

# *Bradys Bend Historical Society*

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### General Information

The Bradys Bend Historical Society, a non-profit organization, was founded in 1979 to provide community service regarding historical preservation and research. The area was once a major industrial center, much more densely populated than at present time. Literally thousands of people came to the area seeking work during a relatively short time in the last half of the nineteenth century. They left behind a wealth of family histories, memorabilia and customs from many parts of Europe. The Society has collected oral histories, compiled cemetery records, and acts as a clearinghouse for those seeking information about their ancestors' past lives in our area. Membership in the Society is \$5.00 registration, plus dues of \$2.00 per year. A life membership is \$40.00, or \$35.00 if converting from a regular membership. Membership may be by mail, at any meeting, or at any of our regularly scheduled events.

We publish an annual newsletter and hold regular meetings at 7:30 PM on the third Thursday of each month April through October. Meetings May through October are held at the Society's headquarters, St Stephen's Old Stone Church on Route 68 in Bradys Bend Township. The April meeting is announced, but is normally held at the East Brady Public Library. Most meetings begin with a short business session, which is followed by a program of historical interest. (See **CALENDAR OF EVENTS, P 2**).

The Society has published three books. *If These Hills Could Talk* is a series of articles about the history of the Bradys Bend area, including oral histories, photographs and items of interest (241 pp, \$15.00, plus \$3.00 if mailed). *At Rest in These Hills* is a catalog of 22 small and remotely located cemeteries in Bradys Bend and Perry Townships (56 pp, \$7.00 plus \$1.50 if mailed). *Atop These Hills* includes catalogs of the St Eusebius, St Mary's and Bradys Bend Cemeteries, plus information about the Wattersonsville and Old St Patrick's Church cemeteries. Also included is the journal of John Hay, who dug graves by hand in the Bradys Bend Cemetery for 50 years, plus many photographs of the cemeteries (337 pp, \$20.00 plus \$5.00 if mailed). Make checks payable to Bradys Bend Historical Society and mail to P O Box 451, East Brady PA 16028.

If you wish to have a genealogical query published, send \$2 with your query to the same address.

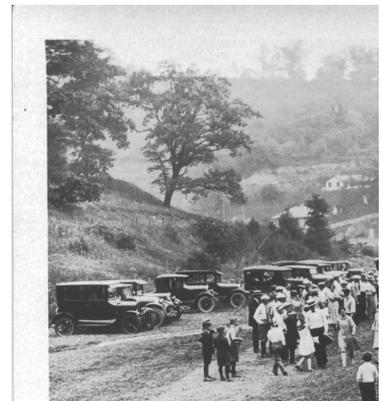
Our officers are always glad to hear from you:

President: Deborah McCanna

Vice President: Barbara Henderson

Secretary: Veronica Delano

Treasurer: L Wilson Downing



At the Limestone Co July 4<sup>th</sup> picnic , year unknown