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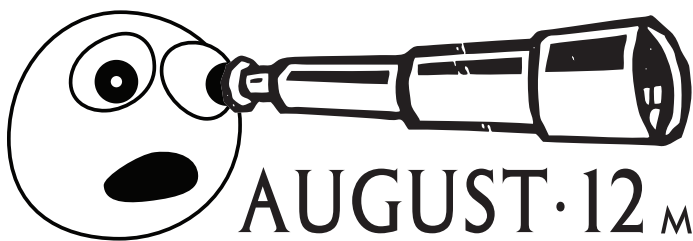
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"LOCAL COLOR" ART EXHIBITION THROUGH AUGUST 15

The Southold Historical Society is again presenting a group exhibition by members of the Cloud 9 artists at the Reichert Family Center's Cosden-Price Gallery. Cloud 9, a group of local painters who work in oils, acrylics and watercolor, was started seven years ago with four members. They are now nine members who meet monthly to critique works in progress and to support one another as artists. Inspired by the long tradition of artists who have been drawn by the North Fork, member Ann McCaughey notes, "We are mostly plein-air painters whose work reflects the East End's pastoral and waterfront settings and its constantly changing colors, clouds and light." Participating artists include Adelaide Amend, Dolores Castrucci, Ann McCaughey, B.L. Moyle, Fran Reichert, Jada Rowland and Laurie Ullmann. The exhibition will be on view Thursdays through Saturdays from 1-4, with additional hours upon inquiry. The gallery is located at 54127 Main Road in Southold. For more information call (631) 765-5500.

CONCERT AT LIGHTHOUSE SATURDAY AUGUST 15

The Southold Historical Society is pleased to announce that the Hidden City Orchestra will perform at the Horton Point Lighthouse, 3575 Lighthouse Road, Southold, on Saturday, August 15 at 6 p.m. The Hidden City Orchestra, an ever-shifting ensemble of musicians and instruments organized by composer George Cork Maul, performs free improvisation, live music to silent film, music to spoken word, poetry and dance and pieces with audience participation. Anything is possible as The Hidden City Orchestra dwells in possibility. "Improvisation has always been a part of music," said Mr. Maul. "As the nature of music changes in the 21st Century, so does the nature of improvisation. We present some of the ways improvisation is used in serious contemporary music."

Tickets are \$10 per adult and may be purchased at the gate on the day of the event, children under 12 are free. Bring your own chair if you do not want to sit on the lawn of the lighthouse. Picnicking is welcome. In case of rain, the performance will be held at the Southold First Presbyterian Church, 53100 Main Road, Southold. For more information contact the Southold Historical Society at (631) 765-5500.

GREENPORT YOUTH COUNCIL REUNION AUGUST 15

Please help CAST find members of the 1960 - 1970 Greenport Youth Council of CAST. A reunion of the 1960 - 1970 Greenport Youth Council of CAST is being planned for August. A program will be held from 3:00pm - 9:00pm at the Greenport High School. It will include an opening reception, honoree ceremony, dinner and music of the '60s and '70s. The reunion committee is looking for anyone who was involved with the Greenport Youth Council. If you or anyone you know was involved with the Greenport Youth Council of CAST during 1960 - 1970, please contact CAST's Director, Linda Ruland at 477-1717.

JAZZ BENEFIT CONCERT SUNDAY AUGUST 23

Allison Mann will perform with Trevor Davison at the American Legion, Route 25, Southold at 2pm to benefit the First Universalist Church that was destroyed by fire this year. The vocals and piano performance will include jazz standards of the 30's and 40's. Donation is \$20 at the door.

NFAWES SUMMER IN THE SUN EXTRAVAGANZA SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

Not too early to mark your calendar for North Fork Animal Welfare League's Annual Summer Event. This year our fundraiser will be held at the Wharf House at Founder's Landing. Please join us for fabulous food, great entertainment and the beautiful water of Peconic Bay. Details to follow in next issue.

