

Island Heights Cultural & Heritage Association Newsletter

IHCHA Newsletter

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President's Message

Greetings and a very Happy
New Year.

We have many exciting events coming up in 2012 as well as some very interesting speakers for our monthly meetings. The first event of the New Year is our very popular Antiques Appraisal Day on March 10, followed by the ever enjoyable Wine Tasting Dinner in April, and the beautiful Garden Tour in June.

Do you recall that last spring, Capt. Donald Launer shared his presentation "Navigation Through the Ages" at our monthly meeting? He has agreed to come back this year and will present another interesting and informative 'show and tell' lecture about GPS. Keep an eye out for dates and times on the bulletin board at

the Post Office for this and many other interesting topics. As always, everyone, including non-members are welcome and there is no charge for entrance to IHC&HA meetings.

It is that time of year again when we ask that all members and others who wish to become members pay their dues. We are an all-volunteer, non-profit organization dedicated to collecting and preserving the history of our unique town, Island Heights. We own, care for and pay all bills including a mortgage on the Cottage Museum on Simpson Avenue. Although we run several fund raising events during the year, your dues and donations are integral to the support and sustainability of the museum. Please send in your dues, and if at all possible, an additional

donation to help support this most worthy historic venue in our town.

When we re-open the Cottage Museum in April, our new hours will be weekly, on Saturdays, from 1:00 until 4:00. Do come and visit your museum and enjoy this unique and interesting 1880's cottage. We are children friendly and there is never an entrance fee. If you'd like to bring a group in for a visit, please call me at 732-506-9375 to make arrangements. We have a lovely porch where a number of people can sit in old wicker chairs to enjoy the quiet and cool breezes of Island Heights.

All the best to you and yours
in 2012.

Barbara Rooberg,

IHCHA President

Cub Scouts Pack 50

On January 17th, the Cottage Museum was visited by 10 bright-eyed and lively Cub Scouts from Pack 50, along with their parents, and pack leader Melissa Paolicelli. Trustees Joe Rogalski & Edie Warfield, assisted by Walt Warfield escorted the visitors through the museum and ex-

plained a little bit about life in Victorian times. The boys enjoyed seeing how children lived many years ago. . .very few toys, small living quarters, no great room and horrors, no TV! They were interested in the trains shown in our display case thanks to Ron Rooberg and of

course, the child's bedroom on the 2nd floor. The adults all got a kick out of seeing the expressions on their faces. Thanks, Pack 50, for coming in and making our day special!



Wine Tasting Dinner

Reservations now being taken!

"Wines Around The World" a wine tasting dinner to benefit the Island Heights Cultural & Heritage Association

Thursday, April 19

7:00 -9:00 PM

\$50 per person

Caffé Italia, Rte 37 East, TR

Door Prizes!

For more information:

please call Chairwoman,

Kennetta Tomaso, at

732-929-2815



Last chance to get your 2012 IHCHA Heritage calendars! Now on sale for \$7 at the Corner Deli.

Antiques Appraisal Afternoon

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Afternoon

IHCHA will host another "Antiques Appraisal Afternoon" on March 10th.

This is a wonderful chance to have your collectibles appraised by a professional.

Appraiser: Perry Ford, owner of The Canvas House Antiques, Point Pleasant. Mr. Perry has

been in the business for more than 30 years & has worked for the Antiques Roadshow.

Date: Saturday, March 10

Time: Noon to 4:00 p.m.

Where: Fellowship Hall of First Methodist Church of Island Heights

(Located at 111 Ocean Avenue, IH)

\$10 for 1 item \$25 for 3 items

A light lunch, home baked goodies & beverages will be available. For more information: contact Joe Connors, Chairman, at 732-929-9064

2012 Garden Tour — June 23rd & 24th

Last year, we hosted the Secret Garden & Scenic Porch Tour together with the Island Heights Garden Club. Several new ideas were instituted including delicious, home-made lunches served under the Pavilion on the river. It was a great success, and we have had a number of last year's visitors ask about attending in 2012. This year's event is scheduled for the weekend of June 23rd & June 24th.

We are looking for homeowners willing to share their garden and/or porch space to help support a very worthy cause. Members of both organizations

are willing to work with homeowners to help prepare their space for the event, and members are in attendance to "sit" in your yard/porch that weekend.



Please contact us at IHCHANJ@gmail.com or call Barbara @ 732-506-9375 **if you are willing to participate by sharing your garden and/or porch or your time** (or if you have any questions). Thank you!

Upcoming April & May 2012 Programs

Our monthly program/ meetings are held the 3rd Monday of the month (beginning in April), at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall of the IH Methodist Church. Please mark your calendars:

Our first program for the 2012 season "GPS-How It Works" will be held on **April 16th.** Presenter Capt. Launer will be returning to explain the Geographical Positioning System that so many of us use, how it evolved and how we are able to determine our position on

the face of the globe using the constellation of man-made GPS satellites that circle the Earth.

On **May 21st** we are pleased to have staff members of the Bass River State Forest in Tuckerton present a slide show on "100 Years at the Bass River State Forest".

Bass River State Forest was the first forest acquired by the state of New Jersey in 1905 for public rec-

reation, timber & wildlife management, and water conservation. Lake Absegami, a 67-acre lake created in the 1930's, is the center of the forest's recreational activities and provides an area for swimming, boating and canoeing. The park has 8 walking trails.

As always, programs are free and delicious home-made desserts are served.

Great News!

IHCHA was awarded a \$1000 grant from the Ocean County Cultural & Heritage Commission, via the NJ Historical Commission. We are so thankful our grant request was honored. We continue to seek out financial help so that we can carry on our work of promoting the history and culture of historic Island Heights.

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New Cottage

hours starting

April:

Every Saturday

1:00—4:00 pm

2012 Dues Reminder

IHCHA is dedicated to promoting the rich, historic, artistic, and architectural heritage of Island Heights. It is non-profit and relies on dues, donations, and fund-raising events to meet its financial obligations. In order to save costs, we no longer mail out membership renewal dues reminders. Please mail your check with your 2012 dues (to PO Box 670) if you have not already done so. To those who have paid their 2012 dues or made a donation, we really appreciate it and we thank you for your support.

\$20 Individual Dues

\$30 Family/Couple Dues

\$50 Corporate/Organization Dues

Make check payable to: IHCHA and mail to

PO Box 670, Island Heights, NJ 08732

The Cottage is on YouTube!

In December, Visual Artist Mark Retacco, visited our Cottage Museum, located at 105 Simpson Avenue. His short documentary filmed in the Cottage and his interview with Joe & Marilyn Connors can be seen on YouTube. Just put Mark Retacco in the YouTube search bar.

So visit the Cottage this winter via YouTube and please stop by in person beginning in April. Our new hours will be:

Every Saturday of the Month

from 1:00—4:00 pm