Monmouth County Historical Commission

A Weekend in Old Monmouth

First Weekend in May

Saturday, May 5, 2018 - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday, May 6, 2018 - Noon to 5 p.m.

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Welcome to Monmouth County History

The Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Historical Commission welcome you to the Eleventh Annual Weekend in Old Monmouth self-guided tour of historic sites. This year, the tour includes more than 46 sites organized into four segments:

- Bayshore or Purple Tour - sites 1 - 14
- Two Rivers or Blue Tour - sites 15 - 25
- Seashore or Green Tour - sites 26 - 35
- Western or Orange Tour - sites 36 - 46

Experience indicates that some tour followers attempt to visit as many sites as possible while others opt for a small number, often those close to home. Regarding organization, the tour places some widely separated sites in a semblance of order. Conversely, other sites are located close together. Visitors may see the sites in any order, or no order, or reverse the sequence from the proposed starting points. Three of the tours begin in proximity to county borders, while Two Rivers begins in a population center that is readily accessible from the Garden State Parkway. The suggested routes offer logical, easy-to-follow directions, but those familiar with the local landscape or possessing GPS systems may wish to use alternate roads.

We suggest making a point to visit Site 45, the Monmouth County Historical Association Museum and Library. The Association has an incomparable collection of Monmouth artifacts, extensive research holdings and features informative changing exhibitions on Monmouth County history. While there, also visit the Battle of Monmouth Monument in front of the Monmouth County Courthouse.

If you have questions, please email the Executive Director, John Fabiano at john.fabiano@co.monmouth.nj.us.
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The Keyport Fire Museum and Education Center is the only fire museum in Monmouth County. The museum building is the former Raritan Hose Company No. 2 firehouse, built in 1900, one block from the present location. It was moved uphill in 1919. When Raritan Hose Co. #2 moved in 1969 into a new building elsewhere, the current museum building was leased as a store. Thanks to a State and County grant, the building and property were donated to the Borough. Volunteer firefighters, residents and businesses joined forces to rehabilitate the structure, which opened as a museum in October 2003. On exhibit are a wide variety of artifacts, documents and pictures relating to fire fighting in Keyport. Featured are an original pull station bell and alarm as well as a fireman that slides down an original brass pole from the second floor.

The fire department in Keyport was founded as an outgrowth of an 1877 conflagration that destroyed several blocks downtown. The Museum is always free, with no admission fee.

**Organization:** Keyport Fire Museum and Education Center  
**Website:** www.keyportfd.org  
**Email:** tdg1cnj@yahoo.com  
**Contact:** Tom Gallo, Board Member, 732-739-5362  
**Hours:** March through October Saturday Noon - 3 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Special tours by appointment  
**ADA Accessible:** No  
**Public Restroom:** Yes  
**Parking:** Adjacent lot and street  
**Phone:** 732-739-5362

This charming Victorian cottage was built on property Isaac K. Lippincott purchased from the sale of lots when the Kearney estate was sold at Orphan’s Court in 1829. The Lippincotts were a prominent Monmouth County family. Isaac resided in Freehold where he was active in the Monmouth Co. Bible Society. He and his business partner, Judge Joseph Murray opened the first general store in 1833, Isaac also partnered with other men to build commercial docks.

Lydia Burrowes bought the lot from Isaac and Caroline Lippincott for fifty dollars on April 7, 1835 and built the cottage in 1836. Lydia passed the title to her son James Madison Burrowes on Dec.19, 1838. When James’ wife died in 1882, the property went to her two daughters, Elizabeth M. Bedle, wife of James Bedle, and to Sarah B. Lyster. Sarah relinquished her share to her sister on Mar. 16, 1885, Elizabeth lived there until her death on Aug. 3, 1918. Her daughters, Anna H. Bedle, Isabelle M. Bedle and Elizabeth B. Hyer, whose husband was George S. Hyer were the next to inherit. On Apr. 23, 1920, Anna, Isabelle and Elizabeth transferred the property to Stephen E. Arnold and his wife Dorothy. Dorothy’s husband died in the 1970’s, however she lived in the cottage until the mid 1990’s. She deeded the property to Bill and Carole Cerase with the provision that she have life rights.

The property at 34 Main St. extended to Kearney Street, however, it was divided in 1929 by the Arnold’s and the back lot was transferred to their friend Elizabeth Rodgers. By 1982 the title went to Ben and Mary Ochinegro.

Bill and Carole Cerase restored the cottage after Dorothy’s death to open as a business selling antiques, and collectibles with a Tea Room on the premises, 1996-2000. The Keyport Historical Society was able to buy the property on Sept. 30, 2015 from Bill and Carole Cerase after receiving a Sandy Resiliency Grant from the NJEDA. The Society’s Steamboat Boat Dock Museum and most artifacts were lost when Super Storm hit Keyport on Oct. 29, 2012.

The cottage is one of the oldest houses in Keyport. The front entrance hall, living room, graceful staircase and second floor bedrooms are original to the 1800’s. The bay windows next to the side entrance were installed after the fireplace used for cooking was removed. The back room, one step up, dates back to the 1700’s and was most likely moved and added on.
The Burrowes Mansion, one of Monmouth County’s most important early Georgian buildings, is dated by stylistic evidence to the c.1750 introduction of the Georgian style to Monmouth County when the 2½ story main block was begun as a Georgian three bay side-hall plan. Inference suggests that John Burrowes, Sr. (1718-1785) may have acquired the property at the time of his 1749 marriage to Widow Hope Taylor Watson (1721-1792). An earlier date attribution stems from a 1722 property sale, but this house could not be as early as the c.1723 date cited elsewhere. Burrowes was a major grain and produce merchant who was nicknamed the Corn King. His property backed on Matawan Creek, once a waterway that handled oceangoing ships when the town was the Bayshore’s major port. In 1778 during the Revolution, loyalists attempted to capture Burrowes’ son, John, Jr., a Continental Army captain. He escaped, but his wife was injured and the father was captured, but soon released in a prisoner exchange. The property was designated for John, Jr. in his father’s will, but documentary history over the next four decades is vague until the house and 15 acres were sold to Joseph H. and Holmes Van Mater in 1825. Later the mansion was a hotel, a dentist’s residence, a tea room and under the ownership of Benjamin F.S. Brown whose family retained the place until its 1974 sale to the Borough of Matawan. The Matawan Historical Society, founded in 1969, furnishes and operates the restored house, one that retains a strong character of its colonial roots.

Website: www.BurrowesMansion.org
Facebook: Burrowes Mansion & Matawan Historical Society
Email: info@BurrowesMansion.org
Contact: Kurtis Roinestad, Society President 732-403-9838
Regular Hours: 2-4 p.m. on the 1st & 3rd Sundays from March - December
Phone: 732-566-5605
ADA accessible: No
Parking: Street & small lot in rear

The sights, sounds and smells of rural Monmouth County in the 1890s have been re-created on nine acres at Longstreet Farm in Holmdel Park. Interpreters in period dress show both daily and seasonal agricultural and domestic activities common to agricultural life in the 19th century. You may find them tending animals and crops, preparing foods or using period tools.

In the 1890s, most Holmdel land was in use as productive farms; family farms averaged 80 acres. Holmdel farmers grew a variety of crops and raised animals for local use as well as New York City. The three Longstreet Family farms totaled 475 acres and were among the largest and most prosperous in Holmdel. Fresh produce such as potatoes, apples, and corn from Longstreet Farm was served on the tables of fashionable Atlantic shore resorts, as well as the homes of the growing railroad suburbs of northern New Jersey. Canning factories as the Brakeley Cannery in Freehold preserved the harvest for months to come and enabled food to be easily shipped over long distances.

Visit Longstreet Farm and meet the animals. Explore the restored house and numerous out buildings. Discover the summer kitchen, carriage house, workshop and Dutch barn. Experience life on a Monmouth County farm as it was in the 1890s.

Parents: Explore children’s summer day camp opportunities July 2 - August 17
Website: www.monmouthcountyparks.com
Email: philip.andras@co.monmouth.nj.us
Contact: Phil Andras
Organization: Monmouth County Park System
Events: Harvest Home Festival-September 30, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 Regular Hours: Farm: daily, year-round, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. except Memorial Day to Labor Day, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 Farmhouse: March - December, weekends and holidays Noon - 3:30 p.m.
 ADA accessible: Limited. Some buildings have ramps. All terrain wheel-chair available upon request.
 Public Restroom: Yes
 Parking: Lot on Site
 Phone: 732-946-3758
Holmes-Hendrickson House, built circa 1754, reflects the adoption of some English features on a basically Dutch house form. It is a testament to the cultural heritage of its occupants. The symmetrical exterior façade and interior floor plan incorporate English design characteristics, while the framing system is strictly out of the Dutch tradition.

The furnishings further indicate a blending of traditional Dutch ways with the dominant English colonial culture and are representative of a prosperous farm family. Although the house no longer stands on its original site, it is a remarkable document of 18th century vernacular architecture, never having been significantly altered or equipped with a heating system, plumbing or electricity.

Holmes-Hendrickson House is on the New Jersey and National and Registers of Historic Places.

**Events:** Wool Days, last weekend in April, in collaboration with Longstreet Farm.
**Organization:** Monmouth County Historical Association
**Website:** www.monmouthhistory.org
**Email:** pgithens@monmouthhistory.org
**Contact:** Pati Githens, Outreach Manager
**Regular Hours:** May through September, Friday, Saturday, Sunday from 1 - 4 p.m. on the third weekend of the month; other times by appointment
**ADA accessible:** No
**Public Restroom:** No
**Parking:** Lot on site
**Phone:** 732-462-1466

Dr. Robert W. Cooke’s Medical Office
67 McCampbell Road
Holmdel NJ 07733

This c.1823 Federal-influenced vernacular building is arguably the oldest medical office building in America. Note the fine detail on a simple structure. It consists of reception and examination rooms at grade and a second-story bedroom.

Cooke, who also served as Holmdel’s first postmaster, 1830-1849, practiced here from 1823 until his death in 1867. Dr. Henry Gansvoort Cooke succeeded his father here for 40 years.

In 1986, Wilbur and Edith Trapp donated the building to the Holmdel Historical Society. The building, recorded by the Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) and entered on the National Register of Historic Places, conveys an atmosphere of Cooke’s time, an era when medical treatment was hardly an advanced science. The Holmdel Historical Society would love to hear from anyone who can document an older freestanding medical office.

**Website:** www.holmdelhistory.org/DrCookes.html
**Email:** holmdelhistoricalsociety@gmail.com
**Contact:** Peter Manieri @ 732-768-7583 or Rhonda Beck @ 732-685-4450
**Organization:** Holmdel Historical Society
**Regular Hours:** By appointment
**ADA accessible:** first floor only; no restroom
**Parking:** On site or adjacent Village School lot.
**Phone:** 732-768-7583 or 732-685-4450
In 1688, the Baptist Church in New Jersey was founded on this lot. The Greek Revival edifice, the third on the site, was built in 1832 on a 1720 stone foundation. Its tall, narrow steeple fell in an 1890 storm, and was replaced with the present, shorter steeple in 1891. The visit offers costumed tours of the building and cemetery, as well as viewing of church artifacts and the unusual 1915 sanctuary windows.

On the west, the Women’s Christian Temperance Union Hall, c. 1894, was sold to the church and moved from Conover St. to this site in 1908. The former Victorian-era church parsonage at 59 Kings Highway (now a private residence), stands nearby.