NINA ET CETERA CONCERT SATURDAY AUGUST 29

The Southold Historical Society is pleased to announce that Nina Et cetera will perform at the Horton Point Lighthouse on Saturday, August 29 at 6 p.m. at 3575 Lighthouse Road, Southold. Nina Et cetera is a duo, trio, or a quartet, any of which may be an acoustic whisper or an electric roar. The band features originals and original takes on songs by Elvis, Bo Diddley, Buddy Holly, Johnny Cash, The Carter Family, Jimmie Rodgers, Woody Guthrie, Bob Dylan, The Band, Chuck Berry, Billie Holiday and many others. Tickets are \$10 per adult and may be purchased at the gate on the day of the event, children under 12 are free. Please remember to bring your own chair if you do not want to sit on the lawn of the lighthouse, picnicking is welcome. In case of rain, the performance will be held at the Southold First Presbyterian Church, 53100 Main Road, Southold. For more information on this performance or other Society programs, please contact the Southold Historical Society at (631) 765-5500.

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'THEN & NOW: PAINTINGS OF SOUTHOLD' EXHIBITION THRU OCT 11

The Southold Historical Society exhibition of period and contemporary paintings in the Mayne Gallery in the Ann Currie-Bell House, 55200 Main Road, Southold, features historic paintings of the North Fork juxtaposed by contemporary works that depict similar or identical scenes. This comparison highlights the changing landscapes and cityscapes over the decades. In some cases the older paintings span as far back as 100 years, making the differences between them and the modern works even more striking. It is also inspiring having the works of renowned artists of the past side by side with present-day artists.

The historic paintings are by artists who lived all over the North Fork and include notable locals such as Caroline M. Bell of Mattituck; Marguerite Hawkins of Cutchogue; Edwin Prellwitz of Peconic; Thomas Currie-Bell and Joseph B. Hartranft of Southold, and William Steeple Davis of Orient.

Among the contemporary artists who are participating are Diane Alec-Smith, one of more well-known art teachers on the North Fork; Adelaide Amend, who is known for her land and seascapes, including the Old Town Arts & Crafts Guild in Cutchogue; Wendy Prellwitz, scion of the noted Prellwitz family of artists from Peconic; Jada Rowland of Greenport, who is known for her very fine portraits; and Ann McCaughey of Cutchogue, who has recently been involved in the Cloud 9 artists group.

While the older works are part of the permanent collection of the Society and not for sale, the contemporary works will be for sale with 25% of the proceeds benefiting the Historical Society. The exhibit will be on display through October 11, Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday, 1-4pm. For info call (631) 765-5500 or visit www.southoldhistoricalsociety.org.

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TEENS

Thu, August 13, 11:00am, Morning Movie & Munchkins. For grades 5-8. Please register. We will be watching "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" starring Johnny Depp while munching on some sweet donuts and chocolate.

CHILDREN

Fri, August 14, Children's Centennial Celebration Please register!

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- 12:30pm-1:30pm Face painting, lemonade, and ice pops
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Guided Museum Tours: Tour the interiors of the 1765 Homestead, Barn and out-buildings and the 1931 Cichanowicz Farmhouse during our informative guided tours offered on Fridays, Saturdays and most Sundays at 12:30, 1:45 and 3:00. \$7 for adults, \$5 for seniors and children. Tours depart from Miss Ella's Shop in the Hudson House. Visit the calendar at Hallockville.com or call for more info.

Special 250th Anniversary Exhibit: Visit on Fridays, Saturdays and most Sundays between noon and 4pm to view the exhibit which traces the first 250 years of Hallockville, including the residents that lived in the Homestead and the formation of the museum. Exhibit includes many never-before-seen photos from the Bessie Hallock collection. Admission to the exhibit is free, all visitors must check in at the Hudson House first.

Saturday September 12 and Sunday September 13 10am-5:00pm. 35th Annual Hallockville Fall Festival and Craft Show. Come celebrate the rich folk arts and agricultural traditions of the community in a true old-fashioned country fair atmosphere. This is Hallockville's biggest fundraiser of the year, and it is made possible through the generous support of community partners, volunteers, demonstrators and visitors from far and wide. The Festival features family-friendly activities to spend the day enjoying including: Over 50 craft and artisan vendors selling locally handmade items, Craft demonstrations and displays including rug hooking, basketweaving, quilting, wood-carving, decoy carving, woodworking, and more! Tractor Pull and Show by LI Antique Power Association Model Railroad from Railroad Museum of Long Island Live music from Eastbound Freight Bluegrass, Children's activities and games, Livestock display and farm animals, Quilt show in the Naugles Barn with the Eastern Long Island Quilters Guild, Guided museum tours of the 1765 Homestead, Homestead Barn and 1931 Cichanowicz Farmhouse, plus local food and beverage vendors including Greenport Harbor Brewing Co. Admission fees will be collected at the door: Adults \$8, children ages 5-12 are \$5, children age 4 & under are free; \$20 for a group of 2 adults and 2 children. Admission fees support the not-for-profit mission of the museum farm and contribute to the upkeep of 19 historic structures at the museum that date back to 1765!

