

The Historical Society of
West Windsor
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What's Happening Fall-Winter 2004

The Schenck House

- Open Days - Our fall 2004 Open Days have attracted a few visitors, both new and longtime who seem to enjoy seeing the museum rooms and exhibits. We will be open December 12 for a special Holiday Event. See below.
- Our primary exhibit of West Windsor history needs to be refurbished. New stands need to be purchased or made for our photos. Anyone willing to help with this project and handy with carpentry, please get in touch with Clifford Reed - 799-0331.
- Shrubbery for the farmhouse's back yard have been purchased and planted by Kay and Clifford Reed, Mary Schenck and Bev and Jim Souders. These include butterfly bush, winter berry, firethorn and crape myrtle to add color to the yard.
- The reconstruction of the barn's frame, the new roof and siding are complete. The window and door openings will be covered with plywood until work can continue in the future.
- Our one-room schoolhouse awaits its fate via the Township Council and engineer's report. We hope to be able to prevent the demolition of the building, so it can be restored to use for all the school tours that visit the farmstead.
- School Tours - 500 Second Grade students from Maurice Hawk and Dutch Neck Schools toured the Schenck House during June. Tour leaders were: Kay Reed, Mary Schenck, Bev Souders and Alice Martch.

Fund-Raisers

- Our holiday event will take place at the Schenck House on Sunday, December 12th from 1 to 4 p.m. The house will be decorated in both colonial and Victorian styles. Refreshments will be served. If you would like to help with this project, please phone: Mary Schenck-799-1278 or Kay Reed-799-0331.
- Regular Open Days at the Schenck House will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. on: January 9, February 13, March 13, April 10, May 8 (Tea and Tour) and June 12.

- The house will be closed in July and August, but open again: September 11, October 9, November 13 and December 11 for a holiday event.
- We will need docents for the tours, as well as help with refreshments for the Tea and Tour. Please phone Mary or Kay if you would like to help.

HSofWW 2005 Meeting Dates

Jan. 10, March 7, May 2, Sept. 12 and Nov. 7.

Membership Dues

If you have not paid your 2004 dues, please send them in as soon as possible, as well as for 2005, due in January.

Membership dues are: Sponsor-\$100; Patron-\$50; Family -\$12; Senior Citizens (65+)-\$5.; Individuals-\$8; Organizations-\$25.

Seniors over 80 pay no dues. However, please let us know if you want to continue receiving the "What's Happening." If we do not hear from you, we will remove your name from our mailing list.

New Members

We are pleased to welcome Dan, Stephanie and Lena Feingold.

Gifts to the Society

We have received many interesting donations to our collections:

- Ada W. Schenck and Bonnie Titus - Cotton petticoat with lace trim c.1900, from attic of the Schenck House.
- Patrick and Linda Redmond Rogan- Exhibit case
- Diane Rogers - Book of Windsor Tax Maps prepared in 1915 and updated until 1938 via Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bergen Rogers (Ron Rogers' grandparents.) Also, Ron Rogers' "Aussie" style hat with a "Township Forester" pin.
- Susan M. Roszel-Third grade school desk and framed World War II Roll of Honor, as well as hand tools.
- JoAnne Conn-Evening attire, ties and lunch box.
- Glenice Mosley-Metal cash box with lock and key.
- Robert C. Duncan-Two U.S. Army survey maps of the area c1940s.
- Joan Eddinger - coffee grinder

Election of Officers

The Nominating Committee (Mary Schenck, Kay Reed and Donna Munde) introduced a slate of officers, which were voted on and approved:

President - Clifford Reed
 Vice President - Donna Munde
 Treasurer - Kay Reed
 Recording Secretary - Lois Gerstein
 Corresponding Secretary - Joan Parry

Board of Trustees:

Mary Schenck
 Roberta Smith
 Donald Schenck
 Jim Souders (new)