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Mary Tanner Lecture Set for October 14

"Maidenhead Patriots in the First Hunterdon Militia Regiment: 177501783" will be the topic of the 9th annual Mary Tanner Lecture, featuring Larry Kidder as the speaker. The lecture will take place at 2:00pm on Sunday, October 14 in Sweigert Hall at Rider University.

Kidder, a retired history teacher, has been active in the history community and is currently working on several research projects. A volunteer at Howell Living History farm for more than 25 years, Kidder recently published a book on the Pleasant Valley School and the community served by the school.

Kidder has done extensive research on the First Hunterdon Militia Regiment and presented its history in a series of lectures. The Tanner lecture will focus on the men from Maidenhead, including their roles in the regiment and how service effect theirs lives and community.

The Tanner lecture was established in 2003 in honor of Mary Tanner, a long-time member of the society and played a key role in the restoration of the 1761 Brearley House. In addition to her work with the society, Tanner was active in other Lawrence community service organizations before moving to Maryland.

Join the Conversation, Learn About Lawrence History

The Lawrence Township Community Foundation and Lawrence Historical Society will present a joint program celebrating township history on Saturday, October 27 at Lawrence High School. People, Places & Periods will run from noon to 4:00pm and include a series of table discussions focusing on different time periods and topics reflecting Lawrence history.

Attendees willing to share a quick oral history will be given the opportunity to do so at the event.

- 12:30pm—Gary Hullfish, Lawrenceville Village
- 1:00pm—Brooke Hunter, Slavery and Abolition in Lawrence
- 1:30pm—Fred Verreen, Eggerts Crossing
- 2:00pm—Gary Saretzky, Preserving Family Photos
- 2:30pm—Vicki Chirco, Delaware & Raritan Canal
- 3:00pm—Doug Sargent, Historic Houses of Lawrence
- 3:30pm—Dennis Waters, Trolley, Pole Farm, Rt. 206

Sayen Wins Nash Award



Lawrence Township Historian and Society Board Member Dennis Waters (right) presents the Winona Nash History Award to Henry Walker Sayen on Senior Awards Night. Each year, the Winona Nash History Award is presented to the Lawrence High School senior demonstrating excellence in history, as determined by the faculty. Henry plans to study acting and film production at Emerson College in Boston, and eventually work and find success in the Hollywood film industry. The Society congratulates Henry on this significant achievement and wishes him success in his college studies and career.



Don't Forget Hogmanay!

Lawrence Historical Society is busy making plans for Hogmanay 2012, which will be held at 6:00pm on Monday, December 31 in the Great Meadow at Brearley House. We are currently working on alternative parking arrangements, so be sure to check our website, www.theLhs.org, for updates. We will also post updates via our e-mail newsletter, so be sure to subscribe today—details can be found on our website.

Master Gardener Has Guardianship Over Society Gardens

Nancy Issler of Forever in Bloom and Nancy Isller Inc., accepted the task of the care and maintenance of the gardens at the Port Mercer Canal House and the Brearley farmstead during 2012. Forever in Bloom is a landscape, design, install/build business specializing in small and medium residential and community projects.

Ms. Issler is a certified Master Gardener in Mercer County, associated with the Rutgers State Agricultural Extension Service. A member of New Jersey Nursery Landscape Professionals and a Certified Nursery, Landscape Professional, Issler received her training in landscape design and horticulture through the Rutgers professional continuing education program with Cook College. In spring 2008, Issler had the responsibility of designing the landscapes for the Habitat for Humanity homes being completed in the Trenton area.

A graduate of the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York, Issler was a fashion designer prior to entering the field of landscape design. She describes the transition from fashion design to landscaping as a natural one, as both require understanding of drafting and the ability to use form, color, and texture in a balanced and harmonious way.

The society welcomes Nancy as both caretaker and innovative landscape designer for the formal gardens at the Canal House and the 18th century herb garden at the Brearley House.

For more information on Forever in Bloom, visit the company's website at: www.foreverinbloomnj.com





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Coming Soon— New Book About Lawrence History

Lawrence Historical Society recently completed the manuscript for Lawrence Township Revisited, which will be published by Arcadia Publishing as part of their series, Images of America. The book includes over 200 historic photographs with captions and is expected to be available in February 2013. The photographs cover a wide range of topics, including neighborhoods, businesses, schools and families. The time period covered is from about 1840 to the early 2000s. The book will be available for purchase from the society and retailers. Look for more information in our Winter 2013 newsletter.

