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At Brielle Day this year we devoted our attention to selling our recently published history books: "Brielle Saltworks to Suburbs" and "Images of America, Brielle", also the monograph "The Union Salt Works" by Natalie and Richard Holmquist. We also offered for sale a number of matted pictures of Brielle in clays gone by. Ours was the table that attracted the crowds and we did very well. See details in the Treasurer's Report. However, many folks, old and young alike wondered where the sarsaparilla was. They all hoped we would be "back in business" next year with soda. A few "younger" members and friends have promised to see that happen next year. However, our cerebral offerings this year was extremely well received and attracted many people, some rather well know. Included among those who stopped by [some even purchased something!] were astronaut Buzz Aldrin [his parents resided in Brielle for years] and his sister. Buzz had a strange request which I will share at our next meeting. Also visiting us was Wendell RF. Andressen, Captain of the first submarine to sail from ocean to ocean under the ice at the North Pole. Then Erin Burnett, Williams graduate and CNN Anchor of "Outfront" and her husband David Rubulotta, Managing Director at Citigroup visited us. They purchased some of our material, maybe it will turn up on her show. Also, and not to be sneezed at, Bob Wainwright, Mayor Emeritus of Brielle and founder of Brielle Day was totally impressed with the excitement that continually surrounded our table as were three of our Council persons. Gordon Reinauer's sales performance alone was worth the price of admission.

Our Harvest Home luncheon this year is planned for Sunday November 17<sup>th</sup>. Watch for an invitation in the mail from event organizer Julie Lembo. We will gather at the Manasquan River Golf Club. MRGC Historian Pat Housen will be our guest and will discuss the fascinating story concerning the founding of the club in 1922. Today one of the premier private clubs in the country is right here in Brielle. Pat will also comment on the original clubhouse, built in 1822 for the farm residence of Lt. Abraham Osborn. We will have an opportunity for a private tour upstairs, and view what remains of the original structure. It was the Lt. who established the graveyard we restored in 2000 and now maintain. We will also hold a brief business meeting at this affair.

Rounding out our year on December 15<sup>th</sup>, we will gather at the Curtis House for a stated business meeting following which our special guest will take us on a very interesting tour, one that I'll wager none of you has experienced. From inside a spectacular gigantic mausoleum we will learn the story of the Schroeder family, many of whose remains are therein. The interior is spectacular, built at the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century when money was no object for this family. The Schroeder riverfront mansion was at the end of a long drive, planted with young sycamore trees. Today that road is Sycamore Lane. They also owned James Osborn's farmhouse now on Riverview Drive. On top of that they owned the large stone house with red tile roof now 802 Schoolhouse Road.

First meeting of the New Year is scheduled for January 14<sup>th</sup> to elect Society officers. Second Vice President Ann Scott is the Nominating Committee Chairperson. She and her group will work up a slate and will be happy to hear any suggestions to fill various leadership positions. You may also be pleased to be considered.

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<b>In this issue:</b>	<b>FALL &amp; WINTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS</b>
From the President 1	Sunday, November 17 @ 1:00 PM Fall Luncheon at Manasquan River Golf Club
Bits & Pieces 1	Sunday, December 15 @ 2:00 PM Winter Meeting at Curtis House and Mausoleum Visit "Lantern Tour"
9/11 Memorial 2	Sunday, January 12, @ 2:00 PM Annual Meeting incl. Election at Curtis
Osborn Burial Ground 2	

**BITS & PIECES**

Paul Mathews, Member and web site architect, is interested to learn what kind of a "house" we wish built. Each person's input is important. Considerable effort is involved in this endeavor. Now is the time to give voice to what has impressed you with other historically oriented websites. Have you checked out the Ocean Grove Historical Society site? There are a number of impressive features. His

plans include ours being linked to the Borough website, and they to ours. To date he has loaded a number of historic pictures from the Borough Historian's office. He has structured the site that no matter what combination of search words one may use seeking information on the history of Brielle; the search will automatically go to our website.

The State of New Jersey will celebrate its 350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2014. We have been requested to participate in that celebration at a local level. The New Jersey Historical Commission will publicize any event we may decide on. Let's discuss ideas at our business meeting in December.



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Director Jim Langenberger has offered to be an official Society photographer to pictorially record our activities and events.

A Nominating Committee has been formed to select officers and leaders for next year. Second Vice President Ann Scott will chair the committee. She has selected Jim Langenberger and Bridgette Markuson to serve on that committee. Your willingness to accept a position to forward the work of our Society is welcomed.

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**O S B O R N B U R I A L G R O U N D**

Here's a little something about the restored graveyard of which you may not be aware. You recall there is a brick walkway in front of the fence, leading to the gate. That walkway continues inside the gate toward the gravestones. It runs in front of the stones to the right then down to the rear of the grounds towards the graves of Osborn relatives Jane and James Goble.

We added this walkway to facilitate visits but it was not an original feature. The bricks appear ancient, and they are. These are some of the bricks used to construct Manasquan High School in 1878. The building eventually became Manasquan Borough Hall, which was demolished about ten years ago. I requested the Borough of Manasquan send a truck load of those bricks to us to construct the walk.

**9/11 MEMORIAL CEREMONY**

The 9/11 memorial ceremony held this year on Labor Day opened with a "New Look" Boy Scout Patrick Padgett of Troop 63 here in Brielle was putting into place his Eagle Scout project which would fulfill the requirement for a plan of action to improve an area of service to our community.

In order to achieve the "new Look" it was necessary to remove several trees that had overgrown their usefulness. In their place was erected the memorial bell which could now be tolled as the names of each

deceased victim was being read. In addition his plan called for creating three circular areas to be filled with shrubs and flowers, in effect creating a flower garden & e t .

The finished project will now be evaluated by the Eagle Scout Board of Review to determine if the project meets the standards set for acceptance. If so, it then proceeds to the Court of Honor which will set the time and date for the ceremony.