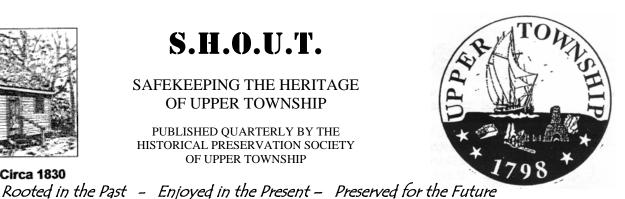


Friendship School - Circa 1830

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#### **President's Memo:**

As I write this, I am sitting poolside in sunny but cool Hutchinson Island, Florida. It is hard to believe that the temperature here is but a mere 8 degrees warmer but the view is decidedly tropical.

Ah, the wonders of modern technology!

I will be returning as soon as you receive this newsletter and I look forward to seeing all of you at our March covered dish supper. We have scheduled a February board meeting on Tuesday, the 22nd at 7 p.m. at my home and earlier in the day at my home (@10:30 a.m.), those of you interested in joining us as we plan for our 4th grade classes introduction to the Gandy Farmstead will be welcomed. We ask that you bring your lunch (I will supply drinks and dessert.) as we work through the process of planning this event. We are still looking for artifacts to add to the traveling trunk collection that will be our students' first introduction to life at the Gandy Farmstead in the 1800's. Students will be asked to do the work of field archeologists as they try to decipher what these artifacts might be used for. Small artifacts from jelly seives, candle molds, wool and flax carders to small farm implements and tools are still needed. We have two small trunks to fill and some monies set aside to reimburse those who find any items. Tours of the farmstead and all outbuildings will then be scheduled. It is our hope that this will then become a regularly scheduled field trip open to fourth graders in our own township and across the county.

The Friendship School already opens for our kindergarten population. We are always looking for volunteers to act as docents for our three properties. If interested, please call me at 628-2902. Docent training will be scheduled at a later date.

Our plans for the speeder car housing at the Tuckahoe Train Station are in the hands of the township now, as we have moved ahead with the purchase of the materials and our township engineer, Paul Dietrich, has helped us apply for permits. Watch as the weather warms and the actual building of the housing takes place. Thanks to Steve Martinelli and Matt Unsworth for following through with this endeavor.

The board has been meeting and we have been making plans for this year. Interesting programs, dinners and special events are being scheduled. We are asking that you consider inviting a friend to all our events as a membership drive will be kicked off at the March meeting!

I look forward to seeing you soon,

Carol



After eight years of chairing or co-chairing the Strawberry Festival I have devised a **new format** for **leadership.** The responsibilities of the Festival have been divided into four work divisions. The following are the Four Divisions:

- 1. All Food Products, Paper Products, Cleaning Products and Servers of food are the responsibilities of this chairperson.
- 2. Set-up and Break-down on the day before and day of event plus Clean-up with help of work crew are the responsibilities of this chairperson.
- 3. Solicitations of Crafters and Collection of Fees along with Placement of Crafters on the grounds of the farmstead are the responsibilities of this chairperson.
- 4. Responsible for docents in both Gandy House and barn. Arrange for Musical entertainment from the barn and provide seating for spectators. This chairperson is also responsible for historical interpretations of all buildings.

At this time **we need a member to chair the responsibility of obtaining Crafters**. Prior to the Strawberry Festival the chairperson would work with our Publicity person to advertise for both paying vendors and non-profit vendors like the Bee Keepers Association for whom there is no fee.

If you would like to see Crafters at the Strawberry Festival please respond to this request by volunteering to the president or any board member by March8th, 2011.

Thank you, Anne Snyder.

### **DONATIONS RECEIVED IN 2010**

Two (2) Dietz railroad lanterns were donated by David Mackin of Seaville, NJ.

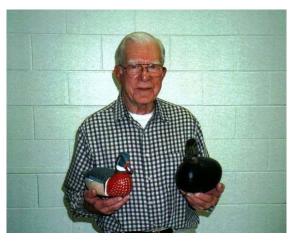
A hand towel circa 1925 from a Pullman railroad car was donated by Douglass Longenecker of Tuckahoe, NJ.

