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Great World War Ends

**Germany Signed Armistice on Monday Which Was Equal to
Unconditional Surrender. Whole World Celebrates Peace.**

Salem Has Victory Parade

Salem Standard and Jerseyman, Wednesday, November 13, 1918

"Monday, November 11th will be forever hereafter a notable day in the history of the world. At 2:45 o'clock on the morning of that day the State Department at Washington announced that the German delegates in conference with Marshal Foch had signed the Armistice agreeing to all its terms and that hostilities would cease at 6 A. M. Washington time.

"The first news that came to Salem was received by telephone about 4:30 A. M. and a bulletin was at once posted by the *Standard and Jerseyman*. As soon as arrangements could be made the industrial plants were notified and about 6:45 the whole town was in a tumult of joy and noise. We had had an outburst of enthusiasm on Thursday when the premature announcement of Peace was made, but the official news was received with great acclaim.

"And thus has come to an end the most terrible war in all history....President Wilson has ordered the cancellation of all outstanding draft calls.

"Last night Salem fairly bubbled over with enthusiasm.

The occasion was the Victory Parade, and in spite of the premature celebration of last Thursday night the event was a great success.

"People from all parts of this and neighboring counties came to Salem in droves and when the parade started the streets were crowded. The best of order prevailed everywhere and the police handled the crowds admirably.

"The great affair was heralded at ten minutes past seven when all of the factory whistles began to blow, the church and fire bells rung and general pandemonium ensued. The parade formed at Grant and Market streets at 7:30 P. M. and shortly thereafter moved over the following route: Up Market to Broadway, up Broadway to Johnson, countermarch on Broadway to Front street, countermarch to Third street, through Third to Griffith, up Griffith to Market to the Court House where the marchers assembled for a Victory Sing, led by John M. Smashey.

"In the Court House yard Mayor Grier presided and addresses were made by Mr. F. J. O'Connor, of Carney's Point, and

Rev. Mr. Van Orden, a Y. M. C. A. Secretary, who has recently returned from France where he has been serving with the American Army. These speeches had to do chiefly with the United War Fund Campaign which must go on even though peace has come.

"The parade was led by D. Stewart Craven as Chief Marshall with a large mounted staff, composed of ladies as well as men....There were many effective features of the parade. The large number of relatives of our soldiers who marched in honor of their boys was the most inspiring....The parade arrangements were well carried out by Sheriff William T. Mifflin, W. C. Springer, Dr. N. S. Hires, William M. Waddington, William H. Yourinson and William B. Dunn.

"The Boy Scouts accompanied the Red Cross and carried the red fire that lighted up the procession during the entire parade. Altogether the parade was a great success and will be long remembered as a historic affair."

"Every factory whistle in the town and every bell helped spread the glorious news through the air. The telephone exchange was swamped with calls and soon people began pouring into the center of the city and kept coming until there was perfect jam on the side walks, while the streets were filled with automobiles, some of them quickly decorated."

"Draft Calls Halted...The call for Salem County men to leave this week cancelled....No more men will be called in the draft."

"Flags never appeared so quickly and those who did not have them besieged the stores and hurried to decorate their homes or arm themselves with the glorious stars and stripes and join the rejoicing marching through. People simply couldn't keep still."

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Mission Statement: The mission of the Salem County Historical Society is to seek, document, preserve, interpret and perpetuate Salem County's heritage, and to enhance the awareness and appreciation of that heritage, through its research, collections, functions, exhibits, educational programs and publications, for the benefit of future generations and for the betterment of the community.

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Message From the President

As 2018 winds down so too ends my term as President of SCHS. It has been a wonderful three years full of big changes.

Our biggest change this year came in the way of our Staff. Rich Guido, with us for many years, is leading the Society into 2019 as Administrator and Librarian. And what a leader he is! Rich's talents as head of staff, in working with the public and partners of the Society, in sharing his knowledge of our Research Library and collections and in his unique ability to keep many balls in the air (without a drop!) is unsurpassed. Assisting Rich and visitors to the Society, Amanda Pierce uses her skills in organization to help in publishing this newsletter, maintaining the Society's collection records, assisting researchers, giving tours and generally helping to keep the Society functioning, all with a smile – so important. Our newest addition is Sarah Filik, our Curator. Sarah brings to us a wide variety of experience in all areas of the curatorial field. When asked in her interview what her 'dream' exhibit would be, Sarah shared she is most enamored with the simple day-to-day lives of the area's people. She is in luck at the Salem County Historical Society. Our collections couldn't be a better base for that dream. Please stop by to meet Sarah and offer her your Salem County story. I am saddened to leave this team but feel confident in turning the Society over to our next President with this group in charge.

Leaving the Board this year are two trustees Trudy O'Hare and Sue Harker. As a past President and Chair of our Education Committee, Trudy has left her mark. She has expanded our Education Committee to include workshops in Salem County history during Teacher in Service days. She became a 'realtor' unexpectedly and with great results, oversaw changes to our investments and in general enhances the Society brilliantly. Sue has chaired the Garden Committee during her time on the Board and has certainly left the garden in much better shape than she found it. On behalf of the Board and the membership, I say a heartfelt thank you to you both.

