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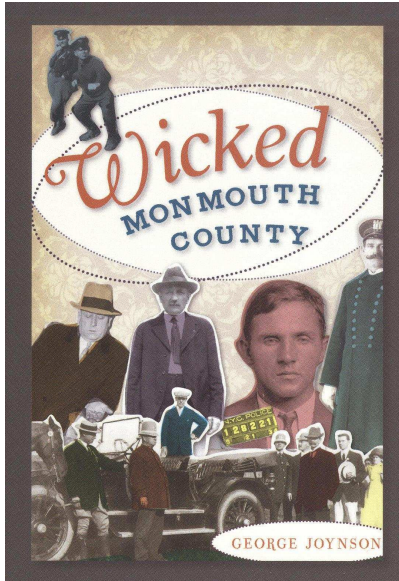
HAPPY NEW YEAR 2011

The Battleground Historical Society will be presenting new guest speakers during the coming year at its regular monthly meetings. This year our meetings are scheduled for the following dates:

**January 28, February 25, March 25, April 22,
May 27, September 23, October 28**

**All meetings are open to the public. Check our website for our activities;
thevillageinn.org**

**JANUARY MEETING
FRIDAY, January 28th, 7:30 pm AT THE VILLAGE INN**



The guest speaker will be George Joynson the author of a second book on Monmouth County murders. When he presented his first book, *Murders in Monmouth* last year, he told us he was writing another. We are fortunate that our Society will be his first presentation of his second book, *Wicked Monmouth County*. This second presentation is expected to be just as captivating as the first.

FEBRUARY MEETING
FRIDAY, February 25th, 7:30 pm AT THE VILLAGE INN

Former Englishtown Mayor and former Monmouth County Freeholder Ted Narozanick will be our guest speaker at our February meeting. Mr. Narozanick is featured in a DVD of his service in the Army on Normandy Beach during World War II for which he was awarded the Bronze Star. We will be showing portions of the DVD and Mr. Narozanick will speak about the events depicted on the DVD.

VILLAGE INN NEWS

The December two-day fund raising project of gift wrapping in Macy's at the Freehold Raceway Mall was not as profitable as we had hoped. Eight members gave 16 hours and the profit was only \$96.

We are most appreciative of three members whose monetary donations totaled \$800. Also carpenter Steve Quinn and Tony of Pine Brook Electric generously gave of their services to benefit the Inn. Too numerous to mention are the many members and friends who loaned or donated their precious items for our Victorian Display in September.

Village Inn Events and Open Dates - 2011

March 20	Colonial Soup Day
April 30 & May 1	County Weekend In Old Monmouth Featuring Open Hearth Cooking
May 30	Memorial Day
June 18 & 19	During the Battle of Monmouth Reenactment

SNOW, SNOW AND MORE SNOW

Below Zero Temperatures in 1881 made that a very uncomfortable year for New Jersey. More snow fell than anyone cared to see. Freehold received a total accumulation for the winter of 75.4 inches! It was possible to drive a horse and sleigh from the highlands to the tip of Sandy Hook over the frozen Shrewsbury River and lower Bay. Taken from *Twice Told Tales* by George Moss.

DEBUNKING THE MYTHS

***Stuff and Nonsense* by Miley Theopald, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation**

Myth: Men posed with one hand inside the vest to save money because portrait painters gave a discount if they didn't have to go to the extra work of painting the fingers.

This is a variation of the arm and a leg myth: that the expression about something costing an arm and a leg came about because portrait painters charged more if they had to paint the subject's arms or legs. There is no historical verification for either tale. Standing with one hand tucked inside a vest or jacket was a popular, dignified pose for gentlemen of the era. It is not likely that Napoleon, King George III, or George Washington was concerned about getting a discount from his portrait painter.

Reminder To All Members: It is time to pay your 2011 membership dues. For those of you that have already paid, we thank you for your promptness. We count on all our members to keep current. Please keep in mind your dues help to fund the operating expenses of the Village Inn and the programs and events we offer. This year membership cards will be mailed to all members upon receipt of their dues.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE EACH YEAR ON JANUARY FIRST
DUES ARE \$20.00 FOR AN INDIVIDUAL AND \$30.00 FOR A FAMILY AND
\$125.00 LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Name _____

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