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Preserving Our History In The Community

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We are in a great place as a community to have the presence of [OHA](#), the community's guardian of our treasures and historical memory.

On Thursday, June 18th, a St. Joseph's team of representatives, (pictured below) accepted on behalf of our founders and colleagues, the Onondaga Historical Association Medal as one of three honorees at OHA's annual breakfast at the Genesee Grand Hotel. The OHA Medal is the highest honor that is bestowed by that organization to individuals, businesses, or institutions for contributions made to the cause of preserving and interpreting our heritage in Central New York.

In addition to recognizing the recently opened St. Marianne Cope Museum and Shrine on the St. Joseph campus, the executive director of OHA, Gregg Tripoli, noted that as St. Joseph's has grown over the years, it has also created some important local history in the pioneering work of heart surgeons, like Dr. Goffredo Gensini among others, and the establishment of the Family Medicine Residency, one of the nation's most successful. The medals themselves were actually struck well over a century ago, in 1894, as commemorative pieces for the 100th Anniversary of Onondaga County's formation. Also honored at the breakfast were J. Roy Dodge, author of town histories of Pompey Hill and LaFayette, and the firm of Crawford and Stearns, one of the region's leading companies in historic preservation. We were honored to be included with others who value preserving our history.

Thank you OHA and your incredible leader, Gregg Tripoli, for continuing the great contributions of OHA!

