#### Spring 2021 Newsletter

#### **Stone Harbor Museum**



# Welcome to our First Newsletter of 2021



There will be a changing of the guard at The Stone Harbor Museum as Ted Burke will take over from Jim Talone as President effective March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. Ted is a lifelong summer resident of Stone Harbor and is now retired and living in Cape May Court House. Ted brings 47 years of execu-

tive business experience. His touch has already been noticed with the production of the Stone Harbor Museum Minutes and the Tranquility Tuesday programs which are produced each week on the Museum's Facebook page and website. Says Ted, "Luckily, Jim Talone has agreed to stay on as Vice President. Jim is an invaluable resource of local historical knowledge, a skilled researcher and writer, and has been "the face" of the museum hosting our weekly spots. I look forward to continuing our collaboration as well as working with our Director, Kim Park and the members of our Board of Trustees".

# **Museum Talks**



The Museum Talks have restarted for 2021. Well researched with wonderful hosts, the Museum Talks are a wonderful way to experience Stone Harbor history. So far there have been two talks, the first called the Miracle on 81st Street and the second on the History of Railroads on Seven Mile Island. You can view both of the Talks on our Webpage by clicking <u>here</u>.



In January we sent a survey asking for suggestions for future talks and received 60 responses. Based on your input, here are some of the additional talks we will be working on in 2021:

- The Point, the history and the beauty of the Stone Harbor Point
- A history of the Shelter Haven
- Storms that have changed Stone Harbor
- The 1920s. Stone Harbor in the Roaring Twenties
- Famous businesses of Stone Harbor
- What is behind the rivalry between Stone Harbor and Avalon
- The 1950s
- Barrier Islands How they form and how they move.
- Early Settlers of Cape May County

The talks are presented in a video format for now, but we hope to have you join us at the Museum in the near future.

# **Capital Campaign**



Our Annual Campaign to accelerate paying off our mortgage was held in the 4th quarter of 2020. Thanks to your generous contributions, we received \$23,195. Eliminating our debt will allow us to use our funding on projects that bring history alive in Stone Harbor. Thank you so much for your support of the Museum.

# **Annual Risley Gala**



Save the Date! The Stone Harbor Museum is proud to announce that once again the Reeds at Shelter Haven will be hosting the Museum for the Annual Risley Gala. This year the Gala is planned for Wednesday, August 25th. Stay tuned for additional de-

tails to follow for this wonderful evening at the Reeds at Shelter Haven.

# **Just for Fun**



Just like you, we at the Museum are feeling the stress of the pandemic. That is why we created the <u>Just For Fun</u> Webpage. From Jigsaw puzzles, crossword puzzles, word searches and opportunities for the Photoshop inclined, you will surely find something here to help you relax and have fun! Our plan is to refresh

the puzzles every month so keep an eye on the Webpage.

# **Membership Campaign**



The 2021 Membership Drive will begin in a few weeks!

The Stone Harbor Museum depends heavily on annual memberships for income. Funds are used to pay for new window displays, new interior displays, IT expenses to keep the Web Page running, and, like you, to pay our monthly bills. We know that this is a difficult time to be asking for money, so any help you can provide is sure to help the Museum.

In 2020 we had 343 dues paying members. Our goal is to increase that membership in 2021 to 400. When you join the Stone Harbor Museum, you become more than just a member, you become part of a community of friends that come together to celebrate the history and past of the great shore town of Stone Harbor, NJ.

Emails and mailings will be sent in the next few weeks asking you to renew or join the Museum. If you would like to join the Stone Harbor Museum family or renew your membership now, you can do so by clicking <u>here</u>.

Once again, thank you for your generous support of the Stone Harbor Museum.

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#### **Volunteers and Interns**



The Museum wouldn't exist if it were not for the countless hours contributed by Volunteers. Be they Board Members, Docents, Archivists, Scanners, you name it, they do it all. In 2020, Volunteers spent over 4,500 hours of their time helping the Museum.

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We are also looking for summer interns to assist in video production, scanning of photos, working as docents, and general help with the Museum. Past interns have received college credit for their work with video productions. High school students can earn valuable community service credits toward graduation. If you are interested in serving as a volunteer or intern, please contact Kim Park at the Museum or click <u>here</u> to send us your information and we will get back to you. We would love to have you join the team.

# **Facebook**

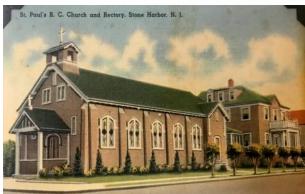


Many people enjoy our Facebook Posts. Each day we post a picture from the past and often getting multiple responses from people about how they remember the picture or something similar from their memories of Stone Harbor. We also use Facebook to post news about the Museum such as the

next Museum Talk and news about the Museum. From the daily picture, Tranquility Tuesday, a Museum Minute, or an announcement, Facebook is a valuable source of information for all things related to the Museum. If you haven't stopped by in a while, you can view our page <u>here</u>.

# *The Stone Harbor Museum Facebook Page has over 2,500 followers !*

# **Window Displays**



Work is underway to update the window displays at the Museum. First up, just in time for Easter, is a display dedicated to the churches in Stone Harbor. Drop by and take a look. Right behind this new window will be a window about the Women Pioneers of Stone Harbor as well as an updated window about Trains. Also

planned is a window with the theme 'Gone But Not Forgotten'. If you have any interesting photos or souvenirs of any hotels, restaurants, stores, etc that are no longer here, contact the museum and we'll work to have them included in the display.

#### **Museum Website**



The Museum's <u>Website</u> continues to attract attention. Here you will find the latest information about the Museum, links to Talks and Stories showcasing Stone Harbor History, a Webpage that is Just for Fun, opportunities to become a member and/or donate to the Museum, and a calendar of upcoming events. Please take a mi-

nute to visit our Website where you are sure to find some interesting history of Stone Harbor.

*The Stone Harbor Website has over 24,000 Pageviews since it was redesigned in March of 2020.* 

#### **Videos**



At a time when going out is limited due to the Pandemic, the Museum Videos have offered a perfect solution to share the history of Stone Harbor. <u>Museum Talks</u>, <u>"Tranquility Tuesday's"</u> which are minute-long snippets of scenes and tableaus around Stone Harbor and surrounding areas and the <u>"Stone Harbor Museum Minute"</u>

which are brief programs that highlight a topic of local interest allow us to keep in you entertained. With expert narration, including some from local interns, a fascinating snippet of Stone Harbor History is brought to life. These weekly programs are posted on our Facebook page and archived on our <u>Website</u>. We invite you to enjoy and comment on these weekly offerings and feel free to suggest subjects for future episodes.

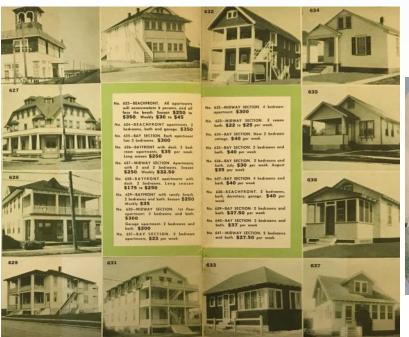
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# **Art & Writing Contest**



The 2020 Art & Writing Contest was a big success. The Museum received kudos from the Cape May County Board of County Commissioners and Cape May County Dept of Tourism, Public Information and Culture & Heritage for putting the contest together. So, we are going to do it again this year. Sharpen your pencils, your crayons, and whatever else you use to produce those wonderful pictures and stories. Once again we will be offering

prizes for the winning entries. Look for an announcement in May. Visit our <u>Webpage</u> to view all of the entries in the Art & Writing Contest from last

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#### Become a Sponsor of the Museum



Sponsors are essential to the success of the Museum. Their contributions and support allow us to continue to provide interesting events, topics, and displays about Stone Harbor History. Each of our sponsors is displayed on our <u>Webpage</u>. Plans are to further promote the support of our sponsors in future videos, emails, and newsletters. If you'd like to become a

sponsor, please contact Kim Park at the Museum. Kim can be reached at 609-368-7500. Above all, please continue to support our sponsors!

### Join our Mailing List



If you have received this newsletter, then congratulations, you are on our mailing list. If you know of someone who would like to join our mailing list, send them to our Join our <u>Mailing List Webpage</u> so that they too can keep up with the latest happenings at the Museum.

It is very important that we keep our patrons up-to-date with what is happening at the Museum. To do that, we rely on the accuracy of our mailing list.

#### **Please update your Contact Information**

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## Vintage House Project



The Museum's new project is turning out to be a successful venture and homeowners are very excited to participate by telling memories of family and friends enjoying the house and their time in Stone Harbor. Some of the houses have belonged to authors, government officials, a Risley brother and yes to a ghost.

Our Project Director, Karen Lee Camagna, has contacted several of our Vintage Homeowners and heard so many fascinating stories about the homes in Stone Harbor, NJ. She has been working with several of you to learn about the original families that owned the house and the journey and life of the house and the families that own the house now.

In the coming months we plan on showcasing several of these houses and the memories/stories that have been shared with us. Currently, we have a few houses that will be posted in March on the Museum <u>Webpage</u>. The life of the house may be posted in several series from birth to current date. So, come back often to visit to see what is being posted. You may want to also visit our Stone Harbor Museum facebook page for updates on the <u>Vintage Homes Webpage</u>.

If you own a Vintage Home (currently 1950's and earlier) and do not have a plaque and would like to purchase one, please visit the Museum <u>Webpage</u> to fill out the Online application. If you do fill it out online please send in your check to the Stone Harbor Museum so that we can order the plaque and in the subject line, please mark Vintage Homeowner plaque.

If you prefer you can print off the application and mail it along with a check to the Museum.

Thank you again for your interest in Vintage Homes, if you have any questions or would like to participate, our Project Director, Karen Lee Camagna can be reached at <u>SHMvintagehouses@gmail.com</u> or 484.437.1978

# Support our Friends at the Stone Harbor Garden Club



The Garden Club of Stone Harbor will be holding their Annual Plant Sale on May 8th and 9th.

This year the sale will take place at the Women's Civic Center at 96th and the Beach.

This is a wonderful opportunity to purchase some beautiful plants to get your Spring gardens off to a good start and to support a wonderful organization.

A copy of the Plant Order form can be viewed <u>here</u>.

For more information on the Garden Club of Stone Harbor, visit their WebSite at <a href="https://gardenclubofstoneharbor.org/">https://gardenclubofstoneharbor.org/</a>











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# Stone Harbor Museum

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Visit us at our <u>Website</u> to get all of the latest info on the Museum !



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We hope you enjoyed our newsletter. Comments, Feedback, and Suggestions can be sent to Directorstoneharbormuseum@gmail.com.

Remember to check our <u>Website</u> often for the latest Stone Harbor Museum news and events.

Bye for now. Stay Safe. We hope to see you soon at the Museum! Thanks again for your support !