



Calendar

8.19-23.02

NJSTA's Professional Development institute on Robot Building.

9.29.02

OMARC annual picnic and 25th anniversary celebration.

9.14/15.02

OMARC N2MO/MM ARRL VHF Contest at Sea to FM-39

10.12.02

Archives and history day at the Monmouth County Library.

10.15/16.02

The NJSTA's New Jersey Science Convention.

10.18/19/20/25/26/27.02

GSC is having their shows on Friday from 7-9pm and on Saturday and Sunday from 1-5pm. 607 8th Ave. Asbury Park, NJ.

10.30.02

QCWA Meeting. 7:30 pm, Cobblestones Restaurant, Rte 35 south, Eatontown. Everyone is invited, whether member or not.

Pentagon Officials Tour Camp Evans

On July 23, officials from the Pentagon visited Camp Evans to investigate the effects of the removal of the sewer by Fort Monmouth. Removal of the sewer system without replacement causes special preservation challenges for the Camp Evans Historic District.

Fort Monmouth Officials contend that sewers are not necessary for immediate reuse of the site as a children's learning center.

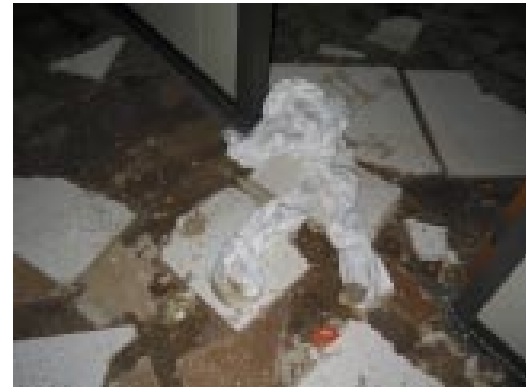
Army regulations require that the Army is responsible for turning the property back to the community in a state allowing it to be immediately reused.

Removal of the sewers has also lead to extensive damage to the interior and exterior of the buildings, several of which are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The sewers were contaminated with mercury. All contamination of the site is due to past Army negligence.

Congressman Smith has assigned his District Director Ms. Loretta Charbonneau to assist Wall Township in working with the Pentagon. The goal is to determine and allocate the appropriate funds to enable Fort Monmouth to properly maintain the historic structures until the property is transferred to Wall Township. Pentagon officials will decide if Fort Monmouth is required to replace the sewers. Wall Township, InfoAge, and

Congressman Smith were told to expect an answer prior to the 17th of August.

For over two years Wall Township, the New Jersey Historic Preservation office and the members of the Camp Evans Restoration Advisory Board, lead by Mr. Robert McAllen, have urged Fort



A contamination suit lies among evidence of flood damage in one of the H buildings.

Monmouth to repair the sewer system in the interest of preserving the historic values of this unique historic site.

Representing the Pentagon in the fact-finding visit was Mr. Bill Birney, Assistant for Real Estate Property for Community and Installation, Major Douglas Hinnant of Major General Lust's office and Mr. Robert Davenport of Army Material Command Legal Counsel.

Representing the New Jersey Historic Preservation office was Ms. Dorothy Guzzo, Deputy

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InfoAge Welcomes First Busload of Students

On July 12, 1912 the Marconi Wireless Corporation purchased the first of many farms in Wall Township to develop the world's largest wireless station.

On July 12, 2002, 90 years later to the day, the first bus from the Fort Monmouth Math, Science and Technology Camps arrived for a tour of the Infoage Concept Center.

The 24 third- and fourth-grade students came to learn about the technology and famous inventors who also visited the old Marconi Station, now known as Camp Evans.

The summer camps are offered by the Fort Monmouth Integrated Community Outreach Network [ICON], directed by Dr. Constella Hines-Zimmerman. This past February, Gen. William Russ, the commanding general of Fort Monmouth, appointed Dr. Hines-Zimmerman to the position of Fort Monmouth liaison to the Infoage Science-History Center at Camp Evans.

In the old station manager's cottage, now home to the Infoage Concept Center, the rooms are filled with historic

photographs and artifacts. The students saw antique radios, parts of ENIAC (the world's first computer) and a model of a World War II V2 rocket. The students also listened to a portion of Orson Welles' 1938 radio broadcast of "War of the Worlds."

The students were welcomed to Camp Evans by Robert Judge, a member of the Garden State Model Railroad Club and the assistant director of Infoage.

Infoage Director Fred Carl spoke on the history of communications technology and how Fort Monmouth personnel working at Camp Evans helped win World War II with radar.

The students saw examples of how persons who were once third- and fourth-graders, just like them, worked at Camp Evans for Marconi, then the Navy during World War I, and then the Army in World War II. The message for students was not only do science and technology improve their lives, but the fields of science also provide excellent employment opportunities.

