March 6, 2014

MARCH MEETING

DATE: Sunday, March 16, 2014 - No SNOW Date

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Society Headquarters, 60 Water Street, Mountainville

MEETING TOPIC: Potterstown Skirmish presented by Chip Riddle.

Join us on Sunday, March 16th at 1 pm to hear about the Potterstown Skirmish that happened right here in our own back yard.

The Potterstown skirmish took place in September of 1777. Three groups of Tories, one from Pennsylvania, one from Sussex County and one from Hunterdon County, were trying to reach Staten Island and the British to join the New Jersey Volunteers. They were discovered and chased to Piscataway where they were captured. Thirty-five were sentenced to hang but only two suffered that fate. Chip Riddle was a 7th and 8th Grade Social Studies teacher for 38 years and an historian with special interests in Revolutionary Hunterdon County, the Alamo and the Civil War.

If you can bring refreshments please call Martha Wrede at 439-3557.

MEMBERSHIP

If you have not yet paid your dues yet please mail or bring to the meeting.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members to the Society:

Phyllis Baker Lebanon Bart & Shirley Czajkowski Lebanon Frances R. Hobbie Lebanon Dr. & Mrs. H. Friedrich Holzapfel Pottersville Lebanon Robert A. Kelly Charles A. Klein, III Dayton, NJ Dennis Kluesener New York, NY Susan Ward Mink Pottersville Samuel Sinelnikov Flemington Jennifer Smith Rosemont Douglas & Rosemary Testa Lebanon Bridget Walsh Oldwick Peter & Roberta Webster Lebanon

25th ANNIVERSARY & OPEN HOUSE - APRIL 13

As you know we postponed our Open House due the brutal winter weather we have been experiencing however, as promised, we have rescheduled it. Mark your calendars for **Sunday, April 13**th **from 11 am to 4 pm** at Society Headquarters, when we will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Tewksbury Historical Society. We'll be serving a light buffet luncheon along with refreshments, including cupcakes. Come see the many items from our archives that will be on display. Bring a friend and/or neighbor along too and get them to join the Society. And best of all - it's free.

HEADQUARTERS WORK DAYS

Saturday, March 15 9 am to 12 Noon Saturday, April 5 9 am to 12 Noon Saturday, May 3 9 am to 12 Noon

If you can lend a couple of hours we need you so stop by.

Hunterdon County's 300th Anniversary

Don't forget that Hunterdon County is celebrating its 300th anniversary. You can see all of the events and get the latest, up-to-date information by logging on to the 300th anniversary website at http://www.hunterdon300th.org/. All of the registration information is on the website. Be sure to check as many events require advance registration even though some are free.

Tewksbury Garden Tour

Our bi-annual Tewksbury Garden Tour will return on Saturday, June 14th (Flag Day), rain or shine, from 12 Noon to 4 pm. Our Garden Tour Committee is currently working on the facets of the tour. Ticket ordering information will be included in the May newsletter.

Tewksbury Barn Tour

The Barn Tour is back this year as part of the County's 300th anniversary. The Barn Tour is jointly sponsored by the Society and the Tewksbury Trail Association and a committee, made up of members from both organizations, has met and begun work on pulling together an exciting tour for this year. The Tour will be on Sunday, July 20 from 10 am to 4 pm, rain or shine. Ticket ordering information will be available in June.

Zion Lutheran Church Celebrates It's 300th Anniversary

Our own Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Oldwick, the oldest Lutheran Church in New Jersey still with an active congregation is celebrating its 300th anniversary this year, just like Hunterdon County. Founded in 1714, the Church on the corner of Church Street and Old Turnpike Road, will be holding an Anniversary Sunday and Founder's Day on Sunday, August 3rd at 9:30 am. Members of the Aray and Pickel/Pickle Families will be in

attendance for worship, followed by a picnic brunch at the Christian Education Building on Miller Avenue. All are welcome.

Taste of Tewksbury

The Woman's Club of Tewksbury is hosting A Taste of Tewksbury at the Manor of the Oldwick Firehouse, 163 Oldwick Road, Oldwick, New Jersey on Saturday, March 29, 2014. The hours are from 6:00 - 9:00pm. The cost of admission is \$40.00 in advance and \$50.00 at the door. You may purchase tickets at the Oldwick branch of Peapack - Gladstone Bank or by contacting the Woman's Club via email at https://document.org/national-com/. Prominent local restaurants and food purveyors, wine merchants organized by Tewksbury Fine Wine and Liquors, and celebrity chefs Craig Shelton and Scott Cutaneo will dazzle you. A complete list of participants is available via email. Come have a great time while supporting the charitable work of the Woman's Club.

Don't forget to check out our website at <u>www.tewksburyhistory.net</u> for more information on the Society and our upcoming events.

2014 PROGRAMS

Sunday, May 18 – 1 pm – Society Headquarters, 60 Water Street. Township Historian Shaun C. Van Doren and Tewksbury Scenic Roads & Bridges Commission Chairman Harold Wrede will present a program on Tewksbury's Scenic Roads. Travel with us back in time to see Tewksbury's old roads haven't changed.

Sunday, November 9 – 5 pm – Our ever popular covered dish supper and program.

2014 SPECIAL EVENTS

Saturday, May 10 – Oldwick Walking Tours – 10 am, 12:30 pm & 3 pm. Sign up for a guided walking tour of Oldwick led by Tewksbury Historian Shaun C. Van Doren.

Saturday, June 14 – Tewksbury Garden Tour – 12 Noon to 4 pm, Rain or Shine. Our bi-annual garden tour returns. Tour 4 gardens plus visit a 5th location with refreshments served. Ticket cost is \$ 15 per person.

Sunday, June 22 – Lecture on the History Of Mountainville, followed by a Guided Tour – 1 pm. Come hear about the history of Bull's Head and take a guided tour led by Tewksbury Township Historian Shaun C. Van Doren.

Sunday, July 20 – Tewksbury Barn Tour, 10 am to 4 pm, Rain or Shine. Co-sponsored with the Tewksbury Trail Association. Visit a number of Tewksbury Barns, old and new, restored and left alone, now homes or still just used as a barn. Ticket cost is \$ 20 per person

Sunday, August 17 – Tour Tewksbury by Auto, 10 am to 4 pm, Rain or Shine – Tewksbury's official event as part of Hunterdon County's 300th anniversary. Come to Headquarters, purchase a tour booklet and spend the day driving around Tewksbury. See many historic sites, travel our scenic and historic roads, stop and visit a local business, have lunch in Oldwick, Pottersville or Mountainville. Tour booklet is \$ 10 per person.

Saturday, August 30 – Tewksbury Flea Market – 8 am to 3 pm, Rain Date – Sunday, August 31st. \$ 40 per vendor space, \$ 50 after August 1st. Suggested Admission: \$ 1 per car.

Sunday, September 14 – Lecture on the History Of Pottersville, followed by a Guided Tour – 1 pm. Come hear about the history of Pottersville and take a guided tour led by Tewksbury Township Historian Shaun C. Van Doren.

25th annual Art Show & Sale - Tuesday, September 30, 6-8 pm – Art Show Preview & Reception, Wednesday, Oct. 1 thru Sunday, Oct. 5 – Art Show & Sale

Saturday, November 8 – Tavern Lecture, Tour & Lunch – Township Historian Shaun C. Van Doren will take part in the County's Tavern Tour by providing a talk on the history of the Tewksbury Inn, upstairs at the Inn. Tickets must be purchased through the County's 300th anniversary website and include lunch. There is a limit of 40 tickets available so get yours as soon as they become available.