



# News from the

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## Message from the President



Hello! I am beginning with a sincere thank you to Susan Gardiner, Carol Farley, Adele Greenberger and Dorothy Epstein. They have made the publication of this newsletter and the Winter 2010 issue possible. When our Newsletter Committee disbanded last fall, it looked like nobody would come “to the rescue” to keep publishing for the future. However, the aforementioned awesome foursome has come through for us. I also express utmost gratitude to Mary Roberts, our former editor, who made publication possible for several years through her dedication, efforts and numerous hours.

At the February meeting, we formed a Book Sale Volunteer Committee for our branch. Louise D’Alessio, Ethel France, Flo Taggart and Marianne Moscatiello are now maintaining the sale of discarded and donated materials for the library. The monthly sales are raising money for our library. Thank you, ladies!

If you weren’t present at the March meeting,

you missed an excellent presentation on “Women in Brick Township” by Township Historian Gene Donatiello. [Please related article on page 2.]

Speaking of programs, we have one scheduled immediately after the May 5, 2010 meeting by member Loretta Cody who will discuss her book “A Mighty Social Force.” [Please see related article on page 2.] If you have a presentation on a topic that you believe will interest our membership, please contact me at 732-262-3170.

Please remember that our meeting on June 2 will start at 11:00 A.M. Our annual spring luncheon will immediately follow adjournment. To RSVP for the luncheon call, 732-262-3170

We are also holding a “garage sale” on Saturday, June 12 from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. in the meeting room of the Brick Library. Many thanks to Ethel France for coordinating this event. Please come.

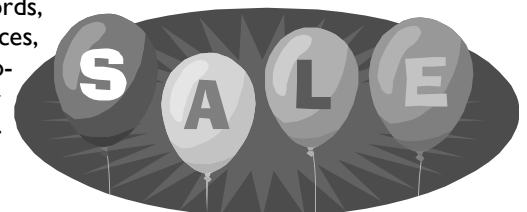
Sincerely,  
Dorothy Holtzman



## Upcoming events...

The deadline for making a reservation for our spring bus trip to Historic Harlem on May 13 has passed, but there may still be some available seats. The trip includes a backstage tour of the famous Apollo Theater, lunch at Sylvia’s Restaurant, the Queen of Soul Food and lots more. Please call Marie Alfano at 732-920-5875 for information on seat availability.

The Friends of the Brick Library will hold a **Garage Sale** on **Saturday, June 12, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.** in the meeting room of the Brick Library, 301 Chambers Bridge Road in Brick. Items for purchase will be collectibles, toys, books, DVDs, records, jewelry, pocketbooks, household items, small appliances, and more! Come and shop for a good cause -- all proceeds will benefit the Friends of the Brick Library. For information contact the Event Chairperson, (732) 840-1826.



## A Word from Our Library Champions!

By Dorothy Epstein

- The computers supply me with information which would be costly elsewhere.  
– James C.
- We're here to find out how to fix Eric's car, and we hope these books will help us.  
– the Swanson's, father and son
- My wife and I are avid readers, and we go through several book a week.  
– Mel R.
- Friday is a long day for us and the library shortens its.  
– Joseph K.
- I like the library because it has lot of books  
– Kalie C., 8-years-old
- The library's computers are an excellent source for research material.  
– Jeri M.
- My children and I love the Brick Library! Everyone here is always so friendly and helpful. My children love Miss Michelle.  
– Terry R.
- I always look at the "new book" display and I enjoy reading the magazines.  
– Kevin C.
- I borrow the DVDs and I buy books from the "discard" shelves.  
– George G.

## Celebration of Women's History Month

By Dorothy Holtzman

At the March meeting, attendees had the pleasure of viewing a slide presentation by Gene Donatiello, historian for Brick Township. The subject was prominent women in our community's history in celebration of Women's History Month.

We learned about Herbertsville resident Esther Ann Tilton, who corresponded and tended to the finances of four Union soldiers during the Civil War. She ran the household for her aging parents while managing her father's brickyard and eeling businesses. She saw to the family farm and livestock. She took the responsibility of raising two nieces after the death of her sister, the girls' mother. Aaron Elmer, her brother-in-law and father of the girls, worked during the day and eventually enlisted in the Union Army. One of the four aforementioned soldiers, he died at the Battle of Fredericksburg, VA. Esther became ward of her nieces.

