

HHHS PasTimes

Howell Heritage and Historical Society – Newsletter – March 2023

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

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

In our efforts to continue the HHHS focus first on Ardena Schoolhouse, we have agreed to do a presentation for a 5th grade class at the present-day Ardena School on March 14. Also, at the first open house of the season at Ardena Schoolhouse, we have borrowed a bunny costume to add a little Easter-ness to the March 26 date. *NOTE: This year hours will be 1pm to 4pm.* In addition, Ardena is part of the Western Monmouth One Room Schoolhouse Tour on April 16 (10am-3pm) of six schools. See map enclosed.

Later in the newsletter are items discussing signups for open school days, and school prep workdays. Please consider being able to assist us.

Looking forward to a busy year with preparations at Ardena to raise community awareness and support of the schoolhouse and HHHS, aided by your presence and support.

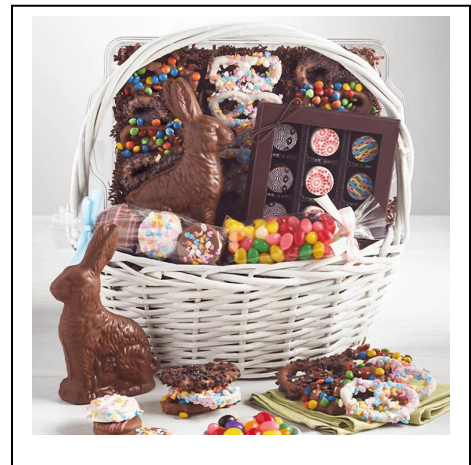
Bob

It's time to get ready for the Easter Bunny!
HHHS Thanks everyone who supported the Easter Candy Sale!

Old Monmouth Candies

**Available for pickup at the
March Meeting!**

If you have any questions, call Leigh 732-977-5805 or email leighanne3451@verizon.net



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
March 7, 2023

Historical Commission presents Preservation grants for 2023

15 projects share \$71,215 in grant money

FREEHOLD, NJ – The Monmouth County Historical Commission awarded historic preservation matching grants totaling \$71,215 for 15 restoration projects at the 2023 Grants Presentation ceremony held on Feb. 27.

"It was an honor to present the 15 grant awards to these admirable organizations for their commitment to preserving historical structures in Monmouth County," said Commissioner Lillian G. Burry, liaison to the Historical Commission. "I believe the best way to honor our rich County history is through the preservation of our historical structures, and these historic preservation grants provide applicants with means to restore and rehabilitate these structures for future generations to enjoy."

The Historical Commission is committed to remembering the past and preserving history for residents and visitors to learn about Monmouth County's evolution. The projects eligible for funding are preservation, restoration, or rehabilitation of historic structures, which are owned by non-profit organizations or municipalities, and are accessible to the public.

The 2023 Preservation Grant recipients are:

- Asbury Park African American Music Project – Turf Club new roof
- Visiting Nurses Association of Central Jersey – Asbury Station depot replace soffits
- Monmouth County Historical Association – Covenhoven repointing of foundation and gutters
- Freehold Twp. Historic Preservation Committee – Georgia Rd. Schoolhouse painting and shutters
- Friends of Monmouth Battlefield – Craig House barn doors replacement
- The Parker Homestead-1665 – Parker House second-floor restoration
- Squan Beach Lifesaving Station Preservation Committee – Boat room doors restoration
- Twp. of Millstone – Baird House siding restoration and painting
- Historical Society of Ocean Grove – Museum exterior façade restoration
- Twp. of Ocean Historical Museum - Stucile Farm cow barn restoration
- Red Bank Public Library – Eisner Memorial Library addition painting
- Woman's Club of Red Bank – Reckless House rear porch restoration
- Friends of the Old Yellow Meeting House – Parsonage exterior painting
- InfoAge Science and History Museums – Camp Evans fire doors restoration and paint
- Old Wall Historical Society – Morris-Allgor-Kittel Wheelwright shop restoration

In addition, the Monmouth County Historical Commission awarded history regrants to 21 applicants totaling \$48,500 through the New Jersey Historic Commission, a Division of the Department of the State. This partnership program supports existing local history organizations by providing grant funding for General Operating Support (GOS) and Special Projects (SP) to those same organizations, as well as other non-profit entities, such as municipalities, libraries and local cultural organizations.

