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2014 – Fall History Programs in Upper Township

Happy 350th Birthday to you - New Jersey-

Happy Birthday to you!



September 9th - Learn about our **HISTORY THROUGH ART PROGRAM!**

Meet the artists and see their county historical paintings.

Discover how this project will teach others about our history.

All made possible by a grant received from the Cape Bank.



October 14th - The **History of Strathmere** - presented by Ken Weaver

Ken will use slides and tell us about this 100 year old community that is now part of Upper Township.



November 11th - Hear **firsthand accounts of WWII** from some of our

local residents. These stories were compiled by President Mike Houdart and will be shared by some of these brave veterans.



December 9th - Our **Annual Christmas Party/Dinner** will be held at

Tuckahoe Inn and is always a favorite event. We will have a table to display a "special" holiday toy or decoration from your past. A reminder and menu selections will be mailed later.

(All meetings are held in the Upper Township Branch of the Cape May County Library. Refreshments start at 7:00pm with the program to begin at 7:30. Guests are always welcome. Hope to see you there!)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are happy to report that the annual Strawberry Festival was quite a success this year. The property was packed with people and most items sold out very early. We made a nice profit on the event and it will be used to further our historical projects in the coming months. We are looking forward to our next big event and fundraiser which is the AppleFest in October. If you haven't signed up already, please volunteer to help out with the festival.

The yearly visit to the Friendship School by all the kindergarten classes in Upper Township went off very smoothly again this year with seven classes of kindergarteners attending. Ebbie Unsworth and her volunteers did a tremendous job. Thank you to all.

As you might know, the Society is conducting an Oral History Project of World War II Veterans from Upper Township. So far there are only five of these veterans that we are aware of in the township. To be included, they must have lived in the township when they entered service and must presently live in the township. If you know of such a veteran, please contact the Society so they may be included.

Our monthly column (*FOCUS ON HISTORY*) in the Upper Township Gazette continues to generate favorable comments from readers. If you have a story you wish to write for the paper, please let me know.

The HISTORY thru ARTS project is now completed and we plan to introduce our artwork to the public at our Society's general meeting on September 9, 2014 and take the program to the community soon afterwards.

Barbara Horan is currently working on a project to put all the Society's photos and postcards on a disk so they will be all in one place and easy to find for future use. This is a big project and will take some time.

The Society's efforts are a result of the many volunteers who offer their time and energy on our various projects. I hope that they will continue and I want them to know that their assistance is greatly appreciated. Thank you so much.

Horace Lorrilliere and Ralph Cooper made a rain barrel at the workshop conducted by the Upper Township Green Team. The barrel represents a sustainable source of water that can be used in various applications such as watering the garden etc. The barrel will be given away at the AppleFest in October.

Our Historical Society scholarships this year were awarded to: Luke Eisele the Eight grade graduate in the Middle School (\$200.00) and Jennifer Campbell Senior graduate in Ocean City High School (\$500.00.)

We continue to ask for new members to join our Society and join in the fun of HISTORY!

Mike Houdart

"YOU HAVE TO KNOW THE PAST TO UNDERSTAND THE FUTURE"

Carl Saga

PRESIDENT'S WISH LIST

***Would someone like to help
our Society?***

New Computer Chair.
Donations for Copier Toner.
Case of Copy Paper.
Old Pickup Truck.
New Computer.
New Projection Screen.
Other Donations.



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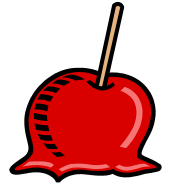
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The Historical Preservation Society of Upper Township NJ

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APPLEFEST



SATURDAY: OCTOBER 18, 2014
 RAINDATE: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2014
 ~ 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM ~

JOHN WESLEY GANDY FARMSTEAD
26 TYLER ROAD (ROUTE 616) GREENFIELD

DEMONSTRATIONS BY TRADITIONAL CRAFT ARTISANS

Bee Keeping Demonstration ~ Flint- Lock Musket Demonstrations
 Restored 1812 Barn ~ Farm Equipment & Antique Tool Display
 Well Sweep ~ Smoke House ~ Root Cellar ~ Ice House ~ Wood Shed
 Decoy Carving ~ Herb Garden ~ Windmill

WWII LIVING HISTORY DISPLAY
(IN COMMERATION OF 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY LANDINGS)

CARAMEL APPLES - FRESH NEW JERSEY APPLES
APPLE BAKE SHOPPE - APPLE CIDER - FALL PRODUCE

CIDER - GRILLED HOT DOGS, BRATWURST, SAUERKRAUT
CHIPS, AND... FRESH APPLE DUMPLINGS!

APPLE PIE BAKING CONTESTS FOR
CHILDREN AND ADULTS -- BEGINS AT 2:00 PM

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

NO ADMISSION CHARGE - FREE PARKING



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SPECIAL APPEARANCE BY JOHNNY APPLESEED



The Historical Preservation Society of Upper Township has completed their
“History thru Arts”

educational project and will be presenting it to the public at their general meeting on September 9, 2014 at the Upper Township branch of the Cape May County library at 7:30 PM. The project is sponsored by CAPE BANK and includes ten paintings of local historical significance painted by ten local artists.

These beautiful paintings represent a scene from each one of the ten towns that make up Upper Township and each painting will present an interesting story about the history of the area. These paintings will be taken to the local schools, churches and other organizations for educational purposes. “A PICTURE IS WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS”. The artwork is professionally framed and includes a name plate with the title, name of artist and the sponsor.

