

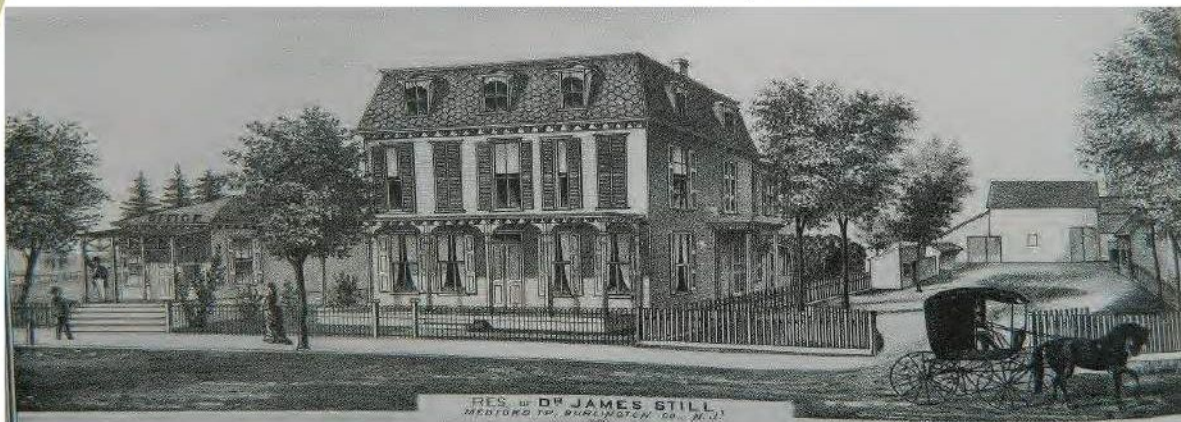
Dr. James Still Education Center Bulletin



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Dr. James Still Historic Office & Education Center

*Teaching, Restoring and Preserving the Legacy of Dr. James Still
"The Black Doctor of the Pines"*



*"Although your sky may often be clouded, the sun
will shine forth in the end, and its rays brighten
your road to victory."*

-Dr. James Still 1877

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UPCOMING EVENTS



9/14/19 — New Jersey State
History Fair, Manalapan, NJ

10/5/19 — New Jersey Fall
Forestry Festival, Jackson,
NJ

11/9/19—Fall Clean-up Ser-
vice Day

11/16/19—Basket Weaving
Class, Medford, NJ

Scheduled tours are availa-
ble on the 1st and 3rd Sun-
day of each month between
1pm — 4pm

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The Center is also open at
this time. Feel free to stop in.



BURLINGTON COUNTY FARM FAIR— JULY 16TH-20TH, 2019

Despite battling the summer heat, thousands of people from near and far attended the Burlington County Farm Fair held at the Burlington County Fairgrounds in Columbus, New Jersey. Volunteers from the Dr. James Still Education Center greeted visitors walking through the history tent and introduced the legacy of Dr. James Still to a number of people both local and new to the area. A descendant of Harriet Tubman even stopped by to discuss the history of our families. It was great to connect with other local historic organizations and check out the many exhibits the fair has to offer, as well as family fun on rides and concessions. We appreciate every opportunity to share the importance and accomplishments of the Still family and look forward to seeing our new friends at the Center in the near future.



HISTORIC SITE CHANGES

Changes to the historic site are in progress. The new parking lot for the Dr. James Still Historic Site and Education Center is now complete. The addition of this parking lot will allow an increased quantity of available parking for visitors and events to occur at the historic site.

Special thanks to Schlindwein Excavating for clearing the land and New Jersey Department of Parks and Forestry for their labor and materials finishing the lot!

Schlindwein Excavating
Sam Schlindwein , Owner
Phone: 609-923-1696



SMITHVILLE HISTORY FUN DAY— MAY 19, 2019

Volunteers from the Dr. James Still Education Center, as well as other descendants of Dr. James Still, showed support at Smithville History Fun Day. In addition to other local historical societies, the event featured local artisans, musical entertainment, activities/games for families, food and tours of Smithville Mansion, Smithville Village Worker's House, and the Burlington County Underground Railroad Museum.

Many visitors stopped by our display booth to learn about Dr. James Still and the education center. We had some very interested young readers who started reading Dr. James Still's autobiography immediately!

