

District of Ross Mills Ross Mills Newsletter March 2019

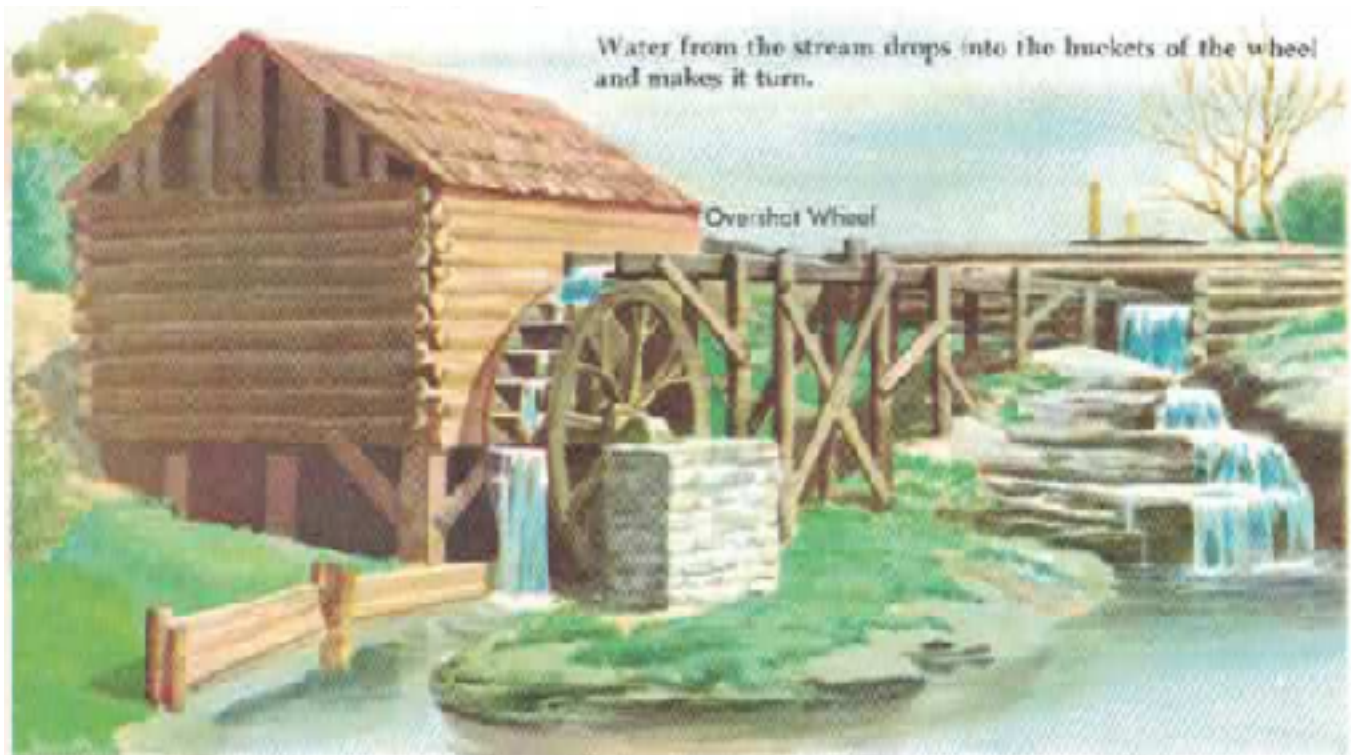
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**Ross Mills is located in Western New York. We are in the Town of Gerry and Town of Ellicott, and in Chautauqua County. Before school were centralized we were District #1 and are now in Falconer District.
Central School



March 10th.

The following picture and article are from the Golden encyclopedia from the 1960's



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WATER WHEELS • WAVES

WATER WHEELS Thousands of years ago men learned how to harness the water of rivers and waterfalls. They made it turn water wheels. Then they used the water wheels to turn other machines.

The pictures show two old-fashioned kinds of water wheels. One has paddles around the edge. The other has buckets. The one with paddles is called an undershot water wheel. The water runs under it. It strikes the paddles and turns the wheel. The one with buckets is an overshot water wheel. The water travels to the top of the wheel through a trough or pipe of some kind and falls into one bucket after another. The water that fills the buckets is heavy enough to make the wheel turn. As soon as a bucket reaches the bottom of the wheel, the water in it spills out. In many

of the early mills in the United States the big grinding stones were turned by water wheels like these.

Most water wheels of today are turbines. A turbine is a water wheel or a group of several water wheels shut up inside a case. Each wheel has many blades. Water flows into the turbine, hits the blades, and makes the wheel or wheels turn.

The most important use of turbines is in electric power plants. There are many big power plants beside rivers or waterfalls. The water of the river or falls turns water turbines. The turbines turn great electric generators. Power plants in which the generators are turned by water turbines are called hydroelectric plants. "Hydroelectric" means "water electric." (See **ELECTRICITY; FACTORIES.**)



*Don't Miss our
ONLY Fundraiser!*

2019 Easter Eggs

Dates

Feb 24, Orders BEGIN

Mar 24, Orders END **Ross Mills Church of God**
~ annual fundraiser

Apr 3, 6-9p SETUP

Apr 5, 6-11p Make Centers

Apr 6, 10a-3p Dipping/Boxing

Apr 7-13, DELIVER Eggs

Apr 14, All Money DUE

Extra Eggs Available

Apr 21, EASTER

Thinking of some of the past

Clara Stonequist came here as little girl with her parents back in the early teens and lived here on the farm at 3650 Gerry Levant Road the rest of her life. The picture of Clara with the shovel of soil was taken in 1956 from where the church now stands. Clara was always a large part of our community. She played the piano at church for many years and helping where ever she was needed. She was a very generous person. She never forgot the kids. Before the Stonequist's came to Ross Mills they knew the Lindbergh's and Clara was in Charles' class at school, before they came here. Charles was the first to fly in an airplane from New York to Paris!



The Transatlantic Flight

Lindbergh in New York

The early morning of May 20, 1927, was dreary in New York, but the weather forecasts for his route over the Atlantic Ocean and his destination to Paris were good enough for Lindbergh. Even though he had slept little the night before and faced a thirty-three hour trip, Lindbergh decided to make his attempt.

Although Lindbergh first experienced good weather, he eventually ran into icing conditions that forced him to consider turning back until he made his way through. During the trip, he averaged around 100 miles per hour and varied his altitude from just a few feet above the waves in the daytime to over 10,000 feet at night. He kept the windows open most of the flight to keep from falling asleep. Lindbergh flew what is known as a “great circle” route from New York to Paris. He flew from New York along the coast of Newfoundland and over Ireland to reach his destination. Looking at a flat map, his route seems to add miles to his journey. If, however, you connect New York and Paris with a piece of string on a globe, you’ll see that Lindbergh’s route is indeed the shortest. Lindbergh landed in Paris at 10:24 p.m. on May 21, 1927, and was welcomed as a hero by a crowd numbering in the tens of thousands who had gathered for his arrival.



<https://www.shsmo.org/historicmissourians/name/l/lindbergh/> the article and pictures were taken from the above website.

To the left is Charles' plane.

The map below is the route he took.

