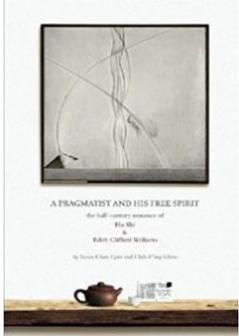
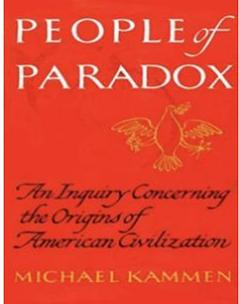
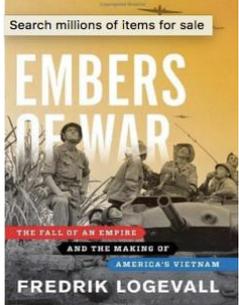
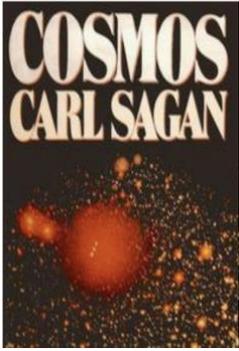


# What's in the Bookcase?

A selection of books by or about Cayuga Heights residents.

	<p><b>A Pragmatist and His Free Spirit: The Half-Century Romance of Hu Shi and Edith Clifford Williams</b> <i>Susan Chan Egan and Chih-P'ing Chou</i> 2009 Residence: 322 Highland Rd. (Edith Clifford Williams)</p> <p>Edith Clifford Williams (1885-1971) was an accomplished artist in Alfred Stieglitz's inner circle and a pioneer in the abstract art movement, however she supported herself in Ithaca as a librarian in the Cornell Veterinary College. Her friendship and love affair with the 20th century Chinese philosopher, literary and social reformer, Hu Shi (1891-1962), an undergraduate at Cornell, is chronicled in this book with extensive contextual commentary.</p>
	<p><b>People of Paradox: An Inquiry Concerning the Origins of American Civilization</b> <i>Michael Kammen</i> 1972 Residence: 207 Cayuga Heights Rd.</p> <p>Michael Kammen (1936-2013) was a professor of American history at Cornell for over 40 years. In this Pulitzer Prize-winning book, he explores contradictions in American society since its Colonial beginnings, and states that what has made our culture unique has been the interaction of the imported with the indigenous.</p>
	<p><b>Embers of War: The Fall of An Empire and the Making of America's Vietnam</b> <i>Fredrik Logevall</i> 2012 Residence: 312 Cayuga Heights Rd.</p> <p>Former Cornell historian, Fredrik Logevall, won a Pulitzer Prize for this examination of the decades leading up to escalation and direct troop involvement in Vietnam. This critical history of the formative period from 1940-1960 weaves together the dual narratives of France's historical role and American entanglement in Southeast Asia.</p>



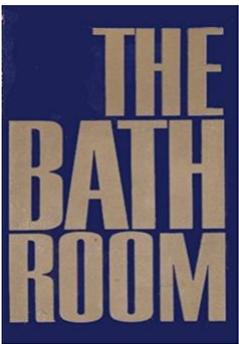
### **Cosmos**

*Carl Sagan*

1980

Residence: 330 The Parkway

Cornell astronomer and science popularizer, Carl Sagan (1934-1996) wrote this 13-chapter book to correspond with his award-winning TV series in 1980. It covers a broad range of topics, including reflections on astronomy, cosmology, anthropology, history and more, and became the best-selling science book in the English language. More importantly, it ushered in a dramatic increase in visibility for science, and a large platform for public science communication. Sagan received two Emmy Awards and a Peabody for the show.



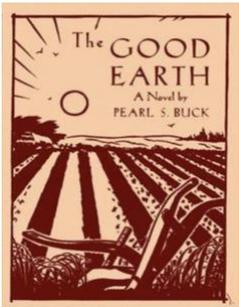
### **The Bathroom**

*Alexander Kira*

1976 (2nd ed.)