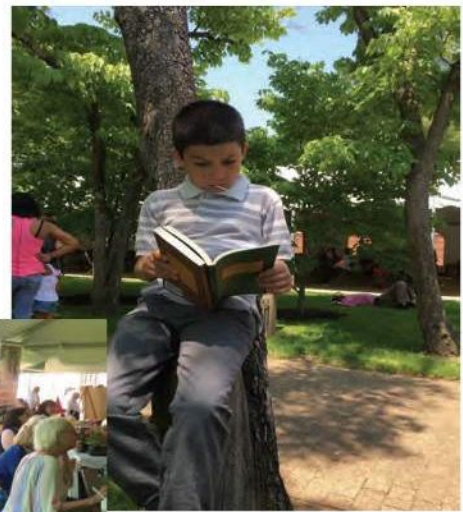
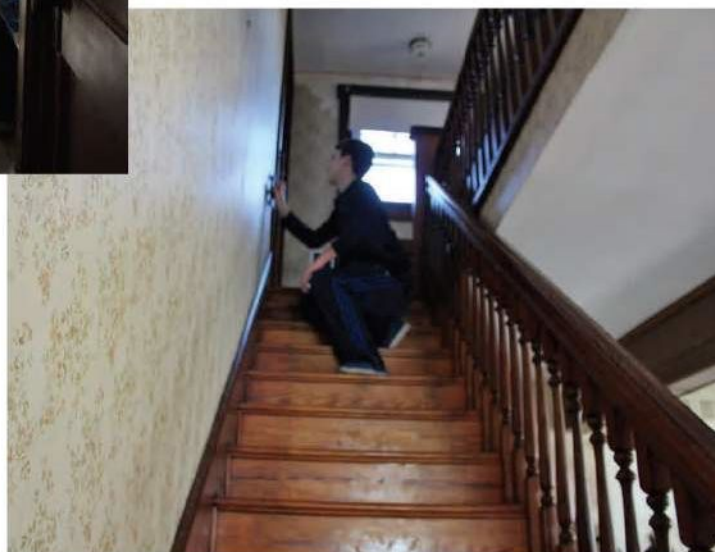


EXHIBIT CHANGES COMING

Things are happening and it's an exciting time here at the Education Center! Many hands make light work. Stay tuned as we prepare for new exhibits featuring the lasting legacy left by Dr. James Still.



CHARLIE ZAHM— May 11, 2019

People flowed into the Friends Meeting House in Medford, New Jersey to hear the melodic tunes and rhythmic strings of folk singer, Charlie Zahm. Known for singing Celtic, maritime and traditional American music, he is multi-talented and plays various instruments.

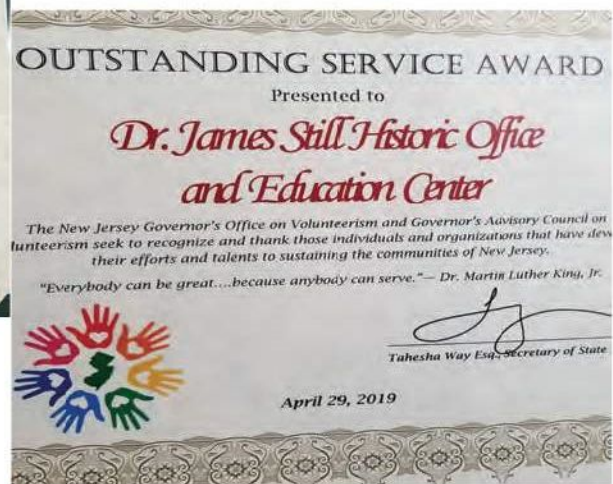
The beautiful Sunday afternoon was marked with familiar songs and smiles shared among the audience as he performed musical selections from John Denver and 60's folk music. A good time was had by all during the interactive show. This annual event helps to raise funds for the Doctor James Still Historic Office and Education Center. We hope you're able to join us next year for the Charlie Zahm experience.

A huge thanks goes to Charlie Zahn for another wonderful performance! It's always a fun time!



STATE OF NEW JERSEY AWARDS CEREMONY - APRIL 29, 2019

The Dr. James Still Historic Site and Education Center was one of the friends' groups honored and recognized by the State of New Jersey. On April 29, 2019, Olivia Glenn, Director of NJ Department of Parks and Forestry and Tahesha Way, Esq. NJ Secretary of State recognized various volunteer groups for all of their hard work. Thanks to all the volunteers who graciously volunteer their time and efforts at the Dr. James Still Historic office site and Education Center.



ARBOR DAY TREE PLANTING – APRIL 27, 2019

In recognition of Arbor Day on April 26, 2019, volunteers at the Dr. James Still Education Center participated in tree planting at the site on Saturday, April 27, 2019.

We received a variety of shrubs and trees samplings from the New Jersey Parks and Forestry and shared the day with our volunteers and the community.

Volunteers planted a few tree seedlings on the grounds of the Dr. James Still Historic Office Site and Education Center to celebrate Arbor Day. We appreciate the volunteers who came out to help plant the tree seedlings. Special thanks to Terry Schmidt and the New Jersey Department of Parks and Forestry for procuring the tree seedling plants.



LINES ON THE PINES

Volunteers from the Dr. James Still Education Center participated in the annual Lines on the Pines event held at Stockton State University on March 10, 2019.

The volunteers spoke with attendees about the Dr. James Still life, legacy and impact on the pine barrens of New Jersey.



SCHOOL TOURS—SPRING 2019

Students from Medford Timothy Christian Academy in Easthampton, New Jersey visited our site on April 16, 2019 to learn more about Dr. James Still. Volunteers not only helped students to understand the importance of Dr. James Still's achievements, but also to explore the gadgets of that time period and various herbs used in his treatments.