The 2023 History Regrant recipients are:

- Asbury Park African American Music Project – catalog and curate historical photographs
- Asbury Park Museum – historic hotels and cottages exhibit
- Atlantic Highlands Historical Society – Strauss Mansion insurance and utility costs
- Battleground Historical Society – Village Inn insurance and utility costs
- Freehold Twp. Heritage Society – Oakley Farm insurance and historic garden maintenance
- Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County – Executive Director's salary
- Twin Lights Historical Society – Manager/historian salary
- Howell Heritage and Historical Society – MacKenzie Museum insurance, utilities and security
- Keyport Public Library – digitization of *Keyport Weekly* newspaper
- Parker Homestead-1665 – utilities, insurance and outreach
- Whale Pond Brook Watershed Association & Long Branch Historical Association- production of Seven Presidents trail map and sign
- Friends of Monmouth Battlefield – support for annual reenactment and printing
- Middletown Twp. Historical Society – support for speaker series
- Middletown Twp. Public Library – digitization of *Courier* newspaper for patrons' use
- Daughters of the American Revolution (Middletown Chapter) – Revolutionary War veterans' gravesites signage
- Friends of Millstone Twp. Historic Properties – Baird House insurance and utility costs
- Historical Society of Ocean Grove – Museum liability insurance and utility costs
- Twp. of Ocean Historical Museum – Woolley House liability insurance and utility cost
- Red Bank Public Library – Hispanic community oral history
- Woman's Club of Red Bank – history book publication
- T. Thomas Fortune Foundation – staff salaries and development consultant cost

"The Historical Commission is excited to award 21 applicants funding through the New Jersey Historical Commission County History Partnership Program," said Commissioner Burry. "This program is essential to assisting Monmouth County's cultural organizations educate residents about our history through their normal operations and special projects."

The Monmouth County Historical Commission was created by the Board of County Commissioners for the preservation and conservation of local history. Established in August 1988, its principal program is the preservation grants, an undertaking that recognizes the acute need for funds to preserve Monmouth County's rich and diverse historic legacy.

Monmouth County Historical Commission History Regrants Presentation - 2023



Bob receiving for HHHS from Monmouth County Commissioner Lillian G. Burry and Monmouth County Historical Commissioner Maureen O'Connor Leach. This is the General Operating Support grant toward insurance, utilities, and security.

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### ARDENA OPEN HOUSE - 2023

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

|          |                             |              |            |         |
|----------|-----------------------------|--------------|------------|---------|
| March 26 | April 16 <i>Tour</i> (10-3) | April 30     | May 28     | June 25 |
| July 30  | August 27                   | September 24 | October 29 |         |

We should have at least two members on site at all times. Anyone who is interested in signing up for dates, please let Bob Novak know.



Since we are looking to reopen the Ardena Schoolhouse again to the public, we should do some minor tidying up before "company comes." It was left in fairly good shape by December, so dusting, sweeping, re-arranging might be more in order. Anyone who wants to help will need to bring their own "equipment." As there is no water (or bathroom) there, I have gallon bottles I can bring water in.

And rakes and leaf bags to clean up the lawn from the broken branches, and excess leaves.

We're looking at Saturday March 18, and if necessary, March 25 from 10am to 12noon (or so). If you can't make those, but have other available days/times, please let Bob Novak know, in either case (732-503-2006).

## HHHS Meeting Minutes - February 24, 2023

Call to Order by Bob Novak

Flag Salute and Moment of Silence

Program: Signers of the Declaration of Independence and Constitution Gravesites by TJ Fallon

Informative and entertaining as always

Business Meeting:

Treasurer's Report by Leigh Shaffer in the Feb newsletter was accepted. Leigh reported on the liability insurance. There is a \$10.00 fee per payment, so it was decided that we would ask to have 2 payments. She received a letter from the Games of Chance Commission regarding the August payment of \$100 for 2 years.

Secretary's Report by Anne Hartman for January 27, 2023 meeting, also in the newsletter, was accepted.

Finance Committee report: Money received from the Texas Roadhouse fundraiser. Future fundraisers to be held at Shivers, Jersey Mikes and Bubbakoo's Burritos – dates to be determined

Landscaping report by Vicky Arose: She discussed plans for the Schoolhouse for plants, flowers and mulch.

Old Business:

- All the slots for 2023 calendar of programs and refreshments have been filled.
- Ongoing need for volunteers for future events and Ardena Open House events. The first Open House of the year will be March 26 with the Easter Bunny in attendance.
- Discussion on the April 16, 2023 Schoolhouses of Western Monmouth tour. Bob N met with the other participating historical societies regarding flyers and ideas on how to disseminate information for the event. Margaret Winkelman offered to print out our flyers.
- Further discussion on interior painting of the schoolhouse. Paint donations and timing due to temperature were discussed.
- In warmer weather, the bell tower will be painted.
- There are a few more days for candy sales and the candy will be available for pickup at the March 24 meeting.