We hope this important and interesting project will help promote and preserve the unique history of our Township.

All are welcome, so please come out for the presentation and bring someone else with you.

The above painting is one of the first completed. It was done by Felicia Stephenson. This painting and the 9 others by different artists are now framed and will be on display at the meeting. Come meet the artists and see the really fine work that they have done!

Fall Calendar of Events

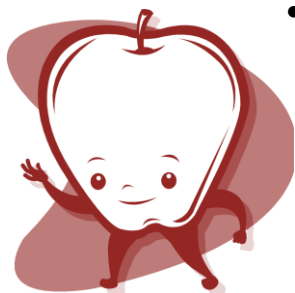


September

- 2nd - Board of Trustees will meet at the Tuckahoe Train Station at 4:00 pm.
- 9th – General Meeting – See **Fall Programs** on the cover page.

October

- 7th - Board of Trustees will meet at the Tuckahoe Train Station at 4:00 pm.
- 14th - General Meeting – See **Fall Programs** on the cover page.



- **The AppleFest, one of our important events to showcase our farmstead, and to raise funds is October 18th. Sonia Forry and Carol Williams are cochairing this event and need help. Please volunteer at our next meeting or call Sonia at: 609-628-3041.** Check page 4 for details.

- 19th – The rain date for the AppleFest.

November

- 3rd - Board of Trustees will meet at the Tuckahoe Train Station at 4:00 pm.
- 11th – General Meeting – See **Fall Programs** on the cover page. Elections for 2014's officers will also be held.

December

- 2nd - Board of Trustees will meet at the Tuckahoe Train Station at 4:00 pm.
- 9th – Our annual **Holiday Party** – See **Fall Programs** on the cover page for details.



Welcome New Members Sue & Fred Glazier!



Just a reminder to all New Members: We forgot to include a place for your email address on the application form. Please send it to me at bixby1@comcast.net. All reminders are sent by email. Thanks, Marj Bixby



APPLE LOAF

From the kitchen of Olive Pisani

Serves 12

Preheat oven to 350.

Ingredients:

1/3 cups butter or margarine

2/3 cups sugar

2 tsp. grated lemon peel

¼ tsp. cinnamon

2 eggs

3 tbsp. milk

1 tsp. lemon juice

2 tsp. vanilla

2 cups flour

1 tsp. baking powder

½ tsp. baking soda

2.5 cups peeled shredded apples

½ cup chopped nuts (optional)

Cream together the butter, sugar, lemon peel and cinnamon. Beat in eggs until light and fluffy. Beat in lemon juice and milk. Stir together dry ingredients; add to creamed mixture, stirring until moistened.

Fold in apples and nuts.

Pour into 2 greased 5x9 loaf pans and bake for 1 hour.

Bring to the AppleFest 1 hour ahead for sale by the society.



IN MEMORY

Lewis P. Albrecht, Jr.

1926 - 2014



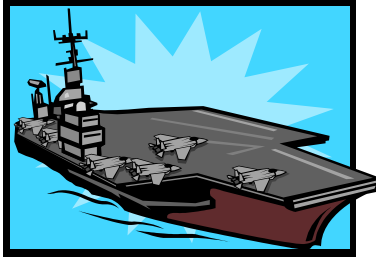
Since the founding of the Historical Society, Lew Albrecht has played a major role in developing our historical sites. He was instrumental in restoring the historic Gandy Farmstead on Tyler Road. He guided the development of the farmstead and he moved the historic 1812 Townsend Stites barn in Beesley's Point to the property. He added a root cellar, smoke house, privy and a windmill making the property a showcase for sustainability.

Lew Albrecht also was responsible for the declaration of the Historic District in Marshallville. He worked long and hard to complete the paperwork necessary for that notable distinction.

A World War II veteran, Lew served on the infamous naval ship, the Franklin. After a Kamikaze attack, he was trapped in smoke and fire on the third deck below. Through some heroic actions, he made it to safety and survived to return to his Cape May County home.

Lewis P. Albrecht, Jr., age 88, of Ocean View, NJ, died on Thursday, July 9, 2014. He is survived by his wife, Jean M. and his son, Lewis P. III.

***OUR DEAR FRIEND,
MAY HE REST IN PEACE***



A story about Lew Albrect:

In early 1945 Lew was assigned to the USS Franklin (CV-13) aircraft carrier which had been recently repaired after being badly damaged in combat operations in the Philippines. On March 19, 1945, Franklin was operating near the island of Honshu conducting air strikes against the Japanese homeland. Suddenly a single Japanese plane attacked the Franklin causing severe damage and igniting fires throughout the second and third decks in the area where Lew's duty station was located. Over 300 men were trapped in total darkness and there was no way to escape. Lt. Donald Gary who discovered the men (Lew was one of them.), found an exit from the compartment and repeatedly led groups to safety.

Lt. Gary was subsequently awarded the Medal of Honor for his heroic actions that day. I believe Lew met Lt. Gary years later.

Casualties on Franklin totaled 724 killed and 265 wounded. The ship returned to Pearl Harbor for a clean-up and repairs and then sailed to Brooklyn, NY, arriving on 28 April.

(I don't know when Lew was re-assigned and/or discharged from the Navy)

Extracted from "The Ship That Wouldn't Die!"

Submitted by Doug Longenecker

