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Roger Leonard

Charlotte Bathrick

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[00:00:01] Roger Leonard

Hello, this is Roger Leonard. This is Friday, October 24th, and I'm talking to Charlotte Bathrick. Okay. The first question I have is, when and where did the Hubbards come to the area?

[00:00:18] Charlotte Bathrick

The Red hook. Well, dad was working in New York, and I don't know whether he was with the Vermont Marble Company or whether he was. I think maybe he was selling machinery at that time. And he traveled all over, traveled to England and all around and was. Anyway, he had a business in New York. Well, I guess his partners or somebody did some dirty work with him and he got provoked and he said, this is it, I'm going to quit. So he went just went up the river, you know, and landed in. We had cousins, distant cousins that lived behind the big brick wall.

[00:01:08] Roger Leonard

Oh, yeah.

[00:01:08] Charlotte Bathrick

On West Market Street there by the school. Yes. Yeah. It was the Chamberlains lived there and he knew them. So anyway, he came to Red hook and he bought the farm. So there were a couple of widows in Red hook. That chased the heck out. Oh, here's a bachelor, you know we're going to go after him. Well, they drove him crazy. Finally he says, heck with this. I'm going back to Vermont and get a good Vermont woman. So he got to thinking about who was left in the in the Vermont that he knew. Well, he had he and his brothers had come to Westminster West once in a while to see the Goodale girls, whose mom was a good L and there were eight of them. And so I wonder who was left there. Well, they were all married except 2 or 3, and one of them was mom, and she had been. She was training for a nurse and her mother got cancer and they operated on her and took her breasts off on the kitchen table. Oh. So mom quit her nursing to come home and take care of her. So she was home. So dad went up to see her and did a whirlwind courtship on her and went back 2 or 3 times. And finally he said, if you'll marry me and come to Red hook, he said, you can go back to Vermont anytime you want to see your sisters and family.

[00:02:52] Charlotte Bathrick

And she was getting 35. Then figure that maybe she was an old maid, you know. So anyway, she said yes. So she brought her down and and they were going around the back roads and looking at all the different farms and everything. And you remember the the Hubbard Farm there, there was a middle road that went right up over the hill. Well, he came down that road in a horse and wagon with her. And she, she saw the farm and it was beautiful. They had a white picket fence all around and they had a line of, of Norway spruce trees all around the edge of the lawn. And mom said, oh, that's a beautiful place. I wonder who owns that or where it is. He said, do you like it? Oh it's gorgeous. And they had beautiful flower beds and everything. And he says, well, that's going to be ours if you marry me. So anyway, she liked that. So they had a good life there. But yeah. And every year in the summertime, he'd take her up to Chatham, put her on the train. The train would take her to, I guess, either Bellows Falls or Brattleboro or somewhere there. And then some of his family, her family would meet her, and she'd spend 2 or 3 weeks and go around and see all of her cousins, her family, all of her sisters, and only one brother she had. So.

[00:04:41] Roger Leonard

What year was that? That they came?

[00:04:45] Charlotte Bathrick

1913.

[00:04:46] Roger Leonard

1913.

[00:04:47] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah. And. Then the first year after the first year, she had a miscarriage. And doctor, did you ever meet Doctor Ike? Lucy? No, but he was the doctor. Yeah, right. An upright hook there. And anyway, the doctor said, well, your age, you better forget about having children. Oh, you better you know, you don't want to go through this again. Well, she says, that's what I got married for. I want a family and want children. So she didn't pay any attention to him. So she got pregnant again and had Mary. And then 18 months later, she had me. And then two years later, she had Carol. And then when she had changed her life, she had a a son, but he only lived three weeks, three months, and they couldn't ever get anything to agree with him. So she lost him. And that was a heartbreak for her and a heartbreak for dad, because dad had gone to the Dutchess County Fair in Rhinebeck, and they called and said, you've got a son. And of course, he was right in high class. Yeah, yeah. But he only lived to be December, and they couldn't find anything to agree with him. And if it had been nowadays, they would have taken him to New York or somewhere and found something. But I always thought that it was meant to be, because if he had lived, he would have been on the First World War and probably had to go on and probably would have been.

[00:06:33] Roger Leonard

Yeah.

[00:06:34] Charlotte Bathrick

Bad heartaches.

[00:06:37] Charlotte Bathrick

So sometimes God knows best. But anyway, so when Don came along, my, my don, they just idolized him. And he spent a lot of time up there with them, and he was he was good for them and they were good for him. And so he kind of took Roberts place. Robert was there.

