



**THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF ESQUATAK  
PO Box 241, East Schodack, NY 12063**

August 2022

*PROGRAM SCHEDULE 2022 - 2023*

September 16, 2022, Friday, 7 PM: "A Native American site along the Dowers Kill" presented by Adam Lusier. This local site produced thousands of artifacts from native groups that inhabited the Hudson Valley 5,000 to 6,000 years ago. Castleton Fire House.

October 21, 2022, Friday, 7 PM: "Troy Orphan Asylum". Don Rittner, local historian, and author will discuss his research and new book about the Troy Orphan Asylum. Castleton Fire House.

November 18, 2022, Friday, 7 PM: "A Million Horseshoes a Week". The Burden Iron Works perfected a rather rudimentary mechanical process in 1835, to the point that by the Civil War, each machine was capable of producing 60 horseshoes per minute. Founder Henry Burden's contribution to the federal war effort is legendary, and it made the family astonishingly wealthy. Presented by Michael P. Barrett, Castleton Fire House.

February 17, 2023, Friday, 7 PM: "Mary Edmonia Lewis". Bobbie Reno, East Greenbush Town Historian, will treat us to the fascinating life of Mary Edmonia Lewis born in Greenbush, New York in 1844. Castleton Fire House.

March 24, 2023, Friday, 7 PM: To Be Determined, Castleton Fire House.

April 21, 2023, Friday 6 PM: annual meeting and dinner. Details to be determined.

June 2, 2023. Friday 11:00 AM: "Meet Troy's Founding Fathers", a tour of Oakwood Cemetery with Michael P. Barrett. Discover Oakwood Cemetery which has been the resting place for many of Troy's most famous (and infamous) residents. While it did not officially open until 1850, a number of cemetery consolidations and reburials push the historical record of deaths back to the very earliest years of the birth of the city. This walking tour features the stories of many of the founding families, the prominent educators, industrialists and businesspeople, military heroes and other colorful characters who helped make Troy great.

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