A First National Bank of Tuckahoe account book was donated by Kay Terwilliger of Seaville, NJ.

A Framed early New Jersey railroad map was donated by Stoddard and Marjorie Bixby of Tuckahoe, NJ.

United States Post Office Tuckahoe New Jersey Account Sheet, dated 1854, was given by William Brown of Beesley's Point to Michael Houdart of Seaville, who then donated it to the HPSUT.

A \$100.00 donation was received from Dr. David L. Lohin and Anita Forry Lohin who live in Clarks Summit, PA.



## RECENT EVENTS

Photos by Sonia Forry

You are missing a lot if you are not attending our regular meetings!

In December we had our annual Holiday Dinner.

In January we had installed our new officers and then Harry Shourds showed us his amazing carvings. Did you know that we have a world renowned artist in Upper Township? In order to explain how he creates his sculptures, he showed us a documentary made by a Japanese TV channel.

# **Calendar of Events**

February 22 -A meeting about the proposed fourth grade fieldtrip to the Gandy Farmstead will be at Carol's house at 10:30 AM. Bring lunch. 7PM will be the Board of Trustee's meeting.

February 28 -On this Monday there will be a period costume workshop at 10:00am at the HPSUT office which is in the Tuckahoe Railroad Station.

Board of Trustee's meeting at Carol's house. March 1 -

March 8 -Our regular March covered dish supper and show and tell will be held at 6:00 PM at the Church of the Resurrection in Marmora. We'd like to try something new this year. So bring a friend or friends as well as a covered dish. The Board of trustee's will be supplying pulled pork and roast turkey as well as deserts. Please bring pasta, breads, salads or vegetables.

March 12 -At 9:00 am On Saturday the Master Gardner's will be holding a class workshop at the Gandy Farmstead. This year they will be pruning our grape vines. Betty Marshall who does all the pruning at Natali's Vineyard in Goshen on route 47 will be teaching the class. Members are welcome to observe, but it is not open to the public.

March 18 -Our annual Kindergarten Day will be held at the Friendship School on Friday March 18 with a rain date scheduled for March 25.

March 26 -This Saturday the League of Historical Societies of New Jersey will be holding their winter meeting at the Ocean City Historical Museum. HPSUT members are welcome to attend. Cost is \$25.00. Information is available at 399-2434 ext 0 or info@ocnimuseum.org.

MEMBERSHIP We will be printing a membership directory which will be April 1 available by the April meeting. If you have not joined by the first of April you will not be included

April 5 -**Board of Trustee's** Meeting at Carol's house.

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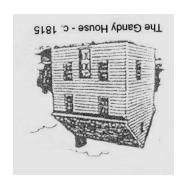
April 9th & 10th -Bus Trip to Monticello, Montpelier & Ash Lawn, overnight stay in Charlottesville, VA, dinner Sat., breakfast & lunch on Sun., \$200 per person, double occupancy, March 15 registration deadline. Call Sonia Forry at the Cape May County Museum, 609-465-3535 ext. 4, for a registration package & details of the trip.

Our regular meeting will be held at the Upper Branch of the Library. Snacks at 7:00 PM and April 12 -Meeting at 7:30. Our revised Bylaws will be presented for ratification. The guest speaker will be Tony Macrie, owner of the trains that run to and from the Tuckahoe Train Station.

New Jersey History Day will be celebrated at Allire Village in Monmouth County. May 7 -

Regular meeting, regular time, regular place... Dick Regensburg will speak to us about May 10 archeology in South Jersey.

The Strawberry Festival will be held on this date. This is not only one of our most May 21 successful fund raisers but also a way we acquaint our townsfolk with their heritage. Please volunteer



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Our annual Kindergarten Day will be held at the Friendship School on Friday March 18 with a rain date scheduled for March 25. This is a delightful event in which each of the local kindergarten classes is bussed to the restored school, circa 1830, where society members in costume teach the children about going to school in the good old days. (Some pictures from the 2008

Kindergarten Day can be found on our website, <u>www.uppertwphistory.org</u>, in the summer issue of our newsletter the SHOUT.