



🌱 A big from-the-heart THANK YOU to all of our hard-working and talented vendors, and the hundreds of shoppers who came out to support them! The 22nd Annual Saratoga's Artisans' Market opening weekend was a huge success! Our market has grown into such a fun and special tradition for our community, and we can't wait to see all of you in the **15 days left** in the market. **↓Details are below.↓**

Giving Tuesday was a great triumph for the Saratoga County History Center. We raised about 10% of our goal for Brookside Museum's "**Finish the Job**" capital campaign. We have four weeks to go, and we are 83% of the way to our goal of \$35,000. Please donate what you can to help us finish the job!

Donate to Finish The Job!



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EVENTS

SARATOGA COUNTY HISTORY CENTER

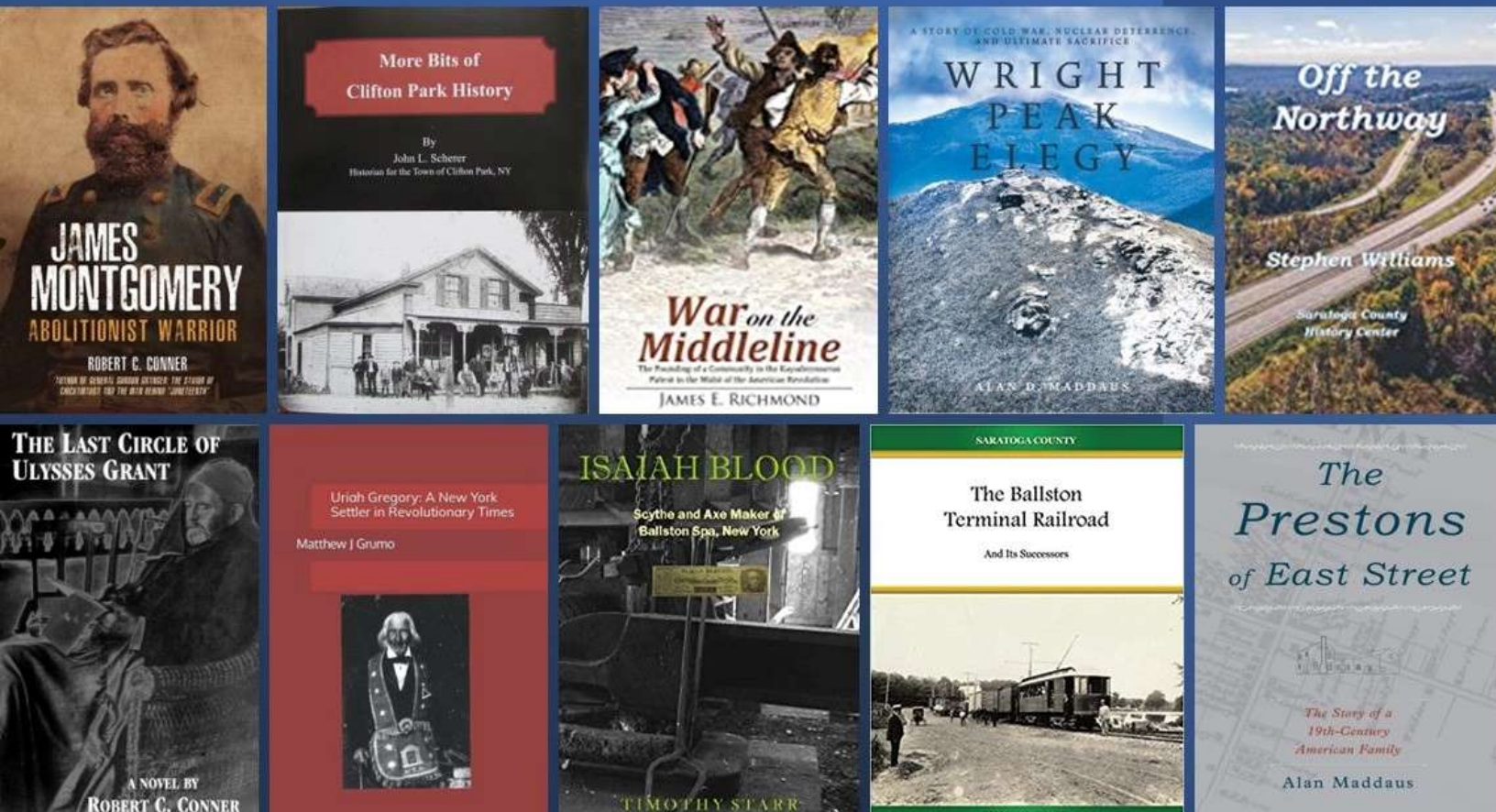
Sharing History to Promote Community

December 1 -December 24 – Artisan’s Market at Brookside Museum. Shop a wide selection of hand-crafted products created by local artisans, including soaps & lotions, ornaments, jewelry, spices & syrups, cutting boards, home décor, and much more! Thursdays 12pm – 5pm, Fridays 11am – 6pm, Saturdays and Sundays 11am – 5pm. This is an in-person event at SCHC's Brookside Museum, at 21 Fairground Avenue, Ballston Spa 12020.

