**Presentation Speaker List for the Auburn Area Historical Society**

(Updated 12/31/2019)

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| **NAME** | **PRESENTATION** | **NOTES** | **DATE** |
| **Bretzius, Kaija**  **570-449-5194 (C)**  **Bretzius, Sarah**  **570-573-9245 (C)** | **“The Pennsylvania Dutch Practice of**  **Pow-Wow as it relates to Auburn, PA”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 07/2018 |
| **“A History of Halloween and its Customs”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 11/2018 |
| **Chuba, Joanne** | **“Unsung Heroines – Women**  **Who Shaped Schuylkill County”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 05/2019 |
| **Drogalis, Tom**  **570-640-5414 (C)** | **“The 1918 Spanish Flu Epidemic”** | Audible with visual aids | 10/2018 |
| **Fegley, Leroy** | **“Hop-along Cassidy”** | Audible with visual aids | 03/2019 |
| **Ferrence, Brian**  570-754-7249  bferenc@hotmail.com | **“A History of Locomotive Steam Whistles”** | Audible with visual aids | 06/2016 |
| **Fisher, David**  610-562-5425 | **“Life of a Blacksmith”** | Audible with visual aids | 09/2011 |
| **Fisher, Jack**  570-220-6390  [jfisher@pct.edu](mailto:jfisher@pct.edu) | **“The Pennsylvania Logging Industry”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 10/2015 |
| **Fisher, Harry**  717-866-6315  [hardol57@comcast.net](mailto:hardol57@comcast.net) | **“Auburn’s Proposed Veteran’s Hospital”** | Audible with visual aids | 02/2012 |
| **“Early Land Disputes of the Auburn Area”** | Audible with visual aids | 08/2009 |
| **“Early Schools of the Auburn Area”** | Audible with visual aids | 04/2010 |
| **“Early Schools of the Auburn Area: Part Two”** | Audible with visual aids | 05/2010 |
| **“Fort Lebanon”** | Audible with visual aids | 10/2008  11/2007 |
| **“The Early Borough Council History of Auburn”** | Audible with visual aids | 03/2008 |
| **“The Early Borough Council**  **History of Auburn: Part Two”** | Audible with visual aids | 04/2008 |
| **Francis, Mackenzie**  570-754-7126 | **“Belsnickle”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 12/2018 |
| **“The History of the Auburn Scout Lodge”** | Audible with visual aids | 08/2018 |
| **“The Real Pilgrims”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 11/2019 |
| **Graybill, Guy**  570-374-1524  [guyoldt@gmail.com](mailto:guyoldt@gmail.com)  <http://wits-end.weebly.com> | **“Pennsylvania in Pictures”** | Slide presentation with narration | 09/2012 |
| **“Prince Farrington –**  **A Millionaire Moonshiner”** | Audible with visual aids; two  books on topic available for sale | 04/2009 |
| **Graybill, Todd**  570-754-7991  570-332-5624  [tlgraybill@verizon.net](mailto:tlgraybill@verizon.net)  **Note:** Todd Graybill is available to provide most of the presentation topics listed adjacent to his contact information in exchange for any reasonable financial contribution to the Auburn Area Historical Society. Any presentation to be given at a location in excess of thirty miles from Auburn may include a small fee for reimbursement of gas. The majority of presentations are best provided if the group hosting the event has at least a minimal equipment support of a DVD player and a fair-sized television screen and/or a projection screen. | **“A Closer Look at the Auburn Public Cemetery”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 02/2019 |
| **“Advertising & Promotional**  **Pieces of Auburn, PA”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation available for sale) | 06/2011 |
| **“A Glimpse of Historical Highlights of Auburn, PA”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 05/2017 |
| **“A Glimpse of the Auburn Shale Brick Co.”** | Audible with visual aids | 01/2011 |
| **“An Early Pictorial History of the**  **Auburn Game and Fish Association”** | DVD presentation with narration | 01/2012 |
| **“An In-Depth Look at the Auburn Area**  **Historical Society’s Internet Website”** | Compter-link to digital projector to scroll  through select pages of website accompanied by narration | 06/2018 |
| **“A Postal Tour of Auburn, PA”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation available for sale) | 10/2014 |
| **“A Stroll Down Early Market Street”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation available for sale) | 05/2008 |
| **“Charles Quail: Auburn’s**  **Most Prolific Resident”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation available for sale) | 02/2016 |
