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Rhode Island Panoramic & Birds Eye Views Subject of Nov. 19 Talk BVHS unveils Saylesville Panorama 7 pm North Gate Upstairs Hall

In conjunction with Tom Greene's talk, our newly restored panoramic view of Saylesville will be on display. This map was donated to the Blackstone Valley Historical Society by **Mrs. Lillian Knych** whose father received it when he worked at Sayles Finishing Plant.

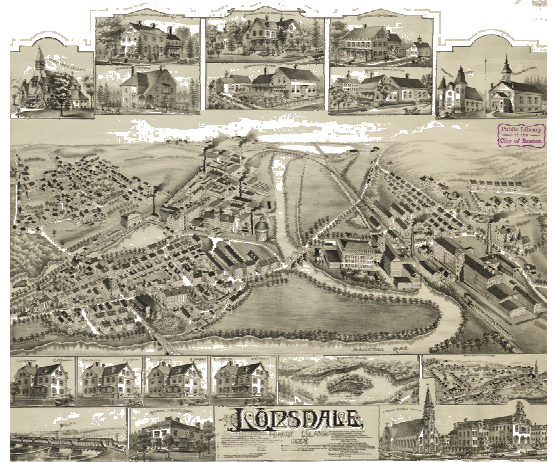
This map was restored with partial funding from the **Ott Fund** of the Rhode Island Foundation. Though a few of this particular **O.H. Bailey** view are known to exist in Rhode Island, it is thought that this view is somewhat rare.

Also on display will be several reproductions of Blackstone Valley panoramas from **Al Klyberg's** collection, including: Pawtucket/Central Falls, Lonsdale, Woonsocket, Slatersville, Uxbridge, Douglas, Worcester, Hope Dale, and others.

For more information contact: The Norman B. Leventhal Map Center at the Boston Public Library.

<http://maps.bpl.org/tag/subject:Bird%27s-eye+views/>

Before the age of aerial photography artists created the "Bird's Eye View"



Lonsdale, Rhode Island Published by O.H. Bailey & Co., 1888
From *The Norman B. Leventhal Map Center at the Boston Public Library*

On Wednesday evening, Nov. 19, you will have an opportunity to find out how artists created panoramas and bird's eye view drawings as well as their significance and importance in history.

Tom Greene, an expert on Rhode Island maps, will talk about the time period in which this kind of publication flourished. He will highlight the principal view makers, how they went about creating these views as well as markets for sale and selling prices.

Mr. Green received a BM in Music Education from the New England Conservatory of Music and an MM in Music History from the University of Connecticut. For many years he has been the president of the Nathanael Greene Homestead in Coventry. Also, he has published two volumes of photographic history on North Providence, Arcadia Press.

The evening presentation will commence with a brief membership meeting at 7:00 pm in the upstairs hall, followed immediately by Mr. Greene's talk. Light refreshments will be served after the talk.

Festival. The event was manned by the BOD. About 20 people came by.

On October 18 a great evening was enjoyed by 50 or more members and guests as local author and paranormal investigator, Paul Eno, gave a talk entitled "Behind the Paranormal in the Blackstone Valley".

Another premiere of sorts will occur on November 19. With partial funding from the "Ott Fund" of the RI Foundation, an O. H. Bailey's Bird's Eye View of Saylesville was restored and will be unveiled at the November 19 meeting in conjunction with the talk by Tom Greene. This map was donated to the Society by Lillian Knych. Though a few of this particular O. H. Bailey view are known to exist in Rhode Island, it is thought that this view somewhat rare as there does not seem to be any copies of it in the on-line catalogs that have been checked thus far. Look for an article in the Valley Breeze about the restoration process.

From the Desk of the President

During the summer months the BOD met monthly, as it has been doing all year, and much time was spent working on plans for the September 20th Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration. It was a wonderful success; over 70 tickets were sold. A great anniversary booklet was produced through the hard work of Chris Nowak who researched our historical timeline and Sue Nicewander who, using her graphical genius, arranged the information into booklet format. Also there was the premiere of the BVHS commissioned video, "*In Your Own Backyard*", written and narrated by Glenn Laxton; produced and videotaped by Tracey Ingle.

Many thanks to the Anniversary Committee: Stacy Harris, food; Gail Harris, arrangements and decorations; Chris Nowak, publicity, citations and excerpts of 50 years of BVHS history; Sue Nicewander, anniversary booklet; Glenn Laxton, video; Pat Armitage, organization and tickets. The various proclamations and citations gathered by Chris can be viewed in the glass case at the back of upstairs hall.

On September 25 BVHS was honored by the Blackstone Valley Tourism Council with the "Footprints in History Award". On September 25 BVHS was honored by the Blackstone Valley Tourism Council with the "Footprints in History Award". Accepting the award on behalf of the Society were Pat Armitage, President, Al Klyberg, Vice President, and Chris Nowak, Publicity.

On October 5 BVHS held an OPEN HOUSE in conjunction with the Great Road Fall Heritage