM.)
- **Saturday July 4, Marking America's 250th Birthday!** Rededication of Nunda's Revolutionary War Plot at Oakwood Cemetery & Dedication of NHS New Flag Pole. (watch for details)
- **Sundays, July 5 & 19, 2-4 PM;** Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open.

- **Wednesday, July 8, 7 PM; The Story of Nunda: 1776–2026** Jump aboard for a fast-paced journey through time by local historian Tom Cook, with brief stops in Nunda from 1776 to the present. Using images and storytelling, this illustrated program explores the people, places, and events that shaped our area while connecting Nunda’s past to *America 250* and our place in America’s story.
- **Sunday, August 2, 2:30-4 PM; Childhood Memories of Growing Up on the Farm!** Everyone welcome! (Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open 2-4 PM.)
- **Saturday, August 15, 9 AM-2 PM; NHS Annual Yard & Bake Sale** This is one of our most important fundraisers. Stop by to look for that special treasure to take home along with some delicious baked goods.
- **Sunday, August 16, 2-4 PM;** Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open.
- **Sunday, September 6, 2-4 PM;** Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open.
- **Wednesday, September 9, 7 PM; “Every Foote a Mixer: A History of the Foote Company of Nunda 1898-1955” by Chris Foote** In 1898, Nunda brothers Charles and Chester Foote invented the first powered cement mixer — a quiet but transformative innovation that helped fuel the road-building revolution and construction boom of the early 20th century. Foote mixers supported major infrastructure projects, provided steady employment for Nunda families during the Great Depression, and later contributed to the Allied war effort during World War II. Presented by Chris Foote, great grandson of Chester Foote, this illustrated program draws on years of research, historic images, and family stories to share the history of Nunda’s most famous industry.
- **Saturday, September 12; NUNDA AMERICANA DAY!** New Date! Watch for details!!!
- **Sunday, September 20; 3-4 PM; William D Burt presents his new NHS book “The Last Days of the Rochester Branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad,”** book signing will follow the program. (Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open 2-4 PM.)
- **Sunday, October 4, 2:30-4 PM; Childhood Memories of Tuscarora!** Everyone welcome! (Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open 2-4 PM.)
- **October 14, 7 PM; Oakwood Cemetery Art & Symbolism by Sandy Bonadonna.** Cemeteries serve as wonderful windows to the past - not only in the individuals whose names appear on the grave stones, but also through the art and symbolism that often accompany the names. Sandy will be taking you on a tour of examples found in Nunda’s Oakwood Cemetery using photographs taken on the grounds.
- **Sunday, October 18, 2:30-4 PM; Childhood Memories of Portageville!** Everyone welcome! (Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open 2 - 4 PM.)
- **Sunday, November 1, 2-4 PM;** Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open.
- **Wednesday, November 11 7 PM; Fraternity, Charity, Loyalty: The Women’s Relief Corps and the Legacy of Women’s Service in Nunda by Sue Long,** Founded in the years following the Civil War, the Women’s Relief Corps became a national organization dedicated to supporting Union veterans, preserving memory, and promoting patriotic service. In Nunda, the WRC played an active role in community life through charitable work, Memorial Day observances, and civic events that shaped how the Civil War generation was remembered. Guided by its motto — *Fraternity, Charity, Loyalty* — this program explores the local history and lasting legacy of women’s service in Nunda across generations.
- **Sunday, November 15, 2-4 PM;** Nunda Museum and Rose Shave Gallery Open.
- **Saturday, December 5, 3 PM; Childhood Memories of Christmas.** We finish our series of programs on Growing Up in Nunda and Portage with an evening of sharing Christmas memories. Bring your own memories and special mementoes from Christmas Past!
- **Saturday, December 12, 10AM-5PM;** Be sure to stop by the Nunda Historical Society during this year's **Christmas in Nunda Celebration!** Enjoy our traditional Christmas decorations, our special holiday displays and shop for local history gifts. **Don’t forget our Cookie Sale!!!** Watch for details!

America 250 – Celebrating Our Place in America’s Story:
From everyday life to extraordinary moments, Nunda’s history is part of America’s story!