[00:07:04] Roger Leonard

So what brought you and Betty together?

[00:07:07] Charlotte Bathrick

We went to school together all our lives. We were. See, he lived on the farm right there next to the church. And I lived just up the first road up, you know, into a mile. Right. The Hubbard farm.

[00:07:22] Roger Leonard

Right.

[00:07:23] Charlotte Bathrick

And he was one grade ahead of me. And so we all went to school together. And. One time I was trying to get his attention, and he was sitting right ahead of me in school the next season. So I was chewing gum and I put a wad of gum right in his hair just to call attention to him. He was so mad. He got up and he took that gun and gum and pushed it all through my hair. Oh. So anyway, that was probably when I was a freshman or so in high school. Well, by the junior in high school and we were going pretty steady, and I kind of wanted to go to New York and to be a nurse. And mom didn't want me to be a nurse because where she took nurses training was in Vermont, and they lived right along the side of the railroad tracks, and they were building railroads and, and all the men that would get hurt on the railroad and everything would come into the hospital and she'd have to take care of all those men. And she says, I don't ever want a daughter of mine to go through what I went through.

[00:08:53] Charlotte Bathrick

So she didn't want me to be a nurse. And I had taken a business course in school, which wasn't any good for to go on to nursing school or anything. So when Irvine found out that I had to go to New York if I wanted to get in, and I had to take a couple more years of get some science courses and whatnot. And he said, well, if you go to New York to be a nurse, he said, you needn't think I'm going to hang around waiting for you. And so I said, well, I guess I won't go then. And Mary and Carol were both in college and, and dad was having a hard time getting help on the farm and everything. So I said, well, I'll work with dad on the farm for a year after I graduated from high school. And then after I graduated the year after I did. So we got going pretty steady. And then two years afterwards and we decided we'd get married.

[00:10:03] Speaker 3

Yeah, I think I remember going to your 50th wedding anniversary. It was at the Masonic Lodge. Yeah, yeah.

[00:10:10] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah. I got a picture of that.

[00:10:12] Speaker 3

Yeah.

[00:10:12] Charlotte Bathrick

We had. They said we could have up to 100 people. So we had a job to get it, cut it down. But we did. I guess maybe a couple more than a hundred. And all my family, of course, was there and everything. So that was good. Yeah. Well.

[00:10:36] Roger Leonard

We were included. Where did you live? Right after you got married.

[00:10:43] Charlotte Bathrick

I lived to see the family, had a there was a two two family house and Arvin's grandfather and his wife lived in the north Side. Well, then he died and his wife was. That was his third marriage. His grandfather's third marriage. So then I guess she went back to live with one of her sisters. And so we lived in the north side of the house, and his folks lived in the South Side.

[00:11:17] Roger Leonard

Yeah.

[00:11:18] Charlotte Bathrick

And they only paid Arvin, like \$25 a month to Arvin's father was a tight one. He didn't want to, you know, didn't he didn't want Arvin to go on to school. He wasn't going to he wasn't going to pay anything for him to go to college or anything. He wanted him to work there on the farm. So we stayed there and worked on the farm. And in the wintertime they didn't pay him anything because there wasn't any work to do on the farm except taking care of the cows. So they, they, we ate with them in their side of the house. We didn't get any wages or anything then.

[00:12:03] Charlotte Bathrick

And I kept trying and trying to get him to. I said, why don't you go out and get a decent job, you know, get some money.

[00:12:15] Charlotte Bathrick

Well, he could never leave his father.

[00:12:18] Charlotte Bathrick

Of course, he had been when he was 12 years old. He had a ruptured appendix. And he was in Hudson Hospital for a month or more. And they, they operate 2 or 3 times on him. And they didn't think the doctor called up 2 or 3 times one night to see if he was still alive. But anyway, he made it through. But his father always thought that he owed him work because he you know, he was in the hospital so long and everything. And so anyway, one time I said let's go look at this place. I don't know, I think it was \$300 a month or something. He said, you know, you could be making more money if we got out of here. Well, we went to look at the place a couple different places we went, and he said, I can't, I can't leave dad. I gotta stay here. So we'd come back and work some more and we're practically nothing. And he wouldn't, you know, he wouldn't give him any, any benefit of the doubt or anything on the farm or if anything happened, you know, or anything. So one day he came home and he said, I'm going to go to work for the post office in Red hook. I said, you've got to be kidding. He says, yep, there's an opening for a mail carrier and I'm going to apply and take it. So he did. I guess it just about broke his father up. But anyway, in a couple of weeks time, they sold all the cows and that was it.