The large cemetery monument to former Pastor, Rev. Abel Morgan (1713 -1785), bears witness to his prominence during the American Revolutionary period. Morgan boldly led his congregation in support of the new American government, in direct opposition to the British “Enemy.” In 1778, the church was taken over by the British following the Battle of Monmouth. Revolutionary War soldiers lie in the cemetery, including patriot Joseph Murray, murdered by Tories in 1780.

Middletown Baptist changed its name to Old First Church following a joint affiliation with the United Church of Christ in 1963. One block to the south via Hartshorne Place is the Middletown September 11 Memorial Gardens. The portraits and quotations on the stones of the 37 deceased help make this among the most moving monuments to that attack.

The farmhouse & barn are outstanding examples of Colonial middle class structures. Built c. 1770, they remain on original foundations. Simple plaster walls and brick fireplaces underestimate the sturdiness and charm of the original 5-room house. Joseph Murray, a stonemason from Ireland, and his mother arrived in 1767. Here he met and married Rebecca Morris whose family had lived in Monmouth County for several generations. They had four children, William, James, Joseph and a daughter. With the onset of the Revolutionary War, Joseph joined the local militia and was openly defiant of British rule. He earned the label of “daring, notorious rebel.”

The property stayed in the possession of the Murray family until 1861. It was farmed and the house was inhabited until it was purchased in 1973 by Middletown Township at the encouragement of the Poricy Park Citizens Committee to save the land from development. The buildings were restored and Middletown Township and the Poricy Park Conservancy maintain the property.

Website: www.poricypark.org
Email: poricypark@poricypark.org
Contact: Elaine Hinckley, President
Poricy Park Conservancy Board
Organization: Poricy Park Conservancy
Special Events: 4th Annual Antique Car Show on May 5, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., rain date May 6
Year-round Programs: All School Education programs, Fossil Hunts and Scout Programs are conducted by the Middletown Township Recreation Department. Murray Farmhouse and Barn education programs must be scheduled by Recreation Dept. www.middletownnj.org/155/Recreation
Regular Hours: Varied- Please call Nature Center or refer to website for monthly updates on programs and events.
ADA accessible: Farmhouse, No; Nature Center, Yes
Public Restroom: Nature Center, Yes
Phone: 732-268-7034

Website: www.oldfirstchurchnj.org
Email: ofc@oldfirstchurchnj.org
Contact: Elaine Lent, Church Historian, cell: 732-216-6345
Regular Hours: Sundays. Engaging worship at 10:30 a.m.
Special Events: See website
ADA accessible: Enter through center recessed doors and turn right for ramp into sanctuary.
Parking: Along church frontage and in adjacent church lot
Phone: 732-671-1905
Taylor-Butler House was built about 1853 by later generations of Marlpit Hall’s Taylor family. The family had been very successful in the China Trade out of New York and when Joseph and Mary Holmes Taylor married in 1849, they decided to move back to Middletown and build a grand house in a restrained Italianate style on the family farm. Here they raised two children: Edward, who became an early local photographer, and Mary Holmes Taylor who would be the last family member to live in the house. After her death in 1930 the house stood empty until architect Henry Ludwig Kramer purchased it for his home and office. He restored the house and added indoor plumbing, replacing the two-story outhouse that had extended over the kitchen wing and courtyard. In 1954, George and Helen Butler purchased the property and were known for their community involvement and hospitality. Monmouth County Historical Association purchased the house and 5 acres from Mr. Butler’s estate in 1999.

Taylor-Butler House, a key property in the Middletown Village Historic District, has been placed on the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places.

Events:
- Daffodils and Daiquiris Open House, Friday May 4, 2018.
- Special programs of Monmouth County Historical Association scheduled periodically (see website for details). In addition, Taylor-Butler House can be rented for public meetings and public or private events.

Organization: Monmouth County Historical Association
Website: www.monmouthhistory.org
Email: pgithens@monmouthhistory.org
Contact: Pati Githens, Outreach Manager
Regular Hours: May through September, Friday, Saturday, Sunday from 1 - 4 p.m on the fourth weekend of the month. Other times by appointment.
ADA accessible: No
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Small lot on site or adjacent Middletown Village School
Phone: 732-462-1466
Come visit the Strauss Mansion during its 125th quasquicentennial anniversary year!

Adolph Strauss, a wealthy Jewish New York importer and merchant, erected this 21-room Queen Anne style summer cottage in 1893, designed by New York architect Solomon Cohen, at the top of the town’s Hill District, an area of fine houses in Victorian-era styles which were built after the area on Sandy Hook Bay was developed for summer recreational and spiritual purposes beginning in 1879.

The Strauss Mansion, entered on the National Register of Historic Places in 2012, is the County’s only Queen Anne style house open to the public. It features the irregular surfaces, towers, gables and dormer characteristic of the style. Owned by the Strauss family only until 1907, the mansion suffered in its later incarnations, eventually housing several apartments, until threatened with demolition in 1980. The Atlantic Highlands Historical Society purchased the house the next year, undertook a massive, on-going restoration program that enabled its opening as a museum in 1986. Today it includes period rooms, a library, and exhibits on the town's history.

The Mansion is open on weekends from Noon - 5:00 p.m. The Society holds its meetings here on the third Wednesday of each month from March to December; hosts an evening “Music at the Mansion” series on the last Thursday of each month; an architectural walking tour twice a month in the summer and fall; and is available for private events.

Website: www.ahhistory.org
Email: ahhistoricalinfo@gmail.com
Contact: Lynn Fylak, President
Organization: Atlantic Highlands Historical Society
Regular Hours: March 17 - December 20, Saturdays and Sundays, Noon - 5 p.m.
ADA accessible: No
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Street
Phone: 732 291-1861 (leave message)
All Saints Memorial Church (Episcopal) origins can be traced to 1861 when weeknight services were held at the Riceville (now Navesink) school house by the Rector of Trinity Church, Red Bank. All Saints’ was constructed in 1863 as a memorial to Jennette E. Stephens Edgar and other family members of the Stephens, Edgar, and Milnor families.

The Church and its major buildings were designed by Richard M. Upjohn, son of Richard Upjohn, a prominent New York architect of more than 35 Episcopal churches including Trinity Church in New York City and St. John’s Church in Boston. Both are recognized for their contributions to the English Gothic Revival in American architecture, All Saints’ complex being a prime example.

The Church building was completed in 1864, the Parish House in 1865, the Rectory and Barn in 1870, and the Carriage sheds circa 1890, all surrounded by an English landscape style cemetery. All Saints’ Memorial Church was placed on the New Jersey State Register of Historic Places in 1973, the National Register in 1974, and designated a National Historic Landmark in 1988.

Weekend in Old Monmouth offers a special opportunity to see the well-preserved interior of the Church, including the beautiful stained glass windows, most of which are original to the building. There are many other original details in the church including the chandeliers which are believed to date to circa 1910 when the church and other parish buildings were electrified.

Visitors may also visit the Parish Hall and walk our picturesque campus.

Docents will be on-site to answer questions on both Saturday and Sunday.

Website: www.allsaintsnavesink.org
Email: office@allsaintsnavesink.org
Facebook: All Saints Memorial Church
Contact: Rev. Debbie Cook, Rector or Mary Baechle, Parish Administrator
Worship, Ministries and Events: Visit www.allsaintsnavesink.org
ADA accessible: No
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Lot on site
Phone: 732-291-0214

The Twin Lights Museum, located at the Twin Lights National Landmark, is mounting four new gallery exhibits in 2018–19. The exhibits highlight the Culture & History of Highlands and Highland Beach; Local Waters (including the first public display of the Hayden Lifesaving Collection); Twin Lights Technology (including Marconi’s wireless experiments); and Lighthouse Life (including the original printing of the Pledge of Allegiance). Also on display are the Granville Perkins painting that was used for the famous print in Picturesque America, and the largest surviving scientific artifact from the 1893 Colombian Exposition in Chicago, an enormous fresnel lens. The lens had previously been located in the South Tower and then spent 30 years at the Boston Museum of Science before its “homecoming” in the late-1970s.

The new exhibits opened this year on April 25th—the 125th anniversary of the first reading of the Pledge of Allegiance as our national oath of loyalty, during an 1893 ceremony at the lighthouse. The event was one of many “firsts” at the Twin Lights. The country’s first Fresnel lens went into service here in the 1840s. In 1899, Guglielmo Marconi made the first commercial wireless broadcast from the lighthouse. And in 1935, the Army unveiled its “Mystery Ray” (aka radar) at the Twin Lights. Also on the site is the very first US Lifesaving Service station, which dates back to the 1840s. The structure was originally located on Sandy Hook.

A special exhibit on local history, mounted by the Historical Society of Highlands, will be open Saturday and Sunday for A Weekend In Old Monmouth. It features displays on Gertrude Ederle, the Highlands Gold Rush of 1948, and artifacts from the excavation of a waterfront tavern that dates back to the early 1800s. The North Tower and Generator Building will also be open, weather permitting.

Website: TwinLightsLighthouse.com
Email: twinlinesthistoricalsociety@gmail.com
Organization/Facebook: Facebook.com/TwinLightsHistoricalSociety
Contact: Joanne Sutton
Regular Hours: Wed. through Sun. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
ADA accessible: Yes
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Lot at top of Lighthouse Rd.
Phone: (732) 872–1814
This artistic, richly decorated edifice, designed by the well-known architect Thomas Hastings, was built in 1886. The interior of Hastings’ church, originally known as the Oceanic Presbyterian Church to reflect the neighborhood’s name, is clad with distinctive scalloped shingles; thirty-four stained glass windows portraying Biblical scenes including four windows by Tiffany Studio of New York.

The exterior has a unique bell tower cupola with a bird house. In 1905, Hastings designed the manse that stands to the west of the corner, while Fellowship Hall, attached to the church, is a modern addition. Hastings also designed the Carriage House at 90 West River Road in the shingle style. First Presbyterian was entered on the National Register of Historic Places in 2009.

Website: www.rumsonpresbyterian.org
Email: ceustace@rumsonpresbyterian.org
Contact: The Rev. John Monroe, Pastor, or Carrie Eustace, Adm. Asst.
Regular Hours: Office, Monday - Friday 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.; Worship: Sunday 9:45 a.m.; Summer 9:15 a.m.
ADA accessible: Yes
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Small lot on site
Phone: 732-842-0429

The Seabright Lawn Tennis & Cricket Club, one of the oldest tennis clubs in the nation, played a long and prominent role in the development of the sport, notably by sponsorship of the famed Seabright Invitational Tournament from 1884 until 1950. In the early decades of the 20th century the Club was a major stop on the American tennis circuit and drew national and international players.

The clubhouse is decorated with 544 photographs of tennis “greats” of the period leading up to World War II. The photo collection was a gift of Bernon Prentice, club president from 1922-1938. Under the direction of club historian, Mary Lou Strong the photographic collection was restored and digitized by Barbara Bridgers of the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

The clubhouse retains an aura of the late 19th century, reflects the importance of tradition and the club’s proud links with the history of the sport of tennis. The club was entered on the National Register of Historic Places in 1991 and designated as a National Historic Landmark in 1992.

Website: www.sltcc.org
Email: betsford@comcast.net
Contact: Betsy Ford (Tour), Mary Christman (Clubhouse Manager)
Regular Hours: None
ADA accessible: No
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Small lot on site
Phone: 732-245-4555
Anthony Reckless built this fine Italianate mansion designed by Chicago architect J.P. Huber and completed in 1874, a time when upper Broad Street was lined with homes of the wealthy on extensive tracts that typically extended west to Maple Avenue. He was a merchant, publisher, utility director and president of the New York and Long Branch Railroad, the key road that helped propel Red Bank’s growth. Reckless, who also served in the New Jersey Senate, died here in 1889.

