

Howell Heritage

The Newsletter of The Howell Historical Society June, 2009

Howell Historical Society Meeting June 26, 2009

8:00 pm
Howell Township
Municipal Offices Building

June Will Bust Out of the Usual

Randall Gabrielan the executive director of the Monmouth County Historical Commission and the appointed local historian of Middletown Township, usually takes to the written word to issue his historical work. However, visitors to the June meeting of the Howell Historical Society will have a chance to hear him speak about his love — history. He is slated to show and discuss the video "A Tour in Preservation", which tells about 15 sites assisted by a Historical Commission preservation grant.

Attendees at the meeting will get the video to keep. While this video was filmed four years ago, you may also get a current view of his recent work, shorter videos done for the web. Go to visitmonmouth.com, click on Departments for the Commission's page, then look for the link to videos.

In the Merry Month of May

The May meeting of the Howell Historical Society featured a speaker from the U.S. Park Service at Sandy Hook. It was a fascinating evening of stories, legends, and love of Sandy Hook and its facilities.

TRIVIA TIME —

Q. According to the Howell Township publication introducing mandatory recycling what does it take to produce one ton of glass?

In the HHS Household:

Condolences to the family and friends of our vice president, **Doris Howard**, who died June 7. Doris had suffered a stroke and been hospitalized for a time. Doris served the Howell Historical Society as treasurer since the inception of the organization until this past year when she stepped down in order to become vice president.

Trustee **Evelyn Barrow** is recuperating at home after her recent time of hospitalization.

Please remember to contact us when members and friends of the Howell Historical Society are ill.

Howell Township Residents on Active Duty

Christian A. Castravet 1st Lieutenant, US Army, serving in Iraq

Steven M. Schwartz II / E-4/ET3 / USN

Michael C. Sullivan L/Cpl / L/3/6 US Marine Corps

Gregory M. Hiller L/Cpl.-1st Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, serving in Iraq

Benjamin T. Lore PFC 328 MP CO, Cherry Hill Armory, serving in Iraq

Lookie, Lookie

Howell Heritage, the newsletter of the Howell Historical Society is now posted on the Howell Township web site www.twp.howell.nj.us/content/71/6294/default.aspx. Look under the section called Spotlight.

Weekend in Old Monmouth Debrief

A number of people involved with the 2nd Weekend in Old Monmouth met in Freehold with Monmouth County Historical Commission Chairperson Randall Gabrielan to talk about what was right and what needed work in preparation for next year's event. Trustee Chairperson **Don Smith** and **Ida Devlin** attended the

Editorially Speaking:

What is history? According to Wickapedia, *History is the study of the past with special attention to the written record of the activities of human beings over time. Scholars who write about history are called historians. It is a field of research which uses a narrative to examine and analyze the sequence of events, and it often attempts to investigate objectively the patterns of cause and effect that determine events.*

History is what has happened to people yesterday, centuries ago, a decade in the past. People — moms and dads, grocers, teachers, presidents, kids — whatever happened to these people is history and amazingly enough our individual histories are remarkably similar.

Take a look at the trip down memory lane that Tim Clayton has for us this month — weren't you at that very same dance when it was held in Howell Township or Neptune or Rahway or Brooklyn? I was, but I was on the other side of the gymnasium waiting to be picked.

Enjoy the walk down the memory lane of some old and beloved TV shows — history is yours and mine and everyone's and it's what makes our memories. Have a nostalgic trip.

debriefing meeting. Representatives of most of the sites reported an increase in visitors this year. Both of our sites had a considerable increase in visitors and tours. Several ideas for improving next year's event were discussed and plans are underway to implement the ideas. It was a valuable evening.

The 2010 Weekend in Old Monmouth will be held on the first weekend in May. Publicity and details will be offered as the time gets closer.

Think You're Unique? Have Some Fun and Find Out

Go to this web site: www.howmanyofme.com, put in your first and last name and see how many people in the USA have your name as well. You'll probably be surprised at the results.

