

# MPHS QUARTERLY

The Official Newsletter of

## The Mastic Peninsula Historical Society

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### 2012 Year End News Letter

**By Ed DeGennaro, President MPHS**

To All,

The year 2012 has come to a close, and it was an interesting year. We gained new members who bring fresh experience and insights to the club. We did a few small local “road trips” to the beach, found remnants of Swift Stream Farms, and did more research into the Iron Forge / Papermill and the Woodhull Family’s homesite.

We had a very successful Tri-Hamlet Community Day, where we provided tour bus guides, and a speaker at the Woodhull Cemetery. Many people commented on how well the bus guides performed, and we look forward to doing it again next year.

I met with the new Suffolk County Historian, Peter Cohalan, and during that event, also came in contact with ASCHS, which is an Association of Suffolk County Historical Societies. We will be discussing the possibility and benefits of our joining that group.

We had presentations given on the History of the Unkechaug Indian tribe, by Prof. John Strong, and “Landmarks and Historic Sites of Long Island”, given by author Ralph Brady. Both events were enjoyed by the group, and we are looking forward to the next presentation in February.

The Petty House Project is still in works. We gained Town Landmark Status, and now are gathering petitions to gain State Recognition. We also have a meeting scheduled with Councilman Dan Panico, to ask for his support.

And not to forget the book project we are working on. It is progressing slowly, as there are many restrictions we must deal with. Our deadline is coming due in early April. This is a very time consuming project, but I feel it is worth the effort from the recognition we will gain.

It was a good year, and I anticipate an even better year ahead. Each successful step pushes us further into new areas of interest. I will keep us busy for a while yet, as my goals still exist.

Ed DeGennaro  
Pres. / MPHS



## Congratulations to The Cultural Arts Guild of Mastic Beach



On September 11, 2012, The Cultural Arts Guild of Mastic Beach was granted a Regents Certificate of Incorporation by the Board of Regents of the New York State Education Department. The Officers and Trustees of the Historical Society are proud to share in this accomplishment, since the organizing documents of “The Guild” are based, in part, on the Charter and Bylaws of our own Historical Society. The Guild is operating out of a storefront on Neighborhood Rd. which will serve the community as a cultural arts center. To help increase tourism, copies of our “Map of Historic Sites of The Tri-Hamlet Area” will also made available to the public at this location. MPHS wishes the Guild the best on all of their endeavors. — **By Mike Lubrano**

## Committee Reports

**Collections Committee:** Please contact the Historical Society if you have any documents, photos or artifacts that you would like to donate.

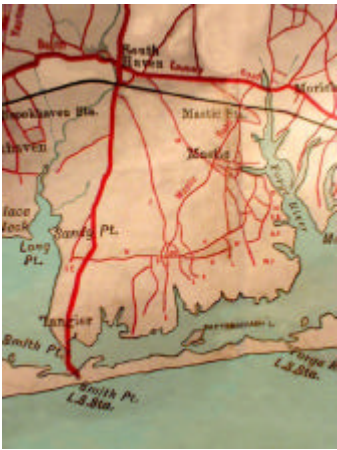
**Publications Committee:** “Mastic Peninsula Historical Society” is now on FaceBook! Check out our photo gallery on the FB. The MPHS web site is up and running at [www.mphistorical.org](http://www.mphistorical.org) with photos, event announcements and back-issues of the newsletter.

**Historic Sites Committee:** The Society’s members have been conducting ‘research workshops’ at the Community Library in the

Local History Room on Thursday nights at 7:00PM. Contact Gary Ollett for details.

**Program Committee:** MPHS Vice-President Mike Lubrano has been serving as a member of the Tri-Hamlet Leadership Council’s Hurricane Sandy Relief effort. He will report back to our group on this. On December 2, 2012, MPHS members marched in the annual Christmas Parade sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce.

**Fundraising Committee:** Please contact the Society if you would like to make a donation. The MPHS is a federally registered 501(c)3 charity.