The building remained a residence until the Red Bank Woman’s Club, which was incorporated in 1917, purchased the property in 1921. For decades the upper floors provided residential rooms for single women. Now the entire premises are given over to the group’s public service activities. They maintain a strong focus on education, which includes literacy programs and awarding scholarships. In recent years, the club has dedicated itself to the preservation of the historic building. Thanks to grants from Monmouth County and the NJ Historic Trust, the exterior restoration was completed in 2012.

While not maintaining regular hours for tours, the building, entered on the National Register of Historic Places, is open to the public for the events cited below.

Website: www.womansclubofredbank.org  
Email: info@WomansClubOfRedBank.org  
Contact: Christina Hardman, Pres., Ellen Davis & Mary Gilligan, Preservation Committee  
Events: Reckless Steamy Nights Concerts, last Friday of the month, 8 p.m.  
ADA accessible: No  
Public Restroom: Yes, in Sickles Park nearby  
Parking: Woman’s Club Lot across Rumson Rd. or Sickles Park across Harrison Ave.

Joseph Parker, who arrived in the environs from Portsmouth, Rhode Island in 1665, founded a family of major significance in Little Silver and the entire surrounding area. Their and the region’s history will be interpreted through the family homestead begun by Joseph’s son Peter by 1721 on a tract owned by the Parkers since their arrival and given to the public for that purpose by the eighth generation and last Parker resident, Julia Gertrude, who died in 1995.

Based on intensive study through a historic structures report completed in 2007, the houses exterior was restored between 1999 and 2009. That study revealed that the building was constructed in stages which began with the present center section which was initially one and one-half stories. A one-story addition to the east (right when facing the building) followed c.1740s which later in that century was expanded to two stories. Lean-tos were added, initially on the east c. early nineteenth century, and then the west, mid-nineteenth century. The house was given its present appearance after the center section was expanded to two stories by Julia’s brother Frank in 1906-7.

The initial interior restoration has not only revealed the dwelling as inhabited, but uncovered once-hidden building elements. As restoration is on-going, first-time visitors will be able to view work in progress. The once extensive Parker holdings are largely developed, but a small section is still farmed by a descendant. The property is owned by the Borough of Little Silver and operated by the cited non-profit organization. The Parker Homestead was entered on the National Register of Historic Places in 2011.

Events: Check website for special events  
Organization: Parker Homestead-1665  
Website: www.parkerhomestead-1665.org  
Email: keithbwells@gmail.com  
Phone: 908-489-2503  
Contact: Keith Wells  
Regular Hours: None  
ADA Accessible: No  
Public Restroom: Yes, in Sickles Park nearby  
Parking: Woman’s Club Lot across Rumson Rd. or Sickles Park across Harrison Ave.
Allen House was initially built circa 1710 as a second residence for the Stillwell family of New York. Richard, a wealthy merchant, and his wife Mercy had eight children who were brought up primarily in Shrewsbury. By 1754, after Richard and Mercy had passed away, their heirs sold the property to Josiah Halstead who transformed the home into the Blue Ball Tavern, “the most noted tavern in Shrewsbury.” Taverns served as community centers in the 18th century as much as places to drink and eat. The Vestry of Christ Church held meetings there as did the Shrewsbury Library Company and the Monmouth County Circuit Court.

Located at Shrewsbury’s Historic Four Corners, the house is currently furnished to reflect its early use as a tavern. Allen House is on the New Jersey and National and Registers of Historic Places.

**Events:** Independence Day Celebration, Wednesday, July 4; Tavernfest (fundraiser), Friday, Oct. 12; Lantern Tours, Friday, Dec. 7. See website for more information.

**Organization:** Monmouth County Historical Association

**Website:** www.monmouthhistory.org

**Email:** pgithens@monmouthhistory.org

**Contact:** Pati Githens, Outreach Manager

**Phone:** 732-462-1466

**Regular Hours:** May through September; Friday, Saturday, Sunday from 1 - 4 p.m on the first weekend of the month. Other times by appointment.

**ADA accessible:** No

**Public Restroom:** Yes

**Parking:** Lot on site, overflow across Sycamore Street at Borough Hall

Friends have met in Shrewsbury since 1685 when a group from Rhode Island and Long Island established the Shrewsbury settlement. Shrewsbury Meeting was New Jersey’s first Friends Meeting and is the state’s oldest rural religious congregation. The first meetinghouse, built in 1672 in today’s Little Silver, was visited then by Quaker founder George Fox.

Two meetinghouses have stood on this property, purchased from John Lippincott in 1689. The earlier one was destroyed by fire; this was built 1816 of wood timber construction with its walls filled by salvaged brick from the predecessor. The meetinghouse is two-cell form which affords women and men equal space for meetings and business. Movable wall panels, which separate the two, were closed for business and opened for worship and other functions. This classic Quaker design was established 1768 at Buckingham Meetinghouse, Bucks County, PA.

In 1940, the Historic American Building Survey studied and sketched the little-changed structure. After extensive fire damage to the east room in 1968, it was remodeled to provide a fellowship hall, kitchen and restrooms. The westroom, which is now used for worship, has remained unchanged since it was built.

**Mailing Address:** PO Box 92, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702

**Contact:** Alan Brenner, alanbbr@me.com

**Sunday Morning:** Friendly Discussion 9:15 a.m.; Worship 10:30 a.m.

**Events:** Pot-luck: 4th Sunday, Noon; Four Corners Lantern Tour: 1st Friday of December

**Website:** www.shrewsburyquakers.org

**Phone:** 732-741-4138

**ADA accessible:** Wheelchair ramp at rear

**Public Restroom:** Yes

**Parking:** Lot in rear or on Sycamore Ave as permitted
Christ Church, the Episcopal Parish in Shrewsbury, organized in 1702, received a charter from the King in 1738 that is on display in the church. The church, in use every Sunday, was built in 1769 to replace the small initial early 1730s structure. Numerous historic items include the 1717 “Vinegar” Bible, a communion service donated by Queen Anne in the early 18th century, an exquisite set of Gothic revival stained glass windows dating to 1867, the historic 1874 Odell tracker organ, a bell cast in France in the 18th century that still toils the hour, and original canopy pews.

The property on which the church is situated was acquired in 1706 and has been used as a graveyard ever since. The earliest gravestone is dated 1719 and nestles against the northwest corner of the church. Touring of the church and its historic graveyard can be arranged upon request.

**Major Events**: History Day traditionally held on the Weekend in Old Monmouth Saturday (May 5). (See a special exhibit of old and rare documents); Memorial Day Sunday (May 27), a reading of all the names of veterans in graveyard; and Sunday preceding Independence Day (July 1) service with actors portraying individuals interred in graveyard.

**Lantern Tour**, an annual first Friday in December event, is a collaborative effort with all Shrewsbury’s Four Corners historic sites. Our costumed actors tell the story of the church and describe the numerous historic objects in the church.

**Website**: www.christchurchshrewsbury.org
**Email**: christchurchshrewsbury@verizon.net
**Phone**: 732-741-2220
**ADA accessible**: Church ramp entrance
**Public Restroom**: Yes
**Parking**: Access parking lot via driveway on Route 35 north just south of Sycamore Ave. or a driveway on Sycamore Ave. east of Route 35

This museum, educational and research center built in 1984 by our membership supported organization, contains vast collections of artifacts and library materials. They reflect Shrewsbury’s early colonial settlement, depict its expansion to a major agricultural center and interpret its evolution to a desirable residential community. The museum anchors the southwest of the “Historic Four Corners.” This National Register historic district also embraces the Sycamore Avenue historic houses that gave this fabled street its 19th century nickname, “Millionaires Row.”

**Collection Highlights**: The library contains over 2,000 titles and holdings of maps, wills and prints; scale models of the Allen House, Christ Church, Presbyterian Church, and the Shrewsbury Post Office; the Hazard and Broadmeadow Collection, which depicts Hazard’s former Sycamore Avenue ketchup factory; Friendship Quilt; period tools and furniture, including spinning wheels, farm chairs and the Chichester Couch; a musket from the Battle of Monmouth; the General Stewart Van Vliet Civil War Collection; period clothing and uniforms; history of our ancestral namesake, Shrewsbury (pronounced Shrowsbury) in Shropshire County, England; George Ford Morris Collection, a noted animal artist; The Shrewsbury Boro School collection includes a bell, desks, yearbooks and photographs; bottle collection and the Genevieve S. Overbaugh Collection of Indian artifacts.

**Website**: None
**Email**: donaldburden@verizon.net
**Contact**: Don Burden, President, 732-747-3635
**Organization**: Shrewsbury Historical Society
**Events**: Autumn Garden Party and lecture
**Regular Hours**: By appointment
**ADA accessible**: Yes
**Public Restroom**: Yes
**Parking**: Lot on Site
**Phone**: 732-530-7974
The Eatontown Historical Museum was purchased by the Borough of Eatontown in 1978. The basic structure of the original one-room house is believed to be mid-18th Century English architecture. Examples of mortise and tenon frame construction using wooden pegs can be seen in the house, as well as mud and straw used for insulation. A parlor and upstairs bedrooms were added in the 19th century and a kitchen was added in the early 20th century. Tour our “Step Back in Time House Museum” and view the dining room, parlor, kitchen, and bedroom furnished with artifacts donated by Eatontown residents.

Farming tools from early Eatontown farms are also on display.

Organization: Eatontown Historical Committee

Events: All special events are scheduled for the 1st Sunday of the month 2 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

June 3: “Our Town” Bus Tour
August 5: Colonial Craft Day
October 18: Adult Halloween Open House - view museum decorations 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
October 19: Haunted Museum Tours 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
November 4: Tribute to Veterans - Honor Garden of Flags 1 - 4 p.m.
December 2: An Old Time Christmas 1 - 4 p.m.

Eatontown historical programs for students and local organizations are available during the year.

Phone: Museum 732-542-4026, Phyllis Trask, Chairperson
Parking: A parking lot behind the museum is shared with St. James Episcopal Church. The entrance is on Throckmorton Ave. Additional parking is located across the street behind the Eatontown Community Center.

ADA accessible: No

Regular Hours: None

Email: EatontownHistoricalMuseum@gmail.com

The Crawford house was the home of four generations of the Crawford family, who ran their family abattoir (slaughterhouse) and butcher shop on the property from 1865 to the mid-1960’s. John H. and Rebecca Crawford established a wholesale butchering business, and raised 8 children in the house. In 1897, John H. retired, leaving his two sons, John C. and Albert B. in charge of the firm of Crawford Brothers, and sold the house to John C. and Ella W. Crawford, his wife. John C. Crawford also ran the general store (now the adjacent Portofino Restaurant), delivering groceries by horse and wagon to the surrounding farms. John C. and Ella’s son Allen E. Crawford took ownership of the house and business in 1924. Allen and his wife Ruth continued the butchering business, and also acted as tax collectors for the town. Ruth Crawford assisted her husband, who was tax collector, for 20 years, and then acted as tax collector herself for another 25 years, retiring in 1973. During most of that time the tax office was in the Crawford home. Ruth’s daughter Ann succeeded her in the position until the mid-1980’s.

