



A WAR AGAINST VEGETABLES, A WAR AGAINST WOMEN:

Haudenosaunee Women's Experience of the American Revolution

The Saratoga County History Center at Brookside Museum welcomes Dr. Maeve Kane, Associate Professor of History at SUNY Albany for the latest installment of Experts Next Door.

Wednesday, April 26 at 7 PM via Zoom.
Register at www.BrooksideMuseum.org

Bacon Hill - A Forgotten Crossroads

A new documentary produced by the
Saratoga County History Center





At Brookside Museum, Ballston Spa
April 29 2:00pm



21 Fairgrounds Ave
Ballston Spa, NY 12020
518-885-4000

Pre-registration available at www.Brooksidemuseum.org

The latest installment of the Experts Next Door series will be taking place via Zoom on April 26 at 7pm. The presentation is titled "A War Against Vegetables, A War Against Women: Haudenosaunee Women's Experience of the American Revolution" and will be presented by Dr. Maeve Kane, Associate Professor of History at SUNY Albany. Registration is required.

The History Center will be hosting the second showing of the documentary "*Bacon Hill – A Forgotten Crossroads*" on April 29 at 2pm. There are limited spots available, so be sure to register soon!

Register for Experts Next Door Presentation

Register for Bacon Hill Video

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America's Turning Point Presents the 2nd Annual

WOMEN IN WAR SYMPOSIUM

May 5th and 6th 2023
Saratoga Town Hall
Schuylerville, NY



NEW THIS YEAR: TRACE THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE BARONESS FREDERIKA VON RIEDESEL
WITH A FRIDAY AFTERNOON BUS TOUR OF HER PERILOUS JOURNEY!

Register at www.Saratoga250.com

This event is brought to you in partnership with The Marshall House, Inc.

These programs come from several organizations in Saratoga County. The event organizers are noted.

Canal Clean Sweep 2023

April 22 – 9am-12pm

Old Champlain Canal Lock 4 (2 Museum Lane Waterford, NY 12188)

The Waterford Museum and Cultural Center is partnering with Parks & Trails NY to help clean up the Old Champlain Canal Lock 4 of litter and debris. Dress to get a little dirty and bring your gardening gloves! This is a volunteer event. Please register by clicking below or at

www.ptny.org/events/canal-clean-sweep

Register for Canal Clean Sweep

Experts Next Door: A War Against Vegetables, A War Against Women: Haudenosaunee Women's Experience of the American Revolution

April 26 – 7pm

Via Zoom

Join Dr. Maeve Kane of the University of Albany for the next installment of our Experts Next Door series April 26th at 7pm via Zoom. When George Washington ordered the “total destruction and devastation” of Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) territories in 1779, the offensive was to that date the largest and most expensive campaign of the American Revolution. What became known as the Sullivan-Clinton campaign aimed squarely at the agricultural heart of Haudenosaunee women’s diplomatic power, cultural status, and identity by burning cornfields and felling orchards. Dr. Kane’s talk will show how Continental soldiers constructed an American identity for themselves by destroying what they called Haudenosaunee women’s “homes of contentment,” and how Haudenosaunee women preserved their nations over the course of the war. Registration is required.

Register for Experts Next Door Presentation

Old Saratoga Historical Association Meeting: “Grant Cottage: A Story of Family Devotion”

April 27 – 7pm

Town of Saratoga Town Hall, 12 Spring Street Schuylerville, NY 12871

Most think of Ulysses S. Grant as the commanding general in the Civil War and a two-term U.S. President, but those closest to him also knew him as a loving family man. Join Grant's eldest son Fred (portrayed by living historian Ben Kemp) as he shares the compelling story of how his father ended up spending his final days on the picturesque heights of Mount McGregor in Saratoga County, New York. The story is a touching inspirational tale of family devotion and a true character study of a man known for his triumph over adversity. The program will feature a question & answer session and a brief overview of exciting major projects planned at the historic site. Ben Kemp was born and raised in the Saratoga region. He is a living historian, speaker, and researcher who has been featured by C-Span, PBS, the National Park Service, and on the 2020 History channel documentary *Grant*. Ben has been a staff member at Grant Cottage Historic Site since 2014. His research into Grant has been primarily focused on the lesser-known private life of U.S. Grant, especially his family life. This research has revealed a relatable figure and fostered a fresh appreciation for the man who saved the Union. Ben has portrayed all three of Grant's sons as well as the general himself. Ben is a contributor to the recently released book *Grant at 200: Reconsidering the Life and Legacy of Ulysses S. Grant* celebrating the bicentennial of U.S. Grant's birth. The meeting is open to all, free of charge.

