Spring 2018

Meet Daryl O’Connell

DARYL LYNN O’CONNELL IS NEW TO THE ALLAIRE TEAM FOR 2018 AS THE EVENTS AND MARKETING COORDINATOR. DARYL WAS BORN AND RAISED ON THE JERSEY SHORE AND VISITED ALLAIRE STATE PARK MANY TIMES GROWING UP. SHE HAS OVER 25 YEARS OF MARKETING AND EVENT EXPERIENCE ALONG WITH A STRONG BACKGROUND IN SOCIAL MEDIA, RETAIL AND PUBLIC RELATIONS.

DARYL LOVES ANYTHING VINTAGE, CRAFTING AND WRITING. SHE IS THE AUTHOR OF TWO CHILDREN’S BOOKS AND LOVES SPENDING TIME WITH HER FAMILY IN POINT PLEASANT.

CONTACT DARYL AT 732.919.3500 EXT. 11 FOR ANY SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES OR ANY GENERAL COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, AND/OR IDEAS ON EVENTS AT THE HISTORIC VILLAGE AT ALLAIRE.

A LITTLE BIT ABOUT “LIVING HISTORY”

So often our study of history focuses on the unique or extraordinary such as wars, inventors, political figures, etc. The common elements of everyday life are often lost in the wider currents of history. Living history strives to tell the everyday lives of ordinary people often lost in the wider currents of history. So often our...
Thank you to our Allaire Village Volunteers

Annual Luncheon Fetes Our Volunteers and Names Award Recipients for Service in 2017

February 24th Marked the date of the Annual Allaire Village Luncheon taking place this year at the South Wall Banquet Hall. The day celebrates the fantastic effort put forth by our volunteers in service to the mission of the organization. In the past year, our volunteers donated over 15,000 hours to helping interpret the village, learning and demonstrating crafts of the 19th century, leading tours, helping with fund-raising events, mentoring students and welcoming over 400,000 visitors to The Historic Village at Allaie. Without these dedicated individuals the “living history” of the village could not be presented as a dynamic and impactful experience for the public to enjoy.

Kudos to Tim Brown, Howard Moses, Eileen Cleary, Jim Gibson, Olivia Gmitter and Cynthia Turner

2017 AWARD WINNERS

The Special awards segment of the program recognizes individuals who stood out over the past year as being particularly noteworthy for their contributions to the village.

Awards were given in six categories and the winners were as follows:

Special Auxiliary Award – to Cynthia Turner
Youth Volunteer of the Year – to Olivia Gmitter
Guild Master of the Year – to Eileen Cleary – Blacksmith
New Volunteer of the Year – to Jim Gibson
Allaire Spirit Award – to Howard Moses
Volunteer of the Year – to Tim Brown

In addition, the attendees at the luncheon were treated to a presentation by Susanna Anastasia of the Manasquan River Group of Artists. Members of the group have been busy this past year painting scenes around the village to be placed in kiosks, currently under construction by the Boy Scouts as part of several Eagle Scout projects. Some of the buildings depicted are still standing; some are gone but brought to life again by the artists’ brush. We hope to have many of these placed in the village throughout this year and welcome everyone to come and watch the project take shape and grow in 2018.

Welcome to the Village Offices

As you can see by the picture above, our office entrance has a new look! Our framed quilted chalce sampler, donated by Auxiliary member Nancy Herbert, is complimented by a beautiful table top arrangement curtesy of Daryl O’Connell. Stop and say hello anytime – we’re always glad to see you.

Membership at Allaie Village

Free admission to Flea Markets and Craft Markets.

Some membership levels will include free tickets to special events, advertising for your business, guided tours and “A day in the Life” program.

Discounts in the Bakery and General Store

The Historic Village at Allaie is a 501(c)3 non-profit living history museum that celebrates the life and times of James P. Allaie’s Howell Works Company, a major industrial center in the 1830’s.

The season is getting busier with each passing moment. The Easter Egg Hunt is right around the corner on March 31st and we’ll be hoping for a large volunteer turnout since we’re expecting several thousand visitors all “hopping” for a look at the Easter Bunny and Clifford AKA The Big Red Dog.

Opening Day is April 7th and we’re looking forward to launching a year of exciting demonstrations and hands-on opportunities for our visitors and volunteers.

Take a look at What’s New

For those of our friends who visit us regularly you may notice some changes since your last visit. The Bakery has a fresh new look thanks to O’Mahoney Painting to celebrate our new management team. In the Blacksmith Shop – our new forges are now joined by our tool storage and project work space – more “elbow” room for all of our artisans!

Thanks to Our Funders!

Grants received in this quarter to help support our mission through workshops and outreach include:

The Fairleigh Dickinson Jr. Foundation
The Provident Bank Foundation
The Monmouth County Historical Commission

And thanks to Mary Allen Hill for her donation of Camp Burton memorabilia. Camp Burton at Allaie is May 5th Mark the Date!