

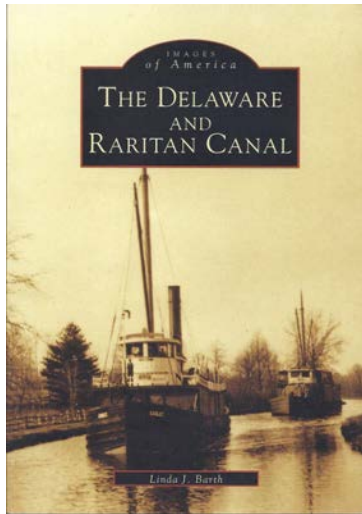


The Tewksbury Historical Society

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ANNUAL MEETING AND TALK ON D&R CANAL Sunday, January 15 @ 1 pm – Society Headquarters - Mountainville

The Tewksbury Historical Society will hold its annual membership meeting on Sunday, January 15, 2017, at 1 p.m. at Society Headquarters, 60 Water Street, Mountainville. Refreshments will be served. The society will hold its **annual reorganization meeting**, at which time the society's Nominating Committee will present a slate of officers for the positions of vice-president and treasurer to be voted upon by the membership at large. The society's treasurer will present a 2016 financial report and Standing Committee Chairs will present their reports on 2016 activities and proposed 2017 plans.



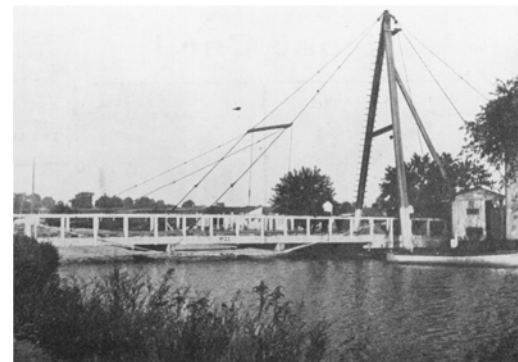
After the annual meeting, author Linda Barth will present a program on the **historic Delaware and Raritan Canal**. Did you know that for more than 170 years, the Delaware and Raritan Canal has meandered across the narrow waist of New Jersey? Did you know that the D&R was one of our nation's most successful towpath canals, carrying more tonnage in 1866 than the more famous Erie Canal? Did you know that **Johnson & Johnson, Roebing, and Fleischmann's Distillery** all had their start along the D&R? And did you know that the canal provides the people of central New Jersey with both a water supply and a premier recreational facility?

Canal author and historian Linda J. Barth will introduce you to the people, the bridges, the locks, and the aqueducts that made the canal work. This waterway, now the centerpiece of a popular state park, transported men and supplies between New York and Philadelphia during three wars.

Inventor John Holland used the canal to deliver his Holland VI submarine to Washington for its Navy trials, and luxury yachts, like J.P. Morgan's Tarantula, cruised the waterway. Come learn more about this gem of central New Jersey.

Linda Barth is no stranger to the Delaware & Raritan Canal, having grown up in the canal town of South Bound Brook. For over two decades she served on the board of the Canal Society of New Jersey and, with her husband Robert, has led canal tours throughout the Northeast. The Barths enjoy cruising (at the leisurely pace of 5 miles per hour) on the historic canals of England, Scotland, France, and Canada. A retired teacher, she has written two books on the D&R Canal. Other books include *Hidden New Jersey*, *A History of Inventing in New Jersey: From Thomas Edison to the Ice Cream Cone*, *The Millstone Valley Through Time*, *Somerville Through Time* and *Bridgetender's Boy*.

In the event of inclement weather the meeting will be postponed. Check the society's website at www.tewksburyhistory.net or call 908-832-6734 for more information.



ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Fred Katnack, Chair of the Nominating Committee, will present a slate for the positions of Vice-President and Treasurer to serve 2 year terms (2017-2019), which will be voted on by the membership in attendance at the annual meeting.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership dues are due by January 31. If you have a dues statement attached or enclosed with this newsletter then you owe dues for 2017. Please bring to the meeting or send in the mail. Thank you for your continued support!

HEADQUARTERS WORK DAYS

Saturday, January 21	9 am to 12 Noon
Saturday, February 11	9 am to 12 Noon

If you can lend a couple of hours we need you so stop by.

SEARCHING YOUR DEED

Want to learn how to search your property deed to see who owned your house before you, how many owners there were and who is the earliest on file? The Hunterdon County Clerk, Mary Melfi, will teach you how. She has reserved 10 seats for Society members at her next class, which is on Saturday, March 18, 2017 from 9 am to 1 pm at the County Hall of Records, 71 Main Street, Flemington. It's FREE however you need to pre-register by calling 908-788-1214 or emailing her at countyclerk@co.hunterdon.nj.us. Register early as this session will fill up and there is a maximum of 40 seats.

TEWKSBURY ART SHOW TO RETURN IN 2017

We are pleased to announce that the Tewksbury Art Show will be returning after a 2 year hiatus. It will again be held at the Zion Lutheran Christian Education Building. The Show is being re-tooled in a number of ways, starting with the expansion of the length it will run. The Show will have its opening Preview & Reception on FRIDAY, September 29 rather than a Tuesday and it will run until Saturday, October 7, three days longer than past shows, all in an effort to attract more buyers and sell more art work.

An art show committee is being formed, with new faces and returning members. The Show will be co-chaired by Society President, Shaun Van Doren, and Society member Andy Calamaras. The 1st meeting of the committee will be on Tuesday, January 31 at 4 pm at Society Headquarters in Mountainville. If you would like to volunteer and serve on the Committee please feel free to attend the meeting. Can't make the meeting but still want to volunteer just contact Shaun at (908) 439-3054 or scvd123@embarqmail.com

2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	TIME	LOC.	EVENT
Sun. Jan. 15	1 pm	M	Annual Meeting & Program on D&R Canal
Sat. Jan. 21	9 am to 12 pm	M	Work Day at Headquarters
Tues. Jan. 31	4 pm	M	Art Show Committee Meeting
Sat. Feb. 11	9 am to 12 pm	M	Work Day at Headquarters
Sun. Mar. 12*	1 pm	Z	Meeting & Program by Barry Thomson on "Alnwick Hall" / "The Abbey."
Sat. Mar. 18	9 am – 1 pm	Flem	How to Search Your Deed at Hunterdon County Hall of Records
Sat. Apr. 29	8 am – 4 pm	C	3 rd annual Oldwick Tag Sale sponsored by Zion Lutheran Church
Sun. May 7#	1 pm	M	Meeting & Program by David Veasey on Colonial Architecture of New Jersey
Sat. Jun. 10	10 am - 4 pm	V	House & Garden Tour, co-sponsored with Hunterdon Hills Garden Club, rain or shine
Sat. Sep. 2	8 am - 3 pm	TBD	Flea Market
Fri. Sep. 29	630 to 9 pm	Z	Art Show Preview & Reception
Sat. Sep. 30 - Sat. Oct. 7	Various	Z	Art Show Open
Sun. Nov. 12	5 pm	F	Covered Dish Supper & Program
Sat. Dec. 2 & Sun. Dec. 3	10 am to 4 pm 11 am to 3pm	O	Antique Show

*** Note this meeting is the 2nd Sunday of March and will be held at the Zion Lutheran Christian Education Building.**

Note this meeting is the 1st Sunday of May.

Location Codes:

- M Society Headquarters, 60 Water Street, Mountainville
- C Oldwick Carriage House, 5 James Street, Oldwick
- F Fairmount Presbyterian Church Community House 247 Old Turnpike Road
- Flem Hunterdon County Hall of Records, Main Street, Flemington
- Z Zion Lutheran Christian Education Building 1 Miller Avenue, Oldwick
- O Old Turnpike School 173 Old Turnpike Road