

# THE SKANEATELES HISTORICAL SOCIETY SPECIAL EDITION--SUMMER ISSUE

2014

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Happy Summer!

Hours, July 5-August 31: Fri-Sun, 1-4 pm, or by appointment

There are a number of special events planned by the Historical Society that we want to tell you about, and hope you can attend.

## July 11-12 Antique Show

The Historical Society will have a table of interesting historical items for sale at the Annual Antique Show and Sale sponsored by the Skaneateles United Methodist Church. Stop by on Friday, July 11 or Saturday, July 12, from 10 am to 5 pm at the Austin Park Pavilion.

## July 25-27 Antique and Classic Boat Show

The Antique and Classic Boat Show will be held July 25-27 in Clift Park. The Historical Society will again be offering village tours on the Laker Limo for a small fee. Many long-time residents, as well as newer arrivals, find they learn all kinds of interesting tidbits about houses and other Skaneateles landmarks. Seating is limited, so buy your tickets early.



The Duck Dash is coming! On Friday, **July 18**, at 6:30 p.m., up to 6,000 rubber ducks will be released into the lake outlet behind the Kinney Drugs building. The first 10 ducks to cross the finish line will receive a cash prize or a gift from a local merchant. The first-place winner will receive \$1,000! The last-place duck will receive \$100. Tickets are only \$5.00, and while this event is run by other local organizations, **we make \$2.50 for each ticket we sell.** So please, stop in our gift shop from May 1- July 14 to buy your tickets and help us earn money! If you'd like tickets mailed to you, we will be happy to do that--just send us a check, made payable to the Skaneateles YMCA Community Center, for as many tickets as you'd like. The more you enter, the greater your chances of winning!



Sacred Simplicity  
37 W Genesee St

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and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church



Gothic Revival  
28 W Lake St

**Save the date: August 16th, 10:00-3:00**

The Skaneateles Historical Society and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church are holding a joint fundraising event on August 16, 2014, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. The Feldmann family has graciously offered their home, located at 28 West Lake Street, for an Open House Tour. The house was built between 1849-1852 for Reuel Smith, designed by New York architect Alexander Jackson Davis and landscape architect Andrew Jackson Downing in the unique style of Gothic Revival. In 1979, the house was placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Author Kihm Winship will speak at 11:00 on the history of the house; architect Robert Eggleston will speak at 1:30 on architectural features; and Feldmann and Smith family members will be available throughout the day. There will also be silent auction items displayed for bidding.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, which the Feldmanns attended, will be open for a tour and English Tea. Located at 37 West Genesee Street, the site of the present church has been used by several faiths--Methodists, Quakers and Lutherans, for well over 100 years. Before the early 1870s a building used by the Methodist-Episcopal Church on this site was moved across the lake to Borodino, where it still stands today. The Quakers then built a simple meetinghouse on the site and eventually sold it to the Lutherans in 1924. The young Lutheran congregation converted the meetinghouse into the sanctuary it is today. Enjoy a lovely tea and tour this historic church.

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The ticket price is only \$20.00 per person. The proceeds generated from this event will be split between the two organizations, so please enjoy this wonderful opportunity to tour these unique buildings and help support our local community to preserve the past for the future.

We are still in need of volunteers to staff the home tour, and contributions are welcome for the silent auction. Everyone is invited to support these two non-profit organizations; your auction items will be strategically recognized and they are tax deductible in keeping with IRS regulations.

For additional information regarding volunteering or donating silent auction items, please call event chair Betsy Foote at 315-685-3297 or Laurie Winship, Director of the Museum at The Creamery, at 315-685-1360.

Purchase your tickets now at the Museum at The Creamery or at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Tickets will also be available on the day of the event at the tour locations.

Thank you for supporting this event--see you on August 16th!

Please consider participating in some of our activities--we rely on volunteers. Call us at 685-1360 if you'd like to help out. And thank you to all of our current volunteers who keep us going!

Gardening  
Gift Shop  
Conducting tours  
August 16th House Tour  
Maintenance  
Refreshments

**CAN YOU HELP US?  
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