The house passed out of the family after Ruth’s death in 1987. It is currently owned by the Borough of Tinton Falls and has been renovated for public use. The house is one of only a few remaining early nineteenth century houses in Monmouth County that has a 1 ½ story, heavy timber Dutch frame. The house utilizes a Dutch framing system that was prevalent in 18th century Monmouth County, yet the timbers are sawn rather than hand-hewn. It is a late surviving example of Dutch building traditions in Monmouth County. The property is also the site of a slave burial ground that dates back to Lewis Morris’s 17th century ironworks.

Events: Seasonal farm stand, Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. to Noon, selling fresh produce from our community garden

Follow us on Facebook for special events (Friends of the Crawford House) and Twitter @CrawfordHouseTF

Organization: Friends of the Crawford House
Email: crawfordhousefriends@gmail.com
Contact: Stacey Slowinski

Regular Hours: None
ADA accessible: Yes
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Available on-site

Crawford House
750 Tinton Avenue
Tinton Falls, NJ 07724

Eatontown Historical Museum - Read House
75 Broad Street
Eatontown, NJ 07724
The Eden Woolley House is an 18th century structure, built on land purchased by John Woolley in 1697. The 1½ story eastern section was built by John’s grandson, Thomas Woolley in 1750. The house was expanded with a 2½ story Greek Revival addition in the 1830s by its namesake, Eden Woolley. Eden, a farmer and businessman, was active in public life as a surveyor of highways and was elected as a member of the first Township Committee after the creation of Ocean Township in 1849. The house remained in the Woolley family until 1926. It was moved from the northeast corner of Route 35 and Deal Road in 2005 to its current location, which was also part of the original 1697 Woolley land.

The Township of Ocean Historical Museum, organized in 1984, originally operated a museum in the former Oakhurst School. In 2005 they undertook the extensive preservation/ restoration project to make the Woolley House into a museum featuring the history of coastal Monmouth County and opened the door in 2009. There are three galleries of exhibits. The Our Town Gallery traces the history of Ocean Township. The Hearth and Home Gallery displays early life in Monmouth County, and the main Richmond Gallery features changing exhibits that explore historical topics of general interest with a local, regional twist. From 2009-11 (every year “Museum” was a category), the Eden Woolley House was voted the best Museum in Monmouth County in the Asbury Park Press Readers poll.

2018 Exhibits: “New Jersey and the Great War: Local Stories of World War I” (through June 14); “Wet as the Atlantic Ocean: New Jersey and Prohibition” (opening June 24); “Farms Galore: Ocean Township’s Rural Past” (through the end of November)

Organization: Township of Ocean Historical Museum  
Website: www.oceanmuseum.org  
Email: oceanmuseum@verizon.net  
Contact: Paul Edelson  
Events: See Museum’s website  
Regular Hours: Tues., Wed., Thurs. 1 - 4 p.m.; Thurs. evenings 7 - 9 p.m.; April through Nov.1st and 2nd Sundays, 1 - 4 p.m.  
ADA accessible: Yes  
Public Restroom: Yes  
Parking: Adjacent lot  
Phone: 732-531-2136

Believed to be the oldest still-standing residence in Asbury Park, “The Stephen Crane House” (Arbutus Cottage) is recognized as the only existing home connected to the American storyteller, poet and journalist Stephen Crane (1871-1900). Best known for his classic novel “The Red Badge of Courage,” young Crane moved here in 1883 with his widowed mother Mary Helen Peck Crane, a member of a prominent Methodist family, a writer-lecturer, women’s rights advocate, a president of the local Women’s Christian Temperance Union. The aspiring author would write his first short story here at the cottage, where he lived full time from age of eleven through graduation from high school. He would return each summer season through 1892, to work as a professional correspondent for his brother’s news service, and would come to set several of his stories in and around the Jersey Shore community.

Built circa 1878 and modified numerous times throughout the years, the cottage was constructed on property purchased from Asbury Park founder James A. Bradley. Mrs. Crane was the fourth owner, which would remain in the family through 1899. The house would go on to be a summer rental, single family home, a professional office, a seasonal inn and boarding house known as “The Florence,” and a derelict property that be rescued in 1995.

Rechristened “The Stephen Crane House” in 1996, the house would, under private ownership, open to the public as a small museum and venue for arts and cultural events. In 2015, the Crane House was entered into the National and New Jersey Registers of Historic Places, and, in 2016, was donated to the Asbury Park Historical Society, who would make it their headquarters. Having continued the process of rehabilitating the historic structure, the Society regularly opens the house for public tours, meetings, lectures, and presentations of a literary or cultural nature.

Organization: Asbury Park Historical Society  
Web site: www.aphistoricalsociety.org  
Contacts: Susan Rosenberg, Secretary  
(susanrosenberg10@gmail.com); Francis Dalessandro, Curator (dalessandrofrancis@gmail.com); Tom Chesek, Writer-in-residence (tchesek@optimum.net)  
Regular hours: Sundays, Noon - 2 p.m. and by appointment  
Parking: Street  
ADA accessible: No  
Public Restroom: Yes  
Phone: 732-361-0189
PURPLE TOUR BEGINS

Keyport Historical Society - 34 Main Street, Keyport NJ
Leaving GSP Exit 117, take Hwy. 36 East to Main St. via right turn at Broad St. and right turn at jug handle onto Main St. Follow Main St. about 1 mile to Historical Society on left. If going west on Hwy. 36, turn right onto Main St.

Keyport Fire Museum - 86 Broad Street, Keyport, NJ
Leaving Historical Society continue on Main St. to W. Front St., turn right one block to right on Broad St. to Fire Museum on right.

Burrowes Mansion Museum - 94 Main Street, Matawan, NJ
Leaving Fire Museum, proceed .5 mile south on Broad St. to Maple Pl., which is also CR 516, turn right. Follow course of CR 516 which includes short segments on West 4th St. (after .5 mile) and Broadway. Turn right on Maple Pl., which turns into Main St.; go to 1.2 mile to 94 Main St, Matawan.

Longstreet Farm (Historic) - 44 Longstreet Road, Holmdel, NJ
Proceed south (right with the Burrowes Mansion to your back) to Rt. 34, turn left, proceed south 3.8 mile to Roberts Rd. Turn left on Roberts Rd.; proceed 0.9 mile to Longstreet Rd., turn left. Farm entrance ahead on left.

Holmes-Hendrickson House - 62 Longstreet & Roberts Roads, Holmdel, NJ
Turn left on leaving the farm. The house is a short distance ahead on the left.

Dr. Robert W. Cooke's Medical Office - 67 McCampbell Road, Holmdel, NJ
Left from lot .4 mile to light at Crawfords Corner-Everett Rd.; turn right follow Crawfords Corner Rd. 1.6 mile to Middletown Rd., follow 1.8 mile to McCampbell Rd. turn left to Village School parking lot, Dr. Cooke’s Medical Office is adjacent to the parking lot.

Joseph Murray Farmhouse at Poricy Park - 345 Oak Hill Road, Middletown, NJ
Right from lot to stop sign at Crawfords Corner-Everett Rd. Turn right, go .2 mile to West Front St., turn left; go 1.1 mile to light at Middletown-Lincroft Rd., turn left; go to 2.1 mile to light at Oak Hill Rd. to Poricy Park, turn right; through parking lot to unpaved driveway downhill to house; park around circle.

Old First Church (Middletown Baptist) - 69 Kings Highway, Middletown, NJ
Turn left out of the driveway back to Oak Hill Rd; turn left and go .8 mile to Oak Hill Rd; turn left and go .8 mile to second light, turn right on Middletown-Lincroft Rd, go 1.5 mile to stop sign; turn right on Kings Highway, go 0.1 mile to church lot on left.

Marlpit Hall & Taylor-Butler House - 137 & 127 Kings Highway, Middletown, NJ
Turn right on Kings Highway, go 0.5 mile to lot of Village School adjacent to Marlpit Hall & Taylor-Butler House.

Seabrook-Wilson House - 719 Port Monmouth Road, Middletown, NJ
Turn right on Kings Hwy. becomes Harmony Rd. after 1 mile; cross Hwy. 35. Go another .8 mile to light at Cherry Tree Farm Rd., turn right; go .7 mile to light at Wilson Ave., turn left on Wilson, go 2 mile to end at Port Monmouth Rd., turn left, lot is on right.

Strauss Mansion Museum - 27 Prospect Circle, Atlantic Highlands, NJ
Return to Wilson Ave., go 1.1 mile to light at Hwy. 36, turn left. Go about 3.6 mile to jug-handle at First Ave. for left turn. Cross Hwy. 36, go .3 mile to E. Mount Ave., turn right. Go .3 mile to top of hill; mansion is on the right.

All Saints Memorial Church - 202 Navesink Avenue, Navesink Section, Middletown NJ
Return to E. Mount Ave., go .3 mile to First Ave., turn left; go .3 mile to Hwy. 36, turn left. Go .6 mile, bear right at Valley Drive (before shopping center); go .6 mile to intersection with Monmouth Ave., stay straight briefly to Navesink Ave. on left. Church lot is on the left.

Twin Lights Museum - Light House Road, Middletown, NJ
Proceed northeast on Navesink Ave. 1.0 mile to Hwy. 36, turn right for 1.0 mile to Miller St., turn right, then next left onto Highland Ave., proceed .3 mile to right onto Light House Rd. to Twin Lights at top of hill. To continue to Blue Tour, return to Highland Ave., turn right .1 mile to Portland Ave, turn left, then bear right onto Hwy. 36 South (Navesink Ave.). Proceed 2.4 mile on Ocean Ave,(Seabright) to right onto Shrewsbury Bridge then proceed on Rumson Ave. approximately .5 mile to Tennis Court Lane on right.

Seabright Lawn Tennis & Cricket Club - 5 Tennis Court Lane, Rumson, NJ
The tour begins in Rumson at the eastern end of County Route 520 reached from GSP Exit 109 by following signs or from the north via Highway 36 South. From the west, Tennis Court Lane is on the left, before Holy Cross School and Ward Avenue.

First Presbyterian Church - 4 East River Road, Rumson, NJ
Right from Club lot to stop sign; turn left on Hartshorne Lane which becomes Ridge Road, go .8 mile to second blinking light at E. River Road; turn right, go .8 mile to North Park Ave. and entry onto E. River Road to church’s lot.

Parker Homestead - 235 Rumson Road, Little Silver, NJ
Right from N. Park Ave. onto E. River Rd., turn left at traffic light onto Bingham Ave. Go 1 mile to Rumson Rd. (CR 520) turn right, go 4 miles to Parker Homestead driveway on right, before Harrison Ave.

Red Bank Woman’s Club - 164 Broad Street, Red Bank
Return to Rumson Rd. from Harrison Ave., turn right and proceed .6 mile to Harding Rd. (Hwy. 34), turn left and proceed .6 mile to Broad St., turn left, Woman’s Club is on right of street with parking lots behind site.

Allen House - 400 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ
Continue south on Broad St. (Hwy.35) 1.6 mile to Shrewsbury’s Historic Four Corners at intersection of Hwy. 35 and Sycamore Avenue. Go to lot of any four (Sites 18 & 21 turn right on Sycamore Ave. from Hwy. 35 – Sites 19 & 20 turn left from Hwy. 35).

Friends Meeting House (Quakers) - 375 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ
Eatontown Historical Museum Read House - 75 Broad Street, Eatontown, NJ
From Crawford House, turn right and continue on Tinton Ave. (RT. 537 E) using two left lanes to turn left and continue on Tinton Ave. approximately 2.4 mi. to Maxwell Ave., turn right and follow around bend where Maxwell Ave. becomes Lewis St., follow to right turn to access Hwy. 71 (Broad St.) and cross Hwy. 35. House museum is on left next to St. James Church.