Ann Davison Havens had a son named Henry "Harry" Clay Havens, who served with the 14th NJ Regiment in the Civil War. When he died at the 1864 Battle of Monocacy in Maryland, Ann climbed into the family buckboard and began a solitary journey

there to find him. The search was unsuccessful. When Ann returned, she had a headstone placed in the family plot at the Orient Baptist Church Cemetery of Burrsville (now Laurelton) in her son's memory.

Emma Havens Young became a teacher at age 17. After a successful career as an educator, the Emma Havens Young School on Drum Point Road was named in her honor in 1966.

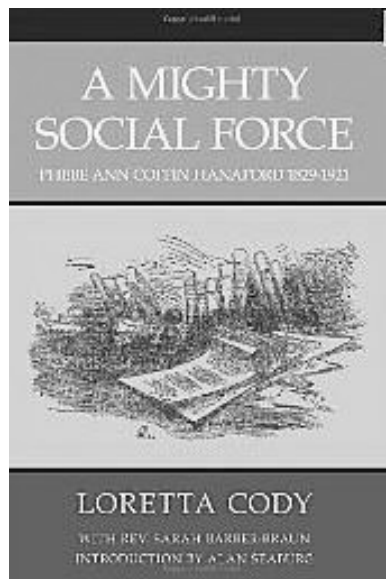
Eleanor Angott, a reporter for several newspapers, did the first complete written account of the early history of the villages of Laurelton, Osbornville, and Adamston.

A school librarian for the Brick Township Schools Irene Alznauer established the Friends of the Brick Library with 11 other people. Its purpose was building a public library in Brick. With the assistance of the town council, the Friends built the community's first permanent public library on Cedar Bridge Avenue in 1965.

We also heard about WW II Nurse Laura K. Gant and Clara Stroud Colvin, who was a teacher, landscape designer and painter.

## A Mighty Social Force

By Dorothy Holtzman



Author, Brick resident and member Loretta Cody has taken Phebe Coffin Hanaford (1829-1921) out of obscurity and placed her among the religious leaders of the 19th Century. The book *A Mighty Social Force* tells of a young Quaker girl on Nantucket Island in Massachusetts, who becomes a wife and mother in Connecticut. She moves to Jersey City, NJ where she becomes pastor of a Universalist Church.

During a decade of research, Loretta discovered Phebe who labored side by side with suffragists Lucy Stone, Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton. Loretta became intrigued that history neglected Phebe, the first New England woman ordained to the ministry, who played a major role in the adoption of the 19th Amendment. Loretta meticulously researched Phebe's life, loves and final days. Loretta, whose first work was her autobiography *Life's a Story*, brings Phebe's story to life in the first full-length biography *A Mighty Social Force*.

## Upcoming programs sponsored by The Friends of the Brick Library

Please register by calling the library, 732 477-4513, or online, [www.theoceancountylibrary.org](http://www.theoceancountylibrary.org)

**Saturday, May 15, 2:00pm**

### **Chinese Hand Puppet Show: Monkey King**

Children/Families - Let's celebrate Asian Pacific American Heritage Month in May. Wang Da Chung Hand Puppet Group will present its 2010 production of the famous Chinese fable: the Monkey King! We will also experience Chinese Yo Yo, traditional Chinese dance, hand puppet workshop, and more!

**Tuesday, May 25, 2:00pm**

### **The Asian Tea Experience – China & Japan With Judith Krall-Russo, food historian**

Tea in China and Japan is enjoyed in many forms from a simple bowl of tea to the beautiful and intricate tea ceremony. Learn about everyday tea drinking, the Chinese tea ceremony – gong fu cha, and the Japanese tea ceremony – cha-no-yu. There will be a tea-making demonstration, and a selection of Asian tea implements will be on display.

**Thursday, July 8, 2:30 pm**

### **Adventurers' Book Club**

Ages 9 & Up – This month we'll be reading *The Glitch in Time* by John Hulme and Michael Wexler. The authors will actually be here to discuss the books and provide us with a fabulous presentation! Live to Fix, Fix to Live!

