

HHHS PasTimes

Howell Heritage & Historical Society

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

January 2025 Newsletter

Message from HHHS President, Jude Meehan

Greetings Everyone,

Happy New Year! We had a wonderful holiday season at both buildings. It's now time for us to take a deep breath & enjoy the winter.

I would like to thank Leigh Shaffer for all of her hard work in obtaining grant money for HHHS. It is very important that we become financially stable & grant money certainly helps. We also want to focus on fundraising this year. If you are able to help us with this, please reach out.

Looking forward to our first meeting of the year. I hope you will join us. Please come & help us plan an exciting new year for HHHS.

Truly,
Jude Meehan

HOWELL HERITAGE AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY
IS NOW COLLECTING
2025 DUES!

Upcoming Events

MacKenzie House Museum & Library Open House
Closed until March 2025

Old Ardena School Open House
Closed until March 2025

2025 Fundraising Event – Cornhole
Contact Ellen McGirr or Margaret Winkelman if you are interested in helping

Volunteers Needed at All Events – Contact a Committee member to find out how you can help

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Meet Our Members

Happy New Year to our HHHS members!

If you haven't joined a Society meeting recently, let this be the year that you do! January's meeting will be to recognize our Board of Directors for 2025.

History Grant for General Operating Support

At its November 25th meeting, the Board of Chosen Freeholders and Historical Commission granted \$1,990 to HHHS toward our general operating costs.

A presentation ceremony will be conducted at the Historical Commission meeting on February 24th.

Thanks to Leigh Shaffer for her tremendous efforts in responding to the grant opportunity! We also thank the Historical Commission for their generosity!

Old Ardena School Update

After a busy month of December, Old Ardena School will be closed for open houses until March.

In 2025, we are hopeful that we will continue to have inquiries from the community for Private Tours (please keep in mind there is no heat or restrooms in the school)

If you know a group that would be interested in scheduling a private tour of the school, please let us know! We are taking dates for all of 2025!

School committee members are:

Anne Hartmann
Debbie Frost
Margaret Winkelman
Vicky Arose

Margaret Winkelman, Board Treasurer and School Committee Member

MacKenzie House Museum & Library Update

Happy New Year to all our members and followers of our MacKenzie House. We are looking forward to the new year with new programs and history presentations at our monthly openings.

The house will continue to be open the third Saturday of each month starting in March. We would be happy to accommodate private tours to any group interested in visiting our historic home.

Again, please pay us a visit in 2025 to learn more about life in Howell going back to the 1805 miller's house. Our staff will be happy to welcome you and share the history of our beloved house.

Larry Lastra, HHHS Volunteer & MacKenzie Committee Member

For questions or scheduling of a visit, the MacKenzie committee members are:

Larry Lastra
Leigh Shaffer
Ron Alessi

DID YOU KNOW?

Have you visited the Monmouth County Archives recently? Wondering how to get started?

The Monmouth County Archives hold a wealth of information of genealogical value. Click on the link to watch this video hosted by Christine Giordano Hanlon to learn more [here](#)

Although dated, you will find this video super helpful to watch before scheduling a visit to the Archives.

To contact the Archives Division:

Email: Archivesresearch@co.monmouth.nj.us
Phone: 732-308-3771 x 2439

We would be amiss if we didn't also mention the library at the MacKenzie Museum. There are many records and books on local history, including Family Research of families residing in Howell.

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HHHS PROGRAM CALENDAR FOR 2025



ARDENA BAPTIST CHURCH GYM ~ 593 ADELPHIA RD, HOWELL
4TH FRIDAY ~ PROGRAM 7 P.M. ~ BUSINESS MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

If you are interested in presenting at a Society Meeting in 2025, please contact HHHS via email at HowellHeritageandHistoricalSoc@gmail.com

January 24th Program: HHHS Installation of Officers

Refreshments: Margaret Winkelman

February 28th Program:

Refreshments:

March 28th Program:

Refreshments:

April 25th Program:

Refreshments:

May 23rd Program: CELEBRATE 6th ANNIVERSARY OF HHHS INC.

Refreshments:

Special Activity: Farmingdale-Howell Memorial Day Parade

June 27th Program:

Refreshments:

July 25th Program:

Refreshments:

Special Activity: Monmouth County Fair at East Freehold Showgrounds

August 22nd Program:

Refreshments:

September 26th Program: Slate of Officers Presented by Nominating Committee

Refreshments:

Special Activity: Howell Day & Green Fair

October 24th Program: Approval of Slate of Officers for 2025

Refreshments:

Special Activity: Monmouth County Archives & History Day

November & December — No Meetings

HHHS MEMBERSHIP/DONATION FORM

Howell Heritage and Historical Society is now collecting 2025 Dues!

2025 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 general donation:

Amount: \$_____ donation

I would like to be added to your email distribution list only:

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Please send this form & your check, payable to:

Howell Heritage & Historical Society, 2 Ardmore Road, Freehold NJ 07728

Email: howellheritageandhistoricalsoc@gmail.com

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*Thank
you*

HHHS EVENTS – MACKENZIE MUSEUM AND LIBRARY

*Greetings from MacKenzie Museum and Library!
We hope you're having a safe and healthy winter!*

*We are happy to announce
that the
MacKenzie Museum and Library
will Reopen on March 15th
from 1 to 4 pm*



*Celebrating the History of
National Cherry Blossoms*