

The League of Historical Societies of New Jersey 2024 Summer Meeting
Saturday, June 15, 2024
Historical Association of Woodbridge Township
Meeting at the Acacia Youth Center
95 Port Reading Avenue, Woodbridge, NJ 07095

AGENDA

9:00-9:30 a.m.: Registration and continental breakfast

9:30 a.m.: Welcome from Daniel D’Arcy, president of the Historical Association of Woodbridge Township. Greetings from the mayor of Woodbridge Township, John E. McCormac and remarks from the Woodbridge Township Preservation Commission Chair, Dolores Gioffre

9:45-10:15 League business meeting and the **presentation of the Kevin Hale Publication Awards.**

10:15 a.m. Coffee break

10:30-11:45 a.m.: A new documentary, *The Wreck of The Broker*, based on Gordon Bond’s book, *Man Failure*, a compelling look at the 1951 deadliest railroad accident in New Jersey. Created by HFX Studios for the *Part-time Explorer* YouTube channel—Presented by Gordon Bond

Noon: Lunch in the Acacia Youth Center

1:00 p.m.: **WALKING TOURS**, including Trinity Church (view of historic Johnathan Dunham House, circa 1713 in churchyard); the Old White Church, circa 1802-1979 and Burying Grounds where 75 Continental Army officers and soldiers are interred; Barron Arts Center, circa 1877.

DRIVE BY: Site of NJ’s first tidal-powered grist mill, 1670; the Towne House, circa 1687; the Parker Press (replica NJ’s first printing press, circa 1755); Quaker Burying grounds, circa 1713; Cross keys Tavern, circa 1740.

Local Accommodations: Spring Hill Suites By Marriot, 1010 US 9 North, Woodbridge 07095
Delta Hotels by Marriot, 515 US-1 South, Iselin, NJ 08830

For questions Contact Daniel D’Arcy 732-634-1669, hawt1669@gmail.com. **Questions on the morning of the meeting, please call 908-599-3958.**

To register, please complete the form below and mail it with your check for \$30.00 (payable to: HAWT) and mail it to Howard Weber, HAWT Treasurer, P. O. Box 83, Woodbridge, NJ 07095.

Please register by May 30, 2024

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Email _____

Address _____

City State/Zip _____ Phone _____

Affiliation _____

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Directions to the Acacia Youth Center, 95 Port Reading Avenue, Woodbridge, NJ 07095

Turnpike Exit 11. GSP;US 9;Route 9 North

Exit Green Street. Follow Green Street through traffic light at Route 35 Amboy Ave. Next traffic light at Rahway Ave. Left. Right at next traffic light Port Reading Ave. Arcadia on left side.

FROM THE GARDEN STATE PARKWAY

Parkway N or S to Exit 132.

Turn left onto Route 27. (This highway runs parallel to the railroad tracks)

Turn right onto Green Street and go under railroad tracks.

Go past one light and turn left onto Chain O Hills Road (just before Iselin Library on right).

Travel across Route 35 and Route 1 to end.

Turn right onto Rahway Avenue.

Turn left onto Port Reading Avenue (Old White Church is on left).

Travel Port Reading Avenue about ¼ mile.

Acacia is on left with parking lot.