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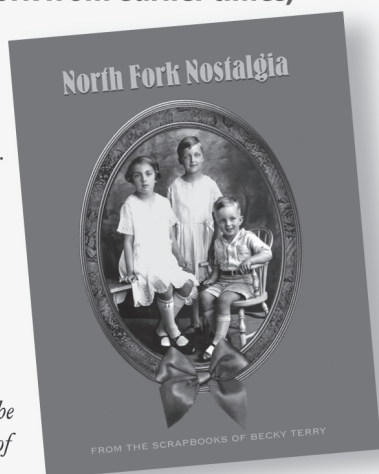
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Becky could trace her roots back to Peter Hallock and Jeremiah Vail and growing up in Peconic in the 20's and 30's gave her lots to write about. *Rural School Days, Early Southold Hotels, Theater, Ice Houses, Railroad Nostalgia, Memories of the Titanic, The Pickle Factory Train Crash* and *Blizzard of '88* are just a few story titles.



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July 21- August 15 ELIH Opportunity Shop Summer Clothing Sale, Most items \$1 or ½ price, with a few exceptions, Hours: Tuesdays – Saturdays, 10 am – 3 pm, located at 321 Main St, Greenport. For more information, call 631-477-1120.

Now - September - Dream Green Extravaganza 65 Cash Prizes, Grand Prize: \$50,000. Tickets \$100(call 631-477-5463) Drawing: Maritime Festival, Greenport, Sept. 27th.

FOODIE TOUR SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20

Excitement mounts as we approach the 9th Annual North Fork Foodie Tour featuring over 18 locations plus lectures at Charnews Farm. Sponsored by North Fork Reform Synagogue [NFRS] from 10 am to 4 pm.

Foodie Tour 9 has brand new locations as well as favorites of prior tours. Enjoy this opportunity to meet the extraordinary people who have dedicated their lives to producing local foods that make North Fork so special. It is a unique chance to visit behind the scenes. Foodie Tour 9 is a self-guided exploration of local artisans who produce distinctive foods and practice methods of sustainable agriculture helping to preserve our world. Quite a bargain: while some individual locations charge \$15 for visits during the season, Foodie Tour visitors enjoy many venues and several talks all for one low \$25 entry for adults that hasn't changed since the event started 8 years ago; children 12 and under are FREE.

Visit Lavender by the Bay, 8 Hands Farm, East End Mushroom Co., Catapano Dairy Farm, Satur Farms, Sang Lee Farms, Krupski's Vegetable & Pumpkin Farm, Mar-Gene Farm, Shinn Estate Vineyards, Goodale Farms, Southold Garden, The Farm, Greenport Brewery, Surrey Lane Farm, Ty Llwyd Farm, Browder's Birds, Macari Vineyard, North Fork Roasting Co., Koppert Kress and the Agricultural Center at Charnews Farm: Southold, the home of Sang Lee Farms: Asian vegetables and more. CSA Invincible Summer Farms: heirloom tomatoes, peppers and more. From Scratch Farm: pasture-raised chickens. CSA. Akio Shoji: Japanese vegetables. KLM Mushrooms: mushrooms. The Growing Seed: vegetables and home gardening services. Wild Feast Foods: vegetables and custom catering. The Farm Beyond: cover crop trials this summer.

Reknowned Chef John Ross will speak as well as other interesting lecture presentations.

The Slow Food organization will give out literature and offer the opportunity to join them in projects to educate children and other ways to enhance our well being.

Get tickets on line at www.northforkreformsynagogue.org or Gallery M in Greenport; Complement the Chef, Southold; Mattituck Florist; Barth's Pharmacy in Riverhead and on the South Fork at Bookhampton in East Hampton, 41 Main Street and Bookhampton in Southampton, 16 Hampton Road. By mail: NFRS, PO Box 1625, Southold NY 11971 or on tour day at any Foodie Tour location. Information: 631 722-5712.

