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Ogdensburg Historical Society

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PICNIC 2022

As in years past, we had a wonderful turnout for our annual Historical Society Picnic, good food, a mine tour and time to reminisce about years gone by. There were about 60 of us enjoying the delicious meal provided by Brick & Brew. There were many who were stumped at the Trivia Questions this year, but all walked away with a little more knowledge of the town's history.

We ended the event with several door prizes and pictures from the old postcards so everyone went home with something.

Randi-Lynn Hornyak presented Bill & Denise Kroft a thank you plaque for the support that Sterling Hill Mine & Museum provided to her to make her dream of being a Physical Therapist possible.



We would like to thank Sterling Hill Mine & Museum and Innovative Laser Creations for their door prizes donations.



Jane Krueger presented to John & Dianna Kibildis a gift certificate to Granny's Pancake House as a thank you for all their help in transitioning her into the VP role.

We were even able to take an updated photo of the OHS Board.



We look forward to planning next year's picnic already!

Photo Credit for all picnic pictures—Vicky Schroeder



UPCOMING EVENTS

- September 14 - Quarterly General Meeting - Guest Speaker Paul Michael Kane at 7pm
- October 8 - Sussex County Arts & Heritage Weekend - Museum open 10 am - 5 pm
- November 2 - Board of Trustee's meeting at 7pm
- December 5 - Annual Christmas Gathering at 7pm



Thanks to all for making another successful picnic. Can't wait to plan next year's



Sussex County Arts & Heritage Weekend is October 8-9 to explore the various Museum around the county. Our Museum will be open 10 am –5 pm on October 8th. Please make plans to visit us. Bring along a friend or family member who has not been to see the great history of our town.

Thank You

Brick & Brew—Bill Elig and staff for the delicious food for our picnic.

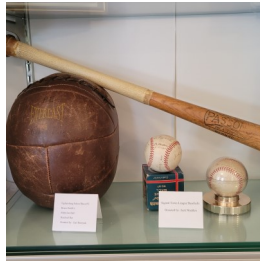


WHAT'S NEW

The OHS Board and Trustees are working to create new exhibitions at the museum with items to showcase various people and aspects of the town's history.

We are currently looking for donations of:

- ◇ Sports memorabilia from local athletes
- ◇ Memorabilia/photos from the local churches
- ◇ Memorabilia/photos regarding the railroad system through Ogdensburg



General Membership Meetings

Monday, December 5, 2022 7:00 pm

Tuesday, March 7, 2023 7:00 pm

Guest speaker Bill Kroth

Saturday, June 3, 2023 5:00 pm

Special Event

Ethnic Dinner, TBD in October 2022

We are always looking for volunteers to help curate the museum throughout the year, please feel free to contact us, if you are interested.

THE STORY OF OGDENSBURG BOOK: A PEOPLE'S PERSPECTIVE

In and around 1976 was the last time a commemorative book was published about the history of our beloved town. Since it is over 45 years since that publishing, we are looking into continuing our story with the help of others. There is a lot of history in this small town and many life long residents who know it. Please consider taking some time and sharing the history of Ogdensburg and your family. We will need some historical information as well if you have that we will welcome it.

Photos are always welcomed!

Reach out to us at oburghhistoricalsociety@gmail.com with questions, comments, stories and facts!

The History of Ogdensburg...A People's Perspective

Join us in sharing your memories of Ogdensburg...as a child; as a teen; as an adult

We are looking for stories from you!

How do you think Ogdensburg helped shape you?

How do you impact Ogdensburg?

What was the landscape like when you were growing up? Do you have pictures to share?

Who were your influencers? A special teacher? A neighbor? A leader?

What is your fondest memory?

Could you write 1,000 words to help us show how Ogdensburg was when you were here?

Information we will need included in the perspective -

The street you grew up on and the dates you lived in Ogdensburg

Contact us at oburghhistoricalsociety@gmail.com if you are interested in participating.

12th Annual Sussex County Heritage Weekend

SAT., OCT. 8th & SUN., OCT. 9th, 2022

Sponsored by the
Sussex County Arts & Heritage Council



Explore the History of Sussex County

Please check all websites and Facebook pages for any UPDATE at each location!

