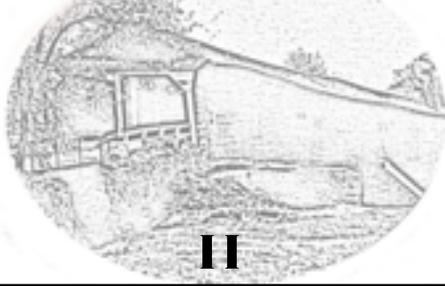


ECHOES OF FISH HOUSE



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MAY 2015

Summer Breakfast Dates
July 19th, Aug, 9th & Sept. 6th.

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Rummage Sale 2015

This year's rummage sale is scheduled for Friday July 10th from 8 AM to 4 PM and then on Saturday, July 11 from 9 AM to 2 PM.

Donations are being accepted starting on June 1st and ending on July 6th. Now is the time to clean out your camp and/or closets! Due to the large number of donations that we usually receive, we ask that you not drop off any donations after July 6th.

Also, we no longer accept mattresses, upholstered furniture, TV's or computers. If we cannot verify that electronic donations are in good working order, we cannot, in good faith, sell them. As for those old TV's that are surely in our attics, please donate to another charity.

Thank you in advance. The generosity of this community amazes us every year with the large number of donations we receive.

If you would like a Donation Form for your taxes, we now have them at the Center. So be sure to ask for one if you are donating items.

Bottle Drive 2015



This year's bottle drive has now started. Please drop off your refundable bottles and cans behind the center. There is a gravel driveway right up to the new three sided structure where you can leave the bottles/cans. **Thank you for your donations!!**



Little Free Library

The LFL has officially opened for the summer. Feel free to borrow books and/or donate books. There is a small notepad in the LFL cabinet for suggestions and also if you want to leave your name when you donate books.

Let's hope the weather warms up so we can relax by the lake and read a good book!

Fish House T Shirts & Sweatshirts for Sale!

This year's T-shirts and sweatshirts are black with white lettering. If you are thinking about buying a T-shirt or sweatshirt, don't hesitate,,they tend to sell quickly! And as always, the map of the Great Sacandaga Lake will be on the back.

Fish House Veterans Memorial



For many years, Kathryn Sleezer wrote "Echoes From Fish House" for the Northampton United Methodist Church. She was a big proponent of Fish House. It was due to her diligence that this little hamlet had its name changed from Northampton to Fish House.

In the Echoes for July 31, 1968, Kathryn wrote the following article:

War Memorial Dedicated

A "Rock of Ages" memorial was dedicated on Sunday morning, July 21st (1968), in a ceremony held at the Fish House Community Center. The 1,200 pound blue-gray granite stone is located at the Community Center. George Stead, master of ceremonies, gave the welcome to those attending. The Invocation, Dedication Prayer and the Benediction , was given by Rev. Lofstrom.

This was a community project and had been started many months ago.

Members of the Robert Lee Walsh Post 337, American Legion, and auxiliary participated in the ceremony. Mrs. Roger Ferguson was soloist for the National Anthem at the ceremony, with Mrs. Louis Sleezer providing piano accompaniment .

Memorial Day is a federal holiday in the United States remembering the people who died while serving in the country's armed forces.

Let us keep them in our prayers while we enjoy this three day weekend.

The Sinclaires of Fish House

Dr. Langdon Marvin, one of the first doctors of Fish House, had a cape cod style house located on the Dyke Road (the road that led from the center of the hamlet of Fish House to the covered bridge) The history books state that the famed Sir William Johnson's fish house, was located in the area of the garden of Dr. Marvin's house.

Dr. Marvin's daughter, Lucy Marvin, married Francis Savage Sinclair (of Sinclair Oil Co.). They built a big house next to Dr. Langdon's house. The house was known as The Brick House. It was the summer residence of the Sinclaires and it also was a working farm that was known for its Jersey cows. The Sinclaires had three children: Lucy "Lu", Harry T., and Frank M. Only Frank would marry and have children. Frank's first wife, Justine, died in 1908. Two years later, Frank (age 50), married Marie Bischoff. Frank and Marie's father were business partners, owning the Schenley Liquor distillery before prohibition.

Frank and Marie started construction on their own home in 1911. It is known as the Rosslyn House and was completed in 1920. It is located on Sinclair Point in the town of Northampton. They had three daughters: Lucy M., Catherine J. and Chloe E. The house was mostly a place for women. Frank, on a trip around the world with his father-in-law, contracted small pox and died at sea in the year 1924. Marie, his widow, never remarried. She died at the Rosslyn House in 1974.

Lucy lived at the Rosslyn House until her death at 94 in 2005. The house is now incorporated and run by the six grandchildren of Frank and Marie Sinclair.

The Broadalbin Historical Society was treated to a wonderful tour of the property. The caretaker, Paula O'Brien, lovingly cares for all the historical artifacts in the house. It is truly a treasure trove as the Sinclaires have always had a love of history.

The Sinclair Family on the porch of The Brick House in Fish House circa 1895

On the porch: (L to R)

Lucy "Lu" Sinclair, ?, ?. Lucy Marvin Sinclair

Sitting on the steps: (L to R)

Harry T. Sinclair, Francis S Sinclair,
Frank M. Sinclair with 1st wife, Justine.
Boy is cousin Stephen.



The Brick House in Fish House circa 1928

Frank & Marie Sinclair's
daughters:
Lucy, Chloe & Catherine



The Rosslyn House on Sinclair Point

For more photos of the Rosslyn House, go to the website:
www.northamptonnyhistory.com

