

# Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM  
PRESIDENT DON RALSTON

Dear Members;

For our next meeting the featured speaker will be Richard M. Burr, a Certified Genealogist. Richard is a Past President of the Gloucester County Historical Society. He is a member of 18 Hereditary Societies. He is also Past President of both the Sons of the American Revolution and the South Jersey Chapter of the Sons of The American Revolution. Richard has traced his ancestry back to Charlemagne and to the Crusades

He has taught genealogy classes, in the evenings at Moorestown High School, Gateway Regional School, Gloucester County College and the Gloucester County historical Society.

If you have not been interested in your "family tree" before our meeting I am sure you will be after hearing Richard's presentation.

In the next Wenonah Town Letter there will be an article about our Historical Society. I have spoken to Beth Hoffman, who writes the newsletter and have asked that the list of movies to be shown in the Municipal Building, be listed and displayed in prominent places locally.

The latest about our friend Bradley Caraker. Brad received a bone marrow transplant from his 12-year-old sister Kristen. He appears to be in a good spirits. Remember the "Ladies Night" fund-raiser March 25, 2006, 8 to 12 pm at the Incarnation hall, Mantua.

Helen Manners, a fellow member of the Historical Society fell and broke her hip and is currently recovering at Manor Care. She should be coming home shortly.

At the February meeting librarian Anne Zuber gave an excellent lecture on the history of the Wenonah Library. Jack Sheppard and Julie Ream are working on computerizing our museum materials. When up and operating it will connect with the Library computer already tied into the Wenonah Public School computer. This will make it easy to research Wenonah's history.

Our Trustees hold an executive meeting on the Monday prior to our monthly meeting. In this manner we can discuss in detail each committee's functions and other business.

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**Meetings second Friday of the month at the Community Center except June, July and August**

This allows more time at the regular meeting for our speaker's presentation. Members are invited to attend these meetings at the Community Center.

At our last meeting it was announced we would again have an "Open House" on Fourth of July 2006. Members are invited to bring pictures, articles of historic interest and any artifacts they may have relating to Wenonah for display.

Our April meeting will feature Charles Wingate who grew up in Paulsboro where his father operated the lighthouses. This should be an interesting talk.

HISTORICAL TIDBITS

From the Minute books of Wenonah Borough Council. (and Commission)

12/3/86 Complaint to Commission by Mr. Dawson about "the continual grievance inflicted upon him by the trespass of chickens belonging to Mr. E. Stokes" in violation of the Borough Ordinance prohibiting same. Much discussion concerning State laws governing Boroughs and the powers to enforce the laws. After "full discussion M. Hayes Perry was nominated and duly elected as Policeman for the Borough". Mr. Perry was the first policeman in the Borough of Wenonah followed by Thomas Savage who was paid a salary of \$12.00 for the year 1891.

3/20/88 At a meeting of citizens a resolution was drawn seeking to separate Wenonah from Deptford Township in the matter of taxation and elections by securing special legislation for that purpose. The increase in population was given as the reason, there being 100 voters. (Less than 50 when the Wenonah Commission was first organized).

Stephen Greene opened Marion Ave. at his own expense, to the intersection with Bark Bridge Road. He built a bridge over the stream and the approaches thereto. "Therefore, Clinton Ave. and Bark Bridge Rd. are hereby vacated and closed from point of intersection of Clinton with the South line of Pine St., to a point in Bark Bridge Rd. where it intersects with the West line of Marion Ave."

Jack Sheppard Sr.

## More from Old Wenonah

July 24 1903

Norman Schock will spend some time at Pitman Grove.

Miss Georgiana Coward has gone to Monroeville for a few days.

The stork visited the home of Geo. H. Greenig, Wednesday and left a fine daughter of which Mr. and Mrs. Greenig are very proud.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church disposed of thirty quarts of ice cream in two hours last evening, at the home of Mrs. Hamilton Turner.

Miss Etna Andrews of Tuckerton, N. J., who has been lying at the point of death with peritonitis is reported by Dr. Harvey who is attending her in conjunction with their local physician to be slightly improved and hopes of her recovery are entertained.

Tramps as a rule stay clear of Wenonah but yesterday an ugly fellow so far forgot the unwritten rule, as to intrude in the vicinity of the Camels Back woods. Mrs. Joe Truncer and Mrs. Wm. Stewart who were walking along admiring the scenery there, were terribly frightened at seeing the tramp emerge from the woods and without any provocation hurl a stone at them, which luckily did not hit either of them. The ladies called lustily for their husbands, which had the desired effect and the tramp skulked back into the woods. The same tramp was also seen there by some young ladies who left the scene badly scared by his actions.

January 10 1911

Mr. and Mrs. Mulvey will have a corned beef and cabbage dinner Wednesday evening.

Dr. Lorence and Charlie Frederick had a very interesting game of pool Saturday evening.

Railroad Committee of the Improvement Association, do not forget to try and get a covering put over our west platform.

We see that Council has been requested to pass an ordinance to license the pool table in the barber shop. Amen to that as it is right, and proper. Every town has this regulation; but its not right to circulate reports that gambling and boys under age are sold cigarettes and allowed to play all night as that is not so.

Some men whose names were mentioned the night Council was requested to pass the ordinance have played late at night, but whose business is that? They are of age and their own masters. Pool is not a bad game at all. Several citizens of Wenonah have their own tables, but everyone cannot afford this so have to play in public. We know of several church organizations that have them. Is it not better to have our young men play pool in our own town at night than have them to Woodbury, Camden and Philadelphia and fall in with all sorts of bad people? It is far better for parents to make their boys hours so attractive they would not want to go out at night. Now, these people who think the barber shop is such a terrible place why not investigate for themselves and not pay so much attention to what the other fellow says, because repeating names and tales, both that come second handed is liable to get some one in trouble. Wenonah needs a good barber shop. We have one. Let us keep it. Signed, someone who gets shaved there.

March 28, 1912 - Magical Beautifier (Advertisement)  
A Delightful Toilet Article Used by Leading Society Women. Half Price Offer

The leading society women in New York have now a new fad that was brought from Paris recently – the use of Beauty Blush, a dainty liquid for the complexion.

This protects the skin from the wind, sun and dust, and is marvelously effective in giving clear, rosy complexion, curing freckles, pimples, blackheads and other blemishes.

Beauty Blush is used instead of the dry powders which clog the pores and change the skin to a muddy, sallow appearance. It is non-greasy and has no tendency whatever to cause a hairy growth.

This week you can get a 50 cent bottle of Beauty Blush from W. H. Sutton for half price, 25 cents, and every woman who desires a good complexion should have it on her toilet table. Money refunded if not satisfactory.

Editors note: W. H. Suttons Pharmacy in Woodbury was owned and operated by the father and grandfather of our member Betty Sutton MacLeod.

*Above from the Gloucester County Democrat and Times newspapers*

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# WENONAH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2006

### Membership Benefits

- MONTHLY NEWSLETTER MAILED TO YOUR HOME
- MONTHLY MEETINGS WITH INTERESTING PROGRAMS
- ACCESS TO HISTORICAL ARCHIVES AND MEMORABILIA
- NETWORK OF KNOWLEDGEABLE HISTORIANS

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BRING FORM AND PAYMENT TO MEETING, OR MAIL. THANK YOU

DUES: \$15.00 PER FAMILY HOUSEHOLD PER YEAR

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