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NJMC Launches Meadowlands History Blog

LYNDHURST, N.J. – The New Jersey Meadowlands Commission is bringing the rich and colorful history of the region to life through its new Meadowlands History Blog, www.meadowpast.net. The blog, launched this week, will highlight local museums, historical sites and events, spotlight notable residents and explore some of the more unusual happenings in the Meadowlands of yesterday and today.

“The History Blog is a great way for the NJMC to connect with the people of the Meadowlands District and beyond in an educational and entertaining forum,” said Robert Ceberio, Executive Director of the NJMC. “The Meadowlands has an amazing history that deserves to be spotlighted,” said Ceberio, who grew up in the Meadowlands. “I look forward to some interesting reading.”

The blog’s mission is to celebrate the long and storied history – and history makers – that define the Meadowlands communities, and to serve as a resource for residents. It will include links to a wide range of local and regional history sites and programs. The new blog joins the NJMC’s popular Meadowlands Nature Blog, www.meadowblog.net, and Economic Growth and Sustainability Blog, www.njbiz.net.

Recent Meadowlands History Blog posts include an entry about the upcoming Old-Fashioned Afternoon at the Movies event being held at the Meadowlands Environment Center this Saturday, Jan. 30, at 1 p.m. The free program is being presented by the Meadowlands Museum and includes a vintage newsreel and cartoons and the feature presentation, Laurel and Hardy’s “The Music Box.”

For more information on the movie program, visit www.njmeadowlands.gov/ec or call 201-777-2413. Upcoming posts include a visit to the Carlstadt Historical Firehouse Museum and items celebrating Black History Month in the Meadowlands.

The History Blog is an outgrowth of the NJMC’s Oral History Project, which was created last year as part of the Commission’s 40th Anniversary celebration. Interviews with long-time area residents discussing their experiences growing up in the Meadows can also be found on meadowpast.net.

The Meadowlands History Blog is a work in progress, and we welcome your suggestions and contributions. To publicize a historical event or meeting, or to suggest a story or contribute to the Oral History Project, please contact the NJMC’s Brian Aberback at brian.aberback@njmeadowlands.gov or 201-460-4619.

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