# NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS







If you haven't already, please consider joining us as a member. Membership not only brings you exciting benefits, including, at the \$100 level, North American Reciprocal Museum (NARM) membership, as well as early notification and special rates to events, but gives the History Center more security and allows us to plan ahead more confidently. Joining as a member is the best way to ensure you have access to all the exclusive events, exhibits, and programs that the History Center offers.

#### **Become a Member Here**

#### **Winter Opening Hours**

Beginning on Saturday, January 6th, 2024, regular opening hours at Brookside Museum will be Saturdays and Sundays from 12-4. Appointments for visits outside these times may be made to <a href="mailto:info@brooksidemuseum.org">info@brooksidemuseum.org</a>. Requests for use of the library may be made to <a href="mailto:research@brooksidemuseum.org">research@brooksidemuseum.org</a>.

Our exhibit, "Saratoga County: Our Home!" is still open to take guests on an immersive, artifact-rich journey spanning *four centuries* of Saratoga life, business, and nature.

We will be working in the building on repairs and maintenance, as well as preparing for 3 exciting new exhibits; a photographic exhibit on Broadway's Shops in 1867, a textile exhibit on undergarments and a new exhibit on America's First Resort Hotel, the Aldridge House, now our home, Brookside Museum.

#### **Did you know we have a YouTube channel?**

If you missed last week's absorbing Expert Next Door talk on Loyalists in the Hudson Valley, it is now out on our YouTube channel.

And, if the current thaw is making you think of walking around local historic districts on warm, sunny

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days, we are releasing videos of our Historian Walks from the summer of 2023. First, we're headed to Round Lake to explore the fascinating architecture and history of this community. This is also on YouTube.

#### This way to YouTube

#### Historian Tea Talks at Brookside Museum

Wednesdays February 28th, March 13th, April 10th at 3:00pm Brookside Museum, 21 Fairground Avenue Ballston Spa, NY 12020

By popular demand, we are inviting friends again to join us for tea and cookies, while listening to informal and interesting talks by local historians.

Feb 28th: Lynda Bryan (Halfmoon Town Historian) - "Vintage Dresses Through the Years" (104 years of fashion worn by the same family from 1869 to 1970s)

Mar 13th: Nancy Purinton (Parks-Bentley Place) - "Who was General Moreau and why was the Town of Moreau Named After Him?"

April 10th" Lauren Roberts (Saratoga County Historian) - " What Lies Beneath: A Deep Dive into the History of the Sacandaga"

February 28th

March 13th

April 10th

#### <u>Time Travelers Experience (for young people)</u>

Monday February 19th - Friday Friday 23rd: 1:00pm - 4:00pm daily Brookside Museum, 21 Fairground Avenue Ballston Spa, NY 12020

The Saratoga County History Center at Brookside Museum is offering local students an opportunity to travel back in time to uncover local history. Each day we will explore the foods, games, chores, dangers, and challenges of five different eras. Discover how historians use archeology, documents, artwork, photographs, and folklore to find out how people lived long ago.

Each day will include a student-made snack, toys & games, and opportunities for making craft items to take home and keep. Best suited for students aged 8-12. The program is \$100 per student for one week (15 hours). Pre-registration is required.

Note this time is different from that shown in our newsletter.

(Made possible by a grant from Saratoga Casino Hotel Foundation)

**Register for Time Travelers Experience** 

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#### More information to come

March 21st, at 7pm Expert Next Door with Ted Corbett on "The Rise and Fall of Ballston Spa as a Resort"

**April 16th, at 6pm** Start gathering your team together now for Trivia Night and dinner at the beautiful Anne's Washington Inn in Saratoga Springs.

#### **Heritage Hunters Meeting**

## "An Archaeological Look at the Saratoga and Schenectady Railroad" with Daniel Bradt Saturday, February 17th at 1:00pm

### Town of Saratoga Town Hall, 12 Spring Street, Schuylerville

Daniel Bradt will present the program, "An Archaeological Look at the Saratoga and Schenectady Railroad." The railroad was only the 2nd built in the state and began operating in 1832. Portions of it have been the subject of archaeological digs in recent years. Dan has assisted in the digs and has worked on several other archaeology projects in Saratoga County. With a scientific background, he holds Basic and Advanced Certificates of Completion from Schenectady County Community College in the Community Archaeology Program. Public is welcome. For information call 518-885-9309.

Programs are free unless otherwise indicated. Submit events to <a href="mailto:press@brooksidemuseum.org">press@brooksidemuseum.org</a>. 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. The SCHC Events and News are available on our website.

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