Residences: 404 Triphammer Rd.  
413 Highland Rd.

Cornell Professor of Architecture, Alexander Kira (1928-2005) laid out groundbreaking physical and safety recommendations for bathroom design in his book, *The Bathroom*, first published in 1966. A graphic study of the ergonomics of bathroom fixtures, it was considered controversial with regard to the psychosocial aspects of design.



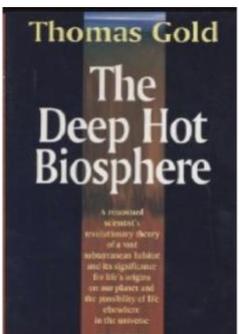
### **The Good Earth**

*Pearl S. Buck*

1931

Residence: 614 Wyckoff Rd., 2nd fl.

In this radical book, Pearl Buck (1892-1973) drew on her first-hand observations of Chinese village life. Her depiction of peasant existence, the poor and the oppressed in rural China helped Americans see the Chinese as allies. Buck lived in this house in 1932, the year she received the Pulitzer Prize for this book. She was also the recipient of a Nobel Prize.



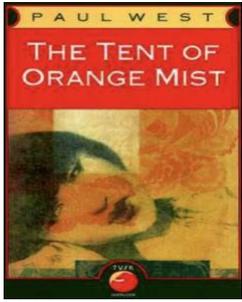
### **The Deep Hot Biosphere: The Myth of Fossil Fuels**

*Thomas Gold*

1999

Residences: 414 Cayuga Heights Rd.  
640 Highland Rd.

This groundbreaking book by Thomas Gold (1920-2004) sets forth controversial and astonishing theories about where oil and gas really come from. Gold claims that fossil fuels originate not from compressed biological matter, but from the deep Earth, present since its formation.



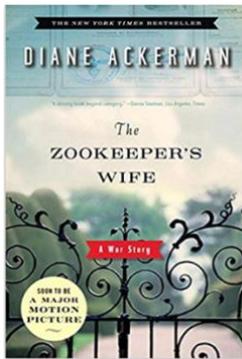
### **The Tent of Orange Mist**

*Paul West*

1995

Residence: Address withheld

Prolific experimental author Paul West (1930-2015) was nominated for the Nobel Prize in Literature and Knighted by the Order of Arts and Letters in France for this moving book about survival during the Sino-Japanese conflict of the 1930s. West was married to noted author Diane Ackerman.



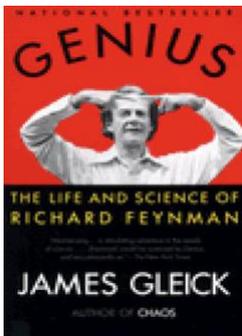
### **The Zookeeper's Wife**

*Diane Ackerman*

2017

Residence: Address withheld

Based on a true story about a couple who saves 300 Jews from the Warsaw Ghetto, this unusual story by poet and naturalist Diane Ackerman was popularized when it was released in theatres in 2013. Ackerman was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in 2012 for her book, *100 Names for Love*, a narrative about her husband, Paul West, and his recovery from a stroke, which left him unable to speak and understand words. Interestingly, Ackerman has a molecule named after her, *dianeackerone*, a crocodilian sex pheromone.



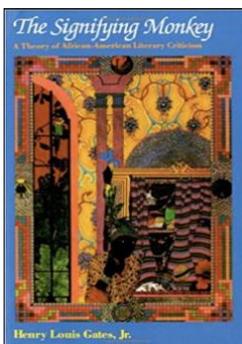
### **Genius: The Life and Science of Richard Feynman**

*James Gleick*

1992

Residence: 505 The Parkway (Richard Feynman)

James Gleick tackles the biography of one-time Cayuga Heights resident Richard Feynman (1918-1988), who never quite adjusted to life in isolated Ithaca. Feynman left his mark as both a genius and a character. A Nobel Prize-winner in physics and a National Medal of Science recipient, he worked on the Manhattan Project and, later, was instrumental in identifying the cause of the Challenger disaster.



