

Spring 2005



News From...

## The Sam Azeez Museum of Woodbine Heritage



**Michael Azeez**  
*Chairman*

### Greetings From Michael Azeez

As we near the completion of our second year of operation, we have accomplished many of our early goals. Attendance has increased substantially and we have expanded our visitor and donor base. We have commenced with an outreach

to area schools and have established an educational advisory board. However, much needs to be done. To start us on our path to future growth, I hired Jane Stark as the Executive Director of the Museum. I started entertaining the idea of bringing someone on to take the Museum to the next level about a year ago. Through a series of unrelated events, Jane and I came together to fulfill this role. I've known her for several years and I feel quite fortunate that she agreed to become Executive Director. She has an incredible passion for this endeavor and I know she will do a great job. We are planning to expand and develop new exhibits for permanent and temporary display and are carefully researching and documenting a future exhibit on Holocaust Survivor families who emigrated to Woodbine after World War II. In order to continue this vigil, we need your continued support. Your contributions will enable us to build upon our early success in continuing to perpetuate Woodbine's history for future generations. Thank you for your help.

**Michael Azeez**

### Thoughts From the Executive Director

The Sam Azeez Museum of Woodbine Heritage honors the generations who came before us by retelling the magical and historical tale of immigrants who left their country of birth to pursue concepts of liberty and freedom from bigotry and poverty. Since coming on board as the Executive Director, I have had the opportunity to meet and greet numbers of residents from all over Southern New Jersey who have links to Woodbine's history. Our commitment to education has materialized with participation in programs designed for students who are learning about immigration in their world history classes. The Museum has partnered with the Richard Stockton College of New Jersey for educational forums and is the prospective Cape May County satellite site for the New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education. It is our mission to bring awareness about the unique Woodbine history to the general state-wide area. The Museum is a wonderful jewel which shines light upon stories to which most any of us can relate, despite our origins. In my view, the Sam Azeez Museum of Woodbine Heritage is your voice for the past, the present and offers unlimited possibilities for our future generations. I am honored to be a representative for such an inspiring entity.

**Shalom, Jane**



**Jane Stark**  
*Director*



## Library of Historical Images on the Website

The collection of historical photos acquired through research done for the opening of the Museum is now posted on the Museum's website under *exhibits*. The collection is designed by categories and sub-categories commemorating the founders of Woodbine, Woodbine's daily activities, and Woodbine architecture. We have permanently posted the photographs for your viewing



*Woodbine Brotherhood Synagogue  
circa 1896.*

pleasure to experience and recall Woodbine's rich history.

A few of the pictures in our collection are not identified. If you have any knowledge on any of the pictures or would like to add pictures to our collection, please contact either Jane Stark or Oranit Dror-Caplan at 609-646-9400.



*Workers Leaving the N. Snellenberg Garment Factory.*



*Woodbine Poultry Farmers.*

## Premier Participation at NJEA

As a means to introduce our programs to teachers and professionals in education, the Museum was an exhibitor at the 2004 New Jersey Education Association Convention in Atlantic City. The two day event which is recognized as the largest educational