

HHHS PasTimes

Howell Heritage and Historical Society – Newsletter – July 2023

Meetings 4th Friday, 7 pm, Ardena Baptist Church Gym, Adelpphia Rd. Howell

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MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT, ANN MALSBUY:

June has been very busy and, as the saying goes, we have had a lot of irons in the fire. The program on June 23rd, World War II- the Ost Front, by Jude Meehan was very informative about a part of the war that we didn't know about. Jude brought helmets, uniforms, and a very heavy rifle that were used by the Russian and German armies.

Margaret Winkleman and Anne Hartman hosted the Questors visit to the Old Ardena Schoolhouse on June 5th, telling the history and answering questions from the group. A bonus was sales and donations in the amount of \$82.

June 12 was our fundraiser at Shivers Ice Cream which netted us \$100. Another night is being planned in August. Thanks to all of you who enjoyed ice cream that evening. My banana split was delicious!!

The Antique Sale at the schoolhouse on June 24 and 25 was a huge success. All items were beautifully displayed. Leigh Shaffer and Lily Keaney worked very hard on this and we thank them and their helpers, Anne Hartman, Debbie Frost, and Margaret Winkleman. We also want to thank Madolin Hall, Leigh Shaffer, Ellen McGirr, Virginia Krzyzanowski, Bill Ditto, Reggie Hahn, Cathy McKee and Ann Malsbury for their generous donations for the sale. If you missed the sale, and since everything is already set up, Leigh is planning a weekend in July for another sale. And did I mention that we made \$1,687?

If you have not ordered your coffee and hot chocolate yet, you have until July 31st to do so. They make great gifts and will keep for a while.

Since the schoolhouse is almost finished, we are turning our focus to the MacKenzie Museum. The Buildings and Grounds Committee will report their findings next month. First order of repair will be the foundation. We received an estimate of \$50,000 from one company.

On Friday, July 28th there will be a change in the presentation previously listed on the calendar. We will show a video of Shayne Davidson's Lecture about the organization of the USCT Infantry Regiment, Capt. William A. Prickett leading Co. G 25th USCT and how this unknown story became well-known as "17 Men". Everyone is welcome to join us for this amazing story.

Ann

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Coffee Fundraiser Campaign CONTINUES UNTIL JULY 31<sup>st</sup>!

## Howell Heritage & Historical Society Fundraiser Portal

By purchasing Coffee or Hot Chocolate during this fundraising campaign,  
**\$5 of the \$12 price directly benefits the Howell Historical Society.**

“The Coffee Platoon Sales” also funds Bridging the Gap and the military community with Career Transition Programs and Services, providing our Back the Blue Scholarships to veterans who are in the police academy and a local Hometown Hero program with gift cards. In addition, Operation Suit Up Retail Store providing professional business attire to any veteran or military dependent who needs suits for career interviewing or a special event. **The coffee is getting rave reviews from customers!**

**May - July 31st, 2023**  
**ONLINE**  
**COFFEE**  
**FUNDRAISER**  
Proceeds Supporting  
**Howell Heritage & Historical Society**  
*Shipped out daily or Scheduled Pickup Location*  
[www.thecoffeeplatoonfundraising.com/fundraising/howell-heritage-and-historical-society](http://www.thecoffeeplatoonfundraising.com/fundraising/howell-heritage-and-historical-society)

**SCAN ME**  
FOR INFO!

**\$12**  
12 OZ BAG  
*(more varieties available)*

**\$5 FROM EACH**  
PURCHASE GOES  
DIRECTLY TO THE  
ORGANIZATION

**\$12**  
12 KCUPS  
*(more varieties available)*

**THE COFFEE PLATOON**  
BRIDGING THE GAP  
COFFEE WITH A CAUSE

Mademoiselle's House and Library  
1812 - Sweet Water

Howell Heritage and Historical Society  
1808 - Sweet Water

Antlers Club Room (1890s)  
1890 - Sweet Water



HHHS Meeting Minutes June 23, 2023

The meeting was opened by Ann Malsbury, Vice President with the Flag Salute, and a moment of silence. She introduced the program WWII Ost Front presented by Jude Meehan.

The May Treasurer's Report was accepted with a motion to approve by Catherine Schwier and seconded by Vicky Arose. All in favor. The May Secretary's Report was accepted with a motion to approve by Virginia Wooley and seconded by Larry Lastra. All in favor.