HistoriFUN

A program of fun and hands-on education

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for a small group kids will be offered at the MacKenzie House this July 6-10. It will be a week of exploring some old fashioned crafts and techniques with new twists. Young people in 3rd through 5th grade will create art designs and make craft projects using methods employed by our ancestors.

If you know of young people who would be interested and benefit from this type of experience, have them contact **WordPeople@AOL.com**.

See the flier in this issue for further information.

1st Grammar School Dance A First Hand Experience

Ball Room Dancing Class was mandatory for the 7th and 8th grade students at the West Point Pleasant Ocean Road School in the early 1950s. As I recall, Mrs. LaVerne Decker was the teacher of this social pain, which was dumped on us on a weekly basis. Oh, how we boys hated this torture! But, mandatory allows for no exceptions (not even short guys like me). Mrs. Decker taught us some semblance of the fox trot, the waltz, and some other Latin dance such as the rumba (quick, quick, slow or something like that). Of course, mixing and changing partners took place during these torturous classes, which led to some awkward situations (short boy's eyes often lined up with tall girl's chests). It seems to me that the girls were much more receptive to the ballroom dancing idea (girls always were hard to understand and nothing has changed over the years).

In spite of Mrs. Decker's efforts, I almost flunked her "Social Skills 101" class, better known as Ballroom Dancing. On these painful days, trying to "play sick" did not work with my mom. She actually made me wear something a little more presentable on Mrs. Decker's "punishment days". Of course, the end of the school year, "7th and 8th grade dance was always hanging over my head. Once again, my mother was fully supportive of me getting an ulcer as I worried about the dreaded day. The aforementioned dance day finally arrived, and once again, playing sick did not work. My mother and older sister Anne, actually "ganged up" on me to make sure that I was dressed appropriately and was well scrubbed (even behind my ears, which I thought was a waste of time and effort).

Once I arrived at the dreaded dance, the boys were lined up on one wall, and the girls on the other wall. Very few dancers were in between,

and they were mostly 8th graders (they were way ahead of us 7th graders as far as social skills go). I took up my position on the wall with my fellow cowards, keeping an eye on one of the popular girls. I was sure that she was looking at me from across the dance floor, but I lacked the guts to ask her to dance. Finally, the time for the long awaited Sadie Hawkins dance arrived, where it became the "ladies choice". My "true love" that I was convinced had her eye on me, ran across the floor in my direction. To my dismay, she asked the guy standing next to me for a dance. I was crushed!

As luck would have it, one of the tall girls asked me to dance, which gave a whole new meaning to the term "face saving". Actually, as I remember, she saved my life! What a relief! One can only imagine the pain of attending a dance without dancing.

When I arrived home, I had to give a glowing and much exaggerated report to my parents and sister. Of course, I neglected to tell my family that I only danced that one time! It was not easy being a boy at his first dance!

Tim Clayton

James Hendrickson (1753 – 1854) Howell Resident, American Revolutionary War Patriot, Slave Owner

Note-Church of the Latter Day Saints records state that there may have been another Monmouth County James Hendrickson (born 1759). Therefore, this report will only include records that give a birth date of 1753. Each entry will include the source of information.

The 1850 Census stated that James Hendrickson (age 97) was born in Monmouth County, New Jersey in 1753. Two different contributors to the Ancestry World Tree Project state that James Hendrickson married Amy (unknown) about 1777 and they issued one son Cornelius (born 1778 – died 1846). James Hendrickson fought as a private in the New Jersey, Monmouth County Militia during the American Revolution which took place from 1775–1783). This fact was confirmed by pension payment records; a list of New Jersey Pensioners; Final Selected Pension Payment Vouchers; and the 1841 Howell Township Census of Pensioners for Revolutionary Service. A list of the on-going pension payments was kept in Trenton which

included- "James Hendrickson, Private, Monthly Allowance \$40.00" (the payments were from March 4, 1831 to March 4, 1854) As noted above, the pension payments stopped in March of 1854, which would make James 101 years of age when he died.

