

The Museum at The Creamery

THE SKANEATELES HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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MAY PROGRAM

The Unknown Museums of Upstate New York

Come join us on Tuesday, May 26th at 7:30 p.m. as we embark on a journey around New York State. Chuck D'Imperio, our featured speaker from Oneonta, NY is currently on a statewide tour presenting his book titled *The Unknown Museums of Upstate New York*. He shares stories from his adventures on the road. We are promised lots of laughs as he stops in Skaneateles to kick off our summer season. Chuck guarantees a good trip so be sure you don't miss it. You may be inspired to take your own trip and visit some of the museums he will share with us that evening. Hope to see you all on the 26th.

New in the Gift Shop

A "gently revised edition" of Kihm Winship's book, *Skaneateles: the Character and Characters of a Lakeside Village* is back in print and available for \$24.99.



We are ready to start sending our newsletter via email; this issue is going out both ways. If you would like to continue to receive a hard copy, please indicate that in the email you receive; if we don't have your email, and you'd like an electronic version, please email us at skaneateleshistoricalsociety@verizon.net

CREAMERY HOURS, MAY-JUNE

Fridays and Saturdays, 1-4 p.m.

JULY-AUGUST

Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, 1-4 p.m.

Or by appointment (check for 4th of July hours)

The Skaneateles United Methodist Church will hold its 56th Annual Antique and Artisans Show and Sale on Friday, July 10th and Saturday, July 11th at the Austin Park Pavilion. We will again have a table to sell gift shop items. Hours are 10 am to 5 pm daily. Find more information on Facebook at Skaneateles Antique Show, on the web at www.skaneatelesantiqueshow.com, or call 315-685-5963.

**JUNE PROGRAM****The History of Boat Building on Skaneateles Lake**

Come join us as John A. (Mick) Barnes takes us through the history of boat building on Skaneateles from the steamboats of the 1800's to the Judge Ben Wiles of the present. There were more than a few builders on our lake, some quite successful and some not so much. All were craftsmen building high quality boats, some of which were widely known.

You will hear the story of how the St. Lawrence skiff came to us from Clayton and formed a common thread through three boatbuilders, culminating with Skaneateles Boat Company run by Mick's father and uncle who were responsible for the hugely successful Lightning Sailboat, the first example of which is on display.

It will be a fascinating evening for all, whether boaters or not, so please join us on Tuesday, June 23 at 7:30 p.m. at The Museum at The Creamery. A very brief business meeting will precede the program to elect Board members; all members of the Skaneateles Historical Society whose dues are current are eligible to vote.

AMAZON SMILE PROGRAM

Do you shop at Amazon? If so, they have started a new program that donates a percentage of all eligible sales to a charity of your choice. The Skaneateles Historical Society is now participating, so all you have to do is go to:

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7339639>

and shop as usual. No cost to you, a benefit to us--what a great deal! Give it a try!

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IT'S OUR 2015 ANNUAL FUND DRIVE!

The Museum at The Creamery houses the largest collection of local artifacts to preserve our history for the future.

We are proud to provide changing exhibits, tours, research assistance, and monthly educational programs. Your donation makes you an integral part of our continuing effort to bring the history of Skaneateles to life.

Our goals for this year are to:

- Improve and expand the Museum's exhibit space
- Continue to offer high-quality monthly programs, personal and group tours, and school class visits
- Maintain our facility to the highest museum standards

We need your help to reach this year's goal of \$20,000 so please make a generous donation today to this annual effort. Come visit our museum and learn about the history of Skaneateles Lake with our interactive lake model, enjoy the historic boat displays, and see other changes that your donations make possible.

Thank you for supporting your community through your tax-deductible donation to the Skaneateles Historical Society, a 501 (c) 3 organization.

