

ORANGE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

HISTORIC 1841 COURTHOUSE
101 MAIN STREET GOSHEN, NEW YORK 10924

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

[Revised September 28, 2026]

We have transitioned to digital journals starting this year. New memberships effective May 1, 2026 are required to accept digital.

??? WHY DO PEOPLE JOIN US ???

There are 3 major reasons people join our group:

1. They have roots in or near Orange County and they want to learn more about their ancestors.
2. They have a general interest in family history and want to help others.
3. They want to help support our ongoing efforts to fulfill our three major purposes listed below.

Thank you for your interest in the **Orange County Genealogical Society**, whatever the reason may be. Some of the purposes of the Society are as follows:

- To encourage genealogical research.
- To collect and preserve genealogical and family papers and to make them available for study.
- To educate the public as to the importance of genealogical research for the preservation of the family – past, present, and future.

The Society meets the 1st Saturday each month at 9:00AM in the 1841 Courthouse at the above address, usually followed by a program or guest speaker at 10:30AM. Our website and Facebook page should be consulted for upcoming presentations.

Website: www.ocgsny.org

Facebook: Orange County New York Genealogical Society

The Society Research Room, located at the Historic 1841 Courthouse at the above address, is open to the public **free of charge** as follows except holidays:

Mondays	no appointment needed	9 to 12:30
Call 845 294 5871 to make appointment for		
Wednesdays		9 to 12:30
Fridays		9 to 12:30

All memberships start May 1st. To join for multiple years see the schedule below. A life membership is available for **\$300.00**. Persons joining mid-year **must decide** one of the following.

- > To have membership **dated back** to the previous May 1st and receive all previous Quarterly Journals for the current year with our next regular mailing at the dates specified below.

OR

- > To have their membership **delayed** until the up-coming May 1st and receive no Quarterly Journals until that date.

Quarterly Journals are mailed or E-mailed the 1st week of **May, August, November, and February** by regular mail. They should reach you within 1 to 3 weeks.

Membership is open to anyone with an interest in Genealogy and includes both husband and wife. It entitles you to the following:

- > Four Quarterly Journals plus an Annual Index.
- > Four free queries every year, each being 25 words or less.
- > Active participation at our monthly meetings and programs – non members are also welcome to attend.
- > The option to perform extra volunteer work, but there is absolutely no obligation. Interested persons should contact our staff with your interests. Indexing, typing, staffing the research room, and filing are just some examples.

OCGSNY now accepts Zelle for Membership Payments

The account is OCGSNYMEM@gmail.com

Please use the memo area to indicate the reason for the payment

********RETURN THE PORTION BELOW WITH DUES********

To: ORANGE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, 101 Main Street, Goshen, New York 10924

Name of Applicant: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ - _____

E-Mail address _____ Please include your email address

Surnames you are researching that you wish to be published in the Journal: _____

RENEWALS

Current membership renewal for printed journals which are mailed is \$20 per year.

Amount enclosed _____ for _____ years

NEW MEMBERS

As a reminder new member's digital journal is by email only

1 year = \$15; 2 years = \$30; 3 years = \$45; 4 years = \$60; 5 Years = \$65 (Special price!); Life = \$300

Please start my membership: May 1st, 20__ Amount enclosed: \$ _____ for _____ years

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