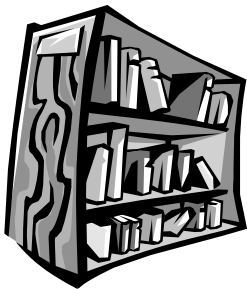
**Wednesday, July 28, 2:00pm**

### **Mermaid Tales with Victoria O'Neill**

Children/Families – a Theatrical Storytelling Event with Everyone's Participation featuring the rip-roaring sea adventure starring Bald Beatrice the Baby Mermaid.

**Also, coming in this summer a jazz concert**, details to be announced! Please check our monthly brochure or events calendar at [www.theoceancountylibrary.org](http://www.theoceancountylibrary.org) for date & time.

## Friends Book Sale Shelf



Did you know that our library has discarded and donated materials for sale? This continuous book sale can be found on book shelves located on the first floor of the library next to the meeting room. The shelves contain gently used books, books on tape, videos and DVDs suitable for all ages. The shelves are maintained by a group of volunteers from the Friends who come in weekly to arrange and straighten the shelves. It's a good idea to check the shelves regularly because the materials keep changing and one never knows when something of personal interest will turn up.

All proceeds from the sale benefit the Friends of the Brick Library and will be added to the Friends yearly donation to the library in support of quality programming and equipment not supported by the library's operating budget. Come browse the book shelves and add to your personal library while helping the Friends in their fundraising efforts.

## Business Friends of the Brick Library

*Please make note of them, and when patronizing these members be sure to let them know that you, too, are a Friend of the Brick Library and that you appreciate their contributions.*

- AMERICAN LEGION BRICK MEMORIAL POST 348, 822 Mantoloking Rd., Brick, 08723, 732-477-1915
- BAINE CONTRACTING, INC. 358 Kelly Ave., Brick, 08724, 732-840-4011
- BRIARMILL PHARMACY, 1820 Lanes Mill Rd., Brick, 08724, 732-840-1800
- CARLUCCIO, LEONE, DIMON, DOYLE AND SACKS, L.L.C. The Law Center of Ocean County, 9 Robbins St., Toms River 08753, 732-797-1600
- JACK'S LANDSCAPING & LAWN CARE, 315 Pitcairn Rd., Brick, 08723, 732-477-0065
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- OCEAN FIRST BANK, 321 Chambers Bridge Rd., Brick, 08723, 1-888-623-2633 x. 4500
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- WEISLEDER, INC, 575 Burnt Tavern Rd., Brick, 08723, 732-892-8868
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**Business Friend** — Contributions of \$25+ entitle your business to a year's listing (4 issues) in our newsletter and a certificate for display in your place of business. Contributions of \$100+ also entitle your business card to be added on our "Wall of Sponsors" at the Brick Library.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to:  
Friends of the Brick Library

**Return or mail this form and check to:**  
Brick Branch, Ocean County Library  
c/o Friends of the Brick Library  
301 Chambers Bridge Road  
Brick, NJ 08723

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### AN ALERT TO OUR MEMBERS

Brick's programming budget for this year has been cut by about one third. We would like the Branch to be able to continue offering quality programs for our community to enjoy. For this we need the support of all our members. If you have not yet sent in your 2010 dues please consider doing so now. If you are uncertain of your status you may contact Membership Chairperson, Patricia Turner at 732-262-8567.

### Welcome Our New Members!

**Individual and/or Family:**  
Louis Cook, Gilda Genova, George Golterman, Eleanor Januskiewicz, Carol Kilgannon, Doral Thomas

**Sponsor:**  
Margaret Buonauro

### A moment of your time please... A Friends' Survey

In the interest of better serving our members, the Friends are conducting a little survey. We would like to know how our members prefer to receive their Friends newsletters. As a nonprofit group we are striving to be efficient, economical and conscience of our limited natural resources.

Please fill out the coupon below and drop off or mail to the Brick Library:  
The Friends of the Brick Library, 301 Chambers Bridge Road. Brick, NJ 08723

Or, you may email your response to: [bf@theoceancountylibrary.org](mailto:bf@theoceancountylibrary.org)

I prefer to receive the newsletter by:    email    U.S. mail    No preference



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