Shrewsbury Historical Museum Municipal Complex - 419 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ
Crawford House - 750 Tinton Avenue, Tinton Falls, NJ
From Shrewsbury Historic Four Corners, proceed southwest on Sycamore Ave. approximately 2.5 mile to Tinton Ave., turn right onto Tinton Ave. (RT. 537 W) and proceed .4 mile to Luther Memorial Church, turn left into parking lot for U-turn to return to Crawford House, which will be approximately .3 mile on right.

TWIN TOUR ENDS

Hunt Art Museum - 703 Deal Road, Ocean, NJ
Go east on Hwy. 71 (Broad St.), bear right at 1 mile onto Monmouth Rd. to stay on Hwy. 71; cross Hwy.36 at 1.8 mile; bear right at 2.8 miles to continue on Monmouth Rd. at intersection with Cedar Ave., at 3 miles, turn right onto Deal Rd., go 1.1 mile to Museum entrance on right. To continue to Green Tour, exist parking lot turning right on Deal Rd., then take first left turn, Logan Rd. and follow approximately 1.0 mile to Grassmere Rd., turn left and proceed 1.2 mile to traffic circle, continue on Main St south (Hwy.71) .5 mile to Fourth Ave, turn left and proceed 2 blocks , Crane House is just past Emory St. on right

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Organized by the Monmouth County Historical Commission, Department of Public Information and Division of Planning.
**GREEN TOUR BEGINS**

Stephen Crane House - 508 Fourth Avenue, Asbury Park, NJ
The Green Tour begins in Asbury Park, which is accessible from Hwy. 35 via Asbury Ave., proceed 1.3 mile to Main St. (Hwy. 71) turn left and follow to Fourth Ave., turn right and proceed 2 blocks, Crane House is just past Emory St. on right.

Great Auditorium - 21 Pilgrim Pathway, Neptune, NJ
From Crane House, return to Main St. (Hwy 71), turn left and proceed .8 mile to Ocean Grove entrance on left .proceed .4 mile on Main Ave. to Central Ave., turn left for .3 mile to Surf Ave., then left onto Pilgrim Pathway to find street parking. The Great Auditorium is plainly visible from most streets.

Ocean Grove Historical Museum - 50 Pitman avenue, Neptune, NJ
The Ocean Grove Museum is one block to the south of the Auditorium on Pitman Ave. Centennial Cottage is a half-block to the east and one block to the north of the Museum.

Spring Lake Historical Society Museum - 423 Warren Avenue, Spring Lake, NJ
Return to Main St. (Hwy.71) and turn left, proceed south .2 mile and bear right onto Corlies Ave. (Hwy.33) briefly, then left onto Memorial Dr.,follow 1.2 mile to merge with Hwy. 35 South, follow 2.5 mile to Warren Ave., turn left onto Warren Ave., 3 blocks to 5th Ave. intersection, turn right to parking lot on left behind Municipal Building. Museum is inside Municipal Building.

Saint Catharine Church - 214 Essex Avenue, Spring Lake, NJ
Existing Spring Lake Municipal Building parking lot, turn left onto 5th Ave., follow 3 blocks to Essex Ave., turn left and follow 2 blocks to Church. Parking is permitted along Essex Ave. and W. Lake Ave.

National Guard Militia Museum - Sea Girt Avenue & Camp Drive, Sea Girt, NJ
Return to Hwy. 71 South, turn left, proceed 1.4 mile to left onto Sea Girt Ave. into Sea Girt. Cross railroad bear right after tracks to gate of the National Guard Camp (Driver show photo ID to gatekeeper).

InfoAge Science Center - 2201 Marconi Road, Wall, NJ
Leave National Guard Camp and return to Hwy.71 North,(7th Ave.) proceed 3 miles to 16th Ave. in Belmar turn left, after crossing Hwy 35, road becomes Belmar Blvd. (CR18), proceed .3 mile to intersection with Marconi Rd. take right following winding road about 1 mile to parking lot.

Old Wall Historical Society - 1701 New Bedford Road, Wall, NJ
Return to Belmar Blvd. (CR18) by Marconi Rd. , turn right and follow .8 mile to New Bedford Rd. intersection, turn left, Old Wall is a short distance on the right.

Allaire Historic Village - 4263 Atlantic Avenue, Farmingdale, NJ
Leave Old Wall going south on New Bedford Rd., turning right (at jug-handle) for Rt.138 West (which turns into I-195). Proceed 2.4 miles to Exit 35A merging on Rt.33 South. Follow .4 mile, making slight right onto West 18th Ave. (CR30). Follow 1.3 mile to CR 524 (Atlantic Avenue), turn right. Follow about .6 mile to Park entrance on left.

Ardena School Museum - Old Tavern & Preventorium Roads, Howell, NJ
Leaving Allaire Park entrance, turn left onto CR524 (Atlantic Ave.) and follow 1.2 mile to Lakewood Farmingdale Rd. turn left and proceed over I-195 bearing left to stay on Lakewood Farmingdale Rd ., 6 mile to Old Tavern Rd., turn right and follow 1.8 mile to intersection with Preventorium Road., School Museum is on northwest corner. To continue to Orange , either return to I-195 West to Exit 8, Allentown, turn left and proceed into Allentown via Main St. and follow directions below to Wainford, or alternatively, continue on Old Tavern Rd. 1 mile to Aldrich Rd., bearing left at Windler Rd., proceed 4 mile to where Aldrich Rd. becomes Bennets Mills Rd., continue 4.2 mile to intersection with W. Veterans Hwy.(CR528), turn right and proceed approximately 6 mile to Hawkins Rd., where W. Veterans Hwy., becomes Lakewood Rd., continue 1.3 mile and cross CR539 and proceed 2.7 mile to New Egypt, cross N. Main St. onto Fort. St., then right onto Evergreen Rd. approximately 1 mile, cross CR537 onto Holmes Mill Rd., follow 3.5 mile to Wainford Rd., on left. Proceed down gravel road to Wainford parking lot on right.

**GREEN TOUR ENDS**

**ORANGE TOUR BEGINS**

Walnford (Historic) - 62 Walnford Road, Upper Freehold, NJ
If entering Monmouth County from the west on the NJ Turnpike, Exit 7A for I-195 East to Exit 8 to proceed south (right) on Main St. to Allentown. After crossing bridge at mill, turn left on CR539 (High St). At Cream Ridge Winery, turn right on Holmes Mill Rd., then right onto Wainford Rd., which leads to park entrance. If approaching west on other highways, follow signs to Allentown, see CR539 off Main St., follow as above. If approaching from the east on I-195, after exiting at Exit 11, turn left on CR43, cross highway, proceed about 0.7 mile to stop sign. Turn right on CR526, proceed to first light, Sharon Station Rd. turn left, proceed about 2 miles. Turn right on CR539 North, proceed a short distance, turn left on Holmes Mill Rd. Take first right on Wainford Rd. Follow to park.

Roosevelt Borough (Jersey Homesteads) Historic District - 2 A School Lane, Roosevelt, NJ
Leaving Wainford parking lot, turn left on Wainford Rd. to right onto Holmes Mill Rd., follow 1 mile to left onto Burlington Path Rd. (CR27). Continue 4 miles to left turn onto Red Valley Rd., cross CR526 (carefully) and continue 2.5 miles on Yellow Meeting House Rd., past Meeting House to left onto Red Valley Rd. extension, follow 1 mile, turn left and merge onto CR524/Stagecoach Rd., follow .6 mile around bend to quick right onto Rising Sun Tavern Rd. (CR571); go 2.3 miles, turn right on S. Rochdale Ave., go .5 mile, take 1st left to Pine Dr., then first left on School Lane to school parking lot.

Baird House - 24 Baird Road, Millstone Twp., NJ
Return to Rochdale Ave., turn left to Perrinerville Rd. approximately 1 mile, turn right and proceed 4.5 miles on Perrinville/Baird Rd. to Baird House driveway on left.

Village Inn - 2 Water Street, Englishtown, NJ
Leaving Baird House, turn left onto Baird Rd. to Smithburg Rd. (CR527A), turn left and proceed across Rt.33 to Iron Ore Rd. Turn right at the stop sign to stay on Iron Ore Rd./ CR 527A. Continue on Iron Ore Rd/CR 527A until you reach downtown Englishtown. Village Inn at intersection with Water St.

Old Tennent Church - 450 Tennent Road, Manalapan, NJ
If on Water St., turn right on Main, take left at light to CR522 (Freehold-Tennent Rd.); go 1.8 miles to light, turn left on CR3 (Tennent Rd.). Church is ahead on right.

Craig House - Monmouth Battlefield, - Route 9 at Schibanoff Lane, Freehold Township, NJ
Turn right from Church, proceed to light, turn right onto Craig Road 1.8 mile to Rt. 9 South, turn right .8 mile to Schibanoff Lane exit, turn right. Craig House is at end of road.

Oakley Farm - 189B Oakley Drive, Freehold, NJ
Before visiting Oakley Farm, you have the option to stop at the Battle of Monmouth’s Visitor Center. For Oakley Farm and the Visitor Center, return to Rt. 9 South for approximately 1 mile. Turn right to NJ-33 Business West. Continue for 1.5 mile until the entrance of the State Park. Turn right for the Visitor Center. If you would like to skip the Visitor Center and go directly to Oakley Farm, when you are on NJ-33 Businesses West, turn left at Wemrock Rd.; go .6 mile to Oakley Rd., turn left. Farm is on the corner.

Jewish Heritage Museum - 310 Mounts Corner Drive, Freehold, NJ
Turn left at light to continue south on Wemrock Road, Museum driveway is .4 mile on right in the shopping center, behind Top Tomato Flower Shop.

Covenhoven House - 150 West Main Street, Freehold, NJ
Continue south on Wemrock Rd., turn left at light to CR537 (becomes W. Main). Covenhoven is 1.1 mile on right just beyond Rt. 9 exit; or proceed to church lot 2 blocks to the east at light.

Montmorenci Historical Assoc. - 70 Court St., Freehold, NJ
From Covenhoven House, turn right and continue (.8 mile) on W. Main St. to left onto Throckmorton St. (.8 mile) to right onto Haley St., follow to right onto Court St. Museum in on right side of street, where parking is allowed.

Montrose School House - 13 Cedar Drive, Colts Neck, NJ
From M.C.H.A. Museum, continue on Court St. to sharp left on Monument St. to right on Schanck St., then right on Morris St., bear left at point to Spring St. light. Turn left, but stay right onto CR 537 East. Continue 3.5 miles to Montrose Rd. on left; continue to Cedar Dr. at end of road. Parking is available on Holland Lane, on left of Montrose Rd. before Cedar Drive.

**ORANGE TOUR ENDS**
Founded in 1869, Ocean Grove is a unique, historic and vibrant shore community that is noted for its pristine beaches, abundant Victorian architecture and old-fashioned charm that has drawn visitors for generations. Its strong Christian roots date back to the late 19th Century’s “camp meeting” movement, when a group of Methodist ministers, led by William B. Osborn and Ellwood Stokes, formed the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association to develop and operate a summer camp meeting at the Jersey shore.

Today, the Camp Meeting Association continues to provide opportunities for spiritual birth, growth and renewal through worship, educational, cultural and recreational programs for all ages in a seaside setting.