[00:14:09] Speaker 3

Oh.

[00:14:10] Charlotte Bathrick

And so if we if he hadn't done that, I wouldn't have been here today because I wouldn't have had any, you know, the money or anything.

[00:14:21] Charlotte Bathrick

And a retirement and everything. So.

[00:14:23] Speaker 3

Yeah.

[00:14:25] Charlotte Bathrick

But I was amazed when he did. Then one time they said we were Republicans and then the politics changed. So they said, well, I'm sorry, but we got to give you a job to a Democrat. Well, I don't know whether you ever knew the what was their name that lived next door to us on the farm? Anyway, they they hired him to be a mail carrier. He went to work for two days, and he said, that's it. I don't want that job for anything. And he came to our barn and he said, do you want your job back? He says, yeah, I'd like to have it, but I can't get it. I'm a Republican and the Democrats are in. He said, you go to Poughkeepsie and change your politics. Democrat says, I'll guarantee you'll have your job in less than a month.

[00:15:25] Charlotte Bathrick

And so he we did. We went to one terrible day. We drove to Poughkeepsie. On the way home, the trees were falling down. One one slammed in Hyde Park. Went right. Just missed us as we came through.

[00:15:42] Speaker 3

Oh.

[00:15:43] Charlotte Bathrick

I said, boy, maybe you might have lost your life trying to get this job back. So anyway, went through and so we worked the rest of the time right there in Red hook.

[00:15:56] Roger Leonard

So you were a Democrat from then on.

[00:15:57] Speaker 3

So we.

[00:15:58] Charlotte Bathrick

Were Democrats. That was.

[00:16:01] Speaker 3

A.

[00:16:02] Roger Leonard

Yeah. So where did you live then?

[00:16:05] Charlotte Bathrick

Well, then we lived at then after we broke up with his father, then we went up to live with my folks on the Hubbard farm, and dad couldn't farm it anymore. So then we were trying to work both farms.

[00:16:23] Speaker 3

Yeah.

[00:16:25] Charlotte Bathrick

But that didn't work out because pop couldn't work anymore. But yet he wouldn't hire a man to take his place. So Irvine was working two farms and trying to split the the money, you know, with him. And on the farm, I had two places that I rented out for. Bob said, well I'm supposed to have part of that rent.

[00:16:57] Speaker 3

Oh.

[00:16:58] Charlotte Bathrick

I said, you got to be kidding. It says that belongs to Charlotte. That's nothing to do with with our agreement. So that didn't go very good.

[00:17:09] Charlotte Bathrick

But anyway

[00:17:11] Speaker 3

Yeah.

[00:17:12] Roger Leonard

So then you built on the hill.

[00:17:14] Charlotte Bathrick

So then we sold the Hubbard farm.

[00:17:18] Roger Leonard

Yeah.

[00:17:19] Charlotte Bathrick

And built, built up on the hill.

[00:17:21] Speaker 3

Yeah.

[00:17:22] Charlotte Bathrick

And by that time, Mom and Dad. No, dad was dead, and mom came to live with us up there. And so then when the. What was it? The light company wanted to buy the land. Yeah. The. Yeah. What was it?

[00:17:45] Roger Leonard

Yeah. Yeah. Con Edison.

[00:17:47] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah. Con Edison. So they bought our.

[00:17:51] Roger Leonard

Father away from you.

[00:17:52] Charlotte Bathrick

Oh.

[00:17:53] Roger Leonard

I'm sorry. That's right.

[00:17:54] Charlotte Bathrick

They bought our farm and bought the farm and bought our place.

[00:17:59] Roger Leonard

Yeah.

[00:17:59] Charlotte Bathrick

To. And what land we had left.

[00:18:02] Roger Leonard

Yeah.

[00:18:02] Charlotte Bathrick

And So then after they bought that, then we wanted to get down to Red hook. And then we came and bought the the place on Linden Avenue.

[00:18:17] Roger Leonard

Yeah. Well, where did Carol move to?

[00:18:23] Charlotte Bathrick

She worked, went to Buffalo State College and she was working in New York. She was a dietitian. And then she got cancer, and she was going back and forth from New York to Red hook and whatnot. And that was a terrible time because she had a son and she was divorced, and she never had anything to do with her husband or anything when they separated. She was alone. So when she was, she worked in New York and sat apartment there. But then she'd come back and when she was so sick, she'd come back and go to the doctors in Rhinebeck and it. And she didn't last that long because she never did heal. It was a terrible time. So then as soon as she passed away, then Dick, who was the father of Richard and her her former husband, he came back and he said, now he said, I'm going to have my son. Of course, mom and dad. That just about killed them.