In October you received a letter telling you of the 2019 nominees to the Board of Trustees. Please join me in welcoming the following: **Curt Harker** for the position of President. Curt and wife Sue have resided in their Victorian Salem City home for thirty years. Curt's vocations have spanned fine-tuning electronics in the United States Navy and private hospitals to 25 years of administering Salem County's government records related programs. He volunteered ten years on the State Historic Sites Council suggesting measures to avoid or mitigate historic sites' encroachments. Curt was the Society's Museum Curator from 1990-1994 and subsequently served on the Society's Board of Trustees. His avocational interests include collaborating to share Salem County history, storytelling in St. John's Episcopal Church cemetery, and with his wife opening their home for local tours.

Barbara Dawson is stepping from her position as Trustee into the Executive Vice President role. In this new position Barbara will oversee our programming and will be acting President when Curt is unavailable. We also look forward to two new Trustees joining the Board, **Autumn Angelus**, who is a biologist by profession, and **Robert Costa**, a member of the Tuesday morning museum collections committee.

Over the past years I have been blessed to serve with the talented and giving members of the Board of the Society. Each person has been very thoughtfully invited over the years to join the Board, each has brought skills and talents to grow the Society and each has given of their time wholeheartedly. To all of you, it has been an honor to serve with you and to call you friends. I will miss our time together.

I thank all of you: members, volunteers and staff, for the time, talents and support you have shared with the Society. There is no doubt in my mind that our success depends entirely on you!

Sincerely,

Barbara Smith Duffy, President

Calendar of Events

Sunday, December 1, 2018

Yuletide Tour of Historic Salem, NJ

Time: 1:00 – 6:00 P. M.

Saturday and Sunday, December 8 & 9, 2018

Pennsville Township Historical Society's Christmas Open

House Weekend Time: 11:00 A. M. – 3:00 P. M.

Sunday, December 9, 2018

December Quarterly Meeting

Friends Village in Woodstown, NJ

Speaker: Pete Michel

Topic: First Hand Accounts of the Hancock House Massacre

Time: 1:30 P. M.

Saturday, December 15, 2018

Victorian Christmas at the Gibbon House

960 Ye Greate Street, Greenwich, New Jersey

Punch and Christmas cookies galore will be served!

Cost: \$2 per person Time: 1:00 – 5:00 P. M.

Telephone: (856) 455-8580

What's News at Your Society

- ◆ On Sunday, September 16, 2018, the Society hosted our Annual Luncheon at the Inn at Salem Country Club in Elsinboro. Our presenter this year was David Price, President of the Fort Delaware Society. During his presentation Mr. Price discussed the history of Fort Delaware and the experiences of those who served there. The event was a wonderful opportunity to sit down with our members and supporters and enjoy an afternoon of food and camaraderie at the Inn. We would like to thank everyone who came out and all of those who supported the event.
- ◆ On October 15th, the Historical Society hosted the 15th John S. Rock Memorial Lecture. Jim Rupert, a career foreign correspondent and editor, spoke on his research regarding white supremacist cross burnings amid the Civil Rights movement.
- ◆ On Tuesday, November 13th, Society Administrator and Librarian Richard Guido and Education Committee Chair Trudy O'Hare presented a program on Salem County during World War I for the Genealogical Society of Salem County.
- ◆ The Society would like to welcome the newest addition to our team Sarah K. Filik. Sarah was hired as the Society's new Curator in September and began working with us on November 6th. She hails from Tom's River and has a wide-ranging background in museums and curatorial work.

"TOWN FOR NEGRO WORKERS"

There are now 1,400 Southern negroes employed at the powder plants at Penn's Grove and more are coming. In order to provide accommodations for them the powder company has decided to build a new village of 600 houses at Deepwater Point for the exclusive use of the men and their families. A colored branch of the Y. M. C. A. already has been established."

Salem Sunbeam, Salem, NJ, August 17, 1917

The 31st Annual Yuletide Tour of Historic Salem, NJ *Founded 1675* *Presented by Salem Main Street* Saturday, December 1st, 2018



1-6pm Rain or Shine Event

Visit Historic Homes, Churches & Museums

Tickets \$15 pre-tour day and \$20 day of event

Tickets will be available at the following locations:

Salem: Royal Port Antiques • Market Street Treasures • Java Dog Coffee & Tea Shop
Cawman's Antique Mall

Woodstown: Leighton's Olde Towne Shoppe

Mullica Hill: The Yellow Garage Antiques

Pedricktown: Heart Felt Designs Country Shop

For additional information call 856-339-0400

or visit our website
www.salemcitynj.com



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• Salem Magic of Christmas Parade at 11am 935-0600

• Salem Town Tree Lighting Ceremony after tour 935-0600

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John Stewart Rock Scholarship



The Society's award winning book about the abolitionist John S. Rock is presented to **Bradley Seeney** by Administrator and Librarian Richard Guido. Seeney is the recipient of the Society's \$500 John S. Rock Scholarship for the 2018-19 academic year. He is a 2018 graduate of the Salem County Vocational Technical School and will be studying Education at the Salem Community College.