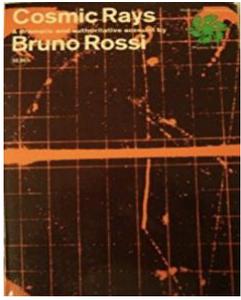
### **The Signifying Monkey: A History of African-American Literary Criticism**

*Henry Louis Gates*

1988

Residence: 503 Triphammer Rd.

This book by literary theorist and scholar, Henry Louis Gates, traces the origins of “signifying” (wordplay) in African-American culture. Gates is credited with discovering the first books by African-American writers (both were women), and has been at the forefront of appreciation for African-American literature. He later launched the popular PBS series, *Finding Your Roots*.



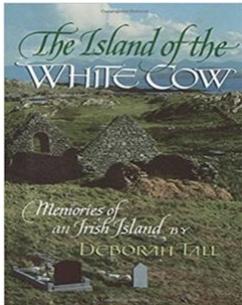
### **Cosmic Rays**

*Bruno Rossi*

1964

Residence: 386 The Parkway

Bruno Rossi (1905-1993) was an experimental physicist who made enormous contributions to particle physics and the study of cosmic rays. Winner of the National Medal of Science and the Wolf Prize, Rossi worked on the Manhattan Project and was brought to Cornell by colleague and friend, Hans Bethe.



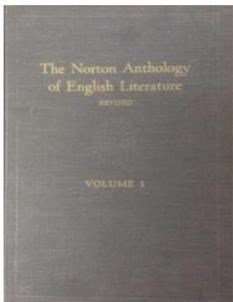
### **The Island of the White Cow: Memories of an Irish Island**

*Deborah Tall*

1986

Residence: 511 Kline Rd.

Memories of the author's five-year stay on the island of Inishbofin ("Island of the White Cow" in Gaelic) off the coast of Ireland are documented in this engrossing book. She condenses her experiences into four seasons, providing an anthropological-style account of the reclusive way of life of a people caught between modernity and tradition.



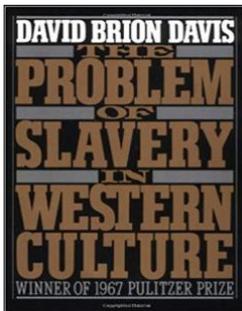
### **The Norton Anthology of English Literature**

*M.H. Abrams*, Founding Ed.

1962

Residence: 512 Highland Rd.

M.H. Abrams was an American literary critic known for editing this widely read compendium of literature. Thomas Pynchon, Harold Bloom, Gayatri Spivak and E.D. Hirsch were among his students. His delightful back porch was often used by Cornell faculty and administration to discuss pressing university issues. He lived to be 102 years old.



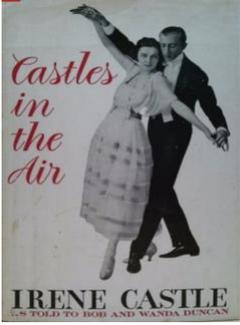
### **The Problem of Slavery in Western Culture**

*David Brion Davis*

1966

Residence: 104 N. Sunset Dr.

This landmark study, spanning 5,000 years, illuminates the variety of attitudes toward the institution of slavery in Western culture. Davis provides a history of the ways in which different societies have responded to, and grappled with, its intrinsic contradictions.



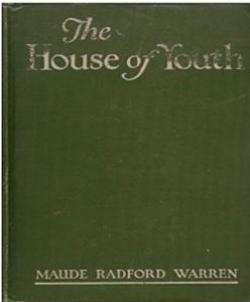
### **Castles in the Air**

*Irene Castle*

1958

Residence: 106 Cayuga Heights Rd.