[00:19:45] Charlotte Bathrick

I said, mom, he's his his son. I said, he's got perfect legal. Right. He had paid, I don't know, maybe 10 or \$20 a month to keep him for Carol to keep him. But now she didn't, you know, she was gone. And he had a perfect right to keep him. And I said, you know, you can accept him and let Rich go to him or he'll take him anyway. He'll go to court and get him and you'll never see him again. And that's what Rich because I was friendly with Dick. And I said, you'd better Count your blessings, you know. And he said, Rich can come up and see you anytime he wants, and he can come up holidays and summers and stay on the farm with mom.

[00:20:40] Charlotte Bathrick

And so that's how and it was the best thing that that would happen because he had married a real nice girl. I liked Fran as much as I like Carol. Really. And she was so good to rich. And they had another, a boy and a girl. And Rich had always wanted to have family or sisters or brothers, you know. So that worked out much better.

[00:21:09] Roger Leonard

How old was he when his mother died?

[00:21:11] Charlotte Bathrick

12.

[00:21:12] Roger Leonard

Wow.

[00:21:13] Charlotte Bathrick

It was a hard time for him.

[00:21:15] Roger Leonard

Yeah.

[00:21:16] Charlotte Bathrick

But.

[00:21:19] Roger Leonard

And Mary moved to.

[00:21:21] Charlotte Bathrick

To Wappingers Falls. Yeah. She was going to a college in. Brooklyn. Now, why would you go to Brooklyn? What was the college? I can't think now. For Art, she went. Oh, I'm trying to think of the name of it now. Where is pace?

[00:21:52] Roger Leonard

It's not.

[00:21:53] Charlotte Bathrick

Pace. No, no, it was Brooklyn. Anyway, she'd come back and. And Tony, her husband went to Pratt.

[00:22:03] Roger Leonard

Oh, yeah. Okay. Yes.

[00:22:04] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah. And so they met in Pratt, and So when they both graduated They had jobs first they had in Red hook, and then she quit, and he took over her job. Is he? She was the first art teacher Red hook ever had. So then she quit, and because she was pregnant and he took her place. And then he moved from Red hook to. Poughkeepsie to high school. And then they moved to Wappingers Falls.

[00:22:52] Charlotte Bathrick

And then they built a house down in Wappingers Falls.

[00:22:56] Charlotte Bathrick

And they lived there until, well, he died. And then she went out to live in Rochester, where she got this a home. Dorothy, their one daughter lived in Rochester. So she found her home out there.

[00:23:20] Roger Leonard

Yeah.

[00:23:21] Charlotte Bathrick

And there was one of these, like you said, they got in new New Paltz, and she went into the nursing home. And then when she got worse, it went to assisted living, and then it went to hospital right there. And then she died right there.

[00:23:41] Roger Leonard

What was your family doctor after Ike Losey died?

[00:23:45] Charlotte Bathrick

My doctor was Doctor Stoller. He lived in Red hook. Right on South Broadway there. And that his house was the house that the woman lived in that Mary went to when she went to high school the first year of high school, she worked for that woman, and she had to dust every day for her. And then I had doctor block.

[00:24:18] Roger Leonard

Yeah. So there wasn't any doctor in upper Red hook after doctor K loci. No. Harvey Loci died.

[00:24:28] Charlotte Bathrick

Harvey Loci lived 3 or 4 blocks in the big brick house.

[00:24:34] Roger Leonard

The Thomas house. Yeah. Right.

[00:24:36] Charlotte Bathrick

And but he never. Well, he did stitch me up one time when I fell and fell and hit my head on the chair rung. I thought I was doing mom a big favor, and I was cleaning the cupboards. I stood up on the chair.

[00:24:54] Charlotte Bathrick

And on a Sunday morning while I was doing a Sunday morning, I don't know. Anyway, I fell on that thing. Right. And ripped my chin apart here.

[00:25:04] Charlotte Bathrick

So I guess doctor EKI don't know whether he wasn't available or what, but they took me to Doctor Harv and I could. I was scared to death with him because he was always drunk. And Oh yeah. But anyway, he stitched up my chin, and that was my own experience with him. And

[00:25:26] Roger Leonard

Well, you remember the Grange Hall? Yeah. And it burned twice. And burned the second time in 1954, I think. Do you remember anything about that? Why? Why it burned. Was it struck?

[00:25:42] Charlotte Bathrick

It struck by lightning.

[00:25:43] Roger Leonard

It was struck by lightning.

