

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF EAST ROCKAWAY & LYNBROOK

DID YOU KNOW?

Betsy Davison was on Long Island – We had a great dinner

Caroline Krendel Sunny Chung are off to college...

The Lynbrook Baptist Church has celebrated its 100th birthday

Your Input

More Membership Scintillating Ideas Interesting Programs Exciting Adventures Networking Circa Signs

SHALL WE PEEL?



We asked you to peel the onion

As you know our membership renewal begins in September. We are asking you to put on your thinking caps and consider ideas for us to explore to increase our membership. We trust that there will be some inspiration that we can use. It's important and we will do our best to make it come about... Maybe you can come up with some ideas by the first of August. All ideas are welcome. Thank you and have a safe and sunny summer.

Scintillating ideas

Here we go:

#ONE: We should have regular meetings on a specific day September, October, November, February, March, April & May. (M & A).

#TWO: Let's open the meetings to the public. We could have short business, a chat about pending projects with input from attendees and then we can seek their participation. (A & M)

#THREE: We must publicize the meetings early each month. Each blurb must have two or three phrases to pique the interest of the public to come. (Everyone)

We heard you.

Meetings will be held the third Wednesday of the Months of September, October, November, December, February, March, April, & May.

We scheduled these dates because we wanted to include them in our Herald

Almanac advert in which we participate in every year.

They will be held at the Senior Citizen Center

7:15

10 James Street

East Rockaway

We will have refreshments

#Three Why don't we consider a History Book Club? (M) We will put it on the agenda and hopefully those who might be interested will be in a position to select each book and we can begin.

Interesting Programs

Can you name the **Second War for American Independence?**

Who were the Barbary Pirates?

We have two on our schedule.

October 21st we will host Art Mattson, Lynbrook Village Historian and Vice President of HSERL as our kickoff speaker for 2014. He had the opportunity to go to an upstate New York conference and when he came back his enthusiasm was contagious. We booked him for a speech at the Lynbrook Library.

You'll want to come. His topic will be the Battle of Plattsburgh which occurred September 11, 1814.

One week later October 28th we will have the Hon. Carolyn McCarthy who will be retiring from her service in the United States Congress.

We have asked her to focus her talk on the history through which she

lived. I WAS THERE – EPIC EVENTS AND IMPRESSIONS 1997 – 2014. Do you recall those times? Indeed those decades will be the history our grandchildren will be studying, It should be fun because we have lived those years and we will be able to nod, shudder, wince and smile as we too, remember.

BRR... This event may be a cold one."

One more

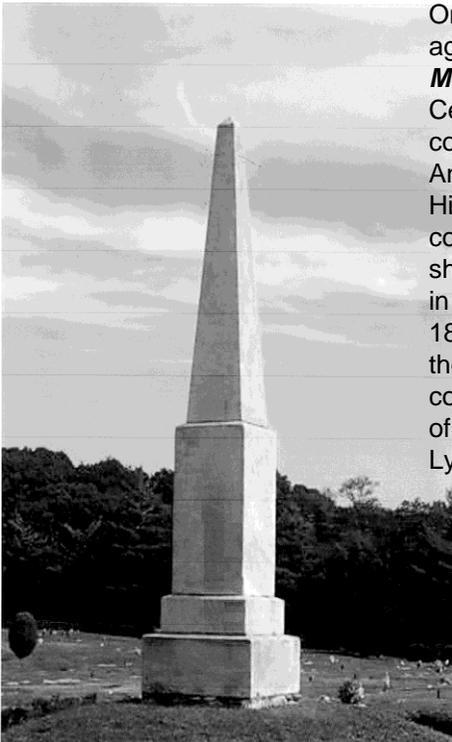
On November 22nd we will again have the **Bristol Mexico** Remembrance Ceremony. Each year in conjunction with the Ancient Order of Hibernians, HSERL commemorates the tragic ship wrecks of the **Bristol** in 1836 and the **Mexico** in 1837, We also celebrate the wonderful heroism and compassion of the people of East Rockaway and Lynbrook as they provided

a fitting resting place for these poor souls who came to our shores seeking a better life.

As we look at the historical significance of our programs we realize that history lives and does indeed repeat itself.

The Ceremony will take place November 22nd at Noon at the Rockville Cemetery, on the corner of Ocean Avenue and Merrick Road, Lynbrook.

Art Mattson and Pat McGivern orchestrate this event. Again all are welcome. It is very moving and an important event as we start our winter program.



Exciting Adventures

There are two more programs on the planning board. One is a field trip to the Cradle of Aviation.

We plan to have a docent to conduct us around and share his or her insight.

We are also, still interested in a trip to Levittown. A number of our members started their married lives in Levittown and would love to return and have an opportunity to recall its origins.

Levittown was an original

and historically it is very significant. We will follow up on that and make it available to all who wish to "make history come alive."

We're Still at It

We hope that you don't get bored when we tell you about networking.