When the Howell 1830 Census was taken, James Hendrickson was listed as Head of Family. The household included two white males, one white female, one female slave, one free colored male, and one free colored female. It should be noted that slaves were common in the north during this time period. James Hendrickson's American Revolution service pension began August 19, 1833 and was retroactive to March 4, 1831.

At the time of the Howell 1840 Census, James Hendrickson was listed as Head of Family. The household included two white males and one white female (no slaves).

The Howell 1841 Census of American Revolution Pensioners included James Hendrickson, Age 88, Head of Family. Of special historical interest to Howell Township, is the fact that a total of six Howell Township men were included in the 1841 Census of Pensioners for Revolutionary Service. The Howell 1841 list of American Revolution men included Aaron Chamberlain (age 85), John Chamberlain (age 91), James Hendrickson (age 88), Samuel Johnson (age 79), Joseph Miller (age 89), and James Smith (age 91). It should be noted that at least ten other Howell American Revolution service men died prior to the 1841 Census. They were Lewis Ayers, Job D. Clayton, George Hanis, Henry Hyland, Solomon Ketcham, Jacob Laine, Abraham Peterson, John Poland, John Shibley, and Richard Sopes (names from the "Selected Final Pension Payment Vouchers").

During the 1850 Census, James Hendrickson and his wife Hannah (2nd wife?) were living in Howell Township. The record stated that James was age 97, was born in New Jersey, and that his occupation was farmer. Hannah's age was listed as 87. As determined by the American Revolution pension payment records, James Hendrickson died in Howell, Monmouth County, New Jersey on March 4, 1854, at the age of 101.

Tim Clayton

*Friends,
I'm taking orders for handcrafted birdhouses which are being assembled by the Men's Club of my church. All profits will be added to our Men's Club treasury. We help to support the missions and*

operating cost of the Central United Methodist Church of Point Pleasant Beach. If you are interested in ordering, please let me know what and how many you would like to order. You do not need to make payment until I deliver your order.

Tim

*You may contact Tim at **WordPeople@AOL.com***

Fairly Recent History

Not too long ago I got an e-mail from a friend. It was a forwarded piece titled Old TV Guide. When I opened it I saw a floor model Philco television, covers of vintage TV Guides from the 50s and 60s, photos of characters from Father Knows Best, Leave It To Beaver, Captain Kangaroo, Ed Sullivan, more old television sets and so on. It was a trip! But when I saw Clayton Moore as The Lone Ranger, that's all she wrote, as they say. That was my absolute favorite show of all my growing up years. Oh was he gorgeous! And Tonto — oh dear, what a guy. And of course that beautiful Silver and Paint was wonderful too.

If you'd like to see the whole Old TV Guide for yourself, go to:

http://dalesdesigns.net/old_TV.htm

Spurred on by childhood memories and fantasies, I did some searching and found a Long Ranger Fan Club and this gem — **The Lone Ranger Creed** written by Fran Striker. And it has some pretty noble thoughts.

The Lone Ranger Creed!

By: Fran Striker

"I believe that to have a friend, a man must be one.

That all men are created equal and that everyone has within himself the power to make this a better world.

That God put the firewood there but that every man must gather and light it himself.

In being prepared physically, mentally, and morally to fight when necessary for that which is right.

That a man should make the most of what equipment he has.

That 'This government, of the people, by the people and for the people' shall live always.

That men should live by the rule of what is best for the greatest number.

That sooner or later... somewhere...somehow... we must settle with the world and make payment for what we have taken.

That all things change but truth, and that truth alone, lives on forever. In my Creator, my country, my fellow man."

Then I wrote to Tim with a request for some research on Jay Silverheels who played Tonto — thank you Tim —

Jay Silverheels

Accomplished Canadian Born Actor Best Known For His Role as "Tonto"