| **“Early Auburn in Pictures”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation available for sale) | 07/2010 |
| **“Early Diffusionism in today’s**  **modern Christian society”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation available for sale) | 02/2015 |
| **“Early Industries of the Auburn Area”** | Audible Presentation only | 08/2013 |
| **“Fort Dietrich Snyder: Fact or Folklore”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 02/2018 |
| **“Glimpses Into the Past – Excerpts**  **from the Diary of William Sowers”** | Audible Presentation only | 03/2009 |
| **“Independence Day: A Prisoner of War Story”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation available for sale) | 07/2013 |
| **“Indian Hostilities Near Fort Lebanon”** | Audible with visual aids;  booklet available for sale | 09/2009 |
| **“Local Legends and Tall Tales of Pennsylvania”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 05/2018 |
| **“Past and Present**  **Industries of the Auburn Area”** | Audible with visual aids | 03/2010 |
| **“Pictures of the Auburn Area Historical Sites”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation available for sale) | 01/2013 |
| **“Picture Postcards of Auburn”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation available for sale) | 02/2008 |
| **“Private Morrison: World War One Hero”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation available for sale) | 09/2014  11/2010  08/2010 |
| **“Ripped from the headlines”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation available for sale) | 07/2015 |
| **“Stories of the Supernatural”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation and supplemental booklet available for sale) | 11/2017  11/2015  11/2013 |
| **“The Circle M Ranch Speedway”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation available for sale) | 10/2017  11/2011  05/2008  01/2008 |
| **“The Dangers of Canal and**  **Railroad Transportation in the Auburn-area”** | Narrative presentation only | 10/2019 |
| **“The Intrigue of Genealogical**  **Research – a.k.a. There’s at least**  **one bad apple in every family tree”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 04/2018 |
| **“The Merchants, Retailers**  **and Wholesalers of Auburn, PA”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 12/2019 |
| **“The Schuylkill Canal’s Impact on Auburn, PA”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation available for sale) | 09/2010  06/2009  12/2007 |
| **“Tombstones of the Auburn Area”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required  (DVD of presentation available for sale) | 08/2014 |
| **Hafer, David** | **“As It Happened – The Berlin Airlift (Part One)”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required | 07/2019 |
| **“As It Happened – The Berlin Airlift (Part Two)”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required | 08/2019 |
| **Hardy, Gretchen**  570-739-1746  [hardy2034@verizon.net](mailto:hardy2034@verizon.net) | **“Buttons and Beads: Lenape**  **Princess Wynonah and the future president”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector with copies of the book available for sale. | 03/2013 |
| **Hula, Marty**  martvera59@verizon.net | **“Life in a Coal Mining Town”** | DVD presentation with narration –  television and DVD player required | 05/2012 |
| **Keyser, Alan G.**  215-679-4693 | **“Pastimes in times past”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 03/2016 |
| **“Pennsylvania Dutch Food through the Year”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 09/2015 |
| **“Pennsylvania Dutch Home Weaving”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 04/2017 |
| **“Traditional Pennsylvania Dutch Gardens”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 08/2016 |
| **Kistler, Phil**  610-562-4325  **Madeira, Therman**  610-562-2772 | **“Early Local Native American History”** | Audible with visual aids;  two speaker presentation | 07/2011 |
| Long, Ronald  570-385-0478 | **“Civil War Chaplains”** | Audible with visual aids | 03/2014 |
| **Mann, Ronald**  717-919-4576 (cell)  rmann@hersheys.com | **“The Jefferson Hill Climb Event”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 11/2016 |
| **McAteer, James** jmm\_17068@yahoo.com | **“The Spanish-American War”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 07/2016 |
| **McKinney, Pat**  570-429-2312  [porcupinepat@yahoo.com](mailto:porcupinepat@yahoo.com) | **“Indian Sign Language”** | Audible with visual aids | 04/2019 |