For our Interactive Map & printable information visit : www.scahc/events or scan this QR code:



Funding of the Sussex County Arts & Heritage Council has been made available in part by the NJ State Council on the Arts/Department of State, a Partner Agency of the National Endowment for the Arts, through the State/County Partnership Block Grant Program, as administered by the Sussex County Arts & Heritage Council. Additional funding has been made available in part by the New Jersey Historical Commission through the County History Partnership Program, as administered by the Sussex County Arts & Heritage Council. Partial funding provided by the Sussex County Board of County Commissioners .

Visit & View Scenic Sussex County, New Jersey

Participating Historic Sites / Locations

Both days or only # Sat. 10/ 8 or * Sun. 10/ 9

* Branchville Borough Historical Museum, Branchville
Roseville Schoolhouse Museum, Byram

Franklin Historical Heritage Museum, Franklin
Franklin Mineral Museum, Franklin \$

Old Monroe Schoolhouse, [GPS Franklin], Hardyston

* Ludlum-Mabee House / Historic District, Lafayette

* Lake Hopatcong Historical Museum, Landing
Hill Memorial Museum, Newton

Old Schoolhouse & Firehouse Museum, Ogdensburg

Sterling Hill Mining Museum, Ogdensburg \$

Peters Valley Gallery / Historic District, Sandyston

* Van Kirk Homestead, Sparta

* Sparta Train Station, Sparta

White Deer Plaza & Boardwalk Historic District, Sparta

Waterloo Village Historic Site, Stanhope

Stillwater Historical Museum, Stillwater

* Price's Switch Schoolhouse, Vernon

* Van Campen Inn, Walpack

* Walpack Center Historic District, Walpack *

High Pt. State Pk & NJ Veteran's Monument, Wantage

* Elias Van Bunschoten Museum, Wantage

* Old Clove Church, Wantage

Space Farms, Wantage \$

\$ Charge Admission

This weekend provides an opportunity to explore many of Sussex County's historical sites and museums.



While touring our County - do stop at our local farms to pick some pumpkins or apples + enjoy our farm stands, farmers markets, and winery. Hike and bike our trails, and visit our scenic parks.

OGDENSBURG HISTORICAL SOCIETY

OHS Membership

Your membership in the Ogdensburg Historical Society acknowledges your awareness of Ogdensburg's rich and unique history. Join today and with your support help us preserve and promote our history.

Membership Fees:

Annually:

Seniors	\$6.00
Individual	\$12.00
Family	\$18.00

One Time:

Lifetime	\$50.00
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The Ogdensburg Historical Society is a non-profit and non-partisan organization formed not only to ascertain and preserve the history of Ogdensburg, NJ, but also to foster the education and enjoyment of its residents and visitors. The OHS obtained grant monies in 1988 and 1989 to refurbish the 1910 school addition/firehouse to be converted into the Old Schoolhouse/Firehouse Museum—the society's headquarters.

The museum's first floor lobby holds a display case (that was originally in the grade school) of minerals from the Ogdensburg Zinc Mine. The fire truck bays contain the Ogdensburg Fire Department's retired 1935 and 1959 American LaFrance Pumper trucks. In June of 2006, the bays were dedicated in the memory of William "Doly" Dolan and Joseph Fitzgibbons, Sr. These men were former students, OFD fire chiefs and OHS charter members and vice presidents—all

within the walls of this building.

The second floor serves as a meeting hall for the society's meetings. It contains showcases which hold donated Ogdensburg memorabilia such as postcards of old Ogdensburg, school history and graduation pictures, a display of the zinc mill operations, a scale model of the mine's hoist, and Ogden family history documents. There are also old exhibits of Thomas A. Edison memorabilia to honor the ten years Edison spent mining iron ore at the old Edison Ore Milling Company on Sparta Mountains.

The OHS sponsors two annual dinners. In June, a catered picnic meeting is held at the Sterling Hill Mining Museum. In October, an Ethnic Dinner is held at the school where each family is asked to bring a covered dish that represents their ethnic background.

We look forward to seeing you at our next Ogdensburg Historical Society meeting!

Ogdensburg Historical Society Officers & Board of Trustees

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