This charming book tells the story of Vernon and Irene Castle, champions of modern ballroom dancing. Irene's home, known as "Greystone", with second husband Robert E. Treman, was featured in the 1918 silent film "A Romance in the Air". Castle was a trend-setter and was often featured in such magazines as *Town and Country*, *Vanity Fair* and *Vogue*.



### **The House of Youth**

*Maude Radford Warren*

1924

Residence: 416 Highland Rd.

First World War international correspondent and prolific author Maude Radford Warren (1875-1934) was a popular writer of novels, as well as stories in *Harper's*, *The Saturday Evening Post*, and *Colliers*. "The House of Youth" was made into a movie by director Ralph Ince in 1925, her second book to be adapted for the screen.



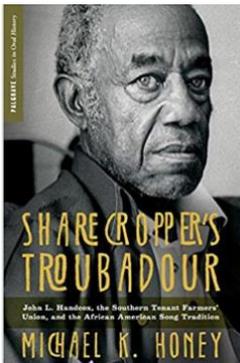
### **Journey Cake, Ho!**

*Ruth Durand Sawyer*

1953

Residences: 100 Iroquois Rd.  
501 Highland Rd.

Award-winning children's author Ruth Sawyer (1880-1970) collaborated on this rollicking story with her son-in-law, illustrator Robert McCloskey, of *Make Way for Ducklings* fame. This rhythmic tale set on Tip Top Mountain, about Johnny's adventures chasing a journey cake, received a Caldecott Medal in 1954.



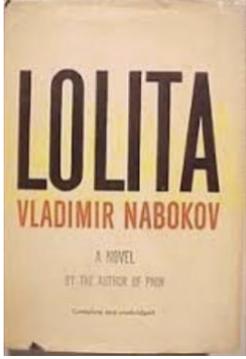
### **Sharecropper's Troubadour**

*Michael K. Honey*, featuring photographs of *Louise Boyle*

2013

Residence: 115 Cayuga Heights Rd. (Boyle)  
107 Cayuga Heights Rd. (Boyle)

Portrait photographer Louise Boyle (1910-2005) was known for her images documenting the effects of the Great Depression on Southern farmworkers, especially African Americans. She was later invited to photograph members of the Southern Tenant Farmers Union in 1937. Forty years later, she returned to re- photograph some of the same people and places.



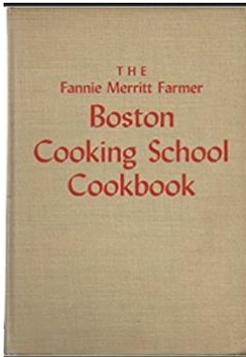
### **Lolita**

*Vladimir Nabokov*

1955

Residences: 623 Highland Rd. (1951-52)  
106 Hampton Rd. (1952-53)  
808 Hanshaw Rd. (1955-56)  
425 Hanshaw Rd. (1956-57)  
880 Highland Rd. (1957-58)  
404 Highland Rd. (1958-59)

This controversial study of love is considered by many writers to be the greatest work of the 20th Century. Penned in the Heights, it features a middle-aged man obsessed with a 12-year-old girl, with whom he becomes sexually involved after he marries her mother.

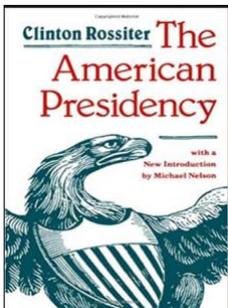


### **The Fannie Merritt Farmer Boston Cooking School Cookbook**

10<sup>th</sup> ed., revised by *Wilma Lord Perkins*, illustrated by *Alison Mason Kingsbury*  
1959

Residences: 903 Wyckoff Rd. (Kingsbury)  
107 Cayuga Heights Rd. (Kingsbury)

A student of the acclaimed École des Beaux-Arts in France, Alison Mason Kingsbury (1898-1988), illustrated the 10th edition of this classic cookbook. She and her husband, Morris Bishop, were residents of the Village for over 60 years. During this time, she produced a huge body of work ranging from commissioned murals, (including one at Radio City Music Hall in New York City), to graphic works and oil paintings.