[00:25:44] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah, I heard. We were asleep, and all of a sudden I woke up and the whole sky was, you know, it was just. And we went down and it was just, it was too far gone. So you were living with the bathroom then? Yeah.

[00:26:05] Roger Leonard

Who owned the battery farm before Ward battery bought it?

[00:26:12] Charlotte Bathrick

That I don't really know.

[00:26:16] Roger Leonard

Of the things that took place at the Grange Hall. One of the things that they tell about is that Eleanor Roosevelt came there and spoke one time.

[00:26:28] Charlotte Bathrick

She came and spoke to to The house where Jim is.

[00:26:38] Roger Leonard

Oh, yeah.

[00:26:39] Charlotte Bathrick

I think what was her name? She was friendly with. With Eleanor Roosevelt. And she was having historical club. Oh. And she invited Eleanor Roosevelt to come and speak. Well, it just about broke up the historical club because people were all Republicans. She was a Democrat, you know, and they didn't want her to come and talk.

[00:27:09] Roger Leonard

Famous as she was.

[00:27:10] Charlotte Bathrick

But she was a wonderful, wonderful person Yeah, and a wonderful speaker. Yeah. And she went to the health clinic in Hudson that I went to. And the last time she went to the doctors when she had TB so bad, she was right next door to me. I was in one place having a, I think when I had my shoulder operated on. And she was right. That was the last I saw her.

[00:27:41] Roger Leonard

Now, who was that?

[00:27:43] Charlotte Bathrick

Eleanor Roosevelt.

[00:27:45] Roger Leonard

Eleanor Roosevelt had.

[00:27:46] Charlotte Bathrick

Tb. She was very sick.

[00:27:47] Roger Leonard

Oh, I didn't know she had.

[00:27:49] Charlotte Bathrick

And they didn't make much of it. Just a little while before she passed.

[00:27:53] Roger Leonard

Yeah. But you don't remember the name of the woman who owned that was poor. So poor?

[00:28:00] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah. Elaine and.

[00:28:02] Roger Leonard

Herb.

[00:28:03] Charlotte Bathrick

Herb saw poor. And and Elaine and Cecelia. So poor.

[00:28:11] Roger Leonard

Oh. And they lived in what was e k Lucy's house, which became Jimenez's house.

[00:28:19] Charlotte Bathrick

They lived in the. The big house just before you go into upper Red hook O on the south side. Yeah.

[00:28:26] Roger Leonard

The Nelson house.

[00:28:27] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah. Yeah.

[00:28:28] Roger Leonard

Right. Yeah. Okay. And that's where Mrs. Roosevelt spoke.

[00:28:32] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah.

[00:28:33] Roger Leonard

Okay.

[00:28:34] Charlotte Bathrick

Now, she might have gone to the Grange sometime. I don't know, I don't remember that.

[00:28:38] Roger Leonard

That's what I thought I. What sort of things did did take place at the Grange.

[00:28:45] Charlotte Bathrick

Well they always had the Dairy League there. And they always met there once a year. We had a great big dinner for them and different organizations, you know, had different things. And of course, the Grange was more active than we had meetings twice a year, twice a month. And I was, I was. I always had an office of some kind or other. All my life, from the time I was 13, when I joined the Grange, I was in the what they call it the floral. The three floors up in the, the head of the Grange there. And then I was, oh, in the end, I was secretary and treasurer and everything. And when the Grange split up and

[00:29:48] Roger Leonard

Well the Grange and the church owned the building together. Is that the way it was?

[00:29:55] Charlotte Bathrick

The, the how can I say it? The there was some agreement that the church was to have meetings any time they wanted at the Grange Hall All for the rest of their time. And why? I don't know. See, first off, it was an academy, right?

[00:30:19] Roger Leonard

I've got that information.

[00:30:20] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah. And then the Grange took over. But I guess the the church must have had something. Some part of the payment or something.

[00:30:33] Roger Leonard

Because when it burned down, they split the insurance two ways.

[00:30:37] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah.

[00:30:38] Roger Leonard

Now, at at some point, Palmer Hart bought the property.

[00:30:45] Charlotte Bathrick

At the Grange. Yeah.

[00:30:46] Roger Leonard

Yeah.

[00:30:47] Charlotte Bathrick

He bought so that it went up out onto route nine. So he was on the old route nine that came through up Red hook. Then when they built the other nine on the other side of the Grange Hall. And then they had land out there, but there's no way to get. So they had horse sheds and everything in the back of the Grange Hall. So then Palmer bought a piece of land right from the Grange Hall out to route nine.