Jay Silverheels (1912-1980) was born as Harold J. Smith on the Six Nations Indian Reserve, Ontario, Canada. He was the son of a Mohawk Chief and was the third of eleven children (eight boys & three girls). As a youngster, he excelled in sports and competed in football, boxing, wrestling and lacrosse. He actually placed second in a middleweight section of the Golden Gloves tournament. Jay once played and starred for the Mohawk Stars, a semi-pro lacrosse team. He was extremely swift, and was noted for his flashing white shoes as he ran while playing lacrosse. Due to the political correctness of the day, he was dubbed Jay Silverheels rather than Jay "Whiteheels" (an off base reference to white men). With the encouragement of his friend and actor Joe E. Brown, Silverheels began working in low budget motion pictures as an Indian or as a stuntman in the late 1930s. He continued to work in the movie industry during the 1940s and was noticed for his roles in Key Largo (1948) and "The Cowboy and the Indians" (1949). In addition to the aforementioned movies, Jay Silverheels also appeared in "Captain from Castille", "Broken Arrow", "War Arrow", Drums Across the River". "Walk the Proud Land", "Indian Paint", "True Grit", "Santee", and others. Towards the end of 1949, Jay accepted the role as "Tonto" in the television series, "The Lone Ranger". The "Tonto" role in the Lone Ranger gained him much of his on-going, but career limiting notoriety. In this role, he is mostly remembered as the sidekick of the Lone Ranger. Along with his horse Scout, Tonto always seemed to show up at the right time for the Lone Ranger, much to the delight of the viewing audience! Unfortunately, and to a very great extent, this role caused Silverheels to be type cast for the remainder of his career. It is fair to say that Jay

Silverheels was happy with his career, but unhappy with his stereotypical parts. In that regard, Jay always followed the script. However, he personally did not like the way that Indians were portrayed in most movies. As an example, "Me Tonto", etc. He went on to form the Indian Actors Workshop in 1966 and became its spokesman for a number of years. As a point of trivia, Silverheels appeared on the Johnny Carson Show in 1962. With "tongue in cheek", he told Johnny that he married his Italian wife to get even with Christopher Columbus. He also said that they called their children "Indalions". With declining acting opportunities, Jay turned to sales, horse breeding and horse racing. When asked if he thought about running his horse Scout in a race, his reply was "heck, I could outrun Scout." In recognition of his acting career, Jay Silverheels was inducted into the Western Performers Hall of Fame and he has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame in Hollywood, California. On March 5, 1980, Jay Silverheels died of a stroke in Calabasas, California. He was cremated and his ashes were returned home to the Six Nations Indian Reserve in Canada.

Tim Clayton

Sources

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Jay Silverheels Biography

www.nndb.com

Infoplease.com

I Remember —

What Do You Remember?

If you have been nudged into the Memory Lane of your history by Tim's 1st Grammar School Dance piece or the Western gallop, please share them with us. Send them to: **WordPeople@AOL.com.**

Round and About Howell Township

"Fiction to Fact" Space Toys & Memorabilia Collection

Dec.-Aug.09; the collection features toys, games, posters, and books, as well as memorabilia from Russia's and America's space mission; it is on loan from Kaller's America Gallery; Monmouth Museum on Brookdale Community College Campus, 765 Newman Springs Rd., Lincroft; 732-747-2266;

www.monmouthmuseum.org

Howell Parks and Recreation

Pony Grooming and Horsemanship Camp

REGISTER EARLY-LIMITED SPACE IS AVAILABLE

June 29-July 3 and August 10-14; This is a Petite Equestrian Program for children 3 to 6 years of age and a Pony Grooming and Riding Program for children 7 to 11 years. These programs are perfect for the returning or slightly experienced participant and for those who learn at a slightly faster pace. Safety, anatomy, English and Western riding, along with grooming and body language are a few of the topics covered during this event. These camps will be held at the Echo Lake Park. This program will develop your child's self-confidence and team spirit, while creating a genuine appreciation and respect for these animals. For further information call 732-938-4500 ext. 2501

Baltimore Inner Harbor

August 15 but RESERVATIONS BY JULY 10; this is one of the top destinations in the city of Baltimore; there is a wide array of things to do at the harbor such as shopping, restaurants, Baltimore Aquarium, Maryland Science Center, Fort McHenry; fee is \$43 for transportation only; bus departs town hall at 8:00am and returns approximately 8:00pm; for more information call 732-938-4500 ext. 2501

