



Historical Highlights

NEWSLETTER OF THE SAND LAKE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
POST OFFICE BOX 492 • WEST SAND LAKE, NEW YORK 12196

May, 1987

June 9 Meeting at the Town Hall - 8:00 p.m.

Prof. Charles L. Ballard of Poestenkill will present a program on the Troy & New England Railway, the trolley line that ran between Troy and Averill Park from 1895 to 1925.

For July, no formal meeting has been planned. We may take individual trips to Lindenwald.

August 22, 1987 -- The Society plans to participate in the 175th Anniversary Celebration of the Town of Sand Lake. We plan to have a booth, and participate in the parade and sporting events. Andy Mace plans to enter a vintage automobile in the parade; John Kacharian plans to display his 1812 American flag and also to play in the tennis tournament. If you would like to participate also, please contact Arthea Gibbs, 674-3127.

Sunday, September 13 - 1-5 p.m.

Sand Lake Historical Society's 1987 House Tour. Several homes, old and new, will be open to the public. Headquarters will be the West Sand Lake Fire Hall, where tickets will be sold, and refreshments served. Bob Shuey will host a display of firemanic articles at the Fire Hall.

House Tour Committee: Alan Fuess, Chairman
674-2154
Ada Miller
Arthea Gibbs
Linda Sheehan
Cathy Catalano

Please call the chairman to offer your help.



Again this year, the Society will award a Sand Lake Historical Society Memorial Scholarship for Excellence in History to a girl and a boy in the June 1987 graduating class at Averill Park High School. The awards, of \$100 each, are given in memory of deceased members of the Society.

Donations to the Scholarship Fund are most welcome. Donations are tax deductible. Just mail your check to Scholarship Fund, Sand Lake Historical Society, Post Office Box 492, West Sand Lake, NY 12196.

OUR 12TH ANNUAL DINNER, ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 12TH.

6 TO 7 P.M. - HAPPY HOUR. COCKTAILS AND HORS D'OEUVRES AT THE HACKER'S.

7:30 P.M. - FAMILY STYLE ROAST BEEF DINNER AT THE SALEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN WEST SAND LAKE.

GUEST }
SPEAKER } JOHN MILLER, NATIONAL PARK SERVICE RANGER WHO WILL GIVE A SLIDE-ILLUSTRATED TALK ON LINDENWALD, WHICH WAS THE HOME OF PRESIDENT MARTIN VAN BUREN FROM 1841-1862.

MR. MILLER IS A LIFE-LONG RESIDENT OF COLUMBIA COUNTY, A VETERAN OF THE U. S. MARINE CORPS, AND HAS A MASTER'S DEGREE IN HISTORY FROM SUNY-ALBANY. HE IS CURRENTLY STATIONED AT THE MARTIN VAN BUREN NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE IN KINDERHOOK.

THE MANSION HAS UNDERGONE EXTENSIVE RESTORATION, AND ON SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 1987, CEREMONIES WILL BE HELD AT THE SITE, CELEBRATING THE RESTORATION AND REOPENING TO THE PUBLIC.

THE ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS WILL FOLLOW THE DINNER.

TICKETS ARE \$8.00 EACH, WHETHER OR NOT YOU ATTEND THE HAPPY HOUR.

RESERVATIONS WITH CHECKS SHOULD BE SENT TO DINNER CHAIRPERSON, SHIRLEY KETCHUM, RD #3, BOX 131, AVERILL PARK, NY 12018. CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO SAND LAKE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. RESERVATIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE. RESERVATIONS CLOSE ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH.

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NOMINEES FOR 1987-88

PRESIDENT - CHESTER D. GAVRYCK	SECRETARY - MARY FRENCH
VICE PRES. - DIANE G. FREEMAN	CUSTODIAN - FRANVILLE EGBERT
TREASURER - KATHARINE MACE	

TRUSTEES: JOHN KACHARIAN, 3 YRS.; ROSEMARY SUPKIS, 3 YRS. AND ALAN FUESS, 2 YRS. HE WILL SERVE OUT THE LAST 2 YRS. OF DIANE FREEMAN'S 3 YR. TERM.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE WAS COMPOSED OF COLE WESTCOTT, KEN BROCK, ELINOR ZAKI AND BERYL VANNIER. (NO ONE WANTED TO BE NAMED CHAIRMAN!)

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1987-1988 MEMBERSHIP

FILL OUT AND MAIL THIS COUPON, WITH YOUR CHECK, TO:
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P.O. BOX 492
WEST SAND LAKE, NY 12196

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

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PLEASE NOTE YOUR SPECIAL INTERESTS, HOBBIES, COLLECTIONS, ETC.

MEMBERSHIP FEES: \$4.00 PER PERSON, \$6.00 PER FAMILY
HALF-PRICE FOR JUNIORS (TO 16) AND SENIORS (65 AND OVER)
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: SAND LAKE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
MEMBERSHIP CARDS WILL BE MAILED.

ELINOR ZAKI WILL ANSWER YOUR MEMBERSHIP QUESTION (674-2005)

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COCKTAIL PARTY AT HACKER'S 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Orchard Lane, West Sand Lake

MAY 12, 1987 **** ANNUAL DINNER MENU ** 7:30 p.m.

FAMILY STYLE

Tomato Juice Relish Tray

Roast Beef

Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, two vegetables

Home-made pies

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President - Kitty Mace Treasurer- Marion Hacker
Vice-President - Arthea Gibbs Secretary - Alan Fuess
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RESERVATION FOR COCKTAILS AND DINNER -- MAY 12, 1987

Fill out and mail to: Mrs. Shirley Ketchum, R.D.3, Box 131,
Averill Park, NY 12018 by May 7. Make check payable to:
SAND LAKE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Please reserve _____ (number) dinners @ \$8.00 each.

_____ (number) will attend the cocktail party.

Check enclosed \$ _____

Name(s) _____

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Phone No. _____

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Mr. & Mrs. Wesley Miller
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Averill Park, NY 12018

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