

NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS



Sharing History to Promote Community



All of us here at the Saratoga County History Center invite you to join our institution through membership. Members make our goal of educating the community and preserving its rich history a reality. We offer several tiers of membership, one of the most popular being the \$100 level which includes a North American Reciprocal Museum (NARM) membership. This gives you free access to over a thousand museums all across North America, including the Clark Art Institute and the Adirondack Experience. Thank you to all who have already renewed your membership.

[Register for or Renew Membership Here](#)

Spring/Summer hours for Brookside Museum have started

The museum will be open Tuesday through Sunday from the hours of noon to 4pm

***Saratoga's Black Heritage: A Guidebook* written by Field Horne, a new 64-page book that tells previously unknown stories of Black achievers, is now available free of charge to SCHC members and the general public.**

[Order Your Copy of *Saratoga's Black Heritage: A Guidebook* Here](#)





Parking Lot Completed

The parking lot of Brookside Museum is officially finished and open for visitors. A sincere and special thank you to our generous members, donors and community for helping us make this possible.

Requests for use of the library may be made to research@brooksidemuseum.org.

Brookside Explorers Club: Flag Day Celebration

Saturday, June 14, 10am-Noon

Brookside Museum 21 Fairground Ave. Ballston Spa

Join us for the very first event of the Brookside Explorers Club, a new history and learning club for kids! Explore the history and fun of Flag Day through story time, crafts, and play in this engaging and educational event. Kids of all ages are welcome to join the fun!

Register Brookside Explorers Club

2025 Craft & Antique Fair

Saturday, June 21, 10am-3pm

Brookside Museum 21 Fairground Ave. Ballston Spa

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 Yorker's to sample and appreciate the best of upstate artisans, farmers, and culinarians. The fair has no admission fee and all are welcome.

Summer Garden Program: Olde Time Strawberry Social

Sunday, June 22, 2pm-3:30pm

Brookside Museum 21 Fairground Ave. Ballston Spa

Join SCHC for the return of an old favorite event. All are welcome to join for this family friendly program. Homemade strawberry shortcake will be available for \$5.00. Suzanne Balet Haight of Balet Flowers will be hosting a Strawberry Pot class at 2:30pm. All are welcome to join in outdoor activities and games for the whole family.

Register for Strawberry Potting Class

Register for Mount McGregor Walking Tour

Mount McGregor Walking Tour**Wednesday, July 2, 10am**

Grant Cottage Historic Site Operations Manager Ben Kemp will lead this tour of the picturesque mountaintop that has hosted thousands of residents and visitors over the last 150 years, from U.S. presidents to TB patients, veteran and prisoners, sharing tales of tragedy, mystery, romance, and heroism. This walk will be less than a mile but over varied terrain with some inclines. Drive up Mt. McGregor road from Rt 9 in Wilton. Parking is available at Grant Cottage.

Don't forget to check our website for the latest updates on our event schedule!

Save the Date: The Victorian Fascination with Plants**Sunday, July 20, 2:00pm**

A presentation from Dr. Catherine J. Golden "The Language of Flowers"

Also the dedication of the Victorian Shade Garden with refreshments to follow. More information to come!

Saratoga 250 Reflections

A new series of historical articles focusing on the 250th anniversary of the beginnings of the American Revolution in 1775 in Albany County, which at that time included what is now Saratoga County. These articles, researched and written by local independent historian James Richmond, will be published monthly throughout the year and available on the America's Turning Point Saratoga 250 website. Follow the link below to view the latest article.

Read the Latest Saratoga 250 Reflections

Other Upcoming Saratoga County History Events:**Heritage Hunters Meeting****Saturday, June 21, 1pm****Town of Saratoga Town Hall, 12 Spring St. in Schuylerville**

A. James Arnold, retired University Professor and native of the Schuylerville area, will talk about the

July 1758 French and Indian War battle at Fort Carillon (later known as Ticonderoga). Jim will discuss the battle in the context of colonial competition between France and the United Kingdom in the province of New York that left over 3,000 dead and wounded. Public is welcome to the program. For information call 518-885-9309

Learn how Starks Knob was formed over 440 million years ago

Thursday, June 26, 5pm

Starts Knob on Route 4 just north of Schuylerville

Sponsored by the Old Saratoga Historical Association

Dive into the deep past with Dr. Edward Landing, State Paleontologist Emeritus, as he unveils the fascinating story of Starks Knob. Bring a lawn chair and learn about the basaltic pillow lava formation formed over 440 million years ago that we know as Starks Knob today. Enjoy a light supper afterwards at Hudson Crossing Park pavilion, Bring a dish or dessert to share. Questions? Call Pat Peck, 518-495-7728.

Programs are free unless otherwise indicated. Submit events to press@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. The SCHC Events and News are available on our [website](#).

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