Fathers and Daughters Dinner & Dance

Oct. 2, 6:00pm-9:00pm; MAKE RESERVATIONS ASAP, this event sells out quickly. The evening will consist of a full dinner buffet, a color photo taken by a professional photographer, music for dancing and lots of fun. If you wish to be seated with friends, all reservations must be made under one name and all money for each couple must be sent in at the same time. No mail-in reservations will be accepted. You must register at the Recreation Dept. The dance will be held at Our House Tavern Restaurant, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale; \$31 per person. Reservations taken only with payment and is based on a first come, first serve basis. For more information, call the Recreation Dept. at 732-938-4500 ext. 2501

Recreation Dept. selling Great Adventure Passes as well as Hurricane Harbor and 3-park combo passes. \$120 for 3-Park pass, \$90 for Theme/Safari, \$90 for Hurricane pass, regular Theme Park Day pass is \$27, Hurricane Harbor Day Pass is \$25; parking is \$45 and a meal

voucher is \$10; for more information, call the Recreation Dept. at 732-938-4500 ext. 2501

Manasquan Reservoir Visitor/Environmental Center

Weekend Boat Tours

From Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend

Tours are 45 minutes and will be offered on Sat., Sun. and holidays; tours start at the top of each hour from 1:00pm-4:00pm; the fee is \$4.67 per adult and \$2.80 per child under 12 + tax; each tour is narrated by a naturalist from the environmental center and will include excellent opportunities to view turtles, egrets, herons, ospreys, and perhaps even a bald eagle; for more information call 732-751-9453

Flatwater Basics - Level 1 (adults)

June 27, 9:00am-3:00pm; (Program #W7893A)
Interested in paddling on lakes, bays and wide rivers? Then join our experienced instructors in learning flatwater kayak basics such as equipment, safety, wet exits, launching and handling, and basic boat handling in our fleet of touring kayaks. Ages 14 and up welcome when accompanied by an adult. One 6-hour session \$61.00 per person.

Kayak Eco-Tour of the Reservoir (adults)

June 27, 8:00am-10:00am; (Program #I3093A)
Let's go on a journey. Kayaking offers a great way to enjoy the beauty and wildlife of the Manasquan Reservoir. After a brief introduction on how to use a kayak, you will join a park naturalist for a guided ecology tour to explore the placid marshes that border this picturesque place. We will witness the diversity of birds and wildlife, such as ospreys and egrets, perhaps even a bald eagle. Your guide will interpret the natural and cultural history of the area. No experience in kayaking is needed, but be prepared to get wet. Bring insect repellent and sunscreen, and don't forget a waterproof camera. One 2-hour session \$20.00 per person.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL THE ABOVE PROGRAMS

online 24/7 - www.monmouthcountyparks.com
by phone-732-842-4000 ext. 1, Mon.-Fri. 8:00am-4:30pm; by mail-send the registration form with payment to:Registration; Mon. Co. Park System; 805 Newman Springs Rd.; Lincroft, NJ 07738-1695; in person-Mon.-Fri. 8:00am-4:30pm, Administration Bldg; Thompson Park on Newman Springs Rd., Lincroft

HOWELL TOWNSHIP LIBRARY is located at 318

Old Tavern Road; 732-938-2300; hours are Mon., Wed. 10:00am-9:00pm, Tue., Thurs.

9:00am-9:00pm; Fri. 1:00pm-5:00pm; Sat. 9:00am-5:00pm; change for July and August-Sat. 9:00am-1:00pm

All branches and headquarters will be closed July 3 and 4

The MAH JONGG CLUB meets at the library every Monday afternoon from 1:00pm-4:00pm; ages 13 through adult, all levels of play are welcome.

The CHESS CLUB meets at the library every Saturday from 10:00am-12:00pm, all ages and levels are welcome.

Basic Guitar Workshop

June 29-July 20, 6:00pm-7:00pm This 4-part workshop will teach you a lot of the basics: guitar tuning, restringing, frets, tuning keys, and note structure. Students are requested to bring in a song that they would like to learn to play. The workshop is for students who have no formal guitar instruction. Bring your own guitar: an electric guitar is preferred but if you have an acoustic that is fine too. Registration is required. Workshop is for 12 and up.

