# Lawrence Historical Society Newsletter

Spring-Summer 1998

### Brearley House Tours

Meadow Road, Lawrence

June 7th

3pm

Aug. 1st

10am

Sept.13th

12noon-5pm

Tours are rain or shine.

# Canoe the Canal Garden Party Sunday, June 7th 1 pm - 4 pm

Tour the Port Mercer Canal House and experience life from the 1800's. A free, family event.

# Mott's Artillery Returns Sept.13th to Brearley House

12noon-5pm

More Revolutionary War re-enactors, a drummer, open field tents and more children's games!

INSIDE THIS EDITION.....
Historical Society Wish List
Senior Award Now \$250
New Brearley House t-shirts!
New Brearley House aprons!
Girl Scouts Herb Garden



## JULY 4TH PICNIC AT WINDRUSH

FARM BENEFITS ARCHEOLOGICAL DIG

LAWRENCE-Martha and Joe Logan have graciously invited the Lawrence Historical Society to have a family picnic at their 1790 colonial home and sixacre estate, Windrush Farm on Cold Soil Road in Lawrenceville.

This unique fundraiser will be from 12noon-5pm, and is limited to 100 adults and 25 children.

The picnic was the idea of Martha Logan, past society board vice-president. Proceeds from the event will benefit the archeological dig that will be conducted this fall and next spring at the Brearley House by Hunter Research and the 8th-grade, public school students of Lawrence township. The society (please turn inside for more)

July 4th Picnic at Windrush Farm

made a \$5,000 commitment to the Lawrence Education Foundation to help underwrite the cost of the participation of the children in the dig.

Highlights of the picnic include a reading of the Declaration of Independence by Lawrence township mayor Greg Puliti. Mayor Puliti will wear colonial garb when he speaks at 3 pm.

Falconer Chris Browne will give an informal talk about the sport of falconry, and bring her red-tail, female hawk and her Harris's hawk with her. Chris is a neighbor of the Logan's.

The picnic is being planned to appeal to young children who seldom visit a working farm. Children can watch a beekeeping demonstration, walk through a straw maze, and tour the Logan's three barns.

Adults will enjoy the house tour, traveling back to 1790. Of course, there will be delections food all day long.



Chris Browne and her red-tail hawk will be at the July 4th Picnic.

Tickets are \$35 for adult society members, \$45 non-members, or \$65 per couple for society members (\$75 non-members) and \$10 for children (Under age 6 free). For an invitation, please call 609-883-3462.

### WINDRUSH FARM PICNIC R.S.V.P.

Street	Town
Zip Code	Day phone
\$75 Couple	non-member) \$35 (Society member) (non-member) \$65 (Society Member) Under age 6 free)
Event Patronage	Participation of the state of the Constant of
	(includes being listed publicly as an event patron)
	not attend. Enclosed is my gift of \$

Please make checks payable to: The Lawrence Historical Society/ Brearley House. All contributions are tax-deductible to the extent of the law. Thank you for your support.

USE THIS FORM
TO MAKE A
RESERVATION
FOR THE JULY
4TH PICNIC AT
WINDRUSH FARM.

# Archeological Dig Needs Docents

Volunteers are needed to help supervise 8th grade students from the Lawrence Middle School who will be participating in the Brearley House archeological dig. All trained by volunteers will be Research of Trenton, the company that conducted the November 1996 dig at the Brearley House. Volunteers will be assigned to work with a group of students and their teacher. Teachers have already visited the Brearley House. There will be a 78-minute training at the site to learn procedures and how to handle instruments. A class will average 25 students with 6 - 7 docents. Docents will be at the Brearley House from 9am-2pm with the students.

This is a great opportunity to enjoy the fine fall weather, be with young people, and learn about the past by digging into it!

For more information on the docent program, please call society board member Chris Lahoda at 844-0857.

#### WISH LIST

The Lawrence Historical Society is in need of a 4-drawer, upright filing cabinet. If you can donate a cabinet, please call Ruth Barringer at 883-3462. All donations are tax-deductible.

The Brearley House

New Brearley House tee-shirts come in children size small (\$8), and adult sizes (\$10) medium, large and extra-large. They will be on sale at the Canal House Open House (June 7th), the upcoming Brearley House tours and at the Revolutionary War Encampment on Sept. 13th.

Docent Training Dates from the

Wednesday, Sept. 23 Thursday, Sept. 24

Brearley Dig Dates

Scheduled	Rain Date
Thurs.,Oct. 1	Oct. 2
Tues., Oct. 6	Oct. 7
Thurs.,Oct. 8	Oct. 9
Tues., Oct.13	Oct. 14
Thurs.,Oct.15	Oct.16
Tues.,Oct.20	Oct.21

Times are from 9am - 2 pm.



Mark Sunday, Sept. 13th, on your calendar for the Revolutionary War Encampment at the Brearley House in Lawrenceville.

### 1998 Lawrence Historical Society

President F Vice-President A Secretary J

Ruth Barringer Alison Roth Janet Bickal

Treasurer Frank McKittrick

Board: Bill Agress, Colettte Coolbaugh, Paul Gatterdam, Betsey Harding, Carolyn Honan, Eleanor Horne, Christopher Lahoda, Martha Logan, Bruce McGraw, Karen Perkins, Mary Tanner, Fred Vereen.

Mailing address: Box 6025, Lawrenceville, New Jersey, 08648.

## High School History Award Now \$250

On Thursday, June 4th, society vice-president Alison Roth will present a check for \$250 and a copy of the township's Tricentennial History book to Lawrence High School's outstanding senior high school student in the study of history. The presentation will be made at the school's annual Senior Awards Night at the high school on Princeton Pike. The society has increased this amount in 1998 by \$100 to acknowledge the accomplishments of the student and to emphasize the society's commitment to encourage young people to cherish all studies in history.

The Lawrence Historical Society wishes to thank the following friends and businesses for their support of our work...Patrick Lyons of Lyons Graphics for designing our new "I Dig History at the Brearley House" logo for tee-shirts and butcher block aprons...The Lawrence Greenway for inviting the public to celebrate National Trail Days on June 7th by taking a 3-mile walk to the Brearley House via the Delaware and Raritan Canal towpath...Photo Haven in the Lawrence Shopping Center for donating color photographs of the Logan family at Windrush Farm for our July 4th picnic invitation...to Kevin Connell for typesetting the picnic invitation.

### **Brearley House Slide Show Available**

If you can't get to the Brearley House, let the Brearley House come to you.

Members of the board of directors can come to your club, organization, scout troop, senior citizen club meeting, or family reunion and give an informal talk with slides on the progress of the restoration of the Brearley House. The Princeton architectural firm of Ford Farewell Mills and Gatsch have been hired by the township to complete the restoration, and the project director is Anne Weber, who was the featured speaker at the society's annual meeting earlier this year at the municipal building. A slide show can be tailored to the age of your audience, whether it is a Brownie troop or the Rotary Club. Learn about your township's history and get involved in this exciting restoration! Call society president Ruth Barringer at 883-3462 to set up a speaker.

	Lawrence Historical Society  Membership Registration					
Name _						
Address				Phone		
\$	enclosed	for designated annual members	ship			
	Student	Individual \$10.00 Family \$15.00	Patron \$25.00 Business \$35.00	Life \$100.00 Corporate Benefactor \$250.00		
I am end	closing a special contr	ibution of \$	for	on sale at the Canal Hi		
1000	The Lawrence	Dues and donations tax deduce Historical Society and mail t				