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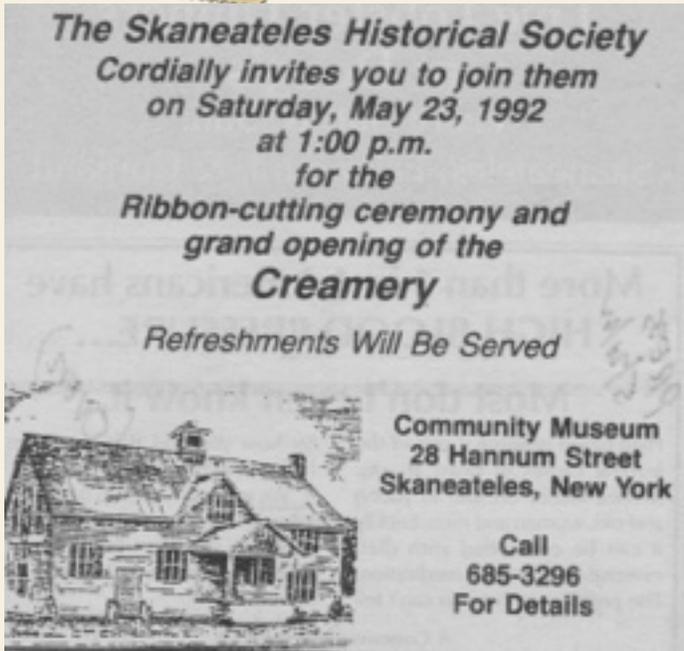
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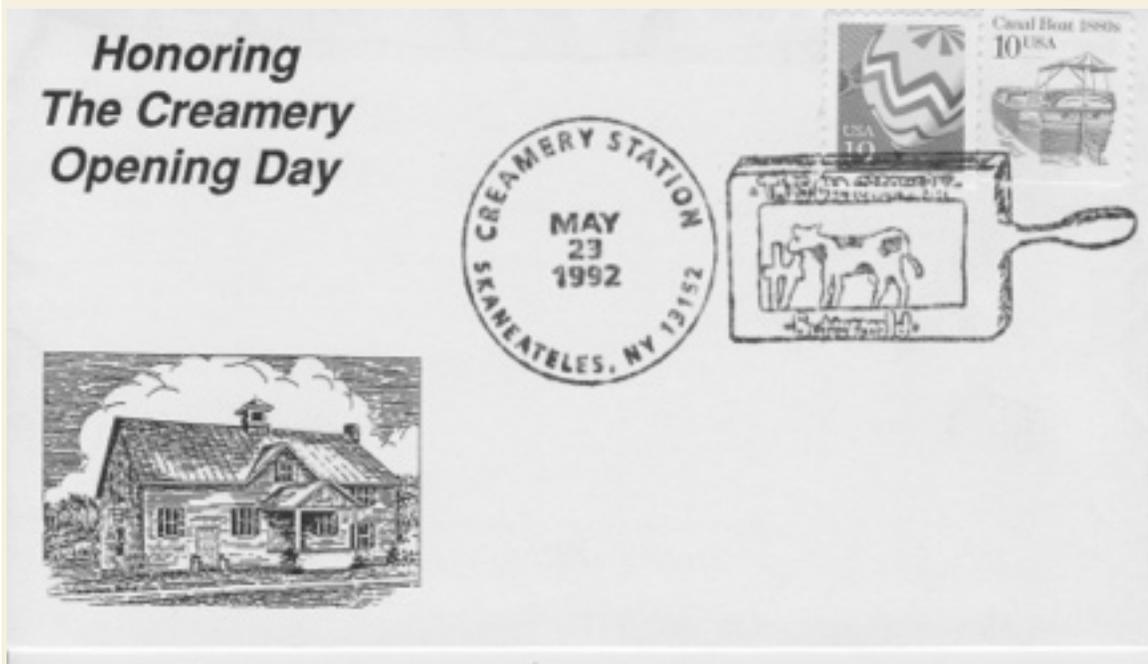
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Our museum opened 23 years ago! Thank you to all those who worked so hard to accomplish the renovation from a derelict storage building, that used to be a Creamery for local farmers, to the wonderful museum that continues to evolve.

The envelope below shows a special postal cancellation and cachet that was designed for the grand opening day celebrations.



We're now on Facebook!

We're slowly entering the world of social media by setting up a Facebook page. Please friend us and check for updates. We plan on gradually posting photos, reminders of programs, etc. Let us know what you'd like to see on our page! It's under Skaneateles Historical Society.

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YOUR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2015 IS NOW DUE!

Our Jan/Feb newsletter announced the S.H.S. membership renewal time. Many have already done so, and we thank you!

Please, if you haven't already, look at the DATE on your address label. If it reads 2013 or 2014, ***your membership is due for renewal.***

To renew, use the form printed below, and return it to me with your payment. Please be sure to include the "Office Use Only" box, and your email address if applicable (Note: We never share email addresses with anyone.)

Thank you.

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know all the history!

Would you like to be a docent and help give tours in our museum? There will be a training session on Wed, May 27 at 10:00 a.m., so call us at 685-1360 and we'll add you to our list. You don't have to

We need volunteers to work in our gift shop. It's only 3 hours at a time, and you get to meet all kinds of interesting people. Please call Barbara Patrick at 685-3115 for further details.

Our annual fund drive is underway. Mailings will be going out to all postal patrons and members this month, or see p. 3 of this newsletter. We need everyone's help to keep operating.



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