| **“Old Time Toys Like the Ones**  **that Your Grandparents Played With.”** | Audible with visual aids | 10/2012 |
| **“Pow-Wow:**  **Pennsylvania Dutch Folk Medicine”** | Audible with visual aids | 12/2017 |
| **“200 Years of Schuylkill County’s History**  **from Coal to Trains and Cars.”** | Audible with visual aids | 07/2012 |
| Milspaw, Yvonne J.  717-566-4867  [yvonnemilspaw@yahoo.com](mailto:yvonnemilspaw@yahoo.com) | **“Pow-wow and Healing Practices**  **of the Pennsylvania Dutch”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 08/2015 |
| **Nagle, Richard “Rick”**  570-385-3356 (H)  570-449-9666 (C) | **“Commerce in the Schuylkill Valley”** | Audible with visual aids | 09/2018 |
| **“Fred Anchorstar: P.O.W.**  **and Concentration Camp Victim”** | Uncertain of format | 03/2017 |
| **“The History of Tumbling Run”** | Audible with visual aids | 09/2016 |
| **“The Schuylkill County Almshouse”** | Audible with visual aids | 06/2019 |
| **“The Upper Reaches of the**  **Schuylkill Navigation Company”** | Uncertain of format | 09/2017 |
| **Otto, Lynn (Male)**  570-695-3928 | **“Frontier Forts of the Blue Mountains”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 04/2016 |
| **“A Walk with Conrad Weiser”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 10/2016 |
| **Paul, Susan**  570-544-3993 (H)  [lvtosew@verizon.net](mailto:lvtosew@verizon.net) | **“UNRAVELING THE QUILTS OF**  **THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 12/2013 |
| **Ravitz, Shirley**  570-366-0125 | **“The Holocaust – My Family’s Story”** | Audible with visual aids | 05/2014 |
| **Reinert, Chad** | **“Acoustic Gospel and Elvis Songs”** | Acoustic guitar with singing | 02/2014 |
| Richards, Stu  570-985-8159 | **“116th Pennsylvania**  **Volunteer Infantry Regiment”** | Audible with visual aids | 03/2012 |
| **Schlegel, Mark**  570-682-8752 (H)  570-640-4965 (C) | **“The Hunley:**  **A Confederate Submarine of the Civil War”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 08/2017 |
| **“Staying Afloat: The Story of the**  **Confederate Navy’s Struggle to Persevere”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 09/2019 |
| **Schwenk, Harry**  570-754-4451 | **“The History of the Summer Hill Church”** | Audible with visual aids | 06/2014 |
| Schwenk, Wesley  570-617-7666 | **“The French and Indian War”** | Audible with visual aids | 04/2015 |
| **Shay, Tom**  570-385-9787  schuylkillcwrt@comcast.net | **“Battle of Antietam”** | Audible with visual aids | 09/2013 |
| **Smith, Phil (Pastor)**  570-384-3645  [revphilbevsmith@aol.com](mailto:revphilbevsmith@aol.com) | **“The Railroads of Auburn, Pennsylvania”** | Audible with visual aids | 11/2009 |
| **“The Tale of Two Reginas**  **(an Indian Captive)”** | Audible with visual aids | 10/2009 |
| **Sorlien, Sandy**  sandysorlien@comcast.net | **“Inland: Documenting the Abandoned**  **Canals of Schuylkill County”** | Uncertain of format | 06/2017 |
| Turner, Jim  570-943-2500 | **“Antarctica – The Last Frontier”** | Audible with visual aids | 12/2015 |
| **“Masada – The Roman Siege”** | Audible with visual aids | 05/2015 |
| **“Revisiting Pearl Harbor”** | Audible with visual aids | 05/2011 |
| **Watts Martin, Brandy**  717-865-5522 (H)  717-756-1373 (C)  historian@stonyvalley.com | **“A Journey along the Schuylkill and**  **Susquehanna Branch: Circa 1900 – 1910”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 04/2012 |
| **“Rausch Gap”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 05/2016 |
| **“Ruins in the Wilderness: The Coal**  **Mining Patch Towns of Stoney Valley”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 10/2010 |
| **“Stoney Valley: A Haunting History”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 11/2012 |
| **“The Last Days of the S & S Railroad”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 11/2014 |
| **“The S & S Railroad”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 01/2010 |
| **“Walking the Rails”** | PowerPoint presentation with  narration requiring digital projector | 02/2017 |
| Wenrich, Glenn A.  610-926-5314  [Gaw31@frontiernet.net](mailto:Gaw31@frontiernet.net) | **“A Slideshow Review of the Schuylkill**  **Navigation System and the Union Canal”** | Slideshow with narration | 04/2011 |
| Wesner, Bruce  570-739-4652 | **“Early Railroads in Schuylkill County”** | Audible with visual aids | 10/2013 |