We got an e-mail from Kerry McKillop of the Suffolk County Historical Society asking if we were interested in a 1917 Farm Journal which had come into the hands of Sal Cozzolino in Claverack. Of course, we were. Especially pleased since he had indicated that East Rockaway and Lynbrook were mentioned in it. We sent off an e-mail saying we would love to have the Journal. Don't forget we have a copy of Betsy

Davison's Family log from the Grist Mill. Maybe we could coordinate the information although it is at least a 50 year time span.

The next thing arose. We knew we had heard of Claverack but you know how it is. One cannot always pull up the information when you want it to waft into your brain.

Claverack is in Columbia County. According to Wikipedia the name is a corruption of the Dutch word for Clover Field or Clover Reach. .

From the Journal (this is after much time trying to copy part of the cover)

SHORT METHOD FOR CALCULATING INTEREST

Multiply the principal by as many hundred as there are days and

For 4% p/y ÷ by 90

“ 5% p/y ÷ by 72

“ 6% ÷ by 60

“ 7% ÷ by 52

“ 8% ÷ by 48

“ 9% ÷ by 40

“ 10% ÷ by 36

“ 12% ÷ by 30

I leave the accuracy of this to far more skilled mathematicians. pcs

Another Idea

CIRCA

1906

We have many beautiful homes in Lynbrook & East Rockaway.

HSERL is studying a plan to design and sell Pre-ordered Circa Signs.

Keep an eye open for this project.

You will have to ascertain the date you want and we will have one made. Each decade will be a different color. (P) This is still in the idea stage.

Membership

Did you know that you can eat at McDonald's and add an onion to your choice, once, for less than \$15.00?

You probably might like to have a bite at Panera's with French Onion soup; and work on your Wi-Fi once, for less than \$15.00.

Maybe you can treat yourself, once, to two pieces of pizza for \$15.00. Do you like onion on your pizza?

Gosh, all we seem to be thinking about is eating.

It's better than crying as we work with that onion. Just peel your onion under cold running water.

When you pay your Membership dues for HSERL for a year you get

- ❖ A Newsletter-more frequently, we hope
- ❖ Interesting tidbits about local people and events
- ❖ An inside track to the Winter Tea. You know those tickets sell out very quickly
- ❖ An expansion of your horizons
- ❖ A chance to write your history
- ❖ Info on the RETRO

Let's think about putting that peeled onion to a good use.

Dues are:

Individual \$15
Family \$35
Supporting \$100

We have more expensive memberships but what we really would like to have is a MEMBERSHIP who enjoys our programs and likes to help us when we need them.

**GIVE
 US
 YOUR
 E-MAIL,
 PLEASE**

Our Coming Events Calendar

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Sept 17 th	HSERL MEETING	East Rockaway Senior Center 7:15 p.m.
Sept 19 th	Treasure Trove	592 Scranton Avenue Lynbrook
Oct 21 st	Art Mattson – the Battle Plattsburgh	Lynbrook Library 7.15. p.m.
Oct 28 th	Hon. Carolyn McCarthy I Was There – Epic Events And Impressions	Lynbrook Library 7:15 p.m.
Nov 22 nd	The “ <i>Bristol Mexico</i> ” Remembrance	Rockville Cemetery 12 Noon

Have you seen our display at the Lynbrook Railroad Station?



HERITAGE NEWS

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**Scintillating
Ideas**

#Four: One of the goals of our mission is to attract young people to enjoy and ultimately love history. We do this with our RETRO for fourth graders.

Why not consider offering free membership to high school students who might be interested in history? It would be an introduction and maybe, ultimately a keeper. (V) That, too, will be on our agenda. Don't be intimidated by a long business meeting. It is possible that the first one in September may be long, but you can be a part of it. That's The Thing. Be a Part of Us. .

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The spare space is for your creativity. Fill it in and share it with us. TY

Now It Is Your Turn

.We know that many of you have a story to tell. Well, now is the time to tell us. We ask the youngsters at the RETRO to give us a whisper of their history. Now it's your turn. If you feel it is too much work to write a whole story, we will sit down and help you with it.

It is so important to capture the history because you know how it is. We have regrets when those story tellers are no longer with us.

We suspect that many of you have interesting stories and would be able to put them to paper with little difficulty.

NOW is the time. It will make our paper more interesting and more encompassing. Remember you are important to our history!

We have received some very interesting material from Eleanor DeNeufville. A neighbor shared with her memorabilia from her son Angelo V. Repole who served in World War II. In turn, Eleanor gave some of it to us. Included in the treasure was a picture of Company I 308 Infantry, Camp Upton, New York, January 1918. It is probable that this is a memento from his father's service. There were pictured over 200 young men fitted for battle and ready to be sent to fight in World War I.

We will try to have this picture preserved. While history reminds us of all the wars in which we have been and are involved, this picture is a potent reminder of the youth who are called upon by their country in time of need.

We will continue to remember history and if anyone has reminders or memorabilia which they would like to share, please don't hesitate.

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