

OLD FRANKLIN SCHOOL TIMES

B.I.L. NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2011

"The honor we enjoy of being known as 'the brainy borough' is principally due to the brilliant women who adorn our community." (*Metuchen Recorder*, 1910)

Hello Everyone!

Hope the summer is treating you well... and that you are getting lots of fresh air and sunshine, and maybe even some time down the shore. We've been busy planning an exciting and varied roster of events for the 2011-2012 BIL Season, and will have the yearbooks and calendars ready soon - hopefully by our September 4th Members' picnic (see blurb at right).

*Onward & Upward!
Tyreen (president)*

Here are some of the great things we have planned for 2011-2012

- * Photography in the Civil War
- * *The Art of Michelangelo*
- * Holiday House Tour Weekend
- * ChiliFest & Competition
- * An Evening of Bellydancing
- * High Tea in May

and much more throughout the year...

Look for all the details coming in the yearbook! Or, join our FACEBOOK group and get reminders and updates on news & events

MEMBERS' FAMILY PICNIC SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2011 4:00 P.M.

**FINISH OFF THE SUMMER WITH A BANG!
METUCHEN IS PLANNING A CONCERT
AND LABOR DAY FIREWORKS ON
SUNDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 4TH.**

**SO, WE'RE HAVING A PRE-FIREWORKS
POTLUCK PICNIC AT THE SCHOOL HOUSE.
WE'LL PROVIDE LEMONADE AND
WATERMELON - PLUS A BOUNCY HOUSE, AND
GAMES FOR THE KIDS - AND YOU
BRING SOMETHING FOR YOUR
FAMILY OR TO SHARE.**

**FEEL FREE TO BRING A
PROSPECTIVE MEMBER
AS A GUEST!**

**QUESTIONS & RSVP TO
TYREEN AT 732-261-4807
OR AYERSALLENHOUSE@MSN.COM**



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS DUE AUGUST 26, 2011

PLEASE send in your renewal form and dues to the PO Box by the due date - we do not have a Membership Chair right now, so anything you can do to make the renewal process easier is *very much* appreciated!

KNOW SOMEONE WHO WOULD BE A GOOD MEMBER OF THE BIL?

All you have to do is write a quick letter proposing this person as a member, explaining her interest in joining the BIL, and then you and another current member should sign it as sponsoring members. Send it to the P.O. and it will be review at the next board meeting. You can also contact Tyreen for the new form we have created to help gather all the necessary information.

NEW - JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP!

We are fortunate to now some interest from a few young ladies who would like to join our group as Junior Members. If you know a young girl, age 10 to 18, who would like join, please let us know. We are still working out the details, but it will be a greatly reduced membership fee and will hopefully involve a few "juniors only" special events.

Scrapbooking!

Enjoy scrapbooking? Just need space and a nice atmosphere to lay out a photo or craft project you are working on?

Contact Chrissie Jurscek at 732-516-0285 or tschriessie@yahoo.com and she will keep you informed about upcoming Crop Dates at the Old Franklin School.

Next date is 8/21/11

A Few Items from the Board's Agenda...

- The House Tour Committee has continued to meet regularly over the summer and is hot on the trail of Homes for the Tour. Have any good suggestions? Contact Karen
- We will be releasing THREE NEW Metuchen Mini Collectible at the Country Fair in October: the Train Station, the Post Office, the (old) Methodist Church.
- The gutters on the north and south side of the schoolhouse have been repaired, and hopefully will put an end to the water issue we have been having on the north wall.

WANT TO RENT THE SCHOOLHOUSE FOR AN EVENT THIS COMING YEAR?

Dates for the next year are already filling up, and we want our members to have first priority whenever possible! Call Janena at 848-250-1258 to reserve your dates now!

GET YOUR RESERVATIONS IN SOON!

Items Wanted for B.I.L. Scrapbook!

Karen needs anything you have from the B.I.L. events during 2010-2011: pictures, flyers, programs, newspaper clippings, etc. for our scrapbook. Contact her at jkmcnamara@optonline.net or 732-767-2870, or mail to Karen McNamara, 25 Ferndale Place, Metuchen, NJ 08840.

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MANY THANKS TO BOENA & KAT FOR THE FANTASTIC JOB WITH THE HIGH TEA!



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