



THE  
RHINEBECK  
HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY

P.O. BOX 291  
RHINEBECK,  
NEW YORK 12572

December 10, 2021

Dear Member or Prospective Member:

**We are asking you to update your membership, or if you are new to our organization, to become a member. Please complete and return the dues notice on the back of this letter.** Thanks to all of you, we have a large and faithful membership. We very much need and appreciate your continuing support as we move into 2022.

Why join? Or, for those who are already members, why remain? Our mission at the Rhinebeck Historical Society is to preserve the past, not so that we can live in the past, but so that we might learn from it and better understand that today's events may have some context. Whether our volunteers are researching a family history, trying to figure out the history of a local property, or describing a collection of photographs, we work on making sense of that material, gleaning relevant information from elsewhere in our collections and from outside sources, then sharing it as widely as we can.

We are pleased at the great feedback from all who read our quarterly newsletter and view our monthly programs. In-person programs remain on hold while we do them on Zoom instead. For the many (400 per program is the average) who prefer to watch the programs on their own schedule, every program (85 so far) is posted (click on "Videos") at <http://www.RhinebeckHistoricalSociety.org> and on the RHS YouTube channel. And while we have re-opened to the public on Thursdays to meet with researchers, the large volume of such requests this past year has come to us mostly via email.

Thanks to our members who have supported us so faithfully through this year, and for newcomers, we hope that you too will choose to support your local historical society.

Sincerely,

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RHS is registered with the IRS as a 501-c-3 non-profit organization and as a charity, so that any donation is tax deductible.



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MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2022

- Individual.....\$25.00
- Family.....\$35.00
- Senior/Student.....\$20.00
- Business/Organization.....\$75.00

Includes ad in newsletter and a link on our website (RhinebeckHistoricalSociety.org) to yours

Amount paid for membership dues.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL DONATION FOR 2022

To support special projects beyond dues support.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to **Rhinebeck Historical Society** and return with this form to **Rhinebeck Historical Society, PO Box 291, Rhinebeck 12572.**

Thank you for your support—RHS is a 501-c-3 nonprofit organization and your membership is tax-deductible to the full extent allowed by law.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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City State ZIP

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**How do you want to receive the quarterly newsletter? CHOOSE ONE.**

   Option 1: Only via US Mail, to my address above; OR

   Option 2: Only via E-Mail, to \_\_\_\_\_; OR

(Why choose email? You get the newsletter in color pdf; printed version is black and white.)

You are also saving us printing and mailing costs. Regarding privacy, we use your email only to communicate with you about RHS matters. We don't share it outside RHS.)

**\_\_Option 3: I'm not embarrassed to ask. I would like BOTH.**