ALEXANDER'S ANNALS

50 YEARS AGO

Elmer Times, Elmer, NJ
December 1968

- Chatham Dress Factory, Front & Penn Streets, celebrates its first anniversary in Elmer.
- Sunbeam Publishing Company moves to 93 Fifth Street, Salem.
- William Brooks, Jr. and Lee C. Williams, Jr. awarded American Farmer degree at national F.F.A. convention in Kansas City, MO.
- The law requires all aliens in the United States to report their addresses each January—Forms at Post Office.
- B. Harold Smick, Jr. elected president of the Salem County Historical Society.
- Samuel Dare is the new manager at the Elmer Agway Co-op.
- Flour—5 lb. Bag—Pillsbury Bestu—53¢—Wodlinger's.
- "Cigarettes, the deadly habit"—Surgeon General of the United States.

75 YEARS AGO

Penns Grove Record, Penns Grove, NJ
December 1943

- Salem County tops the State of New Jersey in the War Fund Campaign.
- Penn Beach church holds dedication—Penn Beach Wesleyan Methodist Church at Eaton Road and Riviera Drive, Pennsville.
- Saving Fats, Saves Lives!
- Felix Scioli opens Mayflower Restaurant at 8 West Main.
- 22 Penns Grove aliens admitted to citizenship.
- Boro Faces Coal Famine—Dealers Ask Federal Aid.
- LPN Flu attack closed schools—250 pupils stricken.
- Grapefruit—3 for 16¢—A & P.

100 YEARS AGO

Salem Sunbeam, Salem, NJ
December 1918

- You can now eat all of the sugar you can afford to buy!
- Final report on the influenza epidemic—487 cases—37 deaths—Salem Board of Health.
- Quinton may lose its Post Office.
- New State law requires all school children to have their throats examined for diphtheria or other germs.
- First move approved for a county hospital as a memorial and testimonial to the enlisted men.
- Fenwick Theatre, Salem—*Shoulder Arms*—Charlie Chaplin.
- St. Mary's Club is opened in the school house of the church for parish men—Salem.
- Local draft board getting ready to close up shop.

—It is estimated that **7,170,000 cans of tomatoes** were packed in Salem County the past season. It is claimed that this is the largest pack ever made by any one county in the United States.
The South Jerseyman, Salem, NJ, December 7, 1886

A Valuable Heirloom

National Standard, Salem, New Jersey, February 8, 1882

"The children, relatives and friends of Samuel P. Carpenter, of this city, gathered at his residence on Market Street, on Thursday evening last, to celebrate his seventieth birthday. Along with the good wishes came a number of presents, the most noteworthy being a silver pitcher, presented by his brother, William Carpenter, of this city, and which is an heirloom in the family, having been in their possession over seventy years.



"The pitcher is solid silver, was presented to William Carpenter, then of Mannington Township, in May, 1811, by the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, as a premium for raising and feeding a bullock that would dress 1500 pounds of beef, and 300 pounds of rough fat.

"The bullock was taken from Mr. Carpenter's herd, and not until it was six years old had he thought of making it a prize beef. After two years feeding it was taken to Philadelphia and exhibited as a specimen of Salem County cattle. The bullock was large in every way, and well proportioned, and when killed dressed 1668½ pounds of beef and 340 pounds of rough fat.

"It took the prize offered by the Agricultural Society, which was \$100. Mr. Carpenter was urged by the officers of the society to accept instead of the money a piece of plate of equal value, so that it might remain in the family. This offer was accepted, and a silver pitcher of this value was made by one of the best silver-smiths, and presented to Mr. Carpenter.

"The pitcher is of handsome design and finished in the best style. The top of the handle is ornamented with a bullock's head and horns, and on the pitcher is this inscription: "Presented to William Carpenter, of Salem County, for raising and feeding an ox, 8 years old. Beef, 1668½ lbs., rough fat, 340 lbs. May, 1811."

"When Mr. Carpenter died he left the pitcher to his son William, who has just presented it to his brother. It is a valuable heirloom, and highly prized."

Genealogically speaking... (continued from September 2018)**Salem County Newspaper Extracts from the *True American*, Trenton, New Jersey—1800 - 1822***Compiled by William Edward Saunderlin***1815**

March 6: Married on 25 Feb. 1815, at Sharptown, by John **Nichols**, Esq., John **Dickinson**, Esq. to Mrs. Sarah **Craig**, both of Pilesgrove.

August 21: Selling farm of Edward **Sharp** near Woodstown.

September 4: Died, Cornelius **Austin**, age 20, son of David Austin formerly of Pittsgrove Twp., Salem County.

1816

June 17: Married on 26 May 1816, John **Gifford** to Nancy **Woodruff**, both of Pittsgrove Twp., Salem County.