### **The American Presidency**

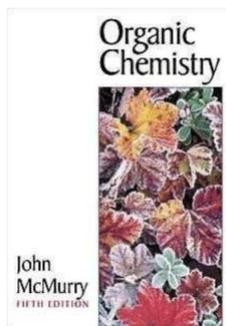
*Clinton Rossiter*

1956

Residence: 103 Hanshaw Rd.

This printed version of a university lecture series, in which Rossiter (1917-1970) gives an analysis on the vast role of the Presidency, sold more than a million copies. It has become a classic tome, translated into thirty languages, and is used as a standard in universities around the world.

## TEXTBOOKS



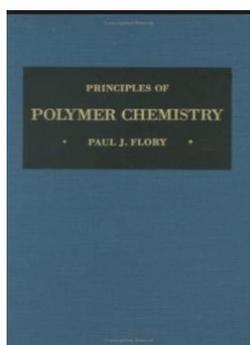
### **Organic Chemistry**

*John McMurry*

1984

Residence: 112 Oak Hill Rd.

Responsible for the McMurry Reaction, John McMurray authored an astounding 40+ chemistry textbooks. *Organic Chemistry* remains an important text for chemistry students, and is known for its concise, clear approach to complex topics. McMurray's work has been widely used by the pharmaceutical industry and other chemical communities.



### **Principles of Polymer Chemistry**

*Paul Flory*

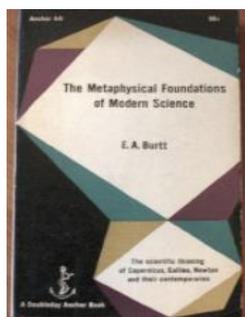
1953

Residences: 710 Hanshaw Rd.

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Nobel laureate Paul Flory was known for his pioneering research in polymer science. *Principles of Polymer Chemistry* was, for many years, the standard textbook in macromolecular (polymer) chemistry. Flory's work in polymer science led to a Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work on macromolecules. He was also greatly admired for defending the rights of scientists working under repressive conditions around the world.



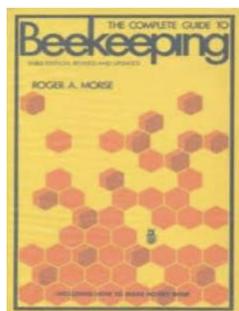
### **The Metaphysical Foundations of Modern Science**

*Edwin Arthur Burt*

1925

Residence: 102 Sunset Dr.

The shift from the philosophy of the Middle Ages, where man was the center of creation and all nature existed solely for his benefit, to the modern view of humanity's less central place in the universe, ranks as the greatest revolution in the history of Western thought. This classic in the philosophy of science tells how that profound change occurred.



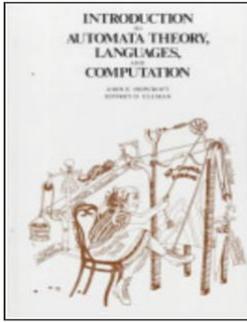
### **The Complete Book of Beekeeping**

*Roger A. Morse*

1972

Residence: 425 Hanshaw Rd.

Roger A. Morse (1927-2000) was one of the best-known apiculturists in the world. This seminal book offers a step-by-step guide to establishing a thriving hive, written for both the amateur and the experienced beekeeper.



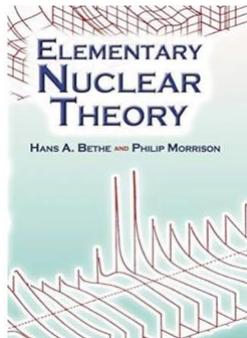
### **Introduction to Automata Theory, Languages, and Computation**

*Jeffrey Ullman and John Hopcroft*

1979

Residence: Address Withheld

Cayuga Heights resident John Hopcroft was the recipient of the Turing Award, (often described as the Nobel Prize of computing), for fundamental achievements in design and analysis of algorithms and data structures. This classic book on formal languages is colloquially known as “The Cinderella Book”, due to its cover design.



