

INSTITUTIONAL FACT SHEET

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Summary

Founded in 1923, the Chemung County Historical Society is a non-profit educational institution dedicated to the collection, preservation, and presentation of the history of the Chemung Valley region. First chartered by New York State in 1947, today The Chemung County Historical Society operates two cultural repositories, the Chemung Valley History Museum and the Booth Library. We are the largest general history museum in our region.

Audience

- Chemung Valley tourists and residents of all ages

Hours of Operation

- Galleries: Monday – Saturday, 10am to 5pm; closed Sunday
- Offices: Monday – Friday, 9am to 5pm
- Research: Monday – Friday, 1pm to 5pm
- Closed on holidays

Collections

- The museum holds more than 18,000 three-dimensional artifacts
- The Booth Library contains 2,500 books; 16,000 photographs; 30,000 manuscripts; and 11,000 maps and architectural records

Use of Collections

- Number of objects on exhibit: 200 +
- Percentage of collection on exhibit: less than 2%

Educational Programs

- Local history bus tours
- Lecture series
- Southern Tier Regional History Day
- *History To Go* loan cases for teachers
- Themed tours for school groups
- Chemung County Summer Cohesion youth programs

Publications

- Quarterly scholarly journal, *Chemung Historical Journal*
- Bi-monthly newsletter, *Banknotes*
- Published 23 books and pamphlets currently in print