New Business: Ongoing need for fundraising.

Future Events: March 26 **Ardena Open House** 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

April 16 **Schoolhouses of Western Monmouth Tour** 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

**A Weekend in Old Monmouth** will be May 6 and 7.

Next meeting: March 24, 2023. Program "Why Allaire Village in Wall was called Howell Works" by Bob Novak.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Ron Alessi. Seconded by Larry Lastra. All agreed.

Submitted by Anne Hartman, Secretary



## For month ending February 28, 2023

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| <b>Balance as of February 1, 2023</b>  |                                          |              | <b>Old Monmouth</b> | <b>Operating</b>  | <b>deposit date</b>     | <b>Improvements</b> | <b>Total</b>      |
|                                        |                                          |              |                     | \$2,142.71        |                         | \$1,335.00          | \$3,477.71        |
| <b>INCOME</b>                          |                                          |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
| Date                                   |                                          |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
|                                        | MEMBERSHIPS                              |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
| Feb. 17                                | Maureen Leach Family                     |              |                     | \$30.00           | Feb. 27                 |                     |                   |
|                                        |                                          |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
|                                        | DONATIONS                                |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
| Feb. 1                                 | Larry Lastra & Ron Alessi (Ardena Phone) |              |                     | \$41.00           | Jan. 30                 |                     |                   |
| Feb. 13                                | Vicky Arose                              |              |                     | \$70.00           | Feb. 13                 |                     |                   |
| Feb. 24                                | Anne Hartman - candy sale                |              | \$63.00             |                   | Feb.27                  |                     |                   |
| Feb. 24                                | Bob Novak - candy sale                   |              | \$50.00             |                   | Feb. 27                 |                     |                   |
| Feb. 28                                | Ellen McGirr                             |              | \$14.00             |                   | March 6                 |                     |                   |
|                                        |                                          |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
|                                        | FUND RAISER                              |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
| Feb. 13                                | Texas Roadhouse                          |              |                     | \$70.00           | Feb. 13                 |                     |                   |
|                                        |                                          |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
|                                        | AMAZON SMILE                             |              |                     | \$12.09           | auto                    |                     |                   |
|                                        |                                          |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
|                                        | CANDY SALES                              |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
| Feb. 23                                | Cathy McKee                              |              | \$91.00             |                   | Feb. 27                 |                     |                   |
| Feb. 23                                | Leigh Shaffer                            |              | \$90.00             |                   | Feb.27                  |                     |                   |
| Feb. 24                                | Lynn Barrall                             |              | \$154.00            |                   | Feb.27                  |                     |                   |
| Feb. 24                                | Ann Malsbury                             |              | \$145.00            |                   | Feb.27                  |                     |                   |
| Feb. 24                                | Kaye Kowalew                             |              | \$14.00             |                   | Feb. 27                 |                     |                   |
| Feb. 24                                | Ellen McGirr                             |              | \$36.00             |                   | March 6                 |                     |                   |
| Feb. 24                                | Vicky Arose                              |              | \$113.00            |                   | Feb. 27                 |                     |                   |
| Feb.24                                 | Anne Hartman                             |              | \$37.00             |                   | Feb. 27                 |                     |                   |
| Feb. 24                                | Debbie Frost                             |              | \$48.00             |                   | Feb.27                  |                     |                   |
| Feb. 24                                | L. Lastra & R. Alessi                    |              | \$111.00            |                   | Feb. 27                 |                     |                   |
| Feb. 26                                | Janet Post                               |              | \$33.00             |                   | March 6                 |                     |                   |
| Feb. 27                                | Eileen McIlvaine                         |              | \$217.00            |                   | Feb.27                  |                     |                   |
| Feb. 27                                | Margaret Winkelman                       |              | \$77.00             |                   | March 6                 |                     |                   |
|                                        |                                          |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
|                                        | <b>INCOME</b>                            | <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>Old Monmouth</b> | <b>Operating</b>  | <b>deposit date</b>     | <b>Improvements</b> | <b>Total</b>      |
|                                        |                                          |              | \$1,293.00          | \$223.09          |                         | \$0.00              | \$1,516.09        |
|                                        | <b>combined</b>                          | <b>total</b> | <b>\$1,293.00</b>   | <b>\$2,365.80</b> |                         | <b>\$1,335.00</b>   | <b>\$4,993.80</b> |
|                                        |                                          |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>                        |                                          |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
|                                        | MACKENZIE MUSEUM                         |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
|                                        | JCP&L                                    |              |                     | \$0.00            |                         |                     |                   |
|                                        | verizon                                  |              |                     | \$41.14           | Jan.31                  |                     |                   |
|                                        | ARDENA SCHOOLHOUSE                       |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |
|                                        | JCP&L                                    |              |                     | \$7.95            | Feb. 17                 |                     |                   |
|                                        | verizon                                  |              |                     | \$41.14           | Feb. 26                 |                     |                   |
|                                        | <b>EXPENSES</b>                          | <b>TOTAL</b> |                     | <b>Operating</b>  |                         | <b>Improvements</b> | <b>Total</b>      |
|                                        |                                          |              |                     | \$90.23           |                         | \$0.00              | \$90.23           |
|                                        | <b>combined</b>                          | <b>total</b> | <b>Old Monmouth</b> | <b>Operating</b>  | <b>deposit date</b>     | <b>Improvements</b> | <b>Total</b>      |
| <b>Balance as of February 28, 2023</b> |                                          |              | <b>\$1,293.00</b>   | <b>\$2,275.57</b> |                         | <b>\$1,335.00</b>   | <b>\$4,903.57</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>   |                   |
|                                        |                                          |              |                     |                   |                         |                     |                   |