Business meeting: Ann Malsbury requested that the committees and subcommittees report monthly.  
Ways and Means; The three recent fundraisers at Jersey Mike's, Bubbakoos and Shivers raised \$400. The status of the coffee sales was discussed. Orders may be made online or by phone. Margaret Winkelman sent a report on the June 5 meeting at the Schoolhouse with the Questor group. There was genuine interest in the Schoolhouse and they made a \$50 donation in addition to raffle ticket sales and some items being purchased.

Buildings and Grounds: Jude Meehan discussed the difficulty in working on the MacKenzie House due to lack of access. There was discussion as to who needs the codes. Lynn Barrall made a motion to give access to MacKenzie to Jude Meehan and Bill Shaffer. Catherine Schwier seconded. All in favor. There was also discussion as to how to coordinate access with John Wooley who handles the water at MacKenzie.

Virginia Wooley is trying to get paint donations from Home Depot for the interior of the Schoolhouse. She needs a letter with HHHS letterhead. There was discussion of the need for an analysis of the interior paint prior to the start of any painting. Dave Duarte will be painting the belfry as soon as weather and his schedule allow.

Antique Sale: Volunteers needed for both days. Leigh Shaffer and Lily Keaney priced all the items and arranged them at the Schoolhouse. The presale items raised \$888.

New Business: There was damage at the Schoolhouse which turned out to be the result of a car accident. There was some structural damage to one pillar, shrubs and several picnic tables were demolished. A Police report was filed. We need an estimate for the damages which should be covered by the car insurance. DPW needs to know HHHS owns the buildings for any future incidents. There are no bids yet for Schoolhouse HVAC installation.

Leigh Shaffer reported on MacKenzie House. The porch is sinking, the foundation is deteriorating and there are problems with the drainage system. Brian McIlvaine provided an estimate of approx. \$50,000. The need for an architect was discussed. Dave Duarte gave an estimate of approx. \$24,000 to repair the back of the house, prepare and paint the house, and glaze the windows. That amount would also include the out buildings. We still need a roof estimate, which will be more than the Schoolhouse. It was agreed the costs will probably be higher. The building is in worse shape than when we acquired it. Jude Meehan agreed to look at MacKenzie and report at the July meeting.

It was also noted that the date of the raffle drawing had to be changed from August 27 to August 6. The change should be indicated on the raffle tickets.

Bill Shaffer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vicky Arose. All in favor.

Refreshments by Jude Meehan and Catherine Schwier.