December 3 – 2–4pm Groom's Tavern hosts “More Saratoga County Stories” book signing and talk. A second *More Saratoga County Stories* book release event held at the historic Grooms' Tavern with the local authors will be present to sign copies and talk with guests about their interests in Saratoga County history. The restored historic tavern and a variety of exhibits will be open for tours. Grooms Tavern is at 290 Sugar Hill Road on the corner of Grooms Road in Rexford, NY12148.

All these programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise indicated, and donations are accepted with gratitude. The SCHC's Brookside Museum is located at 21 Fairground Avenue in Ballston Spa, NY 12020.

Brookside Books Make Great Christmas Gifts! – Signed by Author



Saratoga County History Center Launches “Brookside Books” Ten Local Books Highlighted during Artisan Market at Brookside Museum

The Saratoga County History Center in Ballston Spa has announced a new initiative, “Brookside Books,” a collection of ten books written and signed by members of the History Center that cover a wide range of historical topics. The books are sold as part of the 22nd annual **Artisans’ Market at Brookside Museum**.

“We are proud to showcase these talented writers who have a special relationship with Brookside Museum,” said **Jim Richmond**, who leads the history center’s publication effort. “These books provide a wealth of information on historical topics and people from the American Revolution into the 21st century.”

The ten titles in this collection, fiction and non-fiction, are available for sale at the Artisans Market thru Saturday, December 24, on Thursdays through Sundays at Brookside Museum, 21 Fairground Ave., Ballston Spa. The books, both hardcover and softcover, range in price from \$15 to \$35. The 2022 market hours are: 11 am – 5 pm (Friday until 6 pm.)

The collection includes titles by seven different authors.

Robert Conner: *James Montgomery-Abolitionist Warrior* and *The Last Circle of Ulysses Grant*

Matt Grumo: *Uriah Gregory: A New York Settler in Revolutionary Times*

Alan Maddaus: *The Prestons Of East Street – The Story Of A 19th Century American Family* and *Wright Peak Elegy - A Story of Cold War, Nuclear Deterrence and Ultimate Sacrifice*

James Richmond: *War on the Middleline*

Timothy Starr: *Isaiah Blood: Scythe & Axe Make of Ballston Spa* and *The Ballston Terminal Railroad and its Successors*

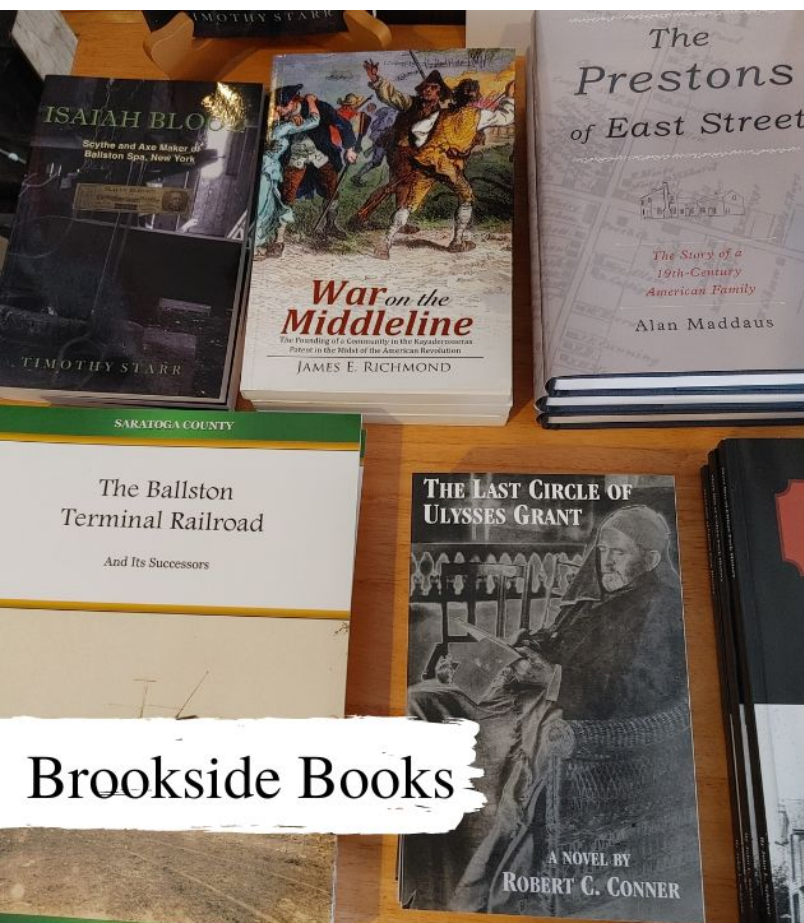
John L. Scherer: *More Bits Of Clifton Park History*

