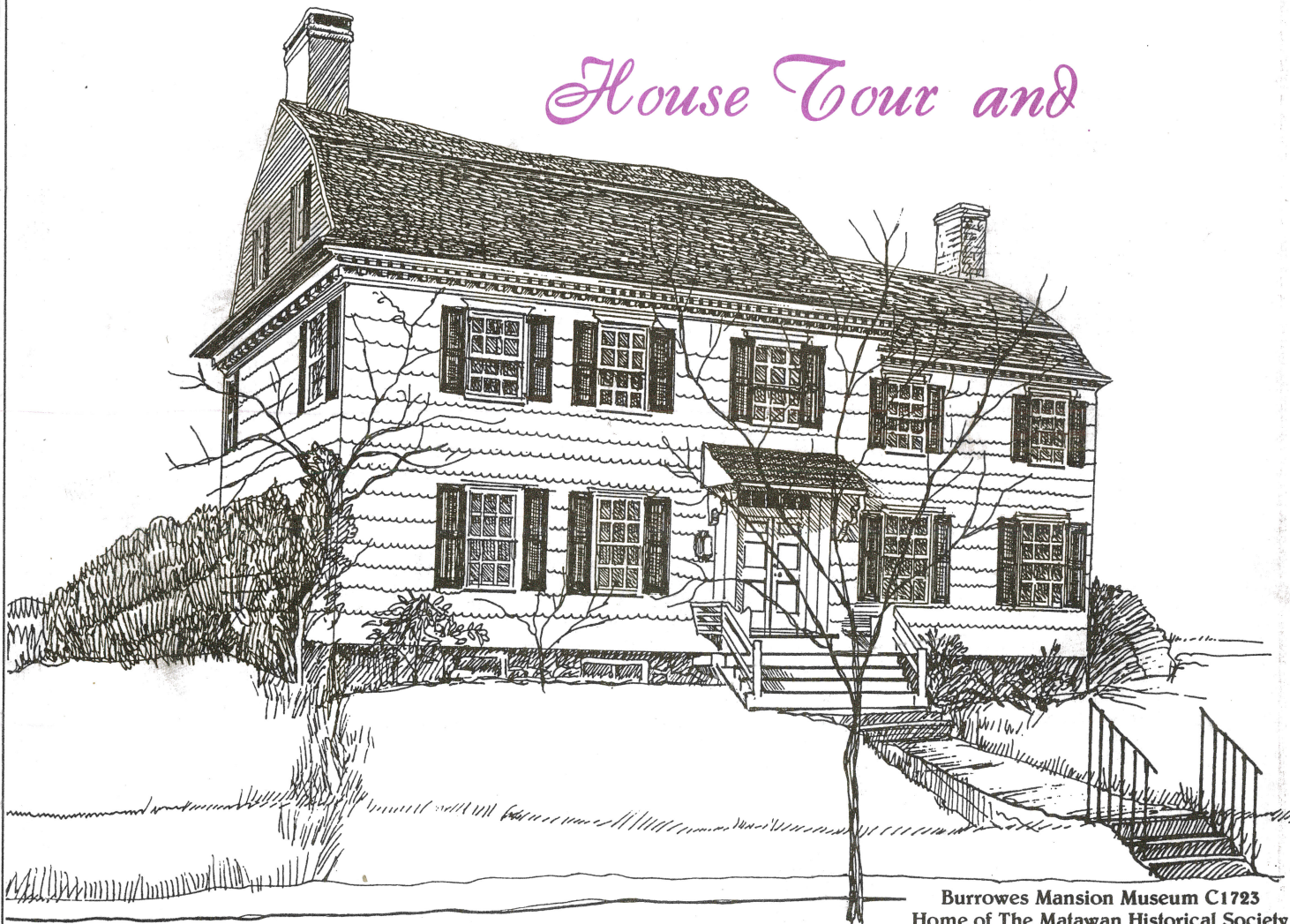


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Whether you are a resident of the historic Matawan Borough or a commuter who passes through its main thoroughfares in intense traffic each day, Saturday, May 15, 1993, is the day to step back into history and reflect on Matawan's turn-of-the-century atmosphere that endears it to residents and visitors alike.

The interiors of some of Matawan's most interesting and significant homes and the **Burrowes Mansion**, at 94 Main Street, dating back to 1723, will be open from 10 am - 4:30 pm. The cost of the house tour ticket/catalog is \$10.00 each and will be on sale that day at the **Burrowes Mansion**. The following homes are included in the tour:

**76 Main Street**, dating back to 1865, is presently owned by Joan and Christian Nadel. They have tried to keep it as original as possible preserving fireplaces and mantles. All the woodwork and some of the panes of glass date back to the original house.

**183 Main Street**, owned by Ruthann and Irv Plant, is used as a residence and a dog grooming business, "Canterbury Tales." The house was built in 1880 and was originally used as a rooming house. All of the outside siding and the windows are original. You can actually see the waves in the antique glass of the windows.

Patricia Mello and Stanley Szymanski are the proud owners of **187 Main Street**. The original part of this home predates 1840 and was originally used as a wheelwright shop.

Built around 1880, **209 Main Street** is an immense Victorian with open, airy rooms. Its present owners, Jean and Bob Montfort, are personally restoring much of the building. A working fireplace made of one inch thick Italian black-gold marble is one of the many highlights of this home.

Reggie and Matt Hawn, owners of **222 Main Street**, are restoring their Federal home which dates back to 1780. The main section of this house was built in two parts and the two Federal style doorways are identical. A brick solarium, consisting of a glass room with copper seams, is an unusual addition to the south wall.

**33 Church Street** is the home of Marian and

Jimmy Santry. One of the few masonry houses in town, it is very typical of the art deco style popular in the 1920's. The unique windows are original to the house.

Visitors who take the tour will be greeted at each house by charming hostesses who will point out the Colonial and Victorian architecture. During the house tour hours, a display of antique cars will be parked in the Main Street area.

**The Matawan Historical Society** has long since recognized the rich and varied architecture and the historic character of the Borough. In keeping with this, the **Preservation Awards Committee** has been created to further encourage restoration and preservation of its many historically significant structures and commend those who strive to restore and preserve these treasures. The committee has established a program to recognize exemplary historic preservation efforts by awarding annual commendations, in each of three levels: Award of Merit, Certificate of Recognition, and Letters of Commendation.

Nominations for commendations may be made by anyone and owners of historic properties are encouraged to nominate their own preserved historic buildings. Although the structure must be in the Matawan-Aberdeen area, the nominator may reside elsewhere. A committee of jurors, established by the Preservation Awards Committee, will review the nominations, inspect nominated sites, and make recommendations for awards to the committee. An awards ceremony will be held in May during National Historic Preservation Week, and the first awards will be presented at the **Burrowes Mansion** on Saturday, May 15th, at 9 am. If you are aware of a house that deserves recognition in the Matawan-Aberdeen area, please contact Joan Ranson, Chairwoman of the Preservation Awards Committee, at 566-8351, or Sarah Ellison, President of the Matawan Historical Society, at 566-3817.

Local merchants and businesses are encouraged to advertise in the House Tour Ticket/ Commemorative Catalog and residents may also become a Patron, by calling Doris Enterline, at 566-2036.

Advance House Tour Ticket/Catalogs, at \$10.00 each, may be purchased by calling any of the above mentioned members of the Matawan Historical Society or at the following Main Street businesses:

Jerry Beyer's	113 MAIN STREET	583-2044
Mini Builder	121½ MAIN STREET	566-6880
Gallery of Art	116½ MAIN STREET	566-8660
Wildflowers	129 MAIN STREET	583-6660
The Flour Shop	243 MAIN STREET	583-2727