Wii, XBox & You

July 9, 3:00pm-5:00pm; Come indoors and get out of the heat and spend a cool afternoon playing Wii and Xbox. For young adults entering the 6th grade and up. Registration is required.

Reel Teen Film Festival Submissions

May 15-July 31, 1:00pm-5:00pm; Starting Friday, May 15th, we will be accepting film submissions through July 31st, of TEEN made, directed and edited movies. The 2009 Film Festival is open to students ages 13 - 18 years old. All projects must be an original work and have a running time of not more than 5 to 7 minutes.

The theme for these original films is BOOKS. It could be a) about your favorite book b) A favorite character from a book or c) books(s) that made an impact on me. The films must be submitted in DVD format. Filmmakers, friends, families and the general public will then be cordially invited to the August 10th RED CARPET EVENT where our awards will be presented. DEADLINE is July 31st by 5:00pm - NO EXTENSIONS. Entry forms are available at the reference desk.

Teen Clicks -Part 1

July 14, 2:00pm-5:00pm; Are you interested in photography? Join fellow photography buffs and

learn new techniques for taking great photographs in this 2 part workshop. In Part 1 you will learn the parts of the camera, shutter speeds, use of light and much more. Registration is required. Please be available for BOTH sessions. You will need to bring in your camera (35mm cameras preferred). For young adults entering the 6th grade and up.

Howell-wood Walk of Fame

July 16, 1:00pm-4:00pm; Construct your own sidewalk. We will be using cement, mosaic pieces and anything else you would like to bring in. You'll break stuff, pick up the pieces to create your very own design. Be prepared to get dirty. Registration is required. For young adults entering the 6th grade and up.

Teen Clicks - Park 2

July 17, 1:00pm-3:00pm; In Part 2 of this two part series, participants will be applying the skills learned in Part 1 of the photography workshop. Bring in an interesting prop to use for the hands on portion of this workshop series. Registration is required. Please be available for BOTH sessions. You will need to bring in your camera (35mm cameras preferred). For young adults entering the 6th grade and up.

Hip Hop Workshop

July 20, 3:00pm-5:00pm; A perfect introduction to the world of dance. Join Lawrence Edwards of Movement Dance Academy and learn the latest dance moves from all of your favorite video stars. This introductory workshop gives you a tease of the walk, the talk and the groove of Hip Hop. Registration is required. For young adults entering the 6th grade and up.

Tie Dye and a Movie

July 21, 2:00pm-6:00pm; Bring a T-shirt (and socks if you wish) and join us outside for a tie-dye session. While your shirt is drying - watch a newly released movie. The movie will be announced. Registration is required. For young adults entering the 6th grade and up.

Monopoly Tournament

July 23, 12:00pm-4:00pm; Come participate in the 6th annual Monopoly Tournament. Boardwalk, Community Chest, Pacific Avenue, Short Line and Park Place are all part of this exciting game. We will have snacks and drinks. REGISTRATION CLOSING MONDAY JULY 20TH. For young adults entering the 6th grade and up.

Puzzle Project Art Workshop

July 24, 2:00pm-4:00pm; The Puzzle Project is

brought to us by Tim Kelly, an artist and member of the Monmouth County Arts Council. Teens are invited to come in and create art on the surface of a plain 24 x 24; puzzle piece in whatever media/technique you want to explore. Once the individual pieces are complete they will be assembled to build up one single puzzle which will be displayed in the library for the duration of the summer. Registration is required. For young adults entering the 6th grade and up.

Beach Blanket Bingo

July 30, 3:00pm-5:00pm; Bring in your favorite beach towel/blanket and win cool prizes as we play Beach Blanket Bingo. Registration is required. For young adults entering the 6th grade and up.

Fabric Bulletin Board Craft

July 31, 1:30pm-4:30pm Create a customized bulletin board in the fabrics and colors of your choice. This is a great way to display photographs and memorabilia. Registration is required. For young adults entering the 6th grade and up.