[00:31:17] Roger Leonard

Okay.

[00:31:18] Charlotte Bathrick

So that they could have an entrance out that way.

[00:31:23] Roger Leonard

Now, at one point, Palmer and Mildred lived at the parsonage. Yeah.

[00:31:31] Charlotte Bathrick

And then they lived in the building. Well, you know where Rosenbrock store was? Yes. The next house down.

[00:31:43] Roger Leonard

Oh, okay.

[00:31:44] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah. Next south of.

[00:31:45] Roger Leonard

That.

[00:31:45] Charlotte Bathrick

Well, the trying to think of the name. The name of the people that lived there. An older couple. Maybe you've come to me, I don't know.

[00:32:00] Roger Leonard

Now I think this is still going here.

[00:32:07] Charlotte Bathrick

We'll hear it.

[00:32:10] Roger Leonard

Where was Palmer Hart's farm? He he farmed, didn't he? Didn't he also have a farm before? He had the cold storage business. And I wondered if he had a farm where it was.

[00:32:24] Charlotte Bathrick

They built up from nothing. G that house way up on the hill.

[00:32:30] Roger Leonard

Yes, I knew about that. But I wondered if he had a farm as well. You don't think.

[00:32:35] Charlotte Bathrick

So? I don't remember.

[00:32:36] Roger Leonard

And then he had the cold storage. Yeah. In the.

[00:32:38] Charlotte Bathrick

Village. Yeah.

[00:32:39] Roger Leonard

Yeah. Okay. I wondered why they had lived in the parsonage. I thought they were between two houses or something like that.

[00:32:47] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah, well, I guess the the church wants to take over the parsonage. For. For what? When French. When French came.

[00:32:58] Roger Leonard

Yeah.

[00:32:59] Charlotte Bathrick

He when the parsonage. And then they had to move. So then they moved Houghton. Houghton was the name of the man. Houghton. Houghton. Hoholtoni Howden.

[00:33:19] Roger Leonard

I'll be able to find it. What stories do you remember?

[00:33:26] Charlotte Bathrick

Wait a minute. Did we get. Why, they lived in the parsonage that you knew?

[00:33:30] Roger Leonard

Oh, well, yeah.

[00:33:31] Charlotte Bathrick

Because the because French came to take over the parsonage. There wasn't anybody before French who was a minister there, was it?

[00:33:45] Roger Leonard

Well, they had it was.

[00:33:47] Charlotte Bathrick

It was empty for quite a while.

[00:33:50] Roger Leonard

Right. And so they wanted somebody in there.

[00:33:52] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah. So they went there to live.

[00:33:54] Roger Leonard

Yeah. Yeah. He. Roy George, he. Roy was there before him.

[00:33:59] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah.

[00:34:00] Roger Leonard

And he had died A brain cancer. He had a brain tumor. Yeah. Well, I'll try and piece that together, too. What? What can you tell me? Who were you? Who was your school teacher? You were at that school in upper Red hook.

[00:34:19] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah, right opposite the church.

[00:34:20] Roger Leonard

Who was your teacher?

[00:34:22] Charlotte Bathrick

Laura Lawrence started out. She was a widow or a single, I guess. She was a widow. And she had three daughters, but they were, I don't know, way at school or something. Anyway she was my teacher. And then Kronk. I don't remember what his first name was. Kronk. Was For what? Third. Fourth? Fifth. It was for grades. A kindergarten. First. Second. Third. Fourth. Fifth. Sixth. No. Third. There wasn't much of a kid, actually. Laura Lawrence had a kindergarten in her home.

[00:35:18] Roger Leonard

Oh.

[00:35:19] Charlotte Bathrick

And I know we went there, and I remember Carol and I used to. Sometimes they'd have. My mom would take us to the horse and wagon down to her house, and then we'd walk home and then the, at the Vosberg farm, which was just the farm before ours, they had a big bull and they'd let the bull, the bull would get out and run the road and everything. Well, we were scared to death of that bull. Yeah. So I'd be walking home, so we'd have to go back down. And by that crick there that went. We'd go across lots up in the woods and over and then come down the middle road and get to get home when we when the bull was out. And but then when one time there was a terrible thunderstorm and Carol and I were petrified of the storm. We were coming home and we just cried all the way home. We were so scared. And we got home and mom was feeding the men at the dining room table. They were all sitting there eating and everything. Boy, they we blew our stacks at them. You didn't care anything about us. We were out in that thunderstorm. Oh. Yeah. We didn't let them hear the end of that for quite some time.

