

# NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

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## **Spring/Summer hours for Brookside Museum have started**

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

## **Online Shop Now Open**

**No time to shop at Brookside Museum, or live too far away? Then check out our online shop. Browse a variety of gifts, publications and movies all available on site at Brookside Museum and now for the first time available online. Online purchases may either be picked up at Brookside, or, for a small fee, shipped through USPS. Follow the link below to start shopping now!**

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Requests for use of the library may be made to [research@brooksidemuseum.org](mailto:research@brooksidemuseum.org).

**Seneca Ray Stoddard and Jesse Wooley: Kindred Spirits****Monday, September 8th, 7PM****Brookside Museum 21 Fairground Ave.**

Dr. Way, retired primary care physician from Glens Falls, and Stoddard's great great nephew, will, through many examples of their photographs, discuss the careers of the well-known, Saratoga County born photographers, Stoddard and Wooley, and examine what little is known about the connections between them. Copies of Dr. Way's books will also be available to purchase.

Reservations are recommended.

**Register for Stoddard/Wooley Kindred Spirits**

**From the Ground Up: How Responsible Metal Detecting Connects Us to Local History****Thursday, September 25, 7-8:30PM****Brookside Museum 21 Fairground Ave.**

Join us for an engaging and informative talk that delves into the fascinating world of metal detecting, a hobby that connects us directly to the past. Over the last 8 years, local detectorist Brandon Dingeman has traversed Saratoga County and beyond, bringing to light incredible stories through relics hidden just beneath our feet. In this session, you will learn the fundamentals of responsible metal detecting, including the “golden rules” for ethical detecting, essential equipment and site strategy. We’ll explore the critical role of historical research and the use of digital tools to find sites of interest and record crucial situational context of items found.

**Register for From the Ground Up**

**Brookside Explorers Club: Fun with Chocolate****Saturday, September 13, 10AM-Noon****Brookside Museum 21 Fairground Ave.**

Join us for our next meeting of the Brookside Explorers Club, a new history and learning club for kids! This month, History Scouts will celebrate International Chocolate Day with a deliciously fun lineup of activities. Kids will learn about the history of chocolate – including local connections – through a scavenger hunt. They’ll also design their own chocolate label, make a cocoa powder art design, and taste test different types of chocolate.

**Register for Fun with Chocolate**

**When Exotic Plant Hunters Roamed the World****Sunday, September 28, 2-3:30PM****Brookside Museum 21**

Join us for a presentation of When Exotic Plant Hunters Roamed the World. This will be followed by a dedication of the Victorian Shade Garden and a Day Lily and Plant Sale of the porch. Refreshments included and all are welcome.

## **Register for When Exotic Plant Hunters Roamed the World**

### **Fourth Annual Public History Awards**

**Tuesday, September 30, 6-8PM**

**Brookside Museum 21 Fairground Ave.**

The Saratoga County History Center Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the winners of the fourth annual Saratoga County Public History Awards. The award recognizes individuals that have made a significant contribution to extending knowledge and understanding of the history of Saratoga County. A celebratory event will be held with a reception on the front porch of Brookside Museum. The 2025 recipients of the award are Anne Clothier, Assistant to the Saratoga County Historian, and Russ Van Dervoort, Waterford Town Historian.

**[Register to Attend the Public History Awards Here](#)**

**[Don't forget to check our website for the latest updates on our event schedule!](#)**

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### **Other Upcoming Saratoga County History Events:**

#### **Saratoga 250 Reflections**

The latest in the series of historical articles focusing on the 250th anniversary of the beginnings of the American Revolution in Albany County in 1775, written by local historian, Jim Richmond, is now available on the America's Turning Point Saratoga 250 website.

**[Read the latest Saratoga 250 Reflections](#)**

#### **Galway Preservation Society September Meeting**

**Monday, September 8, 7PM**

**Galway Town Hall, 5910 Sacandaga Road, Galway**

Doors open at 6:45, followed by a brief member meeting at 7:00 and this month's program. The Galway Movie Club was formed in 1937 by the faculty of Galway High School and other nearby rural schools. They produced several films in the ensuing years about local daily life, farming, church, quilting, scenes of Galway Lake, camps, local sporting activities and historical events in Galway's past. Galway Preservation Society has digitized these reels in its archives into two films. The program this month will be the debut of the digitized compilation of the first movie, narrated by Galway Historian Darby Knizek-Neahr. Our programs are always open to the public, free of charge. If you choose, annual family or household memberships are available for \$10 per year. Please join us for some fun and to learn more about our history.

#### **Heritage Hunters Meeting**

**Saturday, September 20th, 1:15PM**

**Saratoga Room in the Saratoga Springs Library.**

From rare books and photographs to maps, journals, family genealogies and manuscripts, the Saratoga

Room offers a unique opportunity to explore the heritage and evolution of the region. (Due to repairs, access is by one flight of stairs.) Previous to the meeting, a visit will take place at 10 a.m. at the Saratoga Springs History Museum located in the Canfield Casino in Congress Park. Highlights of the museum include: a High Stakes Gaming Room, Walworth Family rooms, a First Saratogians exhibit and an immersive journey through the Gilded Age. Public is welcome for both events. For information, call Chris at 518-584-0311. (The Museum requires a \$10 admission.)

Programs are free unless otherwise indicated. Submit events to [press@brooksidemuseum.org](mailto: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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