2009 ELECTION INFORMATION

GENERAL ELECTION

October 13-Deadline for registration and change of address (21 days preceding)

October 27-Deadline to vote by mail for civilian absentee.

November 3-General Election (Tuesday next after the first Monday in November) Pols open 6:00am to 8:00pm.

Community School will host trip to opera

Oct. 17 matinee but RESERVATIONS ARE CURRENTLY BEING ACCEPTED

The Lakewood Community School has scheduled a bus trip to the Metropolitan Opera House to see "Aida," Verdi's grandest opera. "Aida" is the story of a love triangle between an Egyptian military commander, the princess, and Aida who is a slave girl. The fee of \$110 include balcony seat, bus transportation and driver gratuity. The bus will depart from the Lakewood municipal building at 9:00am for a 1:00pm show and return to Lakewood at about 7:00pm. For more information and reservations call 732-905-3685.

5th Annual Russian and Slavic Cultural Festival

Sun., Oct. 4, 2009 12-7 pm; Saint Alexander Nevsky Cathedral; 200 Alexander Ave., Howell, NJ 07731; 908-432-3140;

www.stalexandernevskycathedral.com/

Experience all the warmth and beauty of Russian Slavic culture. Ethnic food, drink, music and dancing. Live performances throughout the day, traditional arts and crafts, and games for children.

Freehold Idol

June 17-Aug. 19, 7:00pm; talented singers aged 15 to 17 are given the spotlight to show off their vocal abilities in this very popular third annual singing contest that draws warblers from all over the state; much like the renowned TV talent contest, singers are judged and the best of each week moves to a final round where the top three vocalists are awarded prizes; front of the Hall of Records, Freehold; 732-333-0094

Freehold Rocks!

July 2-Aug. 20, 7:30pm-9:30pm; this weekly concert series features widely known groups and local talent that attracts audiences from the greater Freehold area and beyond; Hall of Records Lot, Freehold; 732-333-0094

23rd Annual KABOOM! Fireworks on the Navesink

July 3 (rain date July 4); launched from two barge locations, Garden State Fireworks of Millington, New Jersey shoots over 10,000 shells, all choreographed to an eclectic mix of popular and patriotic songs; Navesink River; Red Bank; 732-842-7337

Saturday Night Lights - Great Adventure

July 4-Sept. 5, 10:00pm; ten consecutive Saturdays of the internationally award-winning firework production "Rock Loves" to celebrate the 35th anniversary of Six Flags Great Adventure; the firework extravaganza takes place immediately following the "Glow in he Dark" parade against the backdrop of the park's great lake; Six Flags Great Adventure, 1 Six Flags Bld, Jackson; 732-928-2000

Freehold Fourth of July

July 4, 5:00pm-10:00pm; the Freehold Raceway serves as the accommodations for the festive annual Freehold Fourth of July fireworks show and

Trustees, Howell Historical Society

Don Smith, 2009 Chairperson

Pauline Smith

Ida Devlin

Evelyn Barrow

John Armata

Lynne Gillette, Alternate

concert; this family-friendly event attracts over 20,000 viewers, featuring vendors and food in a community picnic-like setting

Freehold Farmer's Market

June 16-Oct. 13, 11:00am-3:00pm; every Tuesday buy sun-ripened, freshly picked fruits and vegetables directly from the farmers who grow them; along with a large selection of locally grown seasonal crops; In front of the Hall of Records, Freehold; 732-333-0094

Engelbert Humperdinck

July 9, 8:00pm; just over four decades ago, music's "King of Romance" emerged as one of the foremost entertainers in the world; "Enge," has just completed a tour of over 100 cities; Count Basie Theatre, 99 Monmouth St., Red Bank; \$175, \$100, \$75, \$55, \$45; 732-842-9000;

www.countbasietheatre.org

MetroMan Triathlon

July 12, a Sprint and Intermediate distance races PLUS 1 Dash for Cash Super Sprint for the first men and women to finish the intermediate race; the starting and ending point for the race is Convention Hall; 1300 Ocean Ave., Asbury Park; 732-502-5749

