

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF BALTIMORE COUNTY



## NEWSLETTER

**APRIL 2014** 

# TALK ON WARREN, MD, GETS OVERWHELMING RESPONSE



Sally Riley beginning her presentation at the library. Photo by Bud Cornell.

The presentation given by volunteer Sally Riley about the town of Warren titled "Rumor or Fact? A Town under Loch Raven Reservoir?" had an overwhelming response at the Cockeysville Branch library. With 157+ people in attendance, it was standing room only in the library's meeting room. Sally and others conducted research for the presentation using materials in the HSBC collections.

Publicity for the event was generated by the society, the Facebook group "Warren Revisited," and the Baltimore County Public Library. Still, the large number of people in attendance was an unexpected, yet pleasant surprise. For those who missed it, Sally will be giving an encore presenta-

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Sally Riley answers questions after the talk.

Photo by Bud Cornell.

tion at the HSBC Almshouse headquarters in May, with a new book sale and signing with local author and poet, Ann Kolakowski, and *Baltimore Sun* reporter Fred Rasmussen. See page two for exact date and times. Many thanks to Sally Riley, and volunteers Bud Cornell and Sharon Leggin for their research assistance.

#### **NEW ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW**



Dr Joeseph N Tatareqicz (left) being interviewed by Imuetinyan Ugiagbe (right). Photo by Jim Long.

Another interesting interview was performed by the oral history committee and is available for viewing on our Facebook and YouTube sites. UMBC Associate Professor of History, Joseph N. Tatarewicz, Ph.D., was interviewed by HSBC volunteer Imuetinyan Ugiagbe on Tuesday, March 11, at the Almshouse. In addition to his teaching at UMBC, Dr. Tatarewicz is a prolific writer and researcher. Although the society's interest rested primarily in his knowledge of local Baltimore County Nike missile sites, the interview covered a wide range of subjects. See this and other interesting interviews on our YouTube channel at

www.youtube.com/hsbc9811. The full length interview will become part of the HSBC oral history archives available for viewing at the society.



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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## Thursday, May 1, 2014, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.@ HSBC Almshouse Headquarters GENEALOGY INSTRUCTION

Monthly genealogy instruction at the Historical Society of Baltimore County with local genealogist Noreen Goodson, and professional genealogist Angela Walton-Raji, BA, M.Ed. Angela is the author of *Black Indian Genealogy Research: African American Ancestors Among the Five Civilized Tribes*, and has a wealth of general and niche genealogy knowledge, experience, and resources to share. This program is brought to you courtesy of a partnership of the society and the Louis S. Diggs African American Research Center, Inc. (Free to all.)

## Sunday, May 4, 2014, at 2:00 p.m. @ HSBC Almshouse Headquarters NON-INDENTURED CHILD "SERVANTS" IN BALTIMORE COUNTY, 1683-1715

Author and speaker Richard Hayes Phillips, Ph.D. will talk on his recent book and research into 27 child "servants" without indentures appearing in the Court Proceedings of Baltimore County. The records from that time period are fragmentary, covering 1683-1686, 1691-1696, and 1708-1715. His book is titled *Without Indentures: Index to White Slave Children in Colonial Court Records [Maryland and Virginia]* (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 2013).

(Free to HSBC members and Baltimore County Genealogical Society members, or \$5 for non-members.)

#### Thursday, May 15, 2014, 2:00-3:00 PM

#### @ Baltimore County Public Library, Towson Branch A HISTORIC VIEW OF TOWSON

Venerable Baltimore County historian, John W. McGrain, is giving a talk on "Old Towson," with slides from the 1950s to present. It will be free and open to the public in the auditorium at the Towson Branch of the Baltimore County Public Library. (Free to all.)



Towson High School, c. 1907.

## Sunday, May 25, 2014, 2:00-4:00 PM @ HSBC Almshouse Headquarters RUMOR OR FACT? A TOWN UNDER LOCH RAVEN RESERVOIR?

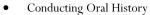
Volunteer Sally Riley will give an encore presentation of this topic. It will cover the history of the mill and town named Warren. The program will include the time period from the 1800s until the 1920s, at which time the mill was eliminated and buildings submerged to make way for our drinking water supply. Ann Eichler Kolakowski, local poet and author, will read from her new book, *Persistence: Poems of Warren, Maryland*, with the assistance of Fred Rasmussen, *Baltimore Sun* reporter. Book sales and signing will follow, with a portion of sales donated to the society. (Free to members, or \$5 for non-members.)

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## Thursday, June 5, 2014, 10:00 a.m. @HSBC Almshouse Headquarters

The first Thursday of each month, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., genealogy classes for beginners will be underway to the public free of charge. Bring your laptops with you! The classes will be taught by professional genealogist and author, Angela Walton-Raji, BA, M.Ed, or local genealogist Noreen Goodson.

Let us help you to explore the areas of family history that interest you. Learn various methods of:



- Preserving your Family History
- Pursuing your Family's Military History
- Organizing a Research Strategy
- And More!

Take an ancestral journey with us!



Campbell and Sons scale house, c. 1932.



Genealogy Class in Session At HSBC Almshouse.

Thursday, June 12, 2014, at 7:00pm @ Cockeysville Branch - Baltimore County Public library REMEMBERING THE VILLAGE OF TEXAS! Where is it? What was it? How did it come to be?

Cassie Kilroy Thompson, the founder of the Friends of Texas, Maryland, will offer a presentation and discussion about the origins and history of this disappearing Baltimore County village. (Free to all!)

# SAVE THE DATE! SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 2014

The annual membership meeting of the Historical Society of Baltimore County will be held on Sunday, June 22, 2014, in the afternoon. The exact time and a slate of new board member nominees will be mailed soon! Accompanying the annual business meeting and board member nominations, there will be a presentation on Sparrows Point, featuring a newly published book, sales and signing.

# Annual Membership Meeting



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### **RECENT ACQUISITION**

A nine foot tall, late 19th century Victorian Renaissance Revival style slant front secretary was donated by Gini Patterson, and will be displayed in its new location outside of the admin. offices. This piece was originally owned by Dr. Magnus Benjamin Milner (Mrs. Patterson's

grandfather), who was a Baltimore dentist c. 1900 - 1948, with offices located at the northwest corner of Maryland Avenue & 25th Street.

Dr. Milner graduated from the School of Dentistry at the University of Maryland in 1898, and was eventually on their faulty as a Professor of Orthodontia





Hours of Operation:

Fridays from noon to 4 p.m. Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.







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