

# NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS



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## **Brookside News**

After nearly 13 years as a mainstay of Saratoga County History Center, our Education Director, Anne Clothier, has left to take up a position with the County Historian. Anne has worked for and supported this institution in so many ways, and her hard work, knowledge, passion and ability to share that passion will be missed. Our loss is Saratoga County's gain, but we look forward to working with her in the future through her new role.

At a recent event, someone left us a bag of commemorative spoons, but unfortunately, we didn't get your name. Please could you contact us so that we may thank you?

## **Spring Hours**

Our Spring opening hours at the museum are Tues-Sun from 12-4.

Appointments for visits outside these times may be made to [info@brooksidemuseum.org](mailto:info@brooksidemuseum.org). Requests for use of the library may be made to [research@brooksidemuseum.org](mailto:research@brooksidemuseum.org).

## **Upcoming Events:**

### **The Art of Photography: From Adirondacks to Brookside**

**Saturday, May 18, 10-11:30am**

#### **Brookside Museum**

Join Dave Waite & Kathleen Royka and come learn the skill of capturing the photo you see in your mind's eye. Whatever camera you use, cell phone or SLR, this program is for you. Refreshments will be served. The event is free, but donations are appreciated.

### **Register for The Art of Photography**

### **Annual Craft and Antique Fair**

**Saturday, June 22, from 10am - 3pm**

#### **Brookside Museum**

The Saratoga County History Center is thrilled to announce a county-wide craft fair! Guests will be able to shop a wide variety of locally handcrafted collectibles, antiques, and farm products. No mass-produced or commercially-made items will be permitted. This is a terrific opportunity for New Yorkers to sample and appreciate the best of upstate artisans, farmers, and culinarians. The event is free and open to the public, and will be held rain or shine.

### **CRAFT FAIR - Vendors Wanted**

The Saratoga County History Center is seeking vendors of handmade crafts, antiques and farm products for the annual craft fair . No mass-produced or commercially-made items will be permitted. Spaces are available outdoors, with limited spaces available indoors. This is a rain or shine event. For more information, contact Beth Silvestri at [bsilvestri@brooksidemuseum.org](mailto:bsilvestri@brooksidemuseum.org) or follow the link below.

### **Craft Fair Vendor Information**

### **Sundials and the Summer Solstice**

**Tuesday, June 25, 7pm**

#### **Brookside Museum**

Jere Blackwelder, former Board President of the Saratoga County History Center will offer an entertaining program on his lifelong interest in Sundials to commemorate the Summer Solstice. Registration details to follow.

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## **Other Upcoming Saratoga History Events**

### **Heritage Hunters - The Story of the Dismembered 1757 Fort William Henry Shipwreck**

**Saturday, May 18th, beginning at 1:00pm**

**Saratoga Town Hall, 12 Spring St, Schuylerville**

Join maritime archeologist and former Saratoga social studies teacher Joseph W. Zarzynski at

Saturdays meeting of Heritage hunters for a presentation on the 1903 raising, and subsequent dismantling, of a British warship that was burned and sunk during a French raid on Fort William Henry in 1757. Zarzynski will examine the history of the armed sloop, the archaeological investigation of several surviving hull timbers found in museums, a study of 1903 photographs of the 1757 British sloop-of-war, and the story of several repurposed artifacts from pieces of the craft. Mr. Zarzynski is the author of eight books and will have his work available for sale by check or cash.

### **Saratoga Springs History Museum**

**Thursday, May 23, 6:00pm - 9:30pm**

**1 E. Congress Street Saratoga Springs**

The National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame is partnering with the Adelphi Hotel and the Saratoga Springs History Museum to present the John Morrissey Trifecta Tour. Focusing on Morrissey's connections to three iconic Saratoga Springs institutions, the tour will celebrate the remarkable legacy of the fierce individual who established organized thoroughbred racing in the village during the summer of 1863. The tour includes transportation by trolleys and will depart from the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame at 6:15 P.M. This event is likely to sell out and tickets must be purchased in advance. You may purchase your tickets [here](#)

**[John Morrissey Trifecta Tour Tickets](#)**

### **Old Saratoga Historical Association - A Veteran Speaks: Oscar Kemp of the 115th NY**

**Thursday, May 23rd, 7 pm**

**Saratoga Town Hall, 12 Spring Street, Schuylerville**

Join Civil War veteran Oscar Kemp (portrayed by descendant and Grant Cottage staff member Ben Kemp) as he recounts his war experiences with the 115th NY Infantry, discusses the experience of veterans after the war and the Grand Army of the Republic. Ben Kemp, raised in the Saratoga region, is a living historian, speaker, and researcher. He has published numerous online articles on President Grant and is a contributing author to *Grant at 200: Reconsidering the Life and Legacy of Ulysses S. Grant* (2023). Ben will be bringing several display items and books on Civil War veterans available to purchase.

### **Tuskegee Airman Clarence Dart**

**Monday, May 27th, 2:00pm - 3:00pm**

**Ulysses S. Grant State Historic Site**

Lt. Col. Clarence W. Dart, famous Saratoga Springs member of the Tuskegee Airmen and decorated WWII fighter pilot was shot down twice in his 95 missions, earning two Purple Hearts. This program is presented by his son Warren Dart.

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

Check out our YouTube channel for videos of our Historian Walks, previous Experts Next Door presentations, our previous Forgotten Crossroads video, Bacon Hill, and many other offerings. Our Ballston Spa Multi-Sensory Tour is out there now.

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