The school district of Medford has been in support of educating their students about Dr. James Still and his mark on the town's history by sending groups of students throughout the year. Many of the same families from the late 1800's still reside in the area and transcend his legacy by recalling stories from their ancestors. We love hearing students share the history with their friends, revisit the site with family and talk about how they first learned about Dr. James Still.



School tours to the Center include active informational sessions to provide students with information about Dr. James Still and his impact in Medford, NJ. The tour also presents the on-site herb gardens, nature trail, historical information regarding the Lenape Indians in NJ, the historic landmark of Dr. James Still's office and local historic Underground Railroad locations. Not only local history, the life of Dr. James Still is American history that speaks to aspiring towards one's childhood dream.

If you're interested in scheduling a site visit to the Center for your school, please contact us via email, DrJamesStillcenter@gmail.com, to coordinate a school tour.

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

CAPE COD, MASSACHUSETTS PRESENTATION— April 13, 2019 CLUB VISIT



Chairman of the Dr. James Still Historic Office and Education Center committee, Samuel C. Still III, travelled to Cape Cod to present information about the Still family on April 13, 2019. The event was held at the Cape Cod Community College and hosted by the Hyannis Yacht Club. Other descendants of the Still family were also in attendance.



MOUNT LAUREL HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTATION— JUNE 11, 2019

Chairman Samuel C. Still III, along with Vice Chairman Carol Douglas, presented during a gathering of the Mount Laurel Historical Society on Tuesday, June 11, 2019 at Farmer's Hall in Mount Laurel, New Jersey.

The pre-existing knowledge of local history of the attendees made for interesting conversations and discussions regarding the geography, well-known families and culture of that time. A special thanks goes out to members of the society who donated books about the application of herbs to add to our library at the Center.



EDUCATION CENTER –SPRING SPRUCE UP

Thank you to Rockland Lawn Care for the spring spruce up to exterior portions of the Education Center.

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MLK DAY OF SERVICE— January 21, 2019

On Monday, January 21, 2019, the Dr. James Still Education Center hosted a community service project for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service. We were overwhelmed by the number of volunteers who responded despite the extremely cold weather on that day.

The volunteers accomplished many tasks both inside and outside the Education Center. Volunteers ranged across all ages with everyone happily contributing their time. Special thanks to the Honors Club students from Seneca High School, the NJ Chapter of Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club, local politician Freeholder Balvir Singh and a host of individual volunteers who came and devoted their time and efforts to the Education Center. The help from all volunteers is very much appreciated!



WINTER TEA PARTY—January 13, 2019

The annual winter tea party on January 13, 2019 was a success! Attendees enjoyed music, tea sandwiches, various assorted teas and fellowship. Thank you to all who participated, prepared food, attended and supported this event benefitting the Dr. James Still James Education Center.



NJ STATE PARK AND HISTORIC SITES VIDEO

We were honored when the New Jersey State Park Service created a video earlier this year regarding Dr. James Still and the historic site and Education Center. Visit the Facebook page of New Jersey State Parks and Historic Sites to view the final video:

[www.https://www.facebook.com/pg/NewJerseyStateParks/videos/?ref=page_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/NewJerseyStateParks/videos/?ref=page_internal)



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VISIT THE EDUCATION CENTER / VOLUNTEER

We welcome all visitors, and encourage you to come by the historic site and Education Center to walk the nature trail, check out the exhibits, or volunteer.

Tell others about the Education Center and spreading the news about Dr. James Still's life-long work and the difference he made in his community right here in Burlington County, New Jersey.

Visit our website for the Dr. James Still Historic Office Site and Education Center. <http://www.drjamesstillcenter.org/>

****** Email DrJamesStillcenter@gmail.com to schedule a group tour ******

Volunteering at the Education Center is a rewarding experience. Many of our volunteers are retired educators who enjoy sharing hands-on enrichment with fourth graders. Volunteers create their own schedule and fill some of their spare time with interactive activity while teaching an important part of local history. ***If you would like to volunteer or schedule a group tour of the Dr. James Still Education Center, email DrJamesStillcenter@gmail.com.***

DONATIONS FOR THE HISTORIC OFFICE SITE & EDUCATION CENTER

The volunteers at the Dr. James Still Education Center are a grass roots organization dedicated with a purpose to teach, restore and preserve the legacy of Dr. James Still.



Be a Friend of the Dr. James Still Historic Office Site & Education Center

_____ Level 1 contributor \$15

_____ Level 2 contributor \$25

_____ Level 3 contributor \$50

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Donations for the EDUCATION CENTER:

Check written out to: Medford Historical Society– Dr. James Still Project.

Mail to:

Dr. James Still Education Center
Medford Historical Society
PO Box 362
Medford, NJ 08055

Donations toward the RESTORATION of Dr. Still's Historic Office:

Check written out to: Treasurer, State of New Jersey.

Mail to: Dave Robbins
Superintendent, Dr. James Still Historic Site
Brendan T. Byrne State Forest
P.O. Box # 215
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All donations of any value are welcomed and very much appreciated!

We thank you for your support!