At the heart of the community is the Great Auditorium, an historic wooden tabernacle that seats upwards of 6,000 people. Constructed in 1894, the Great Auditorium’s acoustics, resulting from its barrel-vaulted wooden ceiling, have been widely acclaimed. Six US Presidents, renowned ministers, international opera stars, distinguished organists, and world-class classical musicians and pop stars have appeared there. Today, the Great Auditorium hosts a robust schedule of religious, choral, classical and pop programs suited to families at affordable prices. The Camp Meeting also offers numerous programs for children, youth and families throughout the summer and many events are free!

Surrounding the Auditorium are 114 tents, which are occupied from May to September, as has been the case since 1869. Colorfully decorated, each tent is connected to a shed containing a kitchen and bathroom. They are in such demand that there is a waiting list of some ten years for summer rentals.

Website: www.oceangrove.org
Email: information@oceangrove.org
Contact: Michael Badger, President OGCMA
Organization: Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association
Events: See website. Many spiritual and music events
ADA accessible: Yes
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Park on street. Take access road of choice east to Central Ave, turn north (left) to Surf Ave, turn west (left) to Pilgrim Pathway, turn south (left) to the Auditorium
Phone: 732-775-0035

The mission of the Museum of the Historical Society of Ocean Grove is to preserve and record the history of Ocean Grove along with other camp meetings and aspects of the Victorian Era. The Museum, purchased in 1997, is nearly adjacent to the Camp Meeting Association office. The focal point of the museum is the 10-foot high, 13.5-foot wide Eastlake bookcase. Collections include the rare Denzel horse “Silver Star” from Ocean Grove’s North End carousel, a large 1908 image of the Children’s Carnival on Ocean Pathway, interior views of the Great Auditorium, various historic maps of Ocean Grove and Asbury Park, Ellwood Stokes’ chair, a 1890s pump organ, and early Ocean Grove souvenirs including glassware. Our newest exhibit is entitled, “Ladies, Land, Liquor and the Lord” features five interactive iPad kiosks.

Centennial Cottage - McClintock Street and Central Avenue

Centennial Cottage serves as the Historical Society of Ocean Grove’s living history museum. Visitors to the Cottage gain an understanding of life in a 19th Century Camp Meeting and seaside resort community. Centennial Cottage was erected in 1884 at 47 Cookman Avenue by Elizabeth Fell. The last owners of the Cottage, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Skold, donated the Cottage to the Camp Meeting Association in honor of the 100th anniversary of the founding of Ocean Grove in 1969. The Cottage was moved to its present location on the corner of McClintock Street and Central Avenue. The Cottage is constructed in the Swiss Chalet style. The Chalet style was popular in the latter half of the nineteenth century and Ocean Grove boasts many fine examples of this type of architecture.

Organization: Historical Society of Ocean Grove
Website: www.oceangrovehistory.org
Email: info@oceangrovehistory.org
Contact: Deadra Hubbard
Events: 50th Annual House Tour - Aug 3
Historical Walking Tours - Mon, Wed, Fri 12:30 p.m.; Sat 10:30 a.m.; Women’s History Walking Tours - May 19, June 21, July 26, August 23, September 22; Architectural Walking Tours - July 3, July 31, August 28, 10:30
Regular Hours: Museum: April 27 - June 16, Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; June 18 - September 29, Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Monday 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.; October 5 – December 15, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.; Cottage: June 18 - September 3, Monday - Saturday 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Parking: Street
ADA accessible: Museum, Yes first floor only; Cottage, No
Public Restroom: No at Museum & Cottage, but municipal facility located nearby
St. Catharine Church is the finest high-style example of Classical Revival architecture in Monmouth County. It was built of limestone and buff Pompeian brick in 1901 by the wealthy philanthropist Martin Maloney (1847-1929) to honor the memory of his daughter Catharine who died of tuberculosis at age 17. Horace Trumbauer’s (1868-1938) design was inspired by Roman renaissance and baroque sources. The cornerstone was laid March 17, 1901 and the church was consecrated on May 25, 1902. Roman artist Professor Gonippo Raggi (1875-1959) decorated the interior with over 27 paintings, both canvasses and frescos which included replicas of the masters and original work. This two-phased work was completed in 1928.

St. Catharine’s two-phased restoration project 1994-2006, restored its 1928 appearance and addressed contemporary needs. EverGreene Studios of New York, guided by photographs at the Spring Lake Historical Society, completed the artwork element.

While primarily a house of worship, the approximately 4,000 family community of St. Catharine/St. Margaret Parish is grateful for the Maloney gift and their success in raising the funds to restore the beautiful church. Recognizing the museum stature of this edifice, the parish is pleased to share it with visitors. Please take and feel free to retain the detailed guide available in the church to aid your visit.

Please respect any Church events that may be in progress during a weekend visit. Visitors are invited to worship at the scheduled Masses on Saturday evening at 5 p.m. & Sunday morning at 7 a.m., 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and in the downstairs Chapel at Noon (when the upstairs can be visited). There is also scheduled a free Concert on Sunday at 2 p.m., which all are invited to attend.

Website: www.stcatharine-stmargaret.com
Email: stcatharine@optonline.net
Contact/Phone: Barbara Harrigan 732-974-1423
ADA accessible: Ramps at front doors
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Street
The National Guard Militia Museum of New Jersey (NGMMNJ) in Sea Girt is dedicated to preserving and explaining the military history of New Jersey. For more than 30 years the museum has collected, preserved and displayed artifacts, art and memorabilia with specific historical relevance to the Army and Air National Guard and Naval Militia of New Jersey. The museum presents the role of the New Jersey Militia and National Guard within the context of the larger history of the state, using original and reproduction uniforms, weapons, photographs, artifacts and art from the period of Dutch, Swedish and British colonization through the War for Independence, Civil War and World Wars I and II to the present day, paying particular attention to the diversity and experiences of New Jersey citizen soldiers and his or her experience. This year’s special exhibit, “Front Line of the Home Front,” which focuses on New Jersey’s experience in World War I, in conjunction with the 100th anniversary of the conflict. The exhibit covers activity on both the home front and overseas.

The NGMMNJ is located in the National Guard Training Center (NGTC) in Sea Girt at Sea Girt Avenue and Camp Drive. Adults need to show a driver’s license or other identification to the NGTC gate guard. Admission is free. The Museum is also the location of the Veterans Oral History Project, conducting interviews with Veterans from WW II to the present in conjunction with the Library of Congress. For more information, contact Assistant Curator Carol Fowler.

GPS Coordinates: 'N 40.07.337' W 074.02.344
Website: www.nj.gov/military/museum/index.html
Email: jgbilby44@aol.com; carol.r.fowler@us.army.mail
Contact: Capt. Amelia Thatcher, Curator; Joseph G. Bilby, Assistant Curator; Carol Fowler, Assistant Curator
Events: See website
Regular Hours: Daily, year-round, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
ADA accessible: Entrance at grade
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: On-site
Phone: 732-974-5966

Camp Evans was the site of the Marconi Belmar High-powered Wireless Station built in 1913-14 and later the WW II radar laboratory. The 37-acre National Landmark is now a “mall” of museums. The site was designed by landscape architects over 100 years ago. The beautiful site is a pleasure to visit. Visitors are amazed with the world changing events that occurred at the site.

Our museums include:
The New Jersey Shipwreck Museum
The Radio and Television Technology Museum
The New Jersey Military Technology Museum
The Vintage Computer Museum
The Electronic Warfare Museum
The Garden State Central Model Railroad Museum
The Veteran Wireless Operators Association Memorial
The InfoAge Space Exploration Center
Computer Technologies and IXR Maker Space
WWI Centennial Exhibit
WWII Diorama Museum

The site also has a restored 1958 five-story tall and 60-foot across giant satellite tracking antenna. The museum in the attached building features exhibits on the beginning of communications in space, hurricane tracking by satellite and the NASA Apollo Flight Guidance Computer. The giant antenna is used by professors and students from Princeton University to study the faint emanations from pulsars deep in the Milky Way.

Website: www.infoage.org
Email: fred-carl@infoage.org
Contact: Fred Carl, Director
Events: See website
Regular Hours: Saturday and Sunday 1 - 5 p.m.
ADA accessible: All museums
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Lot on premises
Phone: 732-280-3000
The Historic Village at Allaire
4263 Atlantic Ave.
Farmingdale, NJ 07727

Voted “Best of the Best” Historic Site in the Asbury Park Press, this early 19th century factory town will transport you and your family back into history. Meet villagers and learn about their lives in post-colonial New Jersey during our nation’s first industrial revolution. Visit the tradesmen in their craft shops and learn about what it was like to live in the 1830s by visiting the site’s historic homes. Take a step into the largest general store in New Jersey in 1836 or simply browse our period wares for sale. Visit the Bakery and enjoy a cool drink and fresh cookies. Debate pressing matters with youth on the streets or listen to villagers discuss pressing matters at home. Visit the Allaire home and assist their housekeepers as they keep house and home – while presenting a grand tour of the famous dwelling. Our newly opened Enameling Building hosts various exhibits, dioramas, and a Museum Gift Shop. At every turn a surprise awaits you at Allaire Village, as history becomes alive again before your eyes.

Return June 2nd and 3rd for our Civil War Encampment, Skirmish, and Evening Lantern Tour!

Website: www.allairevillage.org
Email: info@allairevillage.org
Contact: Bonnie Brown or Daryl O’Connell
Events: See Village’s brochure and website
Regular Hours: See Village’s brochure and website
ADA accessible: Varies
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Lot on premises

Old Wall Historical Society
1701 New Bedford Road
Wall, NJ 07719

The Allgor/Barkalow Homestead is a 10 room farmhouse C. 1800. It was the home of James Layton Allgor and Ellen Smith Allgor and their family. Mr. Allgor was postmaster, wreck master and Township committeeeman of Wall. He ran the New Bedford General Store from one of the front rooms (1830-1844). It has been restored to the 1830’s era with furniture and displays pertaining to Wall. An interesting vintage clothing (1860-1920) collection is a favorite. There are four outbuildings; a summer kitchen, a 3-seater outhouse, a smokehouse, and a pole barn. The homestead also houses the Genealogy Research Library.

The Blansingburg Schoolhouse Museum is a one room schoolhouse built in 1855. It was in use from 1856-1935. Moving it to this site in 1999 was quite a project. The tin walls, ceiling, wainscoting and black-board were still intact. It was restored and furnished with old desks (some original), books and memorabilia. It is used twice a week for teaching Wall’s 2nd grade students. Girls in their pinafores and boys in suspenders are taken back to the 1800’s to do math on chalkboards and read from McGuffey’s readers.

The Morris-Allgor-Kittell Wheelwright Shop across the road from the Museums was built 1840 and is one of the few remaining brick commercial buildings in Monmouth County. Restoration of this site continues with support from the Monmouth County Historical Commission. The first floor only will be available for viewing during the Tour.

Website: www.oldwallhistoricalsociety.org
Email: dehearn5@gmail.com
Events: Flea Market, Saturday June 23, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Artisan Faire, Saturday August 25, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Christmas Open House, 1st Sunday in December at our Museums
Contact: De Hearn, Museum Director 732-681-3806
Regular Hours: Open Sunday’s, 1 - 4 p.m.
ADA accessible: No
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Lot on premises
Located in Upper Freehold Township, Historic Walnford is the former mill village owned by 5 generations of the Waln family. Now the centerpiece of Crosswicks Creek Park, the 36 acre site is listed on the National and State Register of Historic Places. Walnford shares the region’s changing economy over three centuries through exhibits, hands-on activities, free programs, staff interpretation and reserved guided tours.