[00:36:51] Roger Leonard

But we're we're into the Laurel Lawrence live.

[00:36:53] Charlotte Bathrick

Then she lived up where the noise.

[00:36:57] Roger Leonard

Oh, okay.

[00:36:58] Charlotte Bathrick

Lived up on the left going toward Spring Lake. And that first house where. Just. Just this side of where Karen and the Karen Donnelly and. Oh.

[00:37:15] Roger Leonard

Okay. Where where Royal.

[00:37:21] Charlotte Bathrick

Royal. Yeah.

[00:37:22] Roger Leonard

Okay.

[00:37:23] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah, yeah, that's where she lived.

[00:37:25] Roger Leonard

Right. Okay.

[00:37:28] Charlotte Bathrick

And she used to. She. Oh Not Henrietta Fraley was a teacher.

[00:37:38] Roger Leonard

Yeah.

[00:37:38] Charlotte Bathrick

In the upper grades.

[00:37:40] Roger Leonard

Okay.

[00:37:42] Charlotte Bathrick

And she and Laura Lawrence used to put plays on and concerts and. And we used to have a Big outdoor. Have you gotten into that? What was it they had over on the they had a, an open air play and entertainment and everything going toward Spring Lake on the right hand side on that big hill.

[00:38:16] Roger Leonard

Yeah. Raymond told me about that.

[00:38:19] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah. And they all all the town. I know dad was one of the Indians riding a horse through the in that thing, and they had covered wagons and.

[00:38:33] Roger Leonard

Yeah. Wow. Yeah. Back to your mother took you to this kindergarten in Laurel Lawrence's home. That was quite a walk to go back to your house then.

[00:38:47] Charlotte Bathrick

Was it about two miles?

[00:38:49] Roger Leonard

Yeah. For. For little.

[00:38:51] Charlotte Bathrick

Girls. Yeah. Little.

[00:38:52] Roger Leonard

Little kindergarten.

[00:38:53] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah. Carol was a little, you know, probably not more than four.

[00:38:59] Roger Leonard

These are the things mothers would not think of knowing.

[00:39:02] Charlotte Bathrick

To let them know, to let them on that, and especially on that lonely woods road that we walked by, you know, we went like we went through.

[00:39:14] Roger Leonard

Probably wouldn't have let either one of you do it alone.

[00:39:16] Charlotte Bathrick

But I don't.

[00:39:17] Roger Leonard

Know. Girls were safe.

[00:39:18] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah, but we went right by Castle Cole's farm there.

[00:39:23] Roger Leonard

Yeah.

[00:39:24] Charlotte Bathrick

And

[00:39:27] Roger Leonard

Which which was the teeter farm. Yeah, yeah.

[00:39:35] Charlotte Bathrick

Oh, Olive Bud too, was another one of the teachers after Olive Decker.

[00:39:41] Roger Leonard

Yeah. Oh, yeah.

[00:39:43] Charlotte Bathrick

She was in between. She, I had her, I didn't have her, Henrietta Fraley, she had gone on.

[00:39:50] Roger Leonard

Okay.

[00:39:51] Charlotte Bathrick

And Olive Decker came in there. Now, wait a minute. Somewhere in there, I think Cronk came. He came from across the river and then all of Decker. And then I went to high school.

[00:40:06] Roger Leonard

And all of Decker was all of Bud.

[00:40:09] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah.

[00:40:09] Roger Leonard

And she was Gene and and Marian's and Mary Bud's Mary Horton's aunt. Right.

[00:40:21] Charlotte Bathrick

Aunt or cousin or something.

[00:40:23] Roger Leonard

Cousins, maybe a cousin, but she was a bud. Yeah. Did you ever hear of Cottage Hill? In some of the writings, we hear that there was a place called Cottage Hill in upper Red hook, and we just had to guess where that was.

[00:40:42] Charlotte Bathrick

It was either the Episcopal Church or the Locy place.

[00:40:52] Roger Leonard

The place was called Prospect Hill.

[00:40:55] Charlotte Bathrick

All right then. Cottage Hill was the Episcopal Church.

[00:40:59] Roger Leonard

Okay.

[00:41:00] Charlotte Bathrick

And

[00:41:02] Roger Leonard

Was. I thought that was also Maple Hill. The house, the Mooney house or the place where the where the sisters, where the sisters were, where the deaconesses were.

[00:41:23] Charlotte Bathrick

The deaconesses. Yeah.

[00:41:25] Roger Leonard

That was also called Maple Hill.