December 2: Married on 17 Nov. 1816 (?), at Friends Meeting in Mt. Holly, Aaron **Lippincott**, of Salem Co. to Mary F. **Carr**, daughter of Samuel Carr of Mt. Holly.

1817

May 26: Married on 8 May 1817, by Rev. Joseph **Sheppard**, Jacob **Paulin** to Miss Rachel **Brown**, both of L. A. C. Twp., Salem County.

Married, Archibald **Little**, of Reading, Pa., to Miss Sarah **Conaroe**, Salem, N. J.

October 20: Died in Pilesgrove, Salem Co., Mrs. Elizabeth **Davis**, age 90.

1818

May 11: Married, John **Stiles**, Jr. to Miss Elizabeth **Smith**, both U. A. C.

Married, in Mannington Twp., Joseph **Bassett**, Jr. to Lydia **Freedland**.

Married, Samuel **Jaggard**, of Glou. Co., N. J. to Miss Catherine **Emerson**, of L. A. C.

September 21: Died at U. P. N. Twp., on 7 September 1818, Michael **Walker**, Esq.

1819

March 15: Married in Salem Co., by Rev. Joseph **Sheppard**, Isaac **Conklin** to Miss Sarah **Fogg**.

March 22: Married, John **Perry**, of Bridgetown, Cumberland County, N. J. to Miss Amanda **DuBois**, of Pittsgrove Twp., Salem County.

March 29: Married, in Salem Co., by Rev. Joseph **Sheppard**, Andrew **Bell** to Miss Hannah **Bowen**.

April 5: Died in Salem Co., N. J., Gervas **Hall**, Esq.

Died in Salem County, N. J., M. **Copner**.

Married in Salem, N. J., John **Mankins** to Miss Mary **Smith**.

April 19: Married in Salem Co., John **Hyles** to Sarah **Crispin**.

Married in Salem Co., Jedediah **Haines** to Miss Charlotte **Gentry**.

Married in Salem, Co., Firman **Penton** to Rebecca **Stout**.

Married in Salem Co., William **Wood** to Miss Rachel **Reeve**.

Died at Pilesgrove, Salem Co., Preston **Miller**, age 9 months, son of Samuel and Ann Miller.

Died at Canton, Salem Co., Widow Sarah **Crane**, age 85.

April 26: Married in Salem Co., Benj. **Hambleton** to Miss Elizabeth **Loper**.

May 10: Married in Salem, N. J. by Rev. Joseph **Sheppard**, John **Challas** to Miss Ann **Currey**.

1820

January 10: Married at Salem, N. J. on 30 December 1819 by Morris **Hancock**, Esq., Job **Ridgway**, of Salem, to Miss Rebecca **Elbon** [Elbin], of Elsinboro.

1821

July 21: Erected. A new Baptist meeting house was opened in Woodstown, N. J. on 4 July 1821.

Erected. A new Presbyterian meeting house opened in Salem, NJ. on 14 July 1821.

September 29: Married in Salem Co. by Zacheus **Ray**, Esq., David **Fogg** to Miss Henrietta **Davis**.

Married by Rev. Joseph **Sheppard**, Kendall **Lathan**, of Pilesgrove, to Mrs. Lepena **Dunlap**, of Millville, Cumb. Co.

Died in Salem, N. J., Mrs. Sarah **Sinnickson**, widow of Thomas Sinnickson, Esq.

December 22: Died in Salem Co. on 8 December 1821, Daniel **Smith** of U. A.

December 29: Farm for sale in Pilesgrove, Salem County, N. J., Samuel **Hillman**, deceased.

1822

January 19: Married in Salem by Rev. Joseph **Sheppard**, George **Kirkpatrick**, Jr. to Miss Margaret **Snitcher**.

February 2: Married in Salem, N. J., Elijah **Brooks** to Mrs. Eunice **McCalla**, daughter of James **Sherron**.

Died in Salem, Mrs. Mary **Sinnickson**, wife of John Sinnickson, Esq.

Died in Mannington, David **Fogg** and Mrs. Stanford **Mayhew**.

Died near Quinton's Bridge, Samuel **Harris** a member of the Society of Friends.

February 16: Married in Salem Co., Wells **Springer** to Miss Rachel **Green**.

Married in Salem Co., Thomas **Wright** to Miss Ann **Ridgway**.

February 23: Died in Mannington Twp., William **Fawzer**.

March 16: Married at Friends Mtg. in Woodstown on 28 February 1822, Eli **Anderson** to Mrs. Lydia **Camp**, widow of Caleb Camp, Esq.

Married Josiah **Holmes**, of Glou. Co., to Rebecca R. **Abbott**, daughter of George Abbott, of Pilesgrove.

(to be continued)

WILL EMPLOY WOMEN AT DUPONTS TO TAKE PLACES OF MEN CALLED TO WAR

Special To Sunbeam, "Wilmington, Delaware, Aug 23, 1917

"The duPont Company will, in a short time, employ women in the powder plants at Carney's Point. They will be placed in the cutting houses where the work is light and where, it is believed, they will be able to give good service, as soon as they become familiar with the operations.