The village began in 1734 with the gristmill. In 1772 Richard Waln, a prosperous Philadelphia Quaker merchant and trader, purchased the property that then included the gristmill, sawmill, fulling mill, blacksmith and cooper’s shops, farm, a two-family home and other structures. Naming it Walnford, he moved in with his wife and children in June 1774. The property remained in the family until its sale to Edward and Joanne Mullen in 1973. The Mullen family resided at Walnford for several years before donating Walnford to the Monmouth County Park System in 1985.

The historic buildings open to the public include the Carriage House with 19th century vehicles in place; several outbuildings including an ice house and smoke house; the Waln House, the largest pre-Revolutionary home remaining in Monmouth County and Waln’s Mill, constructed after an 1872 fire. The grist mill represented the peak of 19th century stone grinding mill design. Restored in 1998, the mill shows a vital 19th century farming industry in operation, demonstrating corn grinding into meal on weekend afternoons from April through November.

Website: www.monmouthcountyparks.com
Email: sarah.bent@co.monmouth.nj.us
Contact: Sarah Bent, Historic Walnford Supervisor
Organization: Monmouth County Park System
Events: Walnford Day, May 20, 2018: 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. (Quarterly event and program information is available on website or by calling park. Like us on Facebook for event info, programs and fun historical connections.)
Regular Hours: 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Daily
ADA accessible: Sections, including orientation exhibit and restrooms. Ramps provide access to first floor of Waln House and lowest level of Grist Mill.
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Lot on site
Phone: 609-259-6275

The Ardena School Museum is a survivor from and a reminder of the era when the sprawling rural township of Howell had 11 one-room schools. Its standing in the Squankum area followed the post educational travels of the building.

An earlier, smaller Ardena School built on the north side of the present County Route 524 east of Vanderveer Road was replaced in 1855 by this building, which served for instructional purposes until the large, fine Colonial Revival contemporary Ardena School was opened in 1939. When no longer needed as a school, this building was sold and moved to an East Freehold location where it was adaptively used as a woodworker-cabinetmaker’s shop. The Howell Historical Society purchased the building in 1973 and moved it back to Howell, placing it at a location opposite the municipal hall.

The Society has refitted the former school with furnishings and old educational materials that suggest the challenges of learning under the primitive conditions of the one-room school era, such as heat from a stove, an outhouse for a rest room and, prior to electric service, illumination from natural light, oil lamps or candles. A variety of historical displays, including photographs and memorabilia, depict much more of this spread-out school system in Monmouth’s largest municipal territory, a township that still contains reminders of its agrarian past. In brief, nineteenth century education is replicated.

Website: None
Email: SarahAnnB@aol.com
Contact: Ida Donahy Devlin
Organization: Howell Historical Society
Events: Look for Flyers
Regular Hours: By appointment only-call Don Smith at number below
ADA accessible: No
Public Restroom: No
Parking: Lot on Premises
Phone: 732-462-8610
Roosevelt was founded as a New Deal resettlement community, one of over 100 nationwide. It was organized during the Great Depression as a cooperative community for Jewish garment workers, most of whom came from New York. Construction, which began in 1934, was followed in 1936 by the arrival of the first residents. The 1.93 acre community, known as Jersey Homesteads, formed within Millstone Township as a separate incorporated borough the next year; its name was changed in 1945 to honor recently deceased president, Franklin D. Roosevelt, whose programs established the town.

The town was designed by architects Alfred Kastner and Louis Kahn in a style similar to the Bauhaus in Germany, giving the housing a uniform appearance. Its plan incorporated interior and exterior greenbelts along “garden city” principles developed in England by Ebenezer Howard. These factors were crucial in the State and National Register historic designation of the entire town. The population was known from its beginnings for strong community activism and a passion for the arts. Many artists have resided here, most notably Ben Shahn who painted the mural inside the elementary school. His son Jonathan sculpted the head of the president dedicated in 1962 and located in the adjoining park. The address is that of the school.

**Events:** Ben Shahn lecture at 2 p.m. each day at the elementary school  
**Website:** www.web2sons.org (unofficial)  
**Email:** mticktin@aol.com  
**Contact:** Michael L. Ticktin, Borough Historian  
**ADA accessible:** No  
**Public Restroom:** Yes, in Elementary School  
**Parking:** Lot on site  
**Phone:** 609-947-0491

The Thomas Baird Homestead reflects Millstone Township’s agrarian lifestyle in the 1800s. The Baird Home is an excellent example of a Greek Revival farmhouse, built circa 1830 by Thomas Baird who lived there for the rest of his life. The house has a 5 bay center hall plan with four interior chimneys that retains the original Greek Revival style front door with pilasters, four-light transom and sidelights and a hearth in the kitchen with a beehive bake oven.

The Bairds were early settlers in the township, Thomas’ father, Captain David Baird owned about 500 acres. In addition to grain crops, the Bairds were among the first to plant extensive orchards, expanding into a nursery with fruit trees and ornamental trees on a large scale, shipped by train to Maryland & Delaware. Thomas Baird was one of the original founders and first vice-president of the Monmouth County Agricultural Society in 1853, along with Governor Joel Parker.

The Clarksburg Allen Stable Barn and Wagon House were saved from demolition by the “Friends” in 2010, and then raised once again on the Baird site. The barns are timber framed with mortise and tenon joints. The wagon house is now a blacksmith shop and the stable barn is our museum.

**Special Activities during Weekend in Old Monmouth:**  
Saturday & Sunday, House Tour  
Sunday, Live Sheep - Shearing Noon - 3:00 p.m. (weather permitting)  
NEW Museum exhibits in barn  
**Events:** Harvest Fest in October, check website for more postings.  
**Organization:** Friends of Millstone Township Historic Registered Properties  
**Website:** www.mtfriendsofhistory.org  
**Email:** mtfriendsofhistory@gmail.com  
**Contact:** Pat Butch  
**Regular Hours:** Monthly open house schedule posted on website  
**ADA accessible:** Yes, barns and classroom; No, House  
**Public Restroom:** Yes  
**Parking:** On-site  
**Phone:** 609-915-3444
The oldest part of the Village Inn may date c. 1726 when it was first occupied as a tailor shop. The name and the building's historic stature stems from its longer and better known role as a tavern, an occupancy dating from 1762 during the colonial era when taverns were social centers and legally mandated for the accommodation of travelers. The building had been known as the Davis Inn for Moses Davis, tavern keeper in the time of the Battle of Monmouth and a member of the local militia. While historians have long-believed that Gen. George Washington used the inn during the Battle of Monmouth and for his court-martial of General Charles Lee, other historians question this and believe more research is needed to establish that the events took place here and not in the other inn then in town. The c.1815 two-story expansion gave the building its present appearance. The Inn was maintained as a tavern until 1978. Entered on the National Register of Historic Places in 1972, the Village Inn was threatened with destruction prior to its purchase by the Battleground Historic Society in 1978. The Society, assisted by Borough of Englishtow and Community Development Funds, restored the Inn for interpretation as a colonial tavern.

Exhibit: Local history from pre-revolutionary to post-revolutionary times
Website: www.thevillageinn.org
Email: hkernast@yahoo.com
Contact: Hans Kernast
Organization: Battleground Historical Society
Events: Monthly meetings 4th Friday, 7:30 p.m. (except summer) For special events see website.
Regular Hours: Every third Sunday 1 - 3:00 p.m. by appointment; Boy Scout tours and town festivals
ADA accessible: First floor only
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Municipal lots across Main Street or Borough Hall
Phone: 908-907-3523

In 2017, Old Tennent Presbyterian Church celebrated the 325th anniversary of the 1692 log church built by a small group of Scottish Presbyterians at Free Hill in present Marlboro. The church relocated here to White Hill in 1731 and built a small church on land granted by King George II to Walter Ker, our first Elder, who subsequently sold a 1 acre parcel to the church for the grand total of 1 shilling. William Tennent, Jr., who began his 44-year pastorate in 1733 succeeding his brother John, grew the church membership larger than ever expected in such a short time. They decided to expand the sanctuary by redesigning the structure and adding a gallery (balcony) to double the seating capacity. That remodeled building was completed in 1751, a substantial house of worship that has been host to many famous visiting clergy including George Whitfield, Jonathan Edwards, David Brainerd and Jacobus Frelinghuysen. Note the raised pulpit and box pews. The building may have been damaged by shell fragments and musket balls during the Battle of Monmouth when used as a field hospital for the wounded. Some of the dead from both sides are buried in the church cemetery, which contains a number of notables in Monmouth history and a variety of tombstones and monuments. (While not a part of the tour, the National Register Old Scots Burying Ground on Gordon's Corner Road, Marlboro, near the site of the church’s founding, merits a visit.) Old Tennent adopted its present name in 1920 after being alternately known as Old Scots Church, the Presbyterian Church of Monmouth County, the Presbyterian Church of Freehold and the First Presbyterian Church of the County of Monmouth.

Website: www.oldtennent.org
Email: ot.church@verizon.net
Contact: Rev. Doug Hughes
The office located in Old Scots Hall is open 9 a.m. - Noon, Monday - Friday
Worship: September - June: Church, 11 a.m. July - August: Old Scots Hall, 9:30 a.m.
ADA Accessible: No.
Public Restroom: No
Parking: Lots south and west of hill; cemetery, sides of roads; not on roadway to church.
Phone: 732-446-6299
The Battle of Monmouth, fought June 28, 1778, was one of the largest, longest, and most significant battles of the American Revolution. The conflict, which began when Continental forces attacked part of a massive British army evacuating Philadelphia for New York via a march across New Jersey, involved over the course of a hot day numerous clashes among parts of the respective armies. While at the end of the day, the fight on the field was essentially a draw, the battle was a major political victory and morale booster because General Washington and his improved forces were able to hold their own against the British. The battle marked the end of the Revolutionary War's formal fighting in the north. Much of the battlefield is protected by the nearly 3,000 acre State Park, which through on-going preservation efforts is shaping the landscape to restore the old environment. There are two sites to visit in the Battlefield Park, interpreted by Park staff and Friends of Monmouth Battlefield.

Monmouth Battlefield:
The Visitor Center, located at 20 State Route 33, west of Rt. 9, features exhibits, a 10-minute movie and a Gift Shop. There will be a walking tour of the Battlefield at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday only (meet at Visitor Center).

The Historic 1740 Craig House will be open on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., located about 3 miles from the Visitor Center, off Rt. 9 North at Schibanoff Lane.

Websites: www.monmouthbattlefield.nj.gov (Park)  
www.friendsofmonmouth.org (Friends)  
Contact: Michael Timpanaro, Park Historian  
Organization: Friends of Monmouth Battlefield  
Email: (Friends) dmartin@peddie.org  
Events: See websites  
Regular Hours: Visitor Center is open daily 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Gift shop is open Sundays 1 - 4 p.m. Craig House is open Sundays 1 - 4 p.m. (April through November)  
ADA accessible: Visitor Center-Yes; Craig House-No  
Public Restroom: Visitor Center-Yes; Craig House-No  
Parking: Lots at Visitor Center; park in field at Craig House  
Phone: 732-462-9616 (Park)

The Walker Combs Hartshorne Farmstead, known as the Oakley Farm for its last owners, reflects three centuries of the township's agrarian roots. The site of the regularly-expanded house amidst outbuildings suggests a working farm. The earliest owner was Richard Clark, who purchased the 200 acre property in 1706 for £ 200 sterling and built an 8 by 10 ft. cabin.