# Howell Heritage and Historical Society

## CALENDAR for 2023

WE HOPE YOU'LL JOIN US!

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

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

February 24<sup>th</sup> 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 24<sup>th</sup> Program: Bob Novak "Why Allaire Village Was Called Howell Works"  
Refreshments: Margaret Winkelman

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

May 26<sup>th</sup> Program: CELEBRATE 4<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF HHHS INC. – Share Memories  
Refreshments: Ann Malsbury and Cathy McKee  
May Special Activity: Farmingdale-Howell Memorial Day Parade

June 23<sup>rd</sup> Program: United States Military  
Refreshments: Jude Meehan and Catherine Schwier

July 28<sup>th</sup> Program: Red Skelton "Pledge of Allegiance" and  
Johnny Cash "Ragged Old Flag"

Refreshments: Virginia Woolley

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

August 25<sup>th</sup> Program: "Kitchen Couture" Virginia Krzyzanowski  
Refreshments: Virginia Krzyzanowski

September 22<sup>nd</sup> Program: "Show and Tell"  
Refreshments: Larry Lastra and Ron Alessi

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

November — No Meeting

December — No Meeting



## League of Historical Societies of New Jersey



Melissa Kozlowski Ziobro

20h · 🌐

Free, in-person program at the Ocean County Historical Society!



SUN, MAR 19 AT 2 PM

"Hello Girls Get the Message Through," by Melissa Ziobro

☆ Interested



The Historic Village at Allaire

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ALLAIRE VILLAGE LIBRARY IS NOW OPEN TO THE PUBLIC! The Historic Village at Allaire is opening its archival library up to the public for the first time in 30 years! Whether you are interested in Allaire Village history, genealogy, first-hand accounts of the 1800s and 1900s, or just history in general we can help you. APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO UTILIZE THE LIBRARY. To book an appointment or get more information, please call Alex at 732-919-3500 ext.17.

The Allaire Village  
Library is now  
open for  
research!

Located in the Visitors Center.  
Hours are 9-4. By appointment only.



## REMEMBER WHEN?

By the early 1950s, schools across the United States were training students to dive under their desks and cover their heads. The now-infamous **duck-and-cover drills** simulated what should be done in case of an atomic attack—and channeled a growing panic over an escalating arms race. Mar 26, 2019



## NOW YOU CAN HAVE YOUR OWN SHELTER AT HOME!

**For sale an all in one:  
tornado, earthquake,  
nuclear bomb shelter.**



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## Upcoming Event!

### **Antique Sale – Date to be announced**

**Madolin Hall is donating antiques that belonged to her parents, Charles and Catherine Hall, longtime, active members of Howell Historical Society.**