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## Application for Membership

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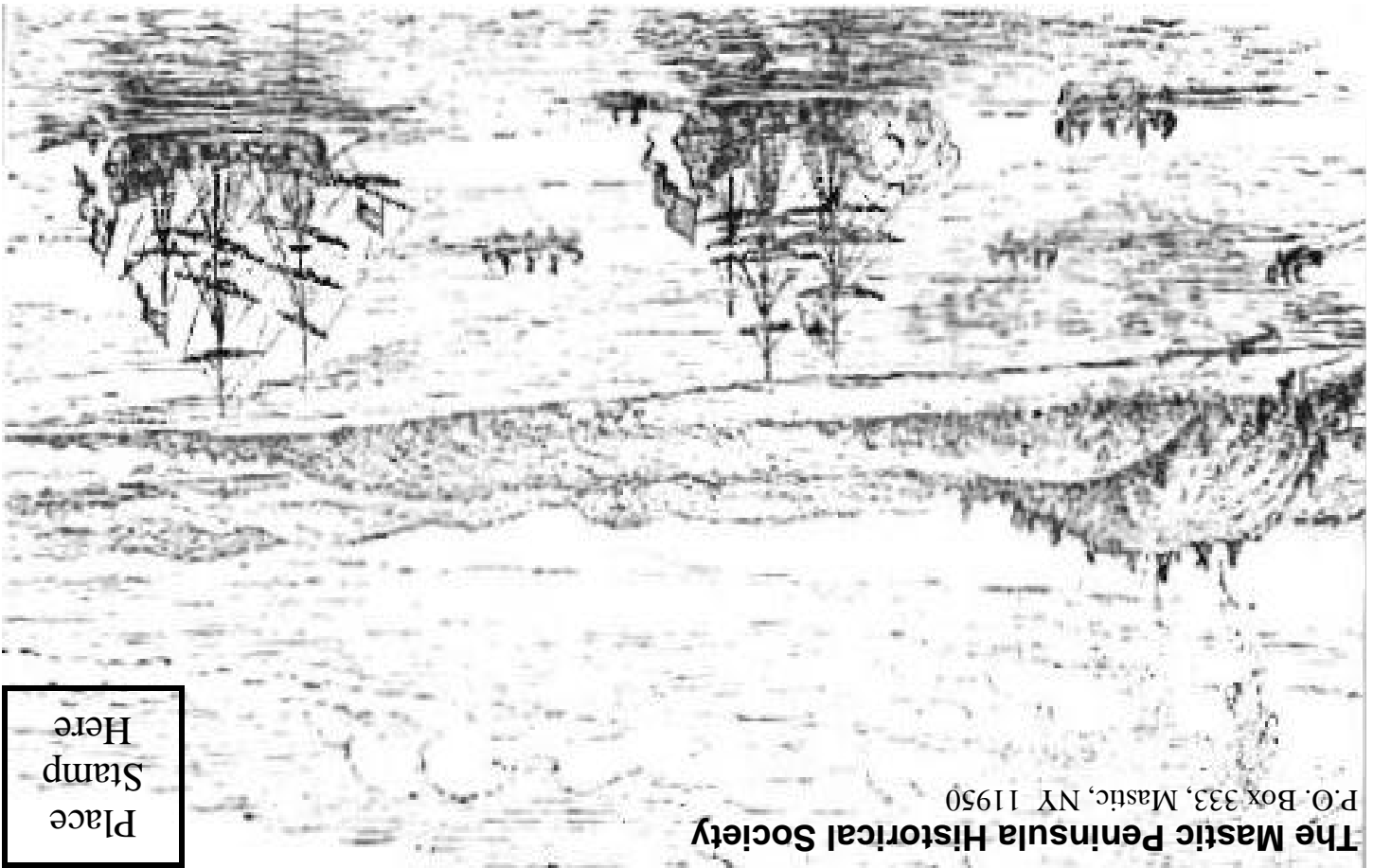
- Standard Adult member \$20.00
- Standard Family Member ( Husband & Wife ) \$30.00
- Senior Adult Member ( 62 or over ) \$10.00
- Senior Family Member \$15.00
- Junior ( under 18 ) or Student ( High School or College ) \$5.00
- Institutional Member - Representative \_\_\_\_\_ \$50.00
- Contributing and Sustaining Members \$100.00
- Life Membership \$150.00
- Honorary Member (No Fee pending designation by Board of Trustees )

Please submit this application and a check for the appropriate fee to a board member or mail to:

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## 2013 Meeting Schedule

January 16	Annual Dues Collection
February 20	Monthly Meeting
March 20	Monthly Meeting
April 17	Officer/Trustee Nominations
May 15	Annual Elections
June 19	Monthly Meeting
July 17	Monthly Meeting *
August 21	Monthly Meeting *
September 18	Monthly Meeting
October 16	Monthly Meeting
November 20	Monthly Meeting
December 18	Monthly Meeting

Regular monthly meetings are held at the Mastic Fire Dept. unless otherwise noted.

Meetings begin at 7:30PM EST

\* Meetings for July/August will be held at 7:00PM at the Community Library

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