The first name- sake owner, George Walker, bought 100 acres in 1720 and the remaining property in 1729. In 1801, his descendants sold to Elijah Combs who farmed 240 acres and likely gave the house its present appearance. The Hartshornes were descendants of Richard, who was among Monmouth's earliest settlers and a major 17th century figure in Middletown. A branch of the family later settled in Freehold. The first of the family here, Richard S. Hartshorne, Sr., who bought the place in 1842, was succeeded in 1873 by his son Acton, an important member of the Monmouth bar who in time leased the farm, and then sold it to Charles Oakley, Jr. in 1911.

The Township of Freehold bought a 6 acre property from an Oakley in 1997. While the Oakley Farm House, entered on the National Register in 1990, has a fascinating chain of title, its appeal is the simplicity of the large house set among surviving outbuildings.

The West Freehold School at 209 Wemrock Rd. will also be open for tours during A Weekend in Old Monmouth. Earlier known as the West Freehold Seminary and Collegiate Institute, was built in 1847 on a small piece of the Walker-Combs-Hartshorne Farm. The Georgia Road Schoolhouse at corner of Jackson Mill and Georgia Rds., another early school house owned by Freehold Township, may be open, but tours will not be available.

Website: www.twp.freehold.nj.us (“Around Town” and “Heritage Society”)  
Email: ftheritagesociety@gmail.com  
Contact: Freehold Township Historic Preservation Commission, Cheryl Cook, Manager  
Events: Open House and Barn Sale, May 5 & 6; Artisan Festival, May 20 & October 7, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; “Christmas at Camp” Civil War reenactors December 1, 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.  
Check out website for musical programs at Pavilion  
Regular Hours: By appointment; grounds, during daylight, year-round. Check website for current events  
ADA accessible: Limited to House, first floor  
Public Restroom: Farmhouse, Yes  
Parking: On-site and along Oakley Drive  
Phone: 732-577-9766
This site will not be open Saturday, May 5, but will be open on Sunday, May 6, 2018.

The Museum invites visitors to explore its exciting Permanent Exhibit, “Three Centuries of Growth & Change A History of the Jews in Monmouth County.” This extensive exhibit now serves as the core of the Museum’s mission. The Museum encourages families with children to visit and explore the Youth Zone - an activity center for children ages 7-15 which guides children through a targeted display and activities including puzzles and artwork to help them learn about Monmouth County’s Jewish history. In addition, the Museum has a current exhibit in recognition of the 100th Anniversary of the founding of Congregation Sons of Israel in Manalapan. There is also an opportunity for families to contribute their family’s genealogy to a community database. Your Story is Here! Come Visit!

The Museum is dedicated to the promotion of public awareness of the County’s Jewish heritage for the education and enjoyment of all, and fulfills this mission through a variety of exhibitions, cultural programs and publications that celebrate, preserve, explore and illustrate the history and contributions of Monmouth’s Jewish residents to the community.

The Museum is located in the second story (over retail at grade) of an early 19th century barn once part of the farm of Levi Solomon. Notable are its post and beam construction, the restored interior water tank and original hay fork. The space was dedicated to historical use by Bernard Hochberg by a long-term lease as part of a land use agreement with the Township of Freehold, while the Jewish Federation of Monmouth County provided initial support. The site has been designated as a local landmark by the Freehold Township Historic Preservation Commission.

Events: See website for a variety of historical and cultural exhibits and events.
Website: www.jhmomc.org
Email: info@jhmomc.org
Contact: Vic Schioppo, President
Organization: Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County
Regular Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.,
Sunday 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
ADA accessible: Yes
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: A few spaces are adjacent to the building; also use shopping center lot.
Phone: 732-252-6990

Covenhoven House, built by a successful Dutch farmer, architecturally reflects the emergence of the Georgian style in Central New Jersey, which is also symbolic socially for the merging of Dutch culture into prevailing English taste. A fine state of preservation, distinctive interior finishing and informative interpretive programs of the Association make Covenhoven a compelling visit. William A. Covenhoven and wife Elizabeth Van Cleaf reflected their inherited wealth through the acquisition of land and of an impressive home. Among the house’s interior appointments are finely detailed paneling on major replace walls, cupboards with glazed doors and carved shell bonnets and painted woodwork decoration in the master bedroom. The house’s long reference as Freehold’s outstanding residence has brought it numerous names in historical literature, notably: General Clinton’s Headquarters for the British officer’s occupancy prior to the Battle of Monmouth, the Hankinson and Moreau house for significant later owners. Covenhoven House is on the New Jersey and National and Registers of Historic Places.

Events: Open Hearth - Open House. See web site for more information and dates.
Organization: Monmouth County Historical Association
Website: www.monmouthhistory.org
Email: info@monmouthhistory.org
Contact: Pati Githens, Outreach Manager
Phone: 732-462-1466
Regular Hours: May through September; Friday, Saturday, Sunday from 1 - 4 p.m. on the second weekend of the month. Other times by appointment. Open throughout the year for schools and groups.
ADA accessible: No
Public Restroom: Yes
Parking: Lot on site or at Grace Lutheran Church, 150 West Main Street.
Monmouth County Historical Association Headquarters houses its Museum, Archives, and Research Library in a building designed by J. Hallam Conover and built on land donated by member David Vanderveer Perrine. The elegant colonial revival brick structure was loosely based on Mt. Vernon. It opened on October 6, 1931 to a crowd of 300. The library and archives contain extensive holdings of printed, documentary, historical and genealogical materials. Museum exhibitions draw from a rich permanent collection augmented by loans. Currently on display are “Tracking Sandy: Monmouth County Remembers,” “Curator’s Choice: Paintings from the Permanent Collection,” and “That Memorable Sabbath Day–The Battle of Monmouth in Drawings, Paintings and Prints.” Permanently on display is the stunning Leutze painting “Washington Rallying the Troops at Monmouth.”

**Events:** Gallery Tours, Lectures and Children’s Programs scheduled periodically, see website.

**Organization:** Monmouth County Historical Association

**Website:** [www.monmouthhistory.org](http://www.monmouthhistory.org)

**Email:** pgithens@monmouthhistory.org

**Contact:** Pati Githens, Outreach Manager

**Phone:** 732-462-1466

**Regular Hours:** Museum - Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Archives and Research Library - Wednesday through Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**ADA accessible:** First Floor

**Public Restroom:** Yes

**Parking:** West side only of Court Street, very small lot behind building, or at Court House directly to the north.

The Battle of Monmouth Monument across Court St. was dedicated on the June 28, 1878 centennial of the battle, the monument was dedicated in a major celebration on November 13, 1884. The statue of Columbia Triumphant atop the 90-foot column was replaced after being struck by lightning in 1894. A bust of the original is mounted adjacent to the Hall of Records Annex two blocks to the south. Noteworthy are the James Edward Kelly sculpted bas reliefs of five Revolutionary scenes surrounding the column’s base and the seals of the thirteen colonies.

Montrose Schoolhouse, circa 1812, is one of the last of the township’s six one-room schoolhouses. Situated on the corner of Cedar Drive and Montrose Road, it is the only one that retains its original architectural profile. Three are now private residences and two others are no longer standing. One is not certain when the school was originally built but all sources agree that the structure was built before 1820, maybe 1790 or possibly 1805. The Montrose Schoolhouse was originally known as the Barrenton School located in “the Barrens” just to the west and moved to its present location. Its name was changed at that time. With the opening of the Atlantic School on Route 537 in 1922 the schoolhouse ceased operation. It remained the property of the Emmans family until 1965 when it was donated to the now defunct Colts Neck Historical Society. There it sat for over three decades opening only once for a historic Colts Neck house tour. In 2003 it was deeded to the Township of Colts Neck for $1 and restored by the Colts Neck Township Committee under the guidance of then Mayor Lillian Burry and the Historical Preservation Committee. The Montrose Schoolhouse retains its original pumpkin pine floors, a potbelly wood burning stove and a collection of period school desks. The Montrose Schoolhouse is opened on special occasions. The School is the focal point of Colts Neck’s Country Christmas.

**Organization:** Colts Neck Historical Preservation Committee

**Website:** [http://www.colts-neck.nj.us/administration/committees/historic-preservation](http://www.colts-neck.nj.us/administration/committees/historic-preservation)

**Facebook:** Colts Neck Historical Preservation Committee

**Email:** montcelo@optonline.net, cltnrealty@aol.com

**Contact:** Patty Eastman, Michele Battista

**Regular Hours:** None

**ADA accessible:** No

**Public Restroom:** No

**Parking:** Holland Lane (side street)

**Phone:** 908-692-8546 or 732-462-6888
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A virtual tour has been created to present all 46 tour locations in an interactive format that combines some of the information, photos and map in this booklet into a paperless online location. Each tour site is now a “story point” on an interactive map using state-of-the-art technology.

You can visit several points on the virtual tour to learn about a tour route; clicking on an individual location will reveal more about a specific historic site.

You can click in order through the tour narrative, or you can browse the tour by interacting with the map or the mini-photo carousel. The tour is accessible on your computer, tablet, or smart phone.

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Monmouth County historic sites worth visiting at another time . . .

**Gateway National Recreation Area** - Often referred to as Sandy Hook, this National Park Service location has a spectacular natural environment. The 1,665 acre barrier peninsula has a rich history that embraces maritime, lifesaving, military recreation and scientific roles. The Sandy Hook Lighthouse and the Nike Missile Radar Site are worth a lengthy visit any time of the year. The park is open from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. April 1 through October 31. [https://www.nps.gov/gate/planyourvisit/hours.htm](https://www.nps.gov/gate/planyourvisit/hours.htm)

**Wilson Hall at Monmouth University** - The former Shadow Lawn mansion (c. 1929) was the private residence of former F.W. Woolworth Co. president Hubert Templeton Parson. This structure replaces the original one that was destroyed by fire in 1927; President Woodrow Wilson summered at that home in 1916. The University (then known as Monmouth College) acquired the property in 1956. [www.monmouth.edu](http://www.monmouth.edu)
The Monmouth County Historical Commission

The Monmouth County Historical Commission is the County agency established to promote preservation and an appreciation of the County’s history. The Commission’s major activities, in addition to the Weekend in Old Monmouth tour, are as follows:

• Initiated in 2017, a re-grant program provides matching funds to smaller history organizations for General Operational Support (GOS). Also, Special Project grants are be available for specific history projects to both historical and non-historical organizations. These funds are made available by the New Jersey Historical Commission.
• A Preservation Grant program is offered for historic structures owned by municipalities and non-profit organizations. It is a one-for-one matching grant program for bricks and mortar type projects. Applications for each year’s programs are solicited in July for a November 1st deadline.
• A Preservation Awards program recognizes any property owner’s achievements in preserving historic structures in Monmouth County. Among eligible applicants are private homeowners, commercial buildings, institutional buildings and others of virtually any type.
• A Fifth Grade Essay Contest permits any fifth grade Monmouth County student to write about a historic site in the County that the student has visited or an event/person in family history important to the student.

See us on the web at www.visitmonmouth.com, clicking Departments on the top of the home page, then Historical Commission in the list of departments. More information about the aforementioned programs may be found there.

The Commission participates in Archives Day, a history fair sponsored by the Monmouth County Clerk and Archives to be held Saturday, October 13 at the County Library Headquarters on Symmes Road, Manalapan. Visit us there.

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