Stephen Williams: *Off the Northway – A Collection of Newspaper Articles on Saratoga County*

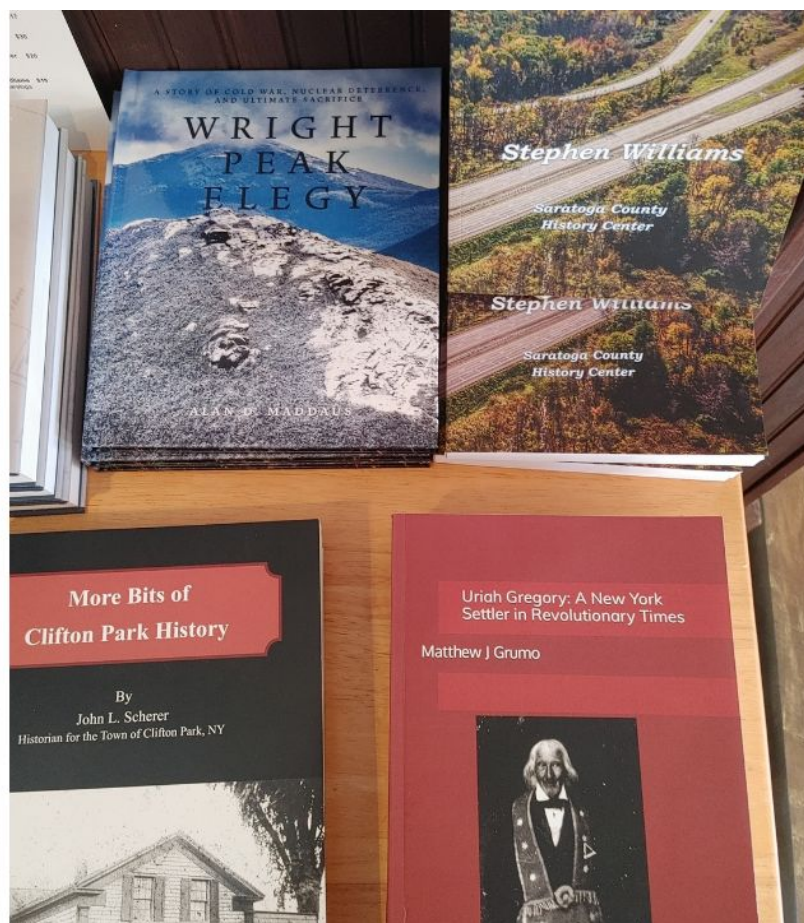
The History Center just released *More Saratoga County Stories*, a collection of essays and articles written by 33 local historians. This second volume of *Saratoga County Stories* provides snapshots of the past and true tales of crime, heroism, and colorful personalities.

“Books on local history are an important part of the History Center,” said **Museum vice president Sean Kelleher**. “We have published three collections of essays over the last year.”

The Annual Artisan Market features handmade/handcrafted products created by local artisans. Items include soaps, lotions, ornaments, jewelry, syrups, scarves, ceramics, hats, and more! Shoppers can stroll through the market and visit the museum's exhibits about the history of the Saratoga Chip and Dake Family/Stewart's Shops.



Brookside Books





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Upcoming Events

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These programs come from several organizations in Saratoga County. The event organizers are noted. These are not hosted or sponsored by SCHC.

December 5 - 7pm "The Johnston/Ashley House, Bliss Road, Galway". The Historic Survey Committee of the Galway Preservation Society will present a program on the style, structure, oral history known of the builders and documentation relating to the owners over time of the Johnston/Ashley House. The house, considered a local gem, retains much of its original character and architectural features. The meeting will be held at the Galway Town Hall, 5910 Sacandaga Rd., Galway, NY 12074.