The Foodie Tour will headquarter, sell tickets + provide Tour Maps at Peconic Land Trust's Agricultural Learning Center at Charnews Farm, 3005 Youngs Avenue in Southold, between Rtes 25 and 48.

JURIED ART EXHIBITION SET FOR AUGUST 22 - SEPTEMBER 5

The Southold Historical Society is hosting an exhibition of paintings/sculpture as part of the second annual "North Fork Annual," a juried art exhibition held in the Society's Reichert Family Center's Cosden-Price Gallery, 54127 Main Road, Southold. The \$500 "Thomas Currie-Bell Memorial Purchase Prize", which will be awarded to the best work in the show, is named in honor of Southold painter Thomas Currie-Bell (1873-1946). He was a native of Scotland who trained extensively in Great Britain then came to America in 1929 and settled in Southold. He traveled up and down the east coast, painting portraits and local scenery. His wife, Ann Hallock Currie-Bell, was the founder of the Southold Historical Society, where a number of his paintings can be viewed.

Artists from all over the east end of Long Island were invited to participate in the exhibition, as long as they either 'resided on' or 'worked on' the North Fork. Entries will be scrutinized by the two jurors; Sean Cleary, Chief Operating Officer of the well-respected Phillips Auction House of New York City; and Sara Evans, freelance art writer and co-author of a book that explores artists of the North Fork from the 18c to 1970. Out of the submissions, only 20 works will be selected to be exhibited, and from those the prizewinner will be selected. The winning piece will join the permanent collection of the historical society. The winner will be announced at the opening reception for the exhibition on Friday, August 21, 5:30 to 7pm. All of the remaining artworks selected for the exhibition will be available for sale at that time and for the duration of the exhibition. The exhibit will be open Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 1-4pm. For more information call (631) 765-5500.

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- August 15: Author Event-Muse by Jonathan Galassi, 3pm
- August 16: Sunday Story with Ernestine Roy, 3pm
- August 19: Mystery Book Discussion, 3:30pm
- August 21: Brunch Poems with L.B. Thompson, 10:30am
- August 23: The Cottage Quartet Concert, 3pm
- August 26: Community Gift Circle, 6pm
- August 28: Death Café 11, 3-5pm

ONGOING PROGRAMS

- Sundays, 3pm: Free Yoga
- Tuesdays, 4-6pm: Apple Help
- Wednesdays, 1pm: Scrabble
- Wednesdays, August 12 & 26, 1-3pm: Orient Outreach
- Thursdays, 1-3pm: Mah Jongg

FILMS: THURSDAYS AT 6PM

- August 13: *The Lunchbox*
- August 20: *Force Majeure*
- August 27: *I am Divine*

TEEN PROGRAMS:

- August 10: Monday Madness, 3-5pm
- August 12: Teen Movie: *Insurgent*, 4pm
- August 13: Craft Teens, 12 noon
- August 18: Sharpie Poetry, 3pm
- August 20: DIY Spool Necklaces, 3pm
- August 21: Game Night, 5pm
- August 22: Lock-In Pizza Party, 5pm
- August 25: Locker Bling, 4pm
- August 26: Game Night, 5pm
- August 27: DIY Ear Bud Organizer, 3pm
- August 28: Teen Movie: *Bully*, 5pm

CHILDREN PROGRAMS:

- Monday, August 10:
10am, FLOWERS, walking from Cutchogue Library
- Tuesday, August 11:
10am, FIREMEN & FIRE TRUCKS at Southold Library
- Wednesday, August 12:
10am, POLICE DOGS
- Thursday, August 13:
3pm, FAMILY MOVIE: *Home*
- Friday, August 14:
6pm, DUNE GRASS CONCERT
- Monday, August 17-Thursday, August 20:
10am YOGA LITERACY
- Friday, August 21:
8:30am, Sail Peconic Bay on a Tall Ship



