January 3, 2013

**JANUARY MEETING**

DATE: Sunday, January 20, 2013

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Society Headquarters, 60 Water Street, Mountainville

MEETING TOPIC: Hamilton Farm, the Estate of James Cox Brady

by W. Barry Thomson

We hope you all weathered Hurricane Sandy as best as possible. Due to the storm’s effects on our power we decided to cancel the November covered dish supper and program but were able to reschedule Barry Thomson’s talk for our annual meeting.

January’s program will cover the history of the legendary estate of James Cox Brady, "Hamilton Farm," in Peapack-Gladstone and Bedminster Township, with a focus on the estate's landmark stable and coach barn that, since the 1960s, has been headquarters for the United States Equestrian Team.  Among other things, the talk will cover the Brady family; the architect and the design and construction of the stable building and the diverse uses of the building over the years, including its functions during World War II, first as a canning factory for foodstuffs sent to England during the Blitz and later as a hospital and rehabilitation center.

After leaving a corporate career in New York, where he last served as Senior Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer of the multinational retail holding company, Woolworth Corporation—now Foot Locker, Inc.—Barry Thomson has been engaged as a management consultant and has worked on several historic preservation and architectural history projects and as an author and lecturer.

He is the co-author, with the late John K. Turpin, of the two-volume work, *New Jersey Country Houses: The Somerset Hills* (Mountain Colony Press, 2004 and 2005), he has written and co-written several articles on other aspects of the history of the Somerset Hills that have appeared in *The Black River Journal* and other publications, and he has prepared nominations of historic sites for the National Register of Historic Places. In addition to his research and writing, Barry frequently gives lectures on various aspects of architectural and local New Jersey history.

**MEMBERSHIP**

**Your membership dues are due by January 31.** Please complete the enclosed form to make sure we have the most current information.

# THE TEWKSBURY AFGHAN IS BACK

# The Tewksbury Afghan has returned. We found a new company to produce the afghan for us and we’ve updated the scenes and patterns on it, and it is still only $ 45. Made in the USA of 100 % cotton its machine washable and available in delft blue and cranberry red. Stop in to Headquarters on one of the work days listed below to purchase, or at the annual meeting on January 20th, or we can ship to you at a cost of $ 10 per afghan.

# OFFICER ELECTIONS

The By-laws of the Society indicate that there will be an annual election of officers. The nominating committee was heldover from November 2011 since we did not have a meeting this past November. Fred Katnack, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, will present the slate of nominees for Vice-President and Treasurer to serve from January 2013 to January 2015. Nominations may be made from the floor with the permission of the nominee. A vote will be taken with a majority of those present at the January meeting electing those nominated. The remaining members of the Nominating Committee consist of: Guy Wilson, Kurt Rahenkamp, David Kemp, & PJ Ehmann.

**WORK DAYS**

Saturdays, January 12 & 26

Saturdays, February 9 & 23

All from 9 am to Noon. If you can lend a couple of hours we need you. Please call ahead to Headquarters to let us know if you can help.

**ANTIQUE SHOW & SALE – Another Successful Show**

The Antique Show was again a great success, thanks to our Chair Lyn Rahenkamp, and her army of volunteers. All 53 dealers continue to be very enthusiastic about our show with many having already signed up, and 42 of the dealers have been with us since our 1st show 9 years ago. Many of the dealers commented on how well they are treated – we provide them dinner on Friday night at set-up and arrange for porters to move their wares. Those porters, often many young adults, are rewarded by the dealers so everyone is happy. The Society netted $ 3,130 on door admissions plus $ 1,345 in sales of donated antiques, and our prints, books and cards sales – the largest we’ve ever had. We have already received a number of antique pieces for this year’s show, which will be our 10th anniversary, to be held December 7-8.

**NEW MEMBERS**

We welcome the following new members to the Society:

Lisa Heibert & Dean Bymaster Califon

Dennis Patch & Mary McDonough Califon

Linda Smith Lebanon

Marlena Heydenreich & Andy Calamaras Califon

**WEBSITE**

Don’t forget to visit us on the web at [www.tewksburyhistory.net](http://www.tewksburyhistory.net).

**2013 CALENDAR**

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| DATE | TIME | LOCATION | EVENT |
| Sat. January 12 | 9 am to 12 pm | M | Work Day |
| Sat. January 20 | 1 pm | M | Annual Meeting, Election of Officers & Program – Hamilton Farm |
| Sat. January 26 | 9 am to 12 pm | M | Work Day |
| Sat. February 9 | 9 am to 12 pm | M | Work Day |
| Sat. February 23 | 9 am to 12 pm | M | Work Day |
| Sat. March 17 | 1 pm | M | Meeting & Program |
| Sat. May 19 | 1 pm | M | Meeting & Program |
| July, 2013 | 10 am to 4 pm | Various | BARN TOUR RETURNS |
| August 31 | 8 am to 3 pm | TBD | Flea Market |

**Location Code:**

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TBD To Be Determined