### **Elementary Nuclear Theory**

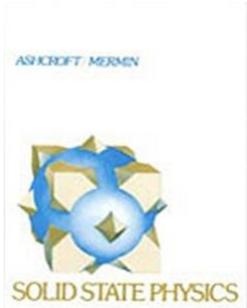
*Hans Bethe and Philip Morrison*

1947

Residences: 121 E. Remington Rd. (Bethe)  
209 White Park Rd.

Residence: 514 Wyckoff Rd. (Morrison)

This compact book offers an in-depth treatment of the basic theory of nuclear forces, structures, and reactions. After working on the Manhattan Project, Bethe (1906-2005) returned to his position at Cornell in 1946, inviting Morrison (1915-2005), a fellow Manhattan Project physicist, to join him. The following year, they published this important book. In 1967, Hans Bethe received the Nobel Prize.



### **Solid State Physics**

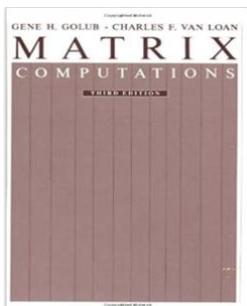
*Neil W. Ashcroft and N. David Mermin*

1976

Residence: 1001 Highland Rd. (Ashcroft)

Residence: 315 The Parkway (Mermin)

The publication of Ashcroft and Mermin’s *Solid State Physics* was widely anticipated in the physics community and well-reviewed. Known for being particularly well-organized and comprehensive, the subject deals with physical properties of solid crystalline materials used in most electronic circuits.



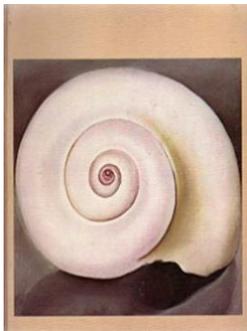
### **Handbook for Matrix Computations**

*Charles F. Van Loan and Thomas Frederick Coleman*

1988

Residence: Address withheld (Van Loan)

This classic text in the computer science canon, is an essential reference for computational scientists, engineers and researchers. Van Loan is known for his work in numerical analysis, particularly matrix computations, which are used in most scientific fields including physics, computer graphics and statistics.



### **Biological Science**

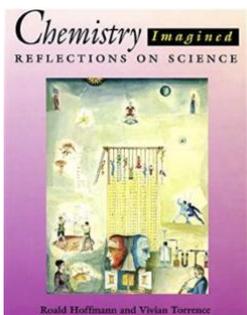
*William T. Keeton*

featuring illustrations by *Paula DiSanto Bensadoun*

1967

386 The Parkway (Bensadoun)

Popular Cornell professor William Keeton (1933-1980) authored this bestselling textbook, one of the first to integrate zoology and botany. Village resident Paula Bensadoun, a skilled scientific illustrator, was hired to create over 500 illustrations for the book. Her work is known for its visual accuracy, as she used her own original scientific references.



### **Chemistry Imagined: Reflections on Science**

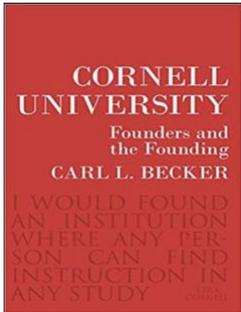
*Roald Hoffmann*

1993

Residence: 420 Hanshaw Rd.

Nobel Prize-winning chemist Roald Hoffmann uses collages, short essays, personal commentaries and poems in this book to reveal the intricacies of chemistry and highlight its social, literary, and psychological aspects. Having survived the Holocaust in Poland, he migrated to the United States in 1949. His accomplishments extend far beyond science, into poetry, playwriting and television. In 1983 he received the National Medal of Science.