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- Mon., Aug. 10** 10:30am – Shake ‘n Make Music II. Join Heather Welkes for a fun music time. Little Ones at 10:30am, Toddlers at 11:30am and Preschool at 1pm. Registration is required. FREE.
- Mon., Aug. 10** 6pm Library Board of Trustees Meeting. Open to the public, all are welcome to attend.
- Mon., Aug. 10** 6:30pm – Meet the Author: Todd Strasser, author of 100+ books for teens and middle graders, including numerous award-winning Young Adult novels. All are welcome. FREE.
- Wed., Aug. 12** 11am – FOR FAMILIES: Goowin’s Balloowins. Unique performance by madcap balloon artist Allynn Gooen. FREE.
- Wed., Aug. 12** Noon – Hot Dog Picnic to celebrate the 17th year of the Children’s Summer Program. FREE for children and caregivers, courtesy of the Friends of the Mattituck-Laurel Library.
- Thurs., Aug. 13** 9a.- 4pm – AARP Safe Driving Course. For motor vehicle operators age 50+. Register at the Circulation Desk. \$20 for AARP members, \$25 for non-members.
- Fri., Aug. 14**, 1:30pm – FILM: *Mr. Turner* (R) An exploration of the great, if eccentric, British painter J.M.W. Turner. Free.
- Sat., Aug. 15**, 2-4pm Meet the Artist: Nella Khanis, view her photography exhibit “Impressions on Canvas”. Refreshments FREE.
- Wed., Aug. 19**, 2:30-5:30pm Friends of the Library Book Sale. Visit the Library’s lower level for reading, viewing and listening materials all at bargain prices.
- Fri., Aug. 21**, 1:30pm – FILM: *Still Alice* (PG-13) A linguistics professor and her family find their bonds tested when she is diagnosed with Alzheimer’s Disease. Free.
- Thurs., Aug. 27** 4p. – Book Discussion/Dinner/Movie. Join us for

a discussion of David Baldacci’s “Absolute Power”, followed by a potluck dinner and viewing of the movie based on the book. For further details call Bev Wowak at 298-4134, ext. 104. FREE.

Fri., Aug. 28 1:30pm – FILM: *Leviathan* (R) Kolya fights the mayor of his Russian coastal town to save his home from demolition. Free.

Thurs., Sept. 3 5-7pm – Meet the PAM! Group Artists, view their exhibit “Viewpoints from Human Culture”. FREE.

Fri., Sept. 4 1:30pm – FILM: *To Kill a Mockingbird* (1953-NR) Atticus Finch, a lawyer in the Depression-era South, defends a black man on a rape charge (based on the Harper Lee novel). Free.

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 Chair Aerobics: Wednesdays 9am to 10am \$\$
 French Conversation Group: Thursdays 6:15pm to 7:45pm. FREE

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 AUGUST: “Impressions on Canvas” Photography by Nella Khanis
 Nella is primarily a painter who “wanted to recreate the feeling of painting in photographic images” and prints her photographs on canvas. Signed copies of her book of poetry “Before & After” will be available with a portion of the sales proceeds going to benefit Memorial Sloan Kettering Hospital. Reception to meet the artist, Nella Khanis, on Sat., Aug. 15th from 2 to 4 p.m. All are welcome.



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 Gallery Hours: Weds.- Sat., 10am-4:30pm Library Hours: Weds.-Sat., 12:30pm-4:30pm

On Exhibit Until Sept. 19 - From Shore to Shore: Historic Boatbuilders and Boatyards of Long Island, in collaboration with Long Island Traditions. Since the 19th century, Long Island and Westchester have been home to many boatbuilders, ranging from traditional builders such as Gil Smith of Patchogue to the 35 modern builders featured in this exhibit. Join us for this celebration of our region's great tradition of boat building! Exhibition also includes rarely seen historic maritime images by Hal B. Fullerton from our library archives, as well as a magnificent maritime painting and sculpture exhibit curated by J. Russell Jinishian and Fred Polhemus.

Thursday, August 20 6pm – BOOK & BOTTLE with Richard Welch on Nineteenth-Century Shipbuilding on Long Island. Author of *An Island's Trade: 19th-Century Shipbuilding on Long Island*, Richard Welch will present the history of Long Island's most important shipbuilding centers, their contributions to the golden age of American shipbuilding, and the arc of the industry's rise and eventual decline. Members Free; Non-Members \$5. Includes wine & cheese. RSVP Requested. Includes admission to museum exhibits.