**We are planning an event to sell them to benefit the schoolhouse projects.**

**If any of you have antiques hanging around that you might like to donate for the sale, please contact Leigh Shaffer**

**[LeighAnne3451@verizon.net](mailto:LeighAnne3451@verizon.net)**

**732-977-5805**



Coming on April 16, 2023 from 10am to 3pm  
Tour 6 – One Room School Houses

West Freehold Schoolhouse



209 Wemrock Rd, Freehold Township

Old Wall Blansingberg School



1663-1699 New Bedford Rd, Wall Township

Georgia Road Schoolhouse



Georgia Rd & Jackson Mills Rd, Freehold Twp

Ardena Public School No 2



Old Tavern Rd & Preventorium Rd, Howell

Montrose Schoolhouse



Corner Cedar Dr & Montrose Rd, Colts Neck

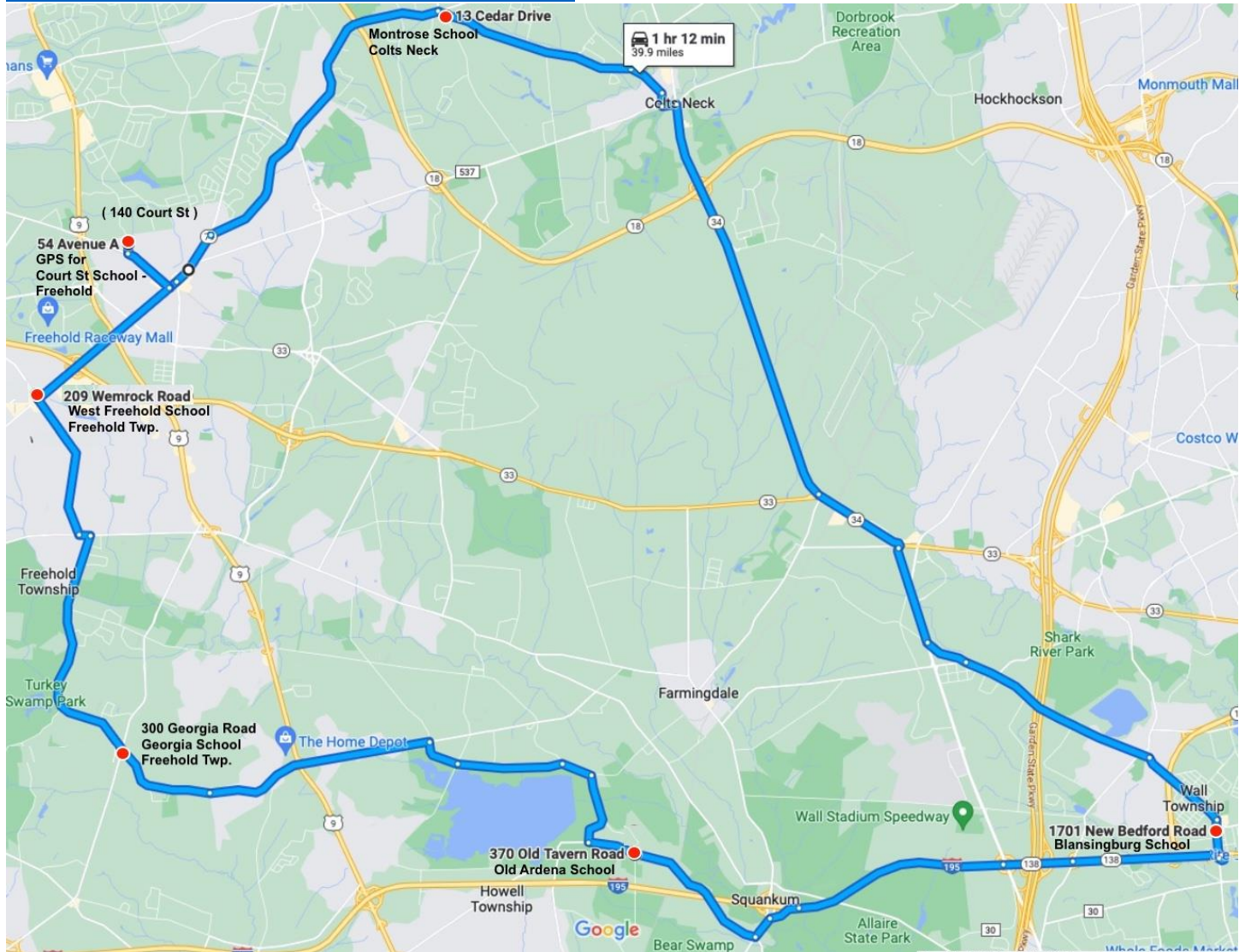
Court Street School Education Community Center



140 Court Street, Freehold



## SCHOOLHOUSE TOUR MAP



**ARDENA OPEN HOUSE –  
2023**

**We look forward to  
seeing you on the last  
Sunday of the month,  
beginning again, March 26  
with the Easter Bunny!**



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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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**Old Ardena Schoolhouse No. 2 NJ**

and

**Howell Heritage and Historical Society NJ**

on Website

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