

# CHARLTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

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# **UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS**

We hope to see you at one or all of these coming events. Members and non-members are welcome to join us!

#### COME TO THE MOVEABLE FEAST

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2023



To celebrate the spring season, join us for the Moveable Feast. We gather at the schoolhouse at 6:00 PM for a fun and delicious way to spend time with our Charlton Historical Society friends. Hors d'oeuvres, wine and soft drinks will be served starting at 6:00. At 7:00 small groups will be assigned to a member host's home for the entrée catered by Joyce's Country Kitchen.

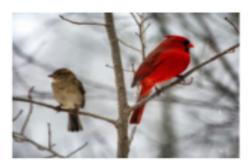
- Entrée Stuffed Chicken and Scalloped Potatoes
- Salad provided by the Host
- Bread Provided by Host
- Beverage/wine Provided by Host

By 8:30 we will rendezvous at Mari Fettke's home at 1244 Eastern Avenue for scrumptious desserts prepared by past president Mary MacDonald who will be coming with John from Connecticut. The cost is \$20.00 per person.

VOLUNTEERS are needed to host the dinner portion of the event. Remember, the hosts do not pay, but provide a salad and bread to compliment the dinner. The dessert hosts provide coffee and tea. Best of all, if you Host you don't have to pay \$20.00 per person. To volunteer to host, to have your question answered, or for a special diet, call Alice Crotty (399-4153) or Sue York (399-3797).

## **All About Birds**

Wednesday, May 3, 2023
7:00 PM at the Maple Ave Schoolhouse, Charlton



On Wednesday, May 3 we will be hosting an exciting program just in time for warm weather bird watching! Again, join us at 7pm at the Schoolhouse for All About Birds. Presented by New York State bird expert, Joan Collins, of Adirondack Avian Expeditions.

# **Memorial Day Ceremony**

May 29 –2:00 Gideon Hawley Park



Women in the Military

We pay tribute to all Charlton Veterans, past & present and announce new name additions to the Charlton Veterans Board. This year's Memorial Day Ceremony theme is "Women in the Military".

Remember: Charlton Veterans are eligible to be added to the Board if they have been a Charlton resident for at least 8 years and have received an honorable discharge. Please send request to the Veterans Board Committee at the Charlton Town Hall, 758 Charlton Road, Charlton, NY 12019, or fax to (518) 384-0385. by May 1.



# The Charlton Historical Society's Founders' Day Weekend Saturday June 3 and Sunday, June 4,

#### **EVENTS**



Saturday - 5k Walk and Run

Starts at 10 am
Go to <a href="www.charlton5k.org">www.charlton5k.org</a>
Charltonheritage5k@gmail.com
to register.

**Art Show at Main Street Studio** 

(June 2, 3, and 4 from 9am to 6pm Artist's Reception: June 2, 6pm-9pm For more detail, go to mainstreetcharlton.com



Ine Museum is Open

Saturday 8:30-1:00 Sunday 11:00 -4:00



Party in the Park 🌃



Entertainment starts at 5:00pm and fireworks at 9:30pm **Saturday** evening live music, inflatable climbing wall, games for kids, petting zoo, face painting, magician, food and desserts, ending with fireworks.

#### **Parade**

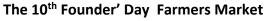


**Sunday** at 2 PM – If you have question or wish to participate, please contact John Hussey at (518) 557-2410 or by email at <a href="mailto:jkhussey@nycap.rr.com">jkhussey@nycap.rr.com</a>. Entry forms can be found on charltonnyhs.org.



Ice Cream Social sponsored by Saratoga County Dairy Ambassadors after the parade.







**Sunday** from 11:00 to 3:00 at the Charlton Historical Society. Plant sale, live music, farm and craft vendors. If you wish to participate, go to charltonnyhs.org to print an entry form or contact Teresa Ha**rt** at teresahart3993436@gmail.com or at (5i8) 399-3436.

#### CHUCK LATHAM'S CHARLTON HISTORY - FACTS and LEGEND

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### Here is a story for all and especially our Veterans.



"A True Story about Tootsie Rolls"

"Did you know that Tootsie Rolls helped save US Marines? During the Korean War in 1950, the 1st Marine Division met the enemy at the Chosin mountain reservoir in subfreezing temperatures. There were less than 7,000 Marines surrounded at Kotori, North Korea by over 80,000 of the enemy. Nearly out of ammunition, Marines called for 50mm mortar ammo code name "Tootsie Rolls." The radio operator did not have the code sheet that would tell him what a "Tootsie Roll" was, but knew the request was urgent so he called in the order. While surrounded by the enemy, pallets of Tootsie Roll candies parachuted from the sky to the Marines! Although not the ammunitions they expected, the candy provided much need morale and nourishment of the troops. The large Tootsie Rolls gave them energy and the chewy candy took their minds off of being so hungry and cold. Since it was 0 to 60 degrees below zero, the Marines would warm the Tootsie Rolls by carrying them next to their bodies. They also learned that they could use warmed Tootsie Rolls to plug bullet holes in their gas cans and radiators, sealing them as the candy refroze. After 2 weeks of fighting, the Marines fought their way to the sea. These Marines are called the "Chosen Few". Many credited their very survival to the Tootsie Rolls." (From an internet search)

# **Announcements and Reminders**

- The Founders' Day Theme this year is Charlton's Historic Main Street. We are looking for **old photos** of Charlton and especially Main Street as well as old buildings and places of business. Call curator Mary Breedlove at (518) 495-1441 or Sue York at (518) 399-3797 or bring them to one of the programs.
- New museum displays are being assembled for the 2023 Summer. If you have a collection to share with museum goers, please consider loaning it to CHS for display.
- Our primary fund raiser is the 5K Race. Your support is needed by signing up to Run/Walk or to volunteer to help with the various jobs. To volunteer call Marty Wilson at (518) 399-0167 or Alice Crotty at (518) 399-4153.
- On April 29 from 5:30pm to 8:30pm, BHBL High School is having their second Senior Community Prom. All BHBL community retirees are invited. You will enjoy an evening of dancing hosted by students and a Dinner Buffet will be served. Admission is FREE. Please RSVP by April 21 to Tom Diacetis, HS Assistant Principle. (518) 399-9141, Ext.83304 or tdiacertis@bhbl.org
- We thank Jason Nemec for designing our 2023 Founders' Day Button.

#### **2023 CHS OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES**

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