Wednesday, Sept. 2 6pm – From Shore to Shore Presentation: Steve Jones on the Long Island Maritime Museum. LMM executive director will take us on an "armchair tour" of the maritime museum in Sayville. Members Free; Non-Members \$5. RSVP Requested. Includes light refreshments and museum exhibit admission.

Wednesday, Sept. 16 6pm – Family History Workshop: Mastering the Genealogical Resources at the National Archives, presented by Dorothy Dougherty of the National Archives at NYC. Learn how to use the wealth of resources available at the National Archives (www.nara.gov) to trace your family's history. Members \$10; Non-Members \$15. Includes genealogy handouts. Registration Required. Our genealogy events fill up quickly—if you wish to attend, register as soon as possible at 631-727-2881.

Thursday, Sept. 24 6pm – BOOK & BOTTLE with Marilyn Weigold on Peconic Bay: Four Centuries of History on Long Island's North and South Forks. Pace U. history professor and local author Marilyn Weigold will examine the past 400 years of the Peconic Bay region's history, tracing the growth of the fishing industry, the rise of tourism, and

the military history of the area. Book discussion and signing includes wine and cheese. Members Free; Non-Members \$5. RSVP Requested.

Thursday, October 8 6pm – BOOK & BOTTLE with Nancy Solomon on On the Bay: Bay Houses and Maritime Culture on Long Island's Marshlands. Our South Shore's marshlands are dotted with a historic collection of bay houses that generations of baymen have used as base camps for clamming, fishing, and hunting. The author will discuss the historical significance of these bay houses, how they were used by baymen, and the process of building and maintaining the unique structures. Book discussion and signing includes wine and cheese. Members Free; Non-Members \$5. RSVP Requested.

Saturday, October 24 1pm – BOOK & BOTTLE with Tom Barritt on Long Island Food: A History from Family Farms & Oysters to Craft Spirits. Book discussion and signing includes wine and cheese. Members Free; Non-Members \$5. RSVP Requested.

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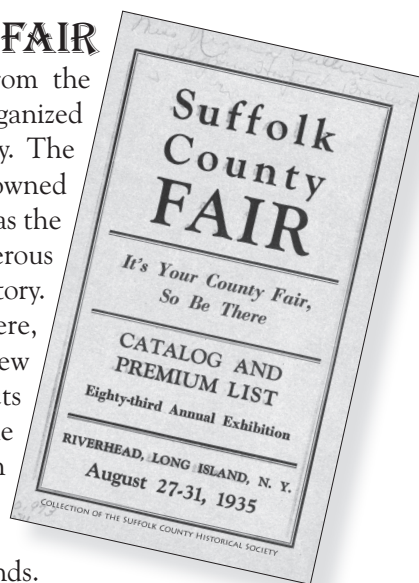
OFF-SITE EXHIBITION: Dental Instruments: Past and Present at Stony Brook University Health Sciences Library - now through November 2015. Travel back in time to see instruments used by dentist in the 19th and early 20th centuries. The exhibit is presented by Stony Brook University Libraries, Stony Brook Medicine, the School of Dental Medicine, and the Suffolk County Historical Society, and showcases the fascinating tools and practices that are precursors to today's dental instruments and care. More info.: 631-632-6320 or confevents@stonybrook.edu.

ONGOING: Membership Drive! Please join the Suffolk County Historical Society and support local history preservation. Founded in 1886, SCHS is a non-profit organization that collects and preserves the rich history of Suffolk County. We operate a history museum, offer an expansive library and archives, and host a multitude of events, programs, and educational lectures and workshops. Our unique collection reflects more than three centuries of local history! Visit our website or call 631-727-2881 for more information.

Photo of the Month by Wendy Polhemus-Annibell, Librarian

THE SUFFOLK COUNTY FAIR

took place for nearly a hundred years, from the 1840s thru most of the 1930s, and was organized by the Suffolk County Agricultural Society. The Society's Fair Grounds at Riverhead, today owned by the Riverhead Central School District, was the site of many Suffolk County Fairs and numerous other popular events in Suffolk County's history. Babe Ruth once played a baseball game here, and Teddy Roosevelt campaigned for New York State governor. The following extracts and documents from Annual Reports of the Suffolk County Agricultural Society within our library collection as well as from the Brooklyn Eagle give us a glimpse into the amazing history of the Riverhead Fair Grounds.



From "The County Fair 1869 Annual Report):

On approaching the Fair Grounds, one's eye would behold what was truly a county-fair enclosure, with all the modern improvements. The grounds are conveniently situated but a short distance north of the railroad depot--as level a spot as could be well obtained--and contains a little more than 20 acres, being a donation to the Society by the people of Riverhead. It is enclosed by a high board-fence, at the southeast corner of which is the entrance, President's office, etc. At the west side of the lot are the stalls for the horses and cattle, and the coops for poultry; the north side is devoted to a half-mile race course, while the south and east sides are used for the exhibition of carriages, agricultural implements, hucksters' tents, etc. In the center of the race course there is a level spot devoted to the players of baseball, and at the west side of the track there are two large stands, capable of seating upward of a thousand people, erected for the accommodation of those who wish to witness the trial of horse speed.... A large number of people passed over the Long Island Railroad to attend the exhibition, and a vast number came by other means, and it is estimated by competent judges that on Thursday afternoon from six to seven thousand persons were at one time present....

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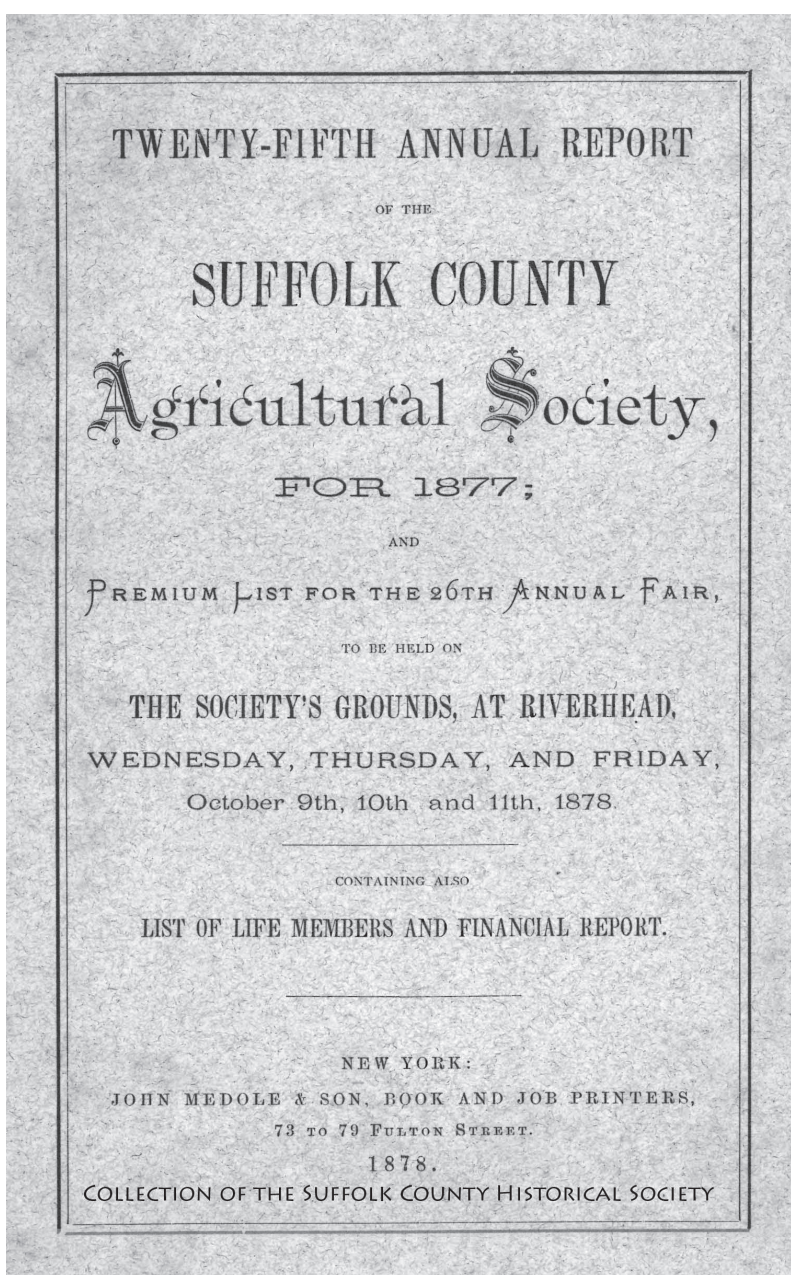
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Col. Theodore Roosevelt at the Suffolk County Fair During His Campaign for Governor, Riverhead Fair Grounds, 1898. Roosevelt is standing on the Starting Tower, which was used for trotting races and many other popular events at the Riverhead Fair Grounds. (Image from the Orville Young Pictorial Collection of the Suffolk County Historical Society Library Archives. Copyright © Suffolk County Historical Society. All rights reserved.)



RULES, REGULATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS (1877 Annual Report) The following are the terms of admission to the Fair Grounds: Single ticket entrance: 25 cents Carriage with two horses, per day: \$1.00 Carriage with one horse, per day: 50 cents Each person in carriage: 25 cents Hitching posts will be provided free of charge. All horses above described, while on the grounds, unless hitched to the hitching posts, must remain in charge of the driver. All persons are forbid tying to a tree, under fine of one dollar. Only private vehiles will be admitted to the Fair Grounds.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR PRESIDENT MCKINLEY (Brooklyn Eagle, 1901): As reported in the Brooklyn Eagle on September 19, 1901, over six thousand people from Suffolk County were in attendance at the Riverhead Fair Grounds for a memorial service for President McKinley, who had been assassinated four days earlier. "The services began shortly after 1 o'clock with appropriate selections by the Shelter Island Band" and a touching prayer by Rev. Joseph Fisher of the Riverhead M.E. Church. The "immense audience joined in singing 'America' with a spirit and fervor worthy of the occasion."

AT RIVERHEAD FAIR GROUNDS.

The Dead President's Favorite Hymns Sung by an Audience of Six Thousand Patriotic Long Islanders.

(Special to the Eagle.)

Riverhead, L. I., September 19—The patriotism of the people of Suffolk County and the perfect weather brought a throng of about 6,000 persons to the fair grounds this afternoon to participate in memorial services in honor of the memory of the martyred President. The services began shortly after 1 o'clock with appropriate selections by the Shelter Island Band, following which the Rev. Joseph A. Fisher of the Riverhead M. E. Church, offered a touching prayer. Then the immense audience joined in singing "America" with a spirit and fervor worthy of the occasion.

Then ex-Congressman Henry A. Reeves, the president of the society, arose and spoke substantially as follows:

"This assemblage upon the fair grounds of the Agricultural Society for an hour of devotional, religious and patriotic observance, in recognition of a universal sorrow and in humble supplication to Almighty God for His guidance and support under one of the direst afflictions that ever befell any people is an unparalleled event, even as the occasion which calls us together is, in some of its aspects, an unequalled one. Your officers, on the eve of opening our annual fair of 1901, in common with the whole American people and with all the civilized races of mankind, were overwhelmed with grief at the death of a President than whom none in his long line of illustrious predecessors better deserved, by reason of personal attributes and graces of character, to be known as 'The Well Beloved.'"



BAND PHOTO FROM THE 1945 SOUTHOLD HIGH SCHOOL YEARBOOK

The following names were provided with this photo...but we can't confirm the order. We know there are many locals pictured so have fun searching and we welcome feedback!

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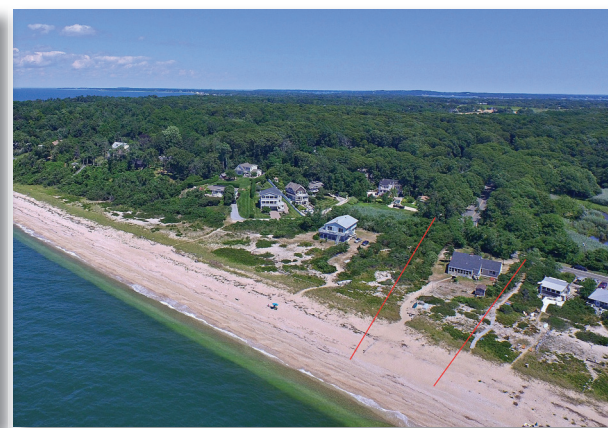
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