"This step has been determined upon by the Company because of the fact that large numbers of men will be called into the army by the draft which will deplete the labor supply force which these workmen were ordinarily recruited to fill vacancies occurring in the powder plants and it is believed that in certain operations women can fill their places.

"This is especially true in the cutting houses where quickness and dexterity can be utilized and strength is not required. The wages paid the women will be commensurate with their skill and output and there will be no attempt to utilize their services to get cheaper labor.

"It has been found in England and

other countries that women can give acceptable service in the powder mills and in this country their employment has been tried out on a small scale in the manufacture of powder.

"It is proposed to employ, at first, about 300 women at Carney's Point. They will be engaged as soon as the Company shall have completed the comfortable new quarters it is preparing for them. The object will be to make the quarters so comfortable and the surroundings so attractive that a high type of women workers can be easily obtained. This matter is now under the direct attention of W. F. Harrington, chief of the plant.

"Two large houses are to be constructed and placed at the disposal of the women. Each house will shelter 100 women and will be in charge of matrons who are thoroughly familiar with the work of making them comfortable. Dormitories, rest rooms, recreation rooms, reading rooms and all comforts and accommodations will be provided in these houses.

"It is also proposed to have a restaurant

for the use of the women so that they will be able to get their meals in their own club house at any hour they wish. A short distance away from the site of the proposed houses is the railroad running into the plants and on this road the women will be able to get their transportation to and from work. The houses will also be within short walking distance of the trolley, if they wish to use that means of conveyance to and from the plants.

"The general plan of welfare and social work for the women will be in charge of the Young Women's Christian Association which will supply trained workers skilled in seeing that there is plenty of sane and healthful amusement.

"A bloomer uniform will be used by the women while at work and the company will prepare lockers and dressing rooms adjoining the houses at the plants where they are to work."

Salem Sunbeam, Salem, NJ, October 24, 1917

"The new duPont Village, "Swamptown,"

erected where the woods stood three months ago on the east side of the road from the Cove school house to Georgetown, is completed and being filled with powder workmen. As married men are more steady workmen, the duPonts are providing for all possible. There is a report that the company will soon build another town on the field which centers at Forked Hickory cross roads, now called "Paradise" (regained), between the Penns Grove and Pedricktown roads."

The Penns Grove Record, Pennsgrove, NJ, March 30, 1917

DuPont Village Doings

"The duPont Company will not build the 12-room school house contemplated, but has given the use of four more bungalows, making eight for school purposes."

The Penns Grove Record, Pennsgrove, NJ, April 6, 1917

"**Workmen are rushing work every day** including Sunday to complete the new village appropriately named Swamptown. A half dozen teams hauled cinders from the Cove wharf last Sunday to fill the streets in front of the houses, while many were at work on the extension and expensive sewer system. This new village of 450 houses has been erected to furnish home for married men. When a man gets married he has something to work and live for, and a balance wheel and safety valve to keep him steady and make him a reliable workman. Hence the erection of this village and the vacating of the quarters in the stag and bachelor quarters."

The Penns Grove Record, Pennsgrove, NJ, April 20, 1917

Boarding Home for Woodstown Friends



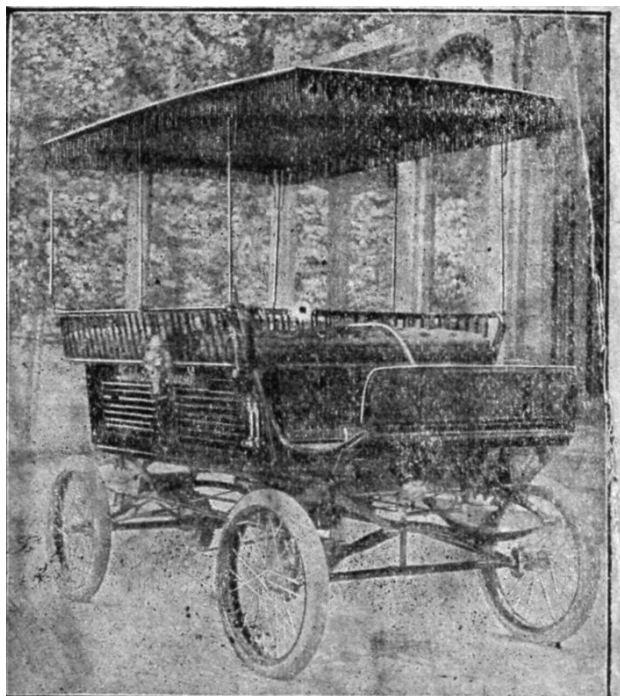
"Papers incorporating the "Friends' Boarding Home of Salem Quarterly Meeting" were filed in the office of the County Clerk in this city Wednesday morning. The officers are Hannah A. Hall, of this city, President; Charles D. Lippincott, Swedesboro, Secretary; Annie E. Pancoast, Woodstown, Treasurer.

