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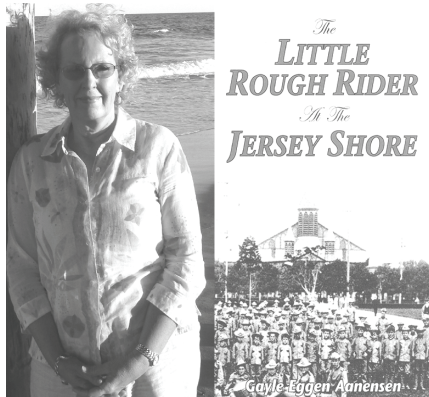
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The Summer of 1905 in Ocean Grove Is the Topic for April Meeting

Gayle Eggen Aanensen (pictured below) author of *The Little Rough Rider At The Jersey Shore*, will speak at the next General Meeting of the Historical Society of Ocean Grove on Monday, April 28, 2008 at 7:00 PM in Francis Asbury Manor.



What happens when a timid, sickly ten-year-old boy shakes hands with one of the most

powerful men in American history, President Theodore Roosevelt?

Travel back in time to July 7, 1905, when President Roosevelt makes an historic visit to the seaside resort of Ocean Grove, N.J. Hear about Sam Lawrence and his puny cousin, Teddy Whitlock, members of Ocean Grove’s Rough Riders Boys’ Choir. Gayle will depict a period in Ocean Grove history through the story of a fictional little boy who visits relatives. This enjoyable story clearly portrays the cultural heritage of our town and an accurate history lesson for all its readers.

Books will be available for purchase and Gayle will autograph them on the night of the program.

Mission

Since its founding in 1970, the Historical Society of Ocean Grove has pledged itself to preserve, document, and encourage community interest in the history of Ocean Grove. The purpose of this non-profit Society is to sustain the heritage and honor of being designated a National Historic District. A legacy of past tradition which in current practice is preserved that includes:

- the Camp Meeting heritage of Ocean Grove and Ocean Grove's unique history,
- the family seashore resort of natural beauty that has welcomed and delighted vacationers including U.S. presidents and other famous people,
- the Historic District buildings, structures, and objects that we control and maintain,
- the largest assemblage of authentic Victorian architecture in the nation established as a 19th century planned community.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The beginning of our 2008 events is fast approaching. We had such great success with a summer craft program last season that we have added five more craft events shown in our calendar on page 3. In our last newsletter, I reported that we submitted a grant for digitizing old Ocean Grove and Asbury Park newspapers. We were informed in December that this grant was awarded \$13,662. The plan calls for having this digitized information available at a new workstation in the museum by the end of July. A special thank you to all of our supporters who have contributed to date to the **Your Museum** campaign. Please consider becoming more involved. There are committees that need co-chairs and the development committee with its expanded projects needs some additional members. Please call or email me at the museum if



TREASURER'S REPORT

By Herbert Bachmann

Reflecting on the state of the organization at the end of 2007, two concepts come to mind. First, our financial stability was enhanced by successful fund-raisers, a 23% increase in membership receipts, and increased financial support from our members and friends. In addition, we have been recipients of several grants that enable us to provide improved services to the community and to improve our archives and facilities.

Our current officers have now had two years to demonstrate consistency and financial accountability. Being treasurer involves tireless work and attention to details, but I am proud to be part of the cohesive team that makes up your Executive Board.

Summer crafts fee is \$15 per session - register early

We need Centennial Cottage and Museum Docents, call 732-774-1869.

Your Museum Campaign

Half Way There

By Rose Myers

We are delighted to report that you, our wonderful members, who have contributed \$26,989 in donations, pledges and appreciated securities toward closing our \$50,000 mortgage on the museum.

Please keep the momentum going. We will be sending a follow up to our October appeal to those of you who forgot to respond to our first request.

Please return the enclosed envelope with your donation and join us in this important endeavor to close the mortgage on **Your Museum**. Please also remember that any pledge or donation over \$500 gets you invited to the gala get together. In addition, over \$1,000 provides a personalized memorial brick in the Centennial Cottage Rose Garden.

Many thanks.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

of OCEAN GROVE, NEW JERSEY

2008 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NJ Postcard, Book, & Paper Show

April 12th • 9am - 4pm • Youth Temple
 NYC Theater Party - Young Frankenstein*
 May 15 • 3pm Bus Departure • Fireman's Park
 Ocean Grove Antiques Auction
 May 23 • 6pm (Preview 4-6) • Youth Temple
 Museum Opening for the Season
 May 24

Beersheba Preservation Awards Banquet *

June 23 • 6pm • Starving Artist
 Preservation Awards Walking Tour

June 27 • 6:30pm • Museum

Crafting in Quilling *

July 9 • 10:30am - 12:30pm • Cottage

Crafting in Paper Beads *

July 11 • 10:30am - 12:30pm • Cottage

40th Annual House Tour *

July 18 • 10:30am - 4:30pm • Museum

Teddy Bear Tea *

July 23 • 12pm • Cottage & Starving Artist

Calligraphy Workshop *

July 25 • 10:30pm - 12:30pm • Cottage

Crazy Quilting Part I & Part II *

July 28 & August 4 • 10:30am - 12:30pm • Museum

Ocean Grove History Day

August 2 • 10:30am • Community Room

Illumination Garden Party & Tour *

August 21 • 7:30pm • Centennial Cottage

Quilting Workshop *

August 22 • 10:30am - 12:30pm • Cottage

Postcard & Antique Show

August 23 • 10am - 4pm • Auditorium Pavilion

Ocean Grove Collectibles & Furniture Auction

August 29 • 5pm (Preview 3-5) • Youth Temple

Ocean Grove Antiques & Collectible Show *

October 11 • 10am - 4pm • Youth Temple

NYC Theater Party - Billy Elliott *

October 24 • 3pm Bus Departure • Fireman's Park

Doll Houses of the Past Exhibit

December 13 & 14 • 10am - 4pm • Museum

* Requires pre-registration & fee

Guided Walking Tours meet at Museum



Wednesday & Friday, 1pm, Sat., 11am
 Tours start on Wed. June 25 thru Sept. 13

Wed., 11am, Special Organ Concert & Tour
 July 2nd & July 30th

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MUSEUM & LIBRARY

50 Pitman Avenue
 Open May - September

Mon-Wed-Thurs, 10am - 4pm • Fri-Sat, 10am - 5pm

CENTENNIAL COTTAGE

McClintock & Central Avenue
 Open July & August

Mon-Sat, 10:30am - 2:30pm

Come visit the Museum this Summer and see the HSOG special exhibits celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Hope-Jones Organ and the 40th anniversary of our House Tour.

If in 2007 you did not send us a current Email address, please send it to the HSOG Museum at info@oceangrovehistory.org.

Don't get closed out for our Fall Theatre Trip on October 24 to see Billy Elliott. Tickets will go fast so call 732-774-1869 to reserve your seat. Two tickets in the rear balcony are still available for Young Frankenstein on May 15th.



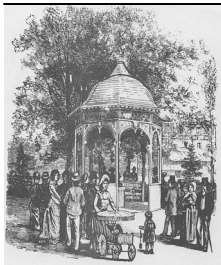
Doll Houses in Ocean Grove

By Vicky Bacola

The Historic Society hosted 9 dollhouses, 3 room boxes and a cabinet house at the museum during the Victorian Holiday and House Tour Weekend. On December 8th and 9th, well over 500 adults and children came to see the show and viewed a wintry street with its tiny inhabitants.

Styles ranged from Colonial, Antebellum, Victorian, Tudor, farmhouse and a 1930's cozy cottage. Each abode had diminutive people, pets and furnishings lovingly hand made or purchased and decorated in holiday finery (pictured above right).

The show gains more popularity each year. If you would like to loan your dollhouse or room box for the 2008 tour, please let us know.



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MEMBERSHIP
We are always looking for new members to help preserve Ocean Grove's history. Now is the time to join or renew your membership. If you have done so already we thank you. Because of rising costs of maintenance and utilities, donations are welcome too! Membership dues help to cover the costs of advertising special events and mailing newsletters.

REMEMBER US IN YOUR WILL
Through your participation you assist our Society in preserving and educating people about the proud history of Ocean Grove and the Camp Meeting heritage. You can continue helping this task even after your passing by remembering the Historical Society of Ocean Grove in your will. We are registered with the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(3)(C) non-profit organization. Your attorney or financial advisor can assist you in remembering us.

Please Join Us - HSOG Membership Form

Your membership will help to support the work of the Society and is tax deductible.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Permanent Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Telephone: _____

Summer Address (if not same): _____ Telephone: _____

<input type="checkbox"/> Annual Individual \$20	<input type="checkbox"/> Annual Family (2 Adults/children under 18) \$35
<input type="checkbox"/> Annual Senior (62 & over) \$10	<input type="checkbox"/> Life, Individual \$250
<input type="checkbox"/> Annual Student \$10	<input type="checkbox"/> Patron, Corporate \$200
<input type="checkbox"/> New	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal

Please return form to: HSOG, Box 446, Ocean Grove, NJ. 07756