

2020: A Challenging Year

Cross keys One-Room Schoolhouse, 55 Mill Street, Medford, New Jersey 08055

The year 2020 has been unlike any other in the history of the Medford Historical Society. As the year began the passing of Bill Stauts, was a considerable loss. But the trustees and members have shown strength and determination in continuing, even in the face of the pandemic.

The first event of the year was the annual lasagna dinner in early March. This was followed by the cancellation of the regular spring and fall meetings and the major events of the summer and fall. Kirby's Mill remained open on most Sunday's and John Hines managed the Saturday milling days into October. Sadly the October Apple Festival was cancelled, which disappointed so many crafter's and lovers of apple cider donuts.

Our speaker presentations were all canceled with one major exception. Our previously scheduled Teddy Roosevelt historic interpreter made an evening visit to the porch of the Sawyer House, just above the Mill, on October 1st. I believe this outdoor speaker presentation was a first for the Society and may provide a bucolic and comfortable venue for future speakers.

As we look to the future, we have much to look forward to as you can see in the schedule of events for 2021. We hope to offer many more events at Kirby's Mill and the School House, maintain a relationship with the Dr. Still Project and grow our Membership. Let your friends and neighbors know about your Historical Society and encourage them to join and participate in the history and events of our town.

Medford Historical Society Officers 2019 - 2020 Fiscal Year

PRESIDENT Richard Bucko 609-315-6266 rlbucko@comcast.com Ist VICE PRESIDENT Theresa Freedman 856-625-2256 Tfreedman42@gmail.com

SECRETARY Kelly Maguire 609-654-8483 maguirefamily1@verizon.net TREASURER David Vaughn 609-969-3838 dcv@me.com

TRUSTEES

EXPIRES 2023: Kelly Maguire, Libby Zimbleman, Kyle Mason, Carol Douglas, Dave Vaughn EXPIRES 2021: Edmund Gager, Sam Still, John Hines, Theresa Freedman, Bernadette Longo EXPIRES 2022: Pat Alvino, William Pflug, William Frederick (Rick) Young, Carol Milich, Richard Bucko Calendar of Events 2021

March 4, 2021 Annual Members Lasagna Dinner

General Meetings April 1, May 6, June 3 September 2, October 7, November 4

> May 8, 2021 Medford Country day

April - October Milling Days - 2nd Saturday, 1 - 3 pm

> June 5 & 6, 10am - 4pm Quilt Show Art Show & Sale

July & August Mill Open on Sundays 1-4 pm

October 9 Apple Festival 9am - 4pm

At the Mill

By John Hines

The "Milling Day" at Kirby's Mill this summer was a popular outing for the Medford community. Thanks go to Bill Phlug, Kyle Mason and Rick Young for making it possible. The "Milling Day" will begin again in April.

Boy Scout Josh Maquire did volunteer work at the Mill for his Citizen in the Community Merit Badge. Josh cleaned, scrapped and painted the "watch house" wagon. This house on wheels was used as a shelter out in the pines when charcoal was made.

HELP WANTED! The four period rooms in the Museum need to be freshened up. Also, several of the cases need an exhibit upgrade and object ID. If interested in lending a hand, please contact John Hines at 609-531-1825.

Membership Update

Beginning this month we have changed our Membership structure to just one fee point. Individual and/or family memberships will be just \$20 per year

In addition, we have added Sponsor levels for those who wish to assist the society with preserving history. These Sponsor levels can be anonymous, in the memory of or acknowledged on our Benefactor listing on the website.

The Newsletter is moving to quarterly, with monthly updates of the coming events and programs to be found on our website.

Membe	rship Application for 2021
Donations/Sp	onsor Levels to Preserve History
Of course if you have	already paid, Thank you for your promptness.
Lifetime n	nembers may disregard this notice.
Name	Telephone
	Email
Address	

Please make checks payable to the Medford Historical Society, PO Box 362, Medford, NJ 08055 <u>Membership</u> _____ Individual/Family Membership - \$20 per year Members receive a Quarterly Newsletter <u>Sponsor/Donor Levels</u> History Partner - \$100 Archival Partner - \$250 Patron - \$500 Benefactor - \$1000 Donation of your choice - \$_____

Donors are supporting the mission of the Medford Historical Society to research, record, preserve, maintain and promote the general history of Medford and Medford Historical Society holdings, making them available to the community, schools, and other organizations.

These donor levels will be acknowledged on our website Donor levels will have the option of donating anonymously

The Medford Historical Society is a non-profit corporation in the State of New Jersey and is registered as a charity SIC #5006-04935. Our Federal Tax Exempt Number is 22-1911164. We are exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code dated 12/7/71. Donors may deduct contributions to the Medford Historical Society as provided in Section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers or gifts to the Medford Historical Society are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes under Sections 2055, 2106 and 2522 of the Code.