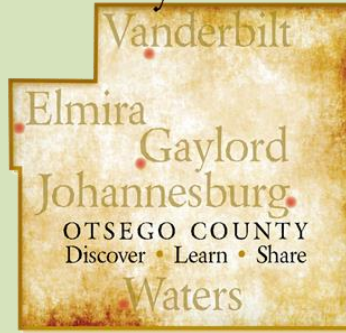


History Matters



Update # 23

June 9, 2018

History Matters concentrates on three broad themes:

- * People & Communities
- * Business & Industry
- * Events & Activities

This week's Update takes a look at some of the **people** who have been identified as exceptional community leaders.

Earlier this week, the Leadership Otsego County class of 2018 held its graduation ceremony (photo to the left) This leadership development program is conducted by the Chamber of Commerce and offers an all-day module on local history. The program began when Sherry Johnson was the Chamber president. She co-chaired the history workshop and continues to be a vital participant in this important learning opportunity.

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Closely related to Leadership Otsego County is another initiative of The Chamber of Commerce; "Leadership Legends" which began in 2005. It honors exceptional people for their tireless hours of volunteering, expanding businesses, opening new frontiers, and setting the example for the younger generation. The "Legends" include: Monsignor Francis Kaminski, J. Richard Yuill, Sam Titus, Jim Mongeau, Harold Elgas, C. Glen Catt, Gordon Everett, Frank Kassuba, Ray McMullen, Charles Brink, Lester Lunden, and 18 more local leaders.

You can **discover** the entire list of Legends on our [web site](#) and at a special exhibit at the Museum located near the north entrance as shown in the photo to the right.

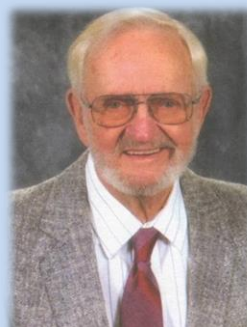


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Learn about these and other Leadership Legends who played a pivotal role in preserving our county's history



Herb Hutchins



Gordon Everett



Cynthia Sparks



Harold Elgas

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1. What information, stories, and photos do you have to **share** about these Leadership Legends?
2. Who do you suggest we add to this list? **Share** your ideas – what other leaders have made a significant impact in our county's social, economic or environmental development.
3. In our county's nearly 150 year history, who made a difference – who improved our quality of life?