December 8 - 12pm "Brown Bag Lunch: The Tuskegee Airmen and Lt. Col. Clarence Dart" Warren Dart presents a brief history of the Tuskegee Airman and family member Lt. Col. Clarence Dart, who, during World War II, served as a Tuskegee Airman. The Tuskegee Airmen were a special group of airmen who trained at the airfield near the famed Tuskegee Institute in Alabama and became the first African American aviators in the U.S. Military. This program is offered as a partnership between the Saratoga Springs Heritage Area Visitor Center and the Saratoga Springs Public Library. The Saratoga Springs Public Library is located at 49 Henry Street, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866-3271. Reservations are required. <https://sspl.libcal.com/event/8597440>

December 13 - 7pm "Tiffany Treasures of the Albany Rural Cemetery." The famed Tiffany Studios not only produced exquisite stained glass windows for churches and civic buildings, but had a department specializing in monument design from the 1890s until the company's closure. Since 2018, Albany Rural Cemetery has identified scores of examples of Tiffany Studios memorials ranging from an early significant Celtic Revival cross to stained glass windows in family vaults. The talk is part of the Waterford Historical Museum and Cultural Center's annual Winter Lecture Series at the Van Schaick Island Country Club (201 Continental Ave, Cohoes.) Admission: \$10. For more information, contact info@waterfordmuseum.com.

January 21 - 1pm The Saratoga Room. A Heritage Hunters of Saratoga County talk by recently appointed Saratoga Room archivist, Michelle Isopo. Isopo talks about how Saratoga Room houses the Local History Collection of the Saratoga Springs Public Library. Besides the usual items genealogists would anticipate finding there, such as shelves of city directories and microfilmed issues of 19th century Saratoga newspapers, the collection offers unexpected resources. Isopo will discuss these lesser known items, such as the assortment of scrapbooks on the old Hawley Home for Children. The meeting is at the Town of Saratoga's Town Hall, 12 Spring Street, on the corner of routes 29 and 4 in Schuylerville, NY 12871.

Programs are free unless otherwise indicated. Submit events to sean@brooksidemuseum.org. SCHC Events and News is a collaborative effort. We count on the contributions of the historic community of Saratoga County and others for the entire content of this page.

Meet the Authors!

*More
Saratoga
County Stories*

Book Launch Event

Saturday, December 3 2-4pm

Grooms Tavern

**290 Sugar Hill Rd,
Rexford, NY 12148
518-885-4000**

We're Back!

More Saratoga County Stories is a compilation of 63 new essays written by 33 local authors.

This second volume of weekly articles, first distributed by the Saratoga County History Roundtable, offers a wide variety of topics, events and personal stories in the long history of the county.





Finish The Job !

The time has come to stabilize the historic Brookside museum and make it economical to operate.



DONATE NOW



The Saratoga County History Center at Ballston Spa's Brookside Museum has launched its Annual Appeal, "Finish the Job," with the objective of complete stabilization of the historic building in the coming year. The goal of the current phase, \$45,000, will fund energy efficiency and long-postponed repair of space required for museum operations and care of its important collections. Two friends of the museum have pledged \$15,000 to match an equal sum from the community.

"Finish the Job" will make the museum's most economical operation possible. Its storm windows are 70 years old and do little to keep out the weather. Replacement with modern, efficient storms is planned before midwinter. New interior and exterior lighting, for the comfort of museum visitors and to reduce energy consumption, will use LED technology. An area of the building damaged many years ago by a leaking roof will be gutted and converted to badly-needed storage. Finally, since most of the museum's galleries have been renovated, only two floors must be repaired and refurbished.

All gifts will be acknowledged with gratitude and donations will be counted as 2023 members. Contributions can be submitted through the www.brooksidemuseum.org link or by mail to SCHS, 21 Fairground Avenue, Ballston Spa, N.Y. 12020.

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Artisan's Market

Saratoga County History Center
Brookside Museum

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SCHC's Brookside Museum lists all closings at <https://www.facebook.com/brooksidemuseum/>

The Saratoga County History Center is dedicated to the preservation and sharing of the diverse histories of Saratoga County. In addition to the Brookside Museum, the History Center offers a variety of innovative, exciting and educational programs online and in person throughout the county. Please visit the website (www.brooksidemuseum.org) and social media accounts (@SaratogaCoHistory) for news and announcements.

Contribute to Saratoga County History Center Events and News. Submit events, stories, job changes, promotions or news about Saratoga County history to sean@brooksidemuseum.org. SCHC Events and News is a collaborative effort. We count on the contributions of the historic community of Saratoga County and others for the entire content of this page. Producer Sean Kelleher and Editor Donna Dardaris coordinate the creation of the email with the help of many contributors, including Matt Bonk, Anne Clothier, Andrew Collier, Beth Silvestri, and David Waite.

The SCHC Events and News are available on our [website](#).

