

# SCHC

Saratoga County History Center



## Events and News

Sharing History to Promote Community



It's the most wonderful time of year, local gifts, artisan wares, and good times at the **22nd Annual Saratoga's Artisans' Market**. We have had hundreds of visitors who joined us for this special tradition for our community. Please join us in the **11 days left** in the market.



**Until 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, 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.

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# Upcoming Events

[www.brooksidemuseum.org](http://www.brooksidemuseum.org)



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

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

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## Saratoga County History Center @ Brookside Museum

### **Adirondack Trust Company Community Fund Supports the History Center Lend-A-Hand Grants an Exhibition on the History of Saratoga County**

Today, the Saratoga County History Center in Ballston Spa announced a **\$2,500 grant from the Adirondack Trust Company Community Fund** as part of their Lend-A-Hand program. The grant was presented at the Community Fund's annual award reception and will support an immersive exhibition on the history of Saratoga County to open in spring 2023.

**Field Horne**, president of the SCHC, said, "This grant helps the History Center regain fiscal momentum with exhibitions, the lifeblood of a museum. The support of the Adirondack Trust Company Community Fund makes possible the preservation and sharing of our county's rich history."

**Maureen Walsh**, SCHC Treasurer, said, "This grant represents the faith of the Adirondack Trust Company Community Fund in the value of SCHC. We are delighted and honored. The funding will help SCHC deliver on its mission to bring a deeper understanding, for residents and visitors alike, of how the past informs and impacts our present and future in Saratoga County."

With this grant and other support, the organization will create an exhibit with a lifespan of about a decade. An exhibition of this magnitude and quality should result in a steady audience and sustainable fiscal support. It will provide an engaging orientation for residents and visitors about the county's history and be the basis for developing new public and school programs. This development should lead to additional partnerships with cultural and educational institutions and increase outreach to audiences and donors.

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*More  
Saratoga  
County  
Stories*



We had a great time on Saturday at our book launch events for *More Saratoga County Stories*. This second volume of stories published by the Saratoga County History Center covers various topics related to the history of Saratoga County. It was a great event to talk and visit with the various authors. The authors also enjoyed the opportunity to visit the Historic Grooms Tavern. The Friends of Grooms Tavern were great hosts. Thank you all. *More Saratoga County Stories*, a collection of essays and articles written by 33 local historians is available at the Artisans Market thru December 24 at Brookside Museum.

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**Our Annual Appeal is in full swing! It ends December 31 at 11:59 PM. Don't wait 'til the last second to "Finish the Job!"**

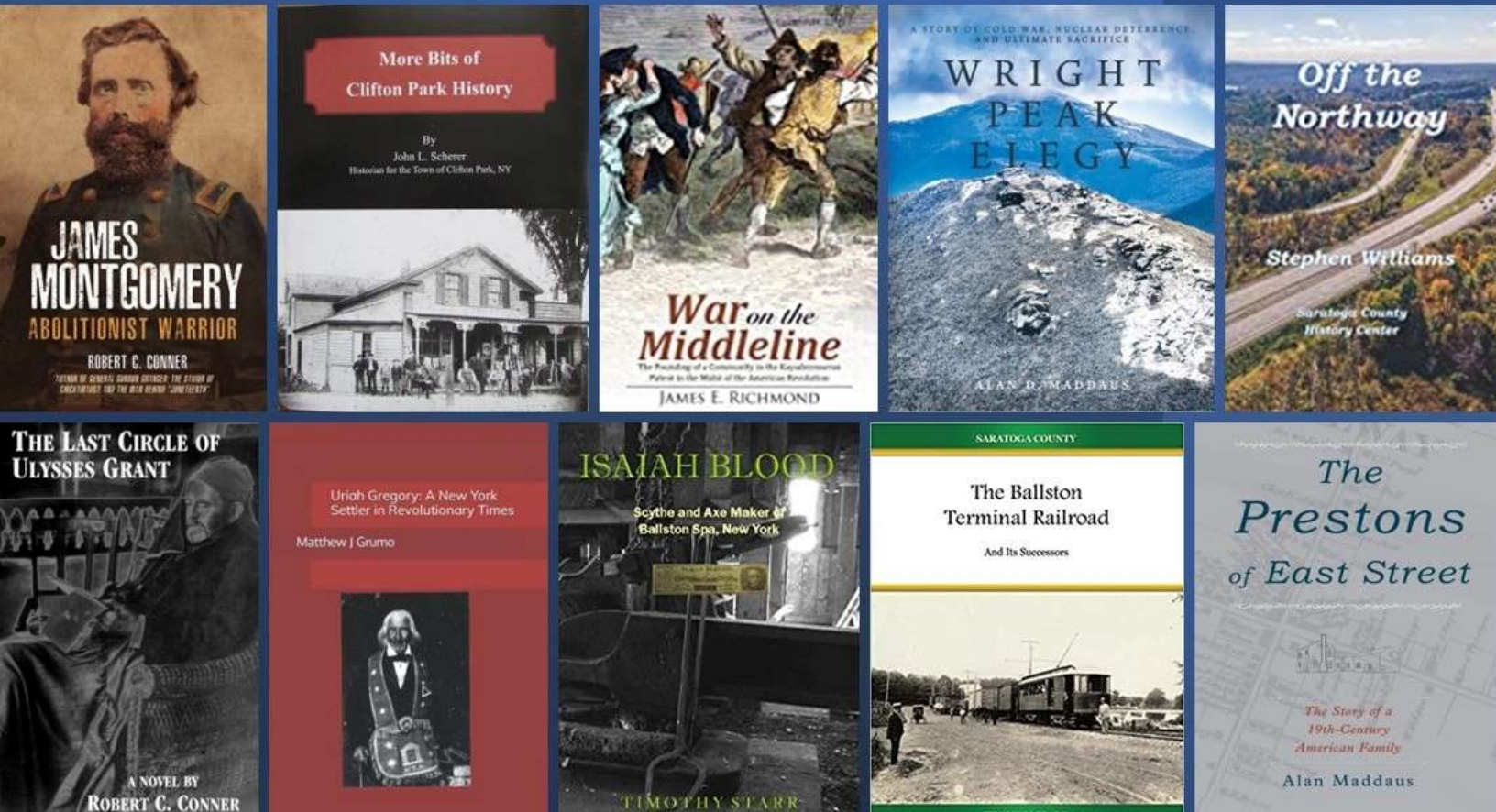
The Saratoga County History Center at Ballston Spa's Brookside Museum has an Annual Appeal, "Finish the Job," with the objective of complete stabilization of the historic building in the coming year. The goal of the current phase, \$45,000, will fund energy efficiency and long-postponed repair of space 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](http://www.brooksidemuseum.org) link or by mail to SCHS, 21 Fairground Avenue, Ballston Spa, N.Y. 12020.

**Donate to Finish The Job!**

# Brookside Books Make Great Christmas Gifts! – Signed by Author



## “Brookside Books” - Ten Local Books Highlighted during Artisan Market

The Saratoga County History Center's 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 .

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*

# Artisan's Market

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

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](http://www.brooksidemuseum.org)) and social media accounts (@SaratogaCoHistory) for news and announcements.

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