What We Need

- ◆ Folding chairs and tables
- ◆ Display cases
- ◆ Bookcases with glass doors
- ◆ Relevant books or research material
- ◆ Office Supplies
- ◆ Computers
- ◆ Printers
- ◆ People to write brief biographies of NBHF Inductees
- ◆ People to develop programs for children and adults
- ◆ People who know how to create web pages, or are willing to learn
- ◆ People interested in helping us develop and create exhibits
- ◆ People who would like to research topics about our site history
- ◆ Funds to professionally edit and narrate Prof. Johnson's *No Short Climb* video
- ◆ Funds to continue renovating our site



Children from the ICON Math, Science & Technology Camps arrive at Infoage.

Inmates Help Clean Up

Monmouth County Sheriff Joseph W. Oxley, with the help of some Monmouth County inmates, is working to restore one of New Jersey's most important historical sites, the Information Age Learning Center's (IALC) Marconi Hotel and Diana Radar site in Wall Township, New Jersey.



From left to right: Sheriff Oxley, Lawrence Tormey, Guard John Thompson and Program Coordinator Medora Morris.

A work crew from the Monmouth County Sheriffs Office Inmate Labor Program will clear shrubbery and debris from the Marconi Station and the Diana Radar site. The inmate laborers will also paint a security fence around the Diana Radar site.

In total, work crews between three and five inmates will provide approximately 200 hours of service to clean and repair the facility.

"I am honored to provide needed resources to this important historical site through the Inmate Labor Program," Sheriff

Joseph W. Oxley said. "Monmouth County citizens will be able to enjoy tours of a nationally important location refurbished at a considerable tax savings."

Over the past year, inmates involved in the Labor Program have worked 19,799 hours in 38 municipalities throughout the county, resulting in an estimated savings of more than \$109,764 for Monmouth County taxpayers. Participation in the Inmate Labor Program is completely voluntary. Inmates enrolled in the program participate in the

work projects as an alternative to spending their time in jail. Only offenders incarcerated for minor offenses, with records of good behavior, may be enrolled.

Requests for Inmate Labor teams are made to the Program Coordinator, Medora Morris, and are evaluated as to the need and feasibility of the project. Then work crews are assigned based upon the scale and scope of the project. Inmate assignments to the Labor Program are made by the courts. The Sheriff's Office transports and provides for the security of the inmate crews. Inmate labor teams have tackled every type of project imaginable, from painting and carpentry to restoring a Civil War era cemetery.

For more information, contact Monmouth County Sheriff Joseph W. Oxley at (732) 294-5901 or log onto <http://www.visitmonmouth.com/sheriff/>

Donor List June/July & August

This is an incomplete list. Future issues will have a complete list and will also be posted on our website.. Donations can be sent to our concept center at 2201 Marconi Road, Wall Township, NJ 07719. For information on becoming a member call (732) 280-3000 or visit us on the web at www.infoage.org.

- ◆ Thanks to the NJ Broadcasters Board for providing us with the Funds to bring the NBHF back to New Jersey
- ◆ Thanks to the Spring Lake Theatre Co .
- ◆ Thanks to Applebee's for having their opening night benefit for us
- ◆ Thanks to Richard and Noreen Carl
- ◆ Thanks to Sheriff Oxley
- ◆ Thanks to Congressman Chris Smith
- ◆ Thanks to Fred Carl
- ◆ Thanks to C&H Plumbing
- ◆ Thanks to all of our board members
- ◆ Thanks to all of our members and volunteers for their dedication to our mission

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State Historic Preservation Officer and Mr. Dan Saunders, Principal Historical Preservation Specialist.

Monmouth County was represented by Ms. Claire French, County Clerk and county history advocate second to none.

Wall Township was represented by the honorable Mayor Ned Thompson, Township attorney Mr. Roger McLaughlin, Township Administrator Mr. Joseph Verruni and Township Historian Mr. Fred Carl. Mr. Joseph Murphy, Historian for the Army Corps of Engineers, Mr. Chuck

Appleby BRAC Environmental Coordinator and Ms. BK Swenson, Base Transition Coordinator represented Fort Monmouth.

At the conclusion of the visit Mr. Birney stated his office will explore every avenue to provide Fort Monmouth the appropriate funds to improve the site conditions until the transfer to Wall Township is completed. Wall Township and the Congressman can expect an answer prior to the 17th of August.

McCarthy's "House of Spies"



Julius Rosenberg was believed to have stolen radar and proximity fuse information from Fort Monmouth during his work as a electrical engineer between 1940 and 1945. Later found guilty of treason, the Rosenbergs were executed on June 19, 1953 after numerous appeals.

In October 1953, McCarthy issued the claim that Julius Rosenberg had set up a wartime spy ring at Fort Monmouth that might still be in operation. Fort Monmouth was then known as the "house of spies".

McCarthy came to Camp Evans to investigate on October 20, 1953. No one from Camp Evans was ever convicted. However, McCarthy may have been closer to the truth than previously thought, two Fort Monmouth Scientists, Joel Barr and Al Sarant fled to the Soviet Union.

