

## Canaan historians have a challenge to meet

CANAAN—The Canaan Historical Society has received a \$5,000 matching grant from the W.G. Pomeroy Foundation. The society will receive a dollar match for each dollar raised during the challenge up to \$5,000. The match must be met by October 1.

The funds raised and the match from the Pomeroy Foundation, a potential total of \$10,000, will be used for a Structural Stabilization Project for the Society's 1829 Meeting House. Having re-roofed the meeting house in 2001, the historical society contracted for a Building Condition Survey conducted by Thaler, Reilly Wilson, Architecture & Preservation of Albany in 2022. That survey developed a three-stage program of restorations for the

historic meeting house; the first priority of work is structural stabilization. The historical society will reach out to the community to raise the funds to meet this match. Donations of any size are appreciated and may be mailed to Canaan Historical Society, P.O. Box 111, Canaan 12029. Additional support for the structural stabilization project has also recently been granted from the Hudson River Bank and Trust Foundation (\$5,000) and from the Bank of Greene County (\$1,000). An update on the 1829 Meeting House Restoration Project will be shared at the historical society's annual meeting August 19, 3 p.m. at 13 Warners Crossing Road. Refreshments will follow a short business meeting.

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