"Sweets & Treats" Trivia Night

April 28 – 6:30pm (Game starts at 7pm)

Waterford Knights of Columbus– 76 Grace Street Waterford, NY 12188

Admission: \$20 per person

Enjoy a fun night of trivia with some sweets! Coffee, tea, soda and a variety of homemade desserts (including gluten free and sugar free options) is included in admission; cash bar available. There will be prizes, raffles, and more! Registration is required. Please call (518) 238-0809.

Bacon Hill, a Forgotten Crossroads

April 29 – 2pm

Brookside Museum, 21 Fairground Ave Ballston Spa, NY 12118

The Saratoga County History Center presents its latest documentary, *Bacon Hill: A Forgotten Crossroads*, which showcases the rich history and future plans of the Bacon Hill farming community through the eyes of three generations of residents. This engaging and informative documentary is a testament to the center's commitment to preserving and sharing the region's many stories. The showing is taking place at Brookside Museum, 21 Fairground Avenue, Ballston Spa, NY 12020. Reservations are required and space is limited. Please register by clicking below or at <https://brooksidemuseum.networkforgood.com/events/53674-bacon-hill-video-launch-at-brookside-museum>

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Register for Bacon Hill Video

"Waterford Framed" Opening Reception

May 5 – 6pm

Waterford Museum and Cultural Center, 2 Museum Lane Waterford, NY 12188

Photographs, newspaper clippings, postcards, certificates, paintings.... There are a variety of items that get framed for display or to preserve a moment. This exhibit is a series of small displays based on items that frame a portion of Waterford's history. From the canals, the community, and everyday items from days past, "Waterford Framed" will show artifacts from the museum collection that haven't been frequently pulled out of storage. Opening reception will include light refreshment. The reception is free and open to the public.

Women in War Symposium May 5 – May 6

Fort Hardy Park (May 5) & Town of Saratoga Town Hall (May 6)

Trolley Tour: \$60 | Symposium: \$50

Registration is now open for the 2nd Annual Women in War Symposium. The two-day event features a historical trolley tour and a speakers' symposium focusing on the roles women played during the American Revolution. The trolley tour, titled "Through the Baroness' Eyes," traces

the route traveled by the Baroness Frederika von Riedesel and her three young daughters as they followed the British Army during the Saratoga Campaign. It is being led by Saratoga Battlefield Licensed Guide Pat Niles. The tour is offered on Friday, May 5, 2023, leaving at 1PM from Fort Hardy Park (Reds Road, Schuylerville, NY), and returning at 5PM. Registration for the trolley tour is \$60. The Symposium takes place on Saturday, May 6, 2023, from 9AM to 3PM at the Town of Saratoga Town Hall (12 Spring Street, Schuylerville, NY). It includes five dynamic speakers and is being emceed by Dr. Bruce Venter.

Registration for the Symposium is \$50 and includes morning refreshments and lunch. Space is limited for both the symposium and the tour. Those interested can register for either event by clicking below or at www.saratoga250.com

Register for Women in War Symposium

Sheep to Shawl Community Day

May 13 – 1pm-4pm

Brookside Museum, 21 Fairground Ave Ballston Spa, NY 12020

The long-running interactive “Sheep to Shawl” program at Brookside Museum returns to the Saratoga County History Center. Sheep, lambs, farmers, herders, and shearers, including the famous Fred the Shearer, and the Rock Day Spinning Guild will assemble on Brookside Museum’s front lawn to demonstrate every facet of sheep raising, shearing, and spinning to produce the wool clothing that was so ubiquitous in early America. Sheep to Shawl is a hands-on, family-friendly event. Young and the young-at-heart will have fun petting the sheep, meeting farmers, and participating in demonstrations. A terrific opportunity to enjoy the spring weather, learn about Saratoga County's agricultural past, and enjoy some quality family time.

