adoption program. Six of the OHA's most recognizable artifacts -- the Heaphy's Tin Man and HARP, among them -- are now available for "adoption." A donation made in this form earns donors a certificate and description of the artifact, and the money goes toward preserving the museum's collection.

To donate to the OHA or become a member, visit cnyhistory.org or call 428-1864 ext. 314.

Onondaga Historical Association

While it may not relay the same sense of urgency as providing food or shelter for the needy, the Onondaga Historical Association is responsible for preserving the history of Onondaga County -- no small task, and not one an inexpensive one, either.

Lynn Fallon, OHA development director, said a flat-out donation of \$25, or any amount, would likely go to the group's year-end appeal.

By becoming a member, available at different levels from \$25 to \$1,000 annually, donors can receive a discount at the museum store, access to the OHA research center, newsletters, discounts and early notifications for events and programs in return for helping support the OHA.

Fallon said the OHA recently unveiled an additional way to donate: new artifact

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Heaphy's Tin Man, right, is one of six artifacts at the Onondaga Historical Association Museum that are up for "adoption" through a new program.

