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THE NEXT GENERAL MEETINGS
AT THE VILLAGE INN MUSEUM
Jan 27, 2017 at 7:30 PM

VILLAGE INN NEWS

Reminder to all members: Yes, it's time to renew your membership, for those of you who have not already done so. Some have included the next year's membership with your raffle tickets, thank you. Remember that your continued support helps maintain the Village Inn.

The annual officer's installation dinner was held on Nov 18, 2016. All officers were reinstated for the 2017 year. The list can be seen on the last page of this newsletter.

Our annual raffle was drawn at 8pm. The total collected was \$875.00, with total prizes of \$437.50. The winners were as follows:

1st place: Cherly Cook
2nd place: Heidi Reiss
3rd place: Leslie Serafin
4th place: Marie Herschfield

Our next big event will again be a speaker luncheon. The date has been set at Sunday April 30, 2017. The time 1 pm till 4 pm. The place this year will be at Mezza Luna Restaurant, in Manalapan, not far from the Village Inn. The address is 357 Route 9 (southbound), Manalapan, NJ. It is located in one of the strip malls just south of where Gordon Corners road intersects with Route 9. Please plan to attend. Detail will be in the next newsletter.

The speaker, from The American Historical Theater, will portray Theodore Roosevelt, the topic "America in the Arena". The speaker is funded by the NJ Council for the Humanities.

The Following is an excerpt from the NJCH website.

"When President McKinley was assassinated in 1901, Vice President Theodore Roosevelt bounded into Washington, D.C. as the youngest President in American history. Bringing his vigorous persona (and his boisterous family) to the White House, "TR" helped catapult the U.S. into a new century. His accomplishments were plentiful and diverse: War hero to Nobel Peace Prize winner, naturalist to imperialist. The 26th President promoted progressive reform and stronger government control of business. Believing that the security of the American People would be achieved through leadership on the World Stage, President Roosevelt expanded U.S. influence around the globe."



We have had several more acquisitions, an infant's cradle and a child's rocking horse among them. They come to us from Mary Stackhouse and John Musto who last year donated the rope bed and coverlet, driven up from Florida.

The current display on the second floor of the Village Inn is a "What is it?" There are about 150 household and work items from 50 years ago to 200 years ago. The items have only a number label; you must look it up in a binder nearby if you are not sure. If you have not yet seen it, it is well worth the trip. Also, there are still illustrations from the prohibition era and local liquor applications when it ended.

Of historic interest for the Village Inn's early time period is Ratification Day is coming up. Ratification Day in the United States refers to the anniversary of the ratification of the Treaty of Paris on January 14, 1784 at the Maryland State House in Annapolis, Maryland by the Confederation Congress. This act officially ended the American Revolutionary War.

Events of Interest

The Village Inn will again be part of Weekend in Old Monmouth (WOM) promoted by the Monmouth County Historical Commission. The dates for this year are Saturday May 6 from 10 till 5 and Sunday May 7 from 12 till 5. The Commission provides books of the open sites including descriptions, maps and directions. This is a great time to plan and see historical sites of Monmouth County.

The State History Fair (**2017 SPIRIT of the JERSEYS State History Fair**) will again be held at Monmouth Battlefield State Park. The hours are Saturday May 13, 2017 from about 10 till 4. We are planning to have a table there.

VILLAGE INN EVENTS

- Jan 15 Sunday, the Inn will be open from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
- Jan 27 Friday, BHS General Meeting, starts 7:30 pm
- Feb 19 Sunday, the Inn will be open from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
- Feb 24 Friday, BHS General Meeting, starts 7:30 pm
- Mar 19 Sunday, the Inn will be open from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
- Mar 24 Friday, BHS General Meeting, starts 7:30 pm
- Apr 16 Sunday, the Inn will be open from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
- Apr 28 Friday, BHS General Meeting, starts 7:30 pm
- Apr 30 Our annual speakers luncheon event. 1 pm to 4 pm at Mezza Luna Restaurant
Theodore Roosevelt : “America in the Arena”
- May 6 Saturday, Weekend in Old Monmouth, the Inn will be open from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
- May 7 Sunday, Weekend in Old Monmouth, the Inn will be open from 12: pm to 5:00 pm
- May 13 Saturday, 2017 SPIRIT of the JERSEYS State History Fair, 10 AM to 4 PM
We are planning to have a table there.
- May 21 Sunday, the Inn will be open from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
- May 26 Friday, BHS General Meeting, starts 7:30 pm
- May 29 Memorial Day, the Inn will be open from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Englishtown usually has a parade that passes by the Inn.
- Jun 18 Sunday (Father’s Day), the Inn will be open from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
- Jun 23 Friday, BHS General Meeting, starts 7:30 pm

There is no general meeting in June, July, August, or December

There is a \$2.00 per person donation at the door on all open dates; no charge for children 12 years of age and younger.

All monthly general meetings of the Battleground Historical Society are held at the Village Inn, located at the corner of Main and Water Streets, Englishtown, N.J. All general meetings are open to the public and are on the 4th Friday and begin at 7:30 pm. The Officer’s installation meeting is in November in lieu of the general meeting. Check our website for our activities: www.thevillageinn.org.

TOURS of the Inn are always available by appointment. Please contact our website: www.thevillageinn.org to make an appointment.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE EACH YEAR ON JANUARY FIRST

\$20.00 FOR AN INDIVIDUAL, \$30.00 FOR A FAMILY AND \$125.00 LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Name _____

Address _____

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