"The Producers" The Musical

July 17-July 26; Fri-Sat. 8:00pm; Sun. 3:00pm; a down-on-his-luck producer and a downtrodden accountant's scheme to stage the worst musical of all time backfires into a hit in this hilarious Mel Brooks musical comedy; side-splitting laughter that you won't want to miss; Count Basie Theatre, 99 Monmouth St., Red Bank; \$29, \$26, \$22; 732-842-9000; **www.countbasietheatre.org**

Monmouth County Fair

July 22-26, Wed-Fri. 5.00pm-11:00pm; Sat 11:00am-11:00pm; Sun 11:00am-6:00pm; the fair will include fireworks, a pie-eating contest, a lumberjack show, and barbeque competition. Each day has a theme — MotorSports Night on Wednesday, Circus Nights on Thursday and Friday, Children's Day on Saturday. Rounding out the five-day schedule will be stage entertainment, home and garden competitions and exhibitions, a firemen's competition, pig races, an antique auto and classic car show and much more. There will

be three sessions of pay-one-price amusement rides with rides wristbands (%18 each session) available on Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday. Sunday is Senior Day when people 65 and over are admitted free. The fair will be held at the East Freehold Park Showgrounds on Kozloski Road between Routes 33 and 537 in Freehold Township. General admission is \$7 per person. Children 12 and under are admitted free at all times. 732-842-4000;

www.monmouthcountyparks

Freehold Kruiise Night

July 30, 5:00pm-10.00pm; Beautifully maintained and restored classic automobiles are abundant on Kruiise Night, one of the regions's largest and popular classic car events. Main St., Freehold; 732-333-0094

Sons of Italy 2009 Festa Italiana

July 31-Aug. 2; food, vendors, and activities for everyone on the boardwalk; fireworks display Aug. 2 at the Brinley Ave. Beachfront; Boardwalk, Bradley Beach; 732-776-2999

5th Annual Russian and Slavic Cultural Festival

Sun., Oct. 4, 2009 12-7 pm; Saint Alexander Nevsky Cathedral; 200 Alexander Ave., Howell, NJ 07731; 908-432-3140;

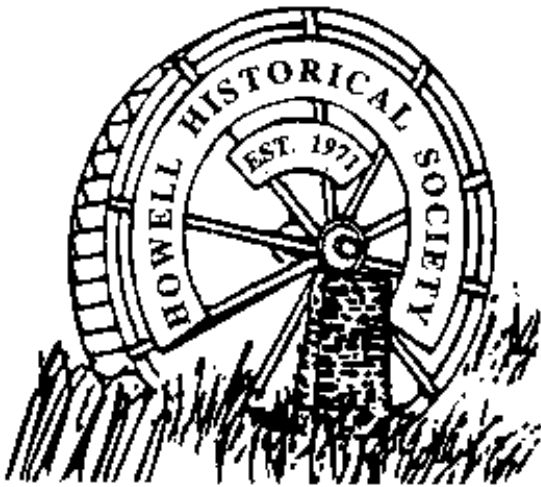
www.stalexandernevskycathedral.com/

Experience all the warmth and beauty of Russian Slavic culture. Ethnic food, drink, music and dancing. Live performances throughout the day, traditional arts and crafts, and games for children.

△. To produce one ton of glass requires: 1,330 lbs. sand; 433 lbs. soda ash; 433 lbs. limestone; 151 lbs. feldspar; 15.2 million BTUs of energy

HistoriFUN

for kids



Site of the original Squankum Mill

July 6 thru 10
9:00 am- noon

Howell Historical Society

This will be an opportunity for a limited number of kids,
3rd-5th grades, to learn old crafts and techniques with
new twists.

contact WordPeople@AOL.com
for more information and registration

HOWELL HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

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Return this form with your check to: Lynne Gillette, PO Box 694, Farmingdale NJ 07727

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Library Calligraphy Newsletter Computer skills

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Crafts Housekeeping Genealogy work Carpentry & signs

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Membership is on an annual basis and may be tax deductible