We are grateful to Stewarts' Shops Holiday Match program for their generous support of this educational opportunity.

Fridays in the Herb Garden – Pungent Perfection: Garlic and Rosemary

May 19 – 2pm-3pm

Brookside Museum, 21 Fairground Ave Ballston Spa, NY 12020

Kathleen Royka and Marilyn Stephenson will talk about Pungent Perfection: Garlic and Rosemary. This program will take place outside, in the beautiful gardens of Brookside Museum, weather permitting. As ever, questions and discussions about any aspect of gardening, historic or otherwise, will be welcome. Programs are free, and open, though registration and donations are appreciated.

Register for Fridays in the Herb Garden

A Call to Duty: Saratoga County Veterans in WW2

May 24 – 7pm-8:30pm

Brookside Museum, 21 Fairground Ave Ballston Spa, NY 12020

Former Albany-based Associated Press reporter Christopher Carola tells the stories of the many Saratoga County residents who served in the military during the Second World War. Using local archives, wartime articles from The Saratogian and his own interviews with WWII veterans, Carola talks about the experiences of dozens of men and women who answered their nation's call to duty. This talk is in-person and is free, though donations are always appreciated.

[Register for A Call to Duty](#)

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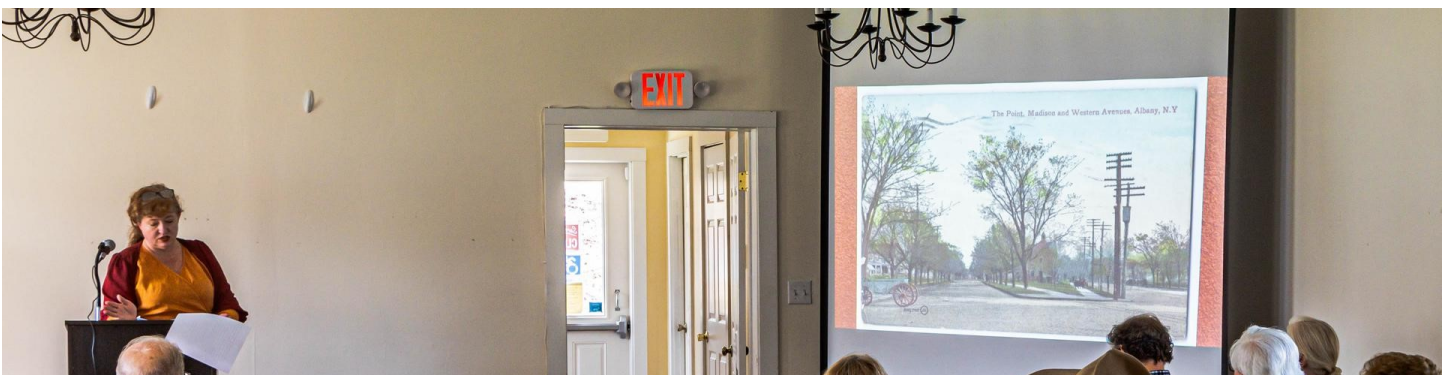


Over 30 children came out for our Turning Point Tea Party on April 11. The children learned about what it was like to live at the time of the Boston Tea Party leading up to the American Revolution and enjoyed period crafts, games, and activities.





Taking advantage of a warm summer evening in April, this event began on the newly restored porch at Brookside Museum with great food and conversation. The celebration continued inside in the Museum's Long Room where award winners Malta Town Historian Paul Perreault and Charlie Kuenzel, President of the Saratoga Springs History Museum were honored for their longtime promotion of local history. Congratulations Paul and Charlie!





On April 15, Akum Norder discussed her book, *The History of Here: A House, the Pine Hills Neighborhood, and the City of Albany*, at Brookside Museum.

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