



The Tewksbury Historical Society

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March 7, 2015

MARCH MEETING

DATE: Sunday, March 15, 2015 - No SNOW Date

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Society Headquarters, 60 Water Street, Mountainville

MEETING TOPIC: The Evolution from Horses to Automobiles by Tricia Haertlein.

Let's try this again. Join us on Sunday, March 15th at 1 pm for our annual meeting and program. We will first hold our annual business meeting to elect nominees for the offices of Vice-President and Treasurer. Our Nominating Committee Chair, Guy Wilson, will present a slate of officers and conduct the election. Following this we will hear from our Treasurer on the financial health of the Society and Committee reports from our chairs on our 2014 activities events. Last, but certainly not least, we will hear our special guest Tricia Haertlein present.

This informative talk will look at the transition from horse to mechanized power. For much of our history horses were our partners in building our farms and cities. Haertlein asks and answers questions like: What was it like in the late 1800s and early 1900s as we switched from horsepower to horse-powered engines? What did horses do for us in the city and on the farm? Why did switching seem like a good idea? If engines were better, why were horses still delivering milk through World War II?

A resident of Hunterdon County since 1985, Haertlein has worked for Janssen Pharmaceutical for more than 20 years. She is a history buff and developed her talk for a local museum's transportation day and has been expanding it as her research reveals to cover more information. She is a member of local, regional, state and national horse and driving organizations and has served on the board of many of these groups. Currently, she is the President of both the Hunterdon County Horse & Pony Association and the Gladstone Equestrian Association. She also is a member of the N.J. Horse Council, Carriage Association of America, and American Driving Society (ADS). For the ADS, she edited a book, Carriage Driving Games, a collection of games from around the country.

Call our Hospitality Chair, Martha Wrede, at 439-3557 to let her know if you can bring something to share.

For inclement weather cancellation please call Headquarters at 908-832-6734 to check for a recorded message or log on to www.tewksburyhistory.net.

MEMBERSHIP

Your membership dues were due by January 31. Individual membership is \$ 15 or Family membership is \$ 25. If you did not yet pay please send in your payment today.

ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The By-laws of the Society indicate that there will be an annual election of officers. The nominating committee was chosen at the November covered dish supper. Guy Wilson, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, will present the slate of nominees for Vice-President and Treasurer to serve from January 2015 till January 2017. 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 members of the Nominating Committee consist of: Kurt Rahenkamp, Fred Katnack, Alice Walters and Harold Wrede.

HEADQUARTERS OPEN

Our Headquarters will be open on the following days to accommodate Tewksbury students working on their essay project "The Most Historic Place in My Town." Also open by appointment.

Saturday, March 14	9 am to 12 Noon
Saturday, January 21	9 am to 12 Noon
Saturday, April 4	9 am to 12 Noon

ACQUISITIONS

We're starting this new section to let you know what we've acquired for the Society, either through acquisition or donation. If you have any documents, records, artifacts, etc. relating to Tewksbury history that you would like to donate we would greatly appreciate having them. If you don't want to part with them we can copy the documents up to 11" by 17" (black & white or color) and return your originals.

These materials are representative of the history of the Township of Tewksbury and the families who resided here.

Calendar from 1971 advertising Waldron's creamery, Henry Stillwell, Prop.
The Cedar Lane Farm Holstein sale catalog for Sat. Dec. 3, 1960.
Califon quadrangle U.S.G.S. map prepared by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 1942.
Christmas pewter ornaments depicting the Oldwick Community Center, 1997
Landers, Gloria – "Seven Church Street, Oldwick. Legacy Lot Number Three - The Betsey Adams House, 1753 to 1993.
Mountainville photo taken from Hell Mountain Houserock, 1895
Mountainville photo, looking west, 1895
Murphy, Miriam L. – Quaker Connection to the founding of Tewksbury, MA and Tewksbury, NJ – New England Historic Genealogical Society.
Pottersville, NJ post cards depicting Camp Brett.
The Rockaway Valley Railroad, 1892 by Howard E. Johnston.
1873 Somerset & Hunterdon County, New Jersey history "Our Home" magazine, full year.
Vansickle, James – Handwritten letter dated 1867 from Lebanon to New Germantown.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members to the Society:

Jeffrey, Jane & Erik Anderson	Whitehouse St.
Leigh Curry	Califon
Susan Obercian	Lebanon
Denny Teason	Center Moriches, NY
Anne van den Bergh	Peapack

2015 PROGRAMS

Sunday, May 17 – 1 pm – Society Headquarters, 60 Water Street. Program to be announced.

Sunday, November 8 – 5 pm – Our ever popular covered dish supper at the Fairmount Presbyterian Church Community House. Come hear Stephanie Stevens, Honorary County Historian talk about her latest book *Tillers of the Soil*, which is a compilation of profiles of 40 Hunterdon families who have farmed their land from two to ten generations.

2015 SPECIAL EVENTS

Saturday, June 13 – Tewksbury Garden Tour – 12 Noon to 4 pm, Rain or Shine. Tour 4 gardens plus visit a 5th location with refreshments served.

Saturday, September 5 – Tewksbury Flea Market – 8 am - 3 pm, Rain Date – Sun. Sept. 6.

26th annual Art Show & Sale – Dates to be determined.

Saturday, December 5 & Sunday, December 6 – Christmas Antique Show at the Old Turnpike School.