## BOOKS ABOUT CORNELL, ITHACA AND TOMPKINS COUNTY



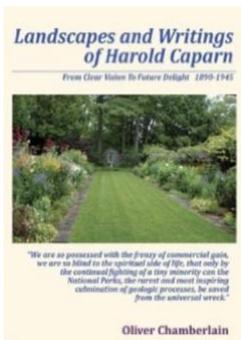
### **Cornell University: Founders and the Founding**

*Carl L. Becker*

1943

Residence: 109 W. Upland Rd.

This engaging history of Cornell University origins was originally presented as six lectures celebrating the university's 75th anniversary. In it, Becker (1873-1945) details the Morrill Land Grant Act which established three of the university's colleges. Becker found the research for this book rewarding, uncovering previously unknown facts about Cornell.

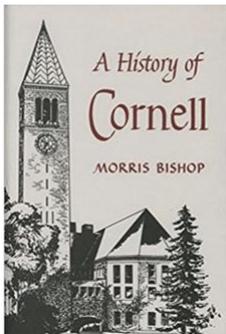


### **Landscapes and Writings of Harold Caparn**

*Oliver Chamberlain*

2013

A member of the generation of landscape architects who followed in the footsteps of Frederick Law Olmsted early in the twentieth century, Harold Caparn (1864-1945) was well known for such design commissions as the forecourt at the Bronx Zoo and major areas of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden. Between the turn of the century and the US entry into World War I, he contributed to the design of roads, a trolley car line, and landscapes in Cayuga Heights, working in the style that became known as the garden suburb.



### **A History of Cornell**

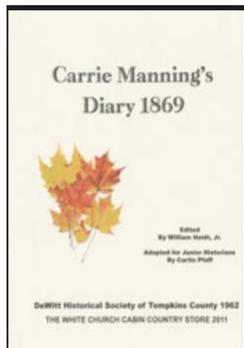
*Morris Bishop*

*Allison Mason Kingsbury, illustrator*

1962

Residence: 903 Wyckoff Rd.

Morris Bishop (1893-1973), biographer, essayist, and historian, an alumnus who taught in the Cornell Department of Romance Studies for almost forty years, wrote this history of the university from its founding with great style, humor and affection. He is credited with bringing Vladimir Nabokov to Cornell in 1947, although for many years scuttlebutt among women in Cayuga Heights held that his wife, artist Alison Mason Kingsbury (1898-1988), an alumna of Wellesley College where Nabokov had been lecturing, played a key role.



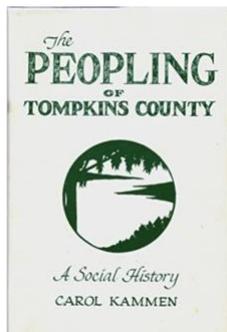
### **Carrie Manning's Diary 1869**

*William Heidt, ed.*

1956

Residence: site of 105 Warwick Pl. (Carrie Manning)

This daily record by young Carrie Manning offers a unique window into the world of a 13-year-old girl in 1869. She describes her life in great detail, including staying home from school to "drop corn". We follow her through her activities as she irons calico, gathers nuts, makes "Delicate Cake," plays dominoes, and chews "pitch gum." Carrie died in 1875, at just nineteen, and is buried in Pleasant Grove Cemetery in Cayuga Heights.



### **The Peopling of Tompkins County: A Social History**

*Carol Kammen*

1985

Residences: 207 Cayuga Heights Rd.  
110 Iroquois Rd.

Carol Kammen wrote this history of Tompkins County for the enjoyment of "many people of many backgrounds." One of the foremost local historians in the United States, she has been our appointed county historian since 2000. A prolific author, Kammen's groundbreaking work includes *On Doing Local History* (2003) and co-editorship of the *Encyclopedia of Local History* (2013), and many published works on the history of Cornell.

If you would like access to view the books in the library,  
please inquire within the Village Clerk's Office on the 2nd floor.