"The Salem Quarterly Meeting is composed of Salem, Woodbury, Pilesgrove (Woodstown) and Greenwich meetings.

"The Salem Quarterly Home is one of the institutions named under a \$200,000 gift given in 1896 by Anna Jeanes to the Yearly Meeting. "The home will probably be located in Woodstown."

The South Jerseyman, Salem, NJ, October 12, 1897

SOUTH JERSEY MOBILE TRANSIT COMPANY



"One of the automobile stages, without the winter storm curtains, now being used by the South Jersey Mobile Transit Company between Bridgeton and Salem."

"The South Jersey Mobile Transit Company has had more than its peck of trouble in establishing the auto stage line between Bridgeton and Salem. The company have [*sic*] issued a time table but very few of them have reached Salem, probably because the Company does not guarantee to fulfill the schedule until the "autos" settle down to more steady action.

"Trips have been very irregular the first two weeks and passengers have been doing considerable grumbling on account of break downs and the stages being late.

"Then the farmers and others who drive along the turnpike have been threatening to bring suit against the Company for frightening their horses. They say it isn't safe for a man to drive a horse with an ambition above an ox on the turnpike and women have quit driving alone since the auto line started.

"An unconfirmed report is circulated that the Quinton and Marlboro Turnpike Company is preparing to have an injunction served against the Auto Company alleging that the machines are a nuisance.

"In the meantime the mobile line has an active competitor in "Tommy" Roork in the old stage line which is still running.

"The old stage line carries about its usual number of passengers and freight; for its passengers are always sure of getting through the deepest mud."

The South Jerseyman, Salem, NJ, January 7, 1902

Transportation Research Notes Automobile/Bus by Noel Kemm

1900—"The first automobile ever in Salem County arrived in Alloway on Friday for Mr. Horace Vanleer. It created quite a sensation in that quiet little town. Mr. Vanleer went to Millville yesterday in the automobile accompanied by an expert operator from the factory in Cleveland, Ohio, where the carriage was made...." (*S&J*, 2-7-1900). Note that the car required an "operator" and that the newspaper is not quite ready to abandon the term "carriage."

1910—"Big Automobile Parade Will Visit Salem Next Tuesday" is the headline announcing a tour/endurance race by the Harrisburg Motor Club which ends at Atlantic City; the 12th Regiment Band will play for the event from the balcony of the Nelson House from 9 a.m. to Noon; 55 cars in the race including the White Steamer, Maxwell, Regal, Franklin, Pullman, E.M.F., Premier, Mitchell, Buick, Cadillac, and National (*SS*, 5-6-1910); follow up—"Many auto owners from all sections of the county brought carloads of passengers into the city to see the contesting machines and Tuesday was practically a holiday in this city" (*SS*, 5-13-1910). This was a really big deal!

1911—Sickler & Denny apply to Salem City Council to rent the former J. W. Acton law office on Market St. (the "Telegraph Bldg.") for reuse as a bicycle and auto parts store. (*S&J*, 3-1-1911)

1914—"Now in Charge of Auto Route. William B. Sickler has taken charge of the automobile stage route between Salem and Bridgeton, succeeding Linford A. Denny, resigned." (*S&J*, 1-14-1914); note that a Sickler & Denny owned/operated the first auto & bicycle parts store in Salem in the former Telegraph Building, now owned by Preservation Salem, Inc. Photo available of the store.

1921—"For Parking Cars" reports that painters are marking off parking spaces on "principal streets according to the ordinance" for angled in front-facing parking." (*SS*, 8-12-1921).

SS: Salem Sunbeam

S&J: Salem Standard and Jerseyman

"The first automobile brought to Woodstown was purchased by George M. Andrews in the spring of 1903. E. B. Humphreys followed in 1906, since which time the following residents have become owners of horseless vehicles: Frank Foster, Daman Humphreys, Dr. DeGroot, William Snelbaker, William Weatherby, Shipley Flitcraft, Frank Colson, Isaac K. Lippincott, Dr. L. H. Miller, Dr. L. Horner, Chakley Haines and Dr. McGeorge, a total of fourteen to date."

Salem Standard & Jerseyman, Salem, NJ, October 28, 1908

After seven weeks of gasless Sundays, the Fuel Administration has lifted the ban against automobile riding on Sunday. *Salem Sunbeam*, Salem, NJ, October 18, 1918

Library Acquisitions:

Armstrong, June P., Glassboro, NJ. Invitation to the 1883 wedding of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Hann, Pittsgrove, NJ. (2018.052)
Burdsall, Patricia M., Vero Beach, FL. Shough Family bible contents. (2018.061)
Crist, John, Portsmouth, NH. World War II overcoat and two hats that belonged to Richard Leach. (2018.070)
Gallo, Bill, Salem, NJ. Two copies of pamphlet entitled, "50th Anniversary of the Delaware Memorial Bridge Twin Span." (2018.059)
Houdart, Michael, Ocean View, NJ. Checks from the Salem National Banking Company and Hall, Dunn & Hunt, Oil Cloth Manufacturers, 1844 and 1871 and Orphan's Court records, 1808. (2018.050)
Tindall, Robert, The Villages, FL. Photographs of gatherings in and around Salem, pamphlets, school workbooks, letters and over forty-six land deeds and survey maps. (2018.055)
Whitaker, Jean E., Salem, NJ. Power of Attorney from William Hancock to Richard Whitaker dated 1675. (2018.056)
Historical Society of Penns Grove, Carneys Point and Oldmans, Penns Grove, NJ. Photograph of the Salem County Memorial Hospital, 1972. (2018.048)

Museum Acquisitions:

Acton, James, Jr., Salem, NJ. Two glass bottles from Andrew's drug store and the Davis Drug Company in Salem, NJ (2018.067)
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Historical Society of Penns Grove, Carneys Point and Oldmans, Penns Grove, NJ. Two tokens depicting the Delaware Memorial Bridge. (2018.048)
Historical Society of Penns Grove, Carneys Point and Oldmans, Penns Grove, NJ. Brass Key - First key to the Salem Jail. (2018.068)
Magill, Ronald, Salem, NJ. Undertaker's cooling board from undertaker Lewis James in Alloway, NJ. (2018.064)
Patrick, Ruth, in memory of Norman Lester Patrick, Jr. Salem, NJ. Navy uniforms of Norman Lester Patrick, Jr. who served in the Pacific during World War II. (2018.042)

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Joanne K. Owen performed a spirited pipe organ concert, *Tunes from the Crypt*, at St. John's Episcopal Church, Salem, on October 26th. This concert sponsored by "Music Around the County" is a prelude to the annual "Walking Ghost Tour".

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To Dedicate New Pipe Organ
 The congregation of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Union Street, this city, anticipate an enjoyable time next Sunday afternoon on the occasion of the dedication of a fine pipe organ. The pastor, Rev. I. N. Holly, invites the people of Salem to join with his people and have a part in the exercises. *Salem Standard & Jerseyman*, Salem, NJ, May 26, 1926

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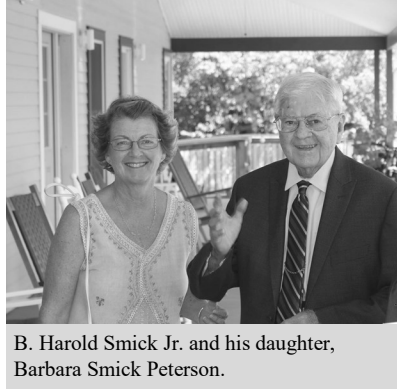
On Sunday, September 16th, the Historical Society hosted its 2018 Annual Luncheon. This event was a wonderful opportunity to sit down with our members and supporters and enjoy an afternoon of food and camaraderie at the Inn at Salem Country Club. We would like to thank everyone who came out and all who supported the event.



Bill Saunderlin received the Society's Volunteer of the Year Award for 2018.



President, Barbara S. Duffy addresses the Luncheon attendees.



B. Harold Smick Jr. and his daughter, Barbara Smick Peterson.



Wonderful conversations, hors d'oeuvres, silent auctions and beverages during the Annual Luncheon!



James Rupert presenting his lecture.

John S. Rock Memorial Lecture Photographs



The Salem Women's Community Choir, established over fifty years ago, singing at the Rock Lecture. Ladies from left front are: Audrey Hines (Mt. Hope), Andrea Bentley (New Jerusalem), Sharon Jordan (Haven), Gloria Johnson (Mt. Pisgah), Lydia Thompson (Mt. Hope), and Director Patricia Allen (Haven and Mt. Hope). Back row: Cissy Dickerson (Mt. Hope) and Janis Crawford (Mt. Pisgah). Participating later was Sharon Kellum (Mt. Zion).



James Rupert, speaker of the 15th John S. Rock Memorial Lecture, spoke with the group about the cross burnings in Salem County during 1967.



Richard Guido thanks James Rupert for his lecture about, "Burning Crosses: Salem and America in 1967".

Editors' Note: James Rupert's lecture was based on his article in the September issue of the *Quarterly Newsletter*. The endnotes in that article were not formatted correctly. The correct formatting can be read at the following link:

<https://jamesrupert.wordpress.com/america/salem-county-nj-cross-burnings-1960s/>

We apologize for the error.



In Memoriam

**ROBERT ALAN BROOKS, Ph. D.**

Trustee Emeritus, Lifetime Member and benefactor, Robert A. Brooks, 94, of Woodstown, New Jersey, passed away on October 2, 2018.

Bob was born at Gloversville, New York, the son of Archibald & Ada Cadman Brooks. After attending high school there, he graduated from Harvard University with a B. S. degree in chemistry and then attended Yale University where he earned a Ph. D. in organic chemistry in 1949. After graduating from Yale, Dr. Brooks began his career with the DuPont Company, working in research and development, retiring in 1985 as Laboratory Director of the Jackson Laboratory after thirty-six years of service.

Dr. Brooks served as chairman or board member of Salem County Cultural and Heritage Commission; Inter-Agency Council of Human Services of Salem County; United Way of Salem County; Southern New Jersey Council of Boy Scouts of America; Trustee of Stockton State College; and, the Research and Development Council of New Jersey and South Jersey Section of the American Chemical Society. He was a member of the Turkey Club and Rotary International.

At our Society Bob was a member for over fifty-five years and served in several capacities including the Board of Trustees and as chairperson of the Pictorial and Oral History Committee. In December 2007 he was honored by the Society with a plaque commemorating his service to the Society and was named Trustee Emeritus.

His many interests included historic preservation, antique weapons, the Greek language and literature, and classical music.

DIED AT AGE OF 109 YEARS
Was Almost One Hundred and Ten
Years Old

John Short, without doubt the longest lived man in South Jersey, died at his home in Marshalltown on Wednesday, April 14th, 1915, at the age of one hundred and nine years, eleven months and four days. He was born in Delaware on May 10th, 1805, and moved from there to Cumberland County about seventy years ago, later coming to Marshalltown, Mannington Township.

There is no doubt about the date of his birth, as is so often the case, the records being very clear. A sister, now a very old woman, stated that he was one of twenty-two children and that there were thirteen brothers and sisters between her and her deceased brother John....

He was popular in his neighborhood and his funeral last Sunday was a very large one, services being held under the direction of Funeral Director Roy J. Allen in the Marshalltown A. M. E. Church and interment made in the adjoining cemetery.

Salem Sunbeam, Salem, NJ, April 23, 1915

In Memoriam

**PEGGY ANN KAVANAUGH**

Lifetime Member Peggy Ann Kavanaugh, age 80, of Salem, passed away on Thursday, October 25, 2018. Born in Salem, she was the only child of the late John and Matilda "Tillie" McCormick Kavanaugh. Peggy was a graduate of Salem High School, class of 1955, a graduate of Glassboro State College, class of 1967 and she earned her Master's Degree.

Before her retirement, Peggy was a teacher who taught in the Penns Grove School system for twenty-five years. She was a lifetime member of the St. Mary's Roman Catholic church of Salem. She belonged to many charitable organizations was an enthusiastic worldwide traveler who organized many group excursions.

Peggy was a long time member and ardent volunteer at the Society serving on the museum committee as a passionate expert in dolls, toys, and the children's room.

CHURCH and FIRE BELLS

"That there is a sort of affinity between church and fire bells is peculiarly proven in this city. The bell in the tower of St. Mary's (Catholic) Church was formerly the Reliance fire bell, and, strange to say, the Washington Hose Co.'s bell was formerly the Presbyterian Church bell."

"For many years the latter bell hung in the old Presbyterian Church on Grant Street, and every Sunday it called the Presbyterians to worship. It was last used as a church bell in December, 1857. After that it was sold to the Fenwick (now Washington) Fire Company."

The South Jerseyman, Salem, NJ, November 2, 1897

**ALLOWAY YOUTH PAID
THE SUPREME SACRIFICE**

"The first death of a Salem County boy as a result of the dastardly attack of the Japanese on the United States was officially made known on Tuesday.

"The boy to pay the supreme sacrifice is **William Franklin Quinette**, son of Mrs. Margaret E. Quinette, of Alloway.

"A telegram from Rear Admiral C. W. Nimitz, Chief of the Bureau of Navigation of the Navy, brought the sad news to the mother, but contained no information as to when and where her son was when he was killed.

"No word had been received by Mrs. Quinette from the boy for about six weeks, and it is said her belief is that he was aboard the "Arizona" that was sunk in Pearl Harbor.

"He joined the Navy in October, 1940, and was sent to the Training School at Newport, R. I. He had not been on leave since November of last year when he visited his mother before rejoining his ship.

"Receiving his preliminary education in the Alloway school, young Quinette entered the Woodstown High School and was graduated. He was a member of the Woodstown Chapter of the Future Farmers of America and was very popular with the faculty and students.

"The Quinette family moved from Minnesota to Pitman in 1924 and eight years ago came to Alloway. William was one of five brothers and sisters. One of the brother, Hugh T. Quinette is a Mechanical Sergeant in the Army at Fort Knox, Kentucky. He had been in the service 13 years.

"Three of the sisters, Mrs. Isabelle Dando, Miss Harriet Quinette and Miss Margaret Quinette, reside in Alloway; Mrs. Eva Press, in Salem and Mrs. Catherine Slater in Philadelphia. The brothers, James, John and Richard Quinette also live in Alloway.

"The horrors of war are again brought to our doors and every one extends to the Quinette family the deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

"As a memorial to young Quinette, the Air Raid Observation Post at Alloway is to be named in his honor, according to Eugene Compton, The Chief Observer."

Salem Standard and Jerseyman, Salem, NJ, December 18, 1941

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Prince's of Salem

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Salem Standard and Jerseyman, Salem, NJ, December 26, 1957

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