[00:41:27] Charlotte Bathrick

Well, that was, it was like Episcopal Church was here and the, and the, theirs was right, right, right. Backed up right against it.

[00:41:38] Roger Leonard

So when you got to the place where the Episcopal Church is and on north, that was Cottage Hill.

[00:41:43] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah.

[00:41:44] Roger Leonard

Okay. Well, that's what that's where I guess it was. I thought it was named after all those houses that looked alike that were along there. But. Okay, so that was Cottage Hill. Did you ever hear of the name DeWitt Clinton as somebody who lived in upper Red hook? Because, you know, there was a famous DeWitt Clinton in New York State. And then it says.

[00:42:09] Charlotte Bathrick

Well, that was down pit lane on the on the houses in the on the right hand side, going down pit lane, past, past Greg's. Was it? There were two houses that were some special people were always living in those two houses down there, I don't remember.

[00:42:42] Roger Leonard

Two houses passed grades, two houses that were passed grades.

[00:42:48] Roger Leonard

The big ones.

[00:42:49] Roger Leonard

Yeah. And so somebody named Clinton lived there.

[00:42:53] Charlotte Bathrick

I think he might have lived there if he lived there any place he lived there.

[00:42:57] Roger Leonard

There was a Harry Clinton.

[00:43:00] Charlotte Bathrick

Hillary Clinton lived on Spring Lake Road.

[00:43:07] Roger Leonard

Oh, yes.

[00:43:08] Charlotte Bathrick

Where she lives.

[00:43:10] Roger Leonard

Right.

[00:43:11] Charlotte Bathrick

You know where they lived. The sliders. Well, that was where they lived. Oh, okay. Harry Clinton lived there.

[00:43:18] Roger Leonard

And then who lived where the Topman's later lived?

[00:43:23] Charlotte Bathrick

Topman's trip was that Thomas trip farm?

[00:43:28] Roger Leonard

No, that was on the other side of the road. Bob and Shirley lived right on the corner of Reed road.

[00:43:34] Charlotte Bathrick

Oh, yeah.

[00:43:35] Roger Leonard

And big Victorian house there.

[00:43:40] Charlotte Bathrick

I can't remember who lived there.

[00:43:42] Roger Leonard

I thought that was where the Clintons went.

[00:43:46] Charlotte Bathrick

No, I know.

[00:43:47] Roger Leonard

They lived where they lived.

[00:43:49] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah. Okay. I know that.

[00:43:51] Roger Leonard

All this will sound very confusing to anybody now, but there was a story about the Titans and the. Another family switching.

[00:44:02] Charlotte Bathrick

Houses.

[00:44:03] Roger Leonard

Oh. Well, the you're talking about the ridge where the Yeah. Greenfield's Greenfield. No. You're close. Was in the house that the Greenfield's lived in, which in olden days was called the Ridge. But I thought that was where the Greenfield's lived. You say before that, Amy?

[00:44:32] Charlotte Bathrick

Yeah. She always spent summers abroad, and she was a kind of a ritzy person.

[00:44:40] Roger Leonard

Okay. And she may have. And you say she may have had Eleanor Roosevelt at her.

[00:44:45] Charlotte Bathrick

She might have, because she was. She was very prominent, and she always had well, we'd go there at least once a year, sometimes more with a historical club.

[00:44:58] Roger Leonard

Yeah. Tell me about the historical club. What are your memories of that? Didn't you say something about your mother being active in that, or was that.

[00:45:11] Charlotte Bathrick

Oh, yeah. Anybody that Well, they used to say they were kind of snobbish. They used to say, well, you had to belong to the Reformed Church to get into the historical club. But did you ever see that write up that Jean did of the historical club?

[00:45:35] Roger Leonard

I know, I'm not aware of it. I do have something that was in the newspaper, and maybe that was it. Maybe She's the one that wrote that.

[00:45:44] Charlotte Bathrick

I don't know. I did have that, but I don't know whether I've got it anymore or not.

[00:45:50] Roger Leonard

But it started out as his local history or Dutch history and things like that. But it grew into different kinds of papers on almost anything.

[00:46:00] Charlotte Bathrick

Well, it kind of went astray. We'd usually take like a one subject or one country for a year.

[00:46:10] Roger Leonard

Okay.

[00:46:10] Charlotte Bathrick

And you had to if you belonged to it. You had to. You had to entertain once a year and you had to first it was one paper. The two papers a year for at least 20 minutes. Well, some of them went on and on and on and and some of them weren't maybe ten minutes or so, you know. Yeah. But

[00:46:38] Roger Leonard

But on interesting subjects that they.

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