Minutes by Anne Hartman, HHHS Secretary



Treasurer's Report – Submitted by Leigh Shaffer

| <b>HOWELL HERITAGE AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY</b> |                                          |                       |                  |                         |                     |                   |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Monthly Treasurer's Report</b>             |                                          |                       |                  |                         |                     |                   |
| <b>For month ending June 30, 2023</b>         |                                          |                       |                  |                         |                     |                   |
| <b>Balance as of June 1, 2023</b>             |                                          |                       |                  |                         |                     |                   |
|                                               |                                          | Raffle                | Operating        | deposit date            | Improvements        | Total             |
|                                               |                                          | different             | \$2,167.65       |                         | \$1,335.00          | \$3,502.65        |
|                                               |                                          | bank                  |                  |                         |                     |                   |
| Date                                          |                                          | 1/2 prize             |                  |                         |                     |                   |
|                                               | DONATIONS                                |                       |                  |                         |                     |                   |
| June 1                                        | Larry Lastra & Ron Alessi (Ardena Phone) |                       | \$41.00          | June 1                  |                     |                   |
| June 5                                        | Sweetgrass Questers 1432                 |                       | \$50.00          | June 13                 |                     |                   |
| June 5                                        | schoolhouse donation                     |                       | \$3.00           | June 13                 |                     |                   |
| June 10                                       | DAR - Debbie Frost                       |                       | \$5.00           | June 13                 |                     |                   |
| June 10                                       | DAR - Wendy Kelly                        |                       | \$5.00           | June 13                 |                     |                   |
| June 10                                       | DAR - Mimie Cook                         |                       | \$10.00          | June 13                 |                     |                   |
| June 10                                       | DAR - Jayne Miller                       |                       | \$25.00          | June 13                 |                     |                   |
|                                               | MEMBERSHIP                               |                       |                  |                         |                     |                   |
| June 7                                        | Bud and Eileen McIlvaine                 |                       | \$30.00          | June 13                 |                     |                   |
|                                               | FUNDRAISERS                              |                       |                  |                         |                     |                   |
| June 17                                       | Shivers                                  |                       | \$100.00         | June 28                 |                     |                   |
| June 24/25                                    | Antique/Vintage Sale                     |                       | \$1,687.00       | June 28                 |                     |                   |
|                                               | RAFFLE                                   |                       |                  |                         |                     |                   |
| June 5                                        | Questers at Schoolhouse                  | \$25.00               |                  | June 14                 |                     |                   |
| June 9                                        | Frank Pinkus                             | \$25.00               |                  | June 14                 |                     |                   |
| June 7                                        | Eileen McIlvaine                         | \$150.00              |                  | June 14                 |                     |                   |
| June 15                                       | Frank Fischer                            | \$150.00              |                  | June 29                 |                     |                   |
| June 23                                       | Ann Malsbury                             | \$150.00              |                  | June 29                 |                     |                   |
| June 23                                       | Margaret Winkelman                       | \$155.00              |                  | June 29                 |                     |                   |
| June 23                                       | Lynn Barrall                             | \$150.00              |                  | June 29                 |                     |                   |
| June 24                                       | Leigh Shaffer                            | \$20.00               |                  | June 29                 |                     |                   |
| June 24                                       | Debbie Frost                             | \$150.00              |                  | June 29                 |                     |                   |
|                                               | SALES                                    |                       |                  |                         |                     |                   |
| June 5                                        | Questers in Gift Shop                    |                       | \$4.00           | June 13                 |                     |                   |
|                                               |                                          | <b>INCOME TOTAL</b>   | <b>Raffle</b>    | <b>Operating</b>        | <b>Improvements</b> | <b>Total</b>      |
|                                               |                                          |                       | \$975.00         | \$1,960.00              | \$0.00              | \$1,960.00        |
|                                               |                                          | <b>combined total</b> | <b>\$975.00</b>  | <b>\$4,127.65</b>       | <b>\$1,335.00</b>   | <b>\$5,462.65</b> |
|                                               | <b>EXPENSES</b>                          |                       |                  |                         |                     |                   |
|                                               | MACKENZIE MUSEUM                         |                       |                  |                         |                     |                   |
| JUNE 29                                       | JCP&L                                    |                       | \$71.94          |                         |                     |                   |
|                                               | verizon                                  |                       | \$41.90          |                         |                     |                   |
|                                               | ARDENA SCHOOLHOUSE                       |                       |                  |                         |                     |                   |
| June 19                                       | JCP&L                                    |                       | \$7.51           |                         |                     |                   |
| June 19                                       | verizon                                  |                       | \$41.90          |                         |                     |                   |
| June 19                                       | Charitable Organization Registration     |                       | \$30.00          |                         |                     |                   |
|                                               |                                          | <b>EXPENSES TOTAL</b> | <b>Operating</b> | <b>Improvements</b>     | <b>Total</b>        |                   |
|                                               |                                          |                       | \$193.25         | \$0.00                  | \$193.25            |                   |
|                                               |                                          | <b>combined total</b> | <b>Raffle</b>    | <b>Operating</b>        | <b>Improvements</b> | <b>Total</b>      |
|                                               |                                          |                       | \$975.00         | \$3,934.40              | \$1,335.00          | \$5,269.40        |
|                                               | <b>Balance as of June 30, 2023</b>       |                       |                  |                         |                     |                   |
|                                               | designated for belfry                    |                       |                  | designated              | \$750.00            |                   |
|                                               | designated schoolhouse roof              |                       |                  | designated              | \$585.00            |                   |
| <b>DEBT</b>                                   | <b>Loan from Jude Meehan for roof</b>    |                       |                  | <b>outstanding loan</b> | <b>\$3,000.00</b>   |                   |

## 50/50 Raffle Now in Progress!

We want to let you know that our 2<sup>nd</sup> 50/50 raffle benefitting the Howell Heritage and Historical Society is underway! Although HHHS has accomplished a great deal in the last four years, there is still a lot more to do! We still need to paint the interior of the Old Ardena Schoolhouse and the MacKenzie Museum & Library needs major renovations before we open the doors to the public.

Tickets have been sent out to members as we did last year, and they would be happy to sell them to anyone who isn't a member!

Each ticket is \$5 and the drawing will be held at the Old Ardena Schoolhouse on **August 6<sup>th</sup>**. There will be three winners: 1<sup>st</sup> prize is 25%, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize is 15%, and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize is 10%.

As a friend of HHHS, if you would like to sell some or buy some, please contact Margaret at [mwinkelman97@icloud.com](mailto:mwinkelman97@icloud.com) or text her at 732-318-8778.

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|----------------------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| PRIZE<br>NAME OF FUNDRAISER<br>DAY, MONTH 00, 2019 |       | PRIZE<br>NAME OF FUNDRAISER                                    |  |
| Name _____                                         | _____ | HOW WINNER WILL BE DETERMINED<br>HOW WINNER WILL BE DETERMINED |  |
| Address _____                                      | _____ | Day, Month 00, 2019                                            |  |
| Phone _____                                        | _____ | - VOID AFTER 30 DAYS -                                         |  |
| Seller _____                                       | _____ | DONATION : \$0.00                                              |  |
| No. 000                                            | _____ | No. 000                                                        |  |

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WWII OSTFRONT Presentation by Jude Meehan





Event Extended!

**Antique & Vintage Sale at Old Ardena One-Room Schoolhouse
Corner Preventorium and Old Tavern Rds, Howell, NJ**

**Friday, July 21st 10 am - 2 pm
Saturday, July 22nd 10 am - 2 pm**

We are happy to report that the June Antique and Vintage Sale was a great success! We had lots of support providing a wonderful variety of donations and lots of purchases adding up to \$1,687. Fortunately, we have lots more to sell, so we have decided to have another sale.

Please visit again!

There will be some new surprises offered that you haven't seen!

Hope to see you there!

The event will benefit the Old Ardena One-Room Schoolhouse and the MacKenzie Museum and Library projects.

**For information, please contact Leigh Shaffer, 732-977-5805
LeighAnne3451@verizon.net**

ARDENA OPEN HOUSE - 2023

The Old Ardena Schoolhouse will be open to the public, again, the last Sunday of the month, from 1 pm to 4 pm.

July 30

August 27

September 24

October 29

We need at least two members on site at all times.

Anyone who is interested in signing up for dates, please let Margaret Winkelman know.



ARDENA OPEN HOUSE 2023

**We look forward to
seeing you on the last
Sunday of the month!**



Howell Heritage and Historical Society

CALENDAR for 2023

WE HOPE YOU'LL JOIN US!

ARDENA BAPTIST CHURCH GYM ~ 593 ADELPHIA RD, HOWELL
4TH FRIDAY ~ PROGRAM 7 P.M. ~ BUSINESS MEETING 8 P.M.
WE SERVE REFRESHMENTS AND SOCIALIZE AT EVERY MEETING.

January 27th Program: Get-to-Know-Each-Other Activity and Installation of Officers
Refreshments: Anne Hartman

February 24th Program: T J Fallon - "Signers of the Declaration of Independence and
Constitution Gravesites - The third in the fascinating series of TJ's adventures
visiting gravesites of these historical figures and the role they played in history!
Refreshments: Lynn Barrall

March 24th Program: Bob Novak "Why Allaire Village Was Called Howell Works"
Refreshments: Margaret Winkelman

April 28nd Program: "Did you know this?" Local Vintage Videos Ann Malsbury & Lynn Barrall
Refreshments: Lynn Barrall

May 26th Program: CELEBRATE 4th ANNIVERSARY OF HHHS INC. – Share Memories
Program: "What Did We Do in '52?"
Refreshments: Ann Malsbury and Cathy McKee
May Special Activity: Farmingdale-Howell Memorial Day Parade

June 23rd Program: "WWII Ost Front"
Refreshments: Jude Meehan and Catherine Schwier

July 28th Program: Shayne Davidson's lecture on "Seventeen Men: Life-Sized
Portraits of the 25th USCT Co. G, Civil War" beloved by Capt. William A. Prickitt

Refreshments: Virginia Woolley
July Special Activity: Monmouth County Fair at East Freehold Showgrounds on
Kozloski Road, Freehold

August 25th Program: "Kitchen Couture" Virginia Krzyzanowski
Refreshments: Virginia Krzyzanowski

September 22nd Program: "Show and Tell"
Refreshments: Larry Lastra and Ron Alessi

October 27th Program: Honoring Veterans, Wreaths Across America in Howell
Refreshments: Debbie Frost and Leigh Shaffer

November — No Meeting

December — No Meeting

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Howell Heritage and Historical Society Now collecting 2023 Dues!

2023 Membership/ Donation Form

I would like to enroll as a member in the category below:

_____ \$20 individual _____ \$30 family

_____ \$50 sponsor _____ \$100 patron

I would like to make a donation:

Amount: \$_____ donation

Name _____

Street _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone(s) _____

Email _____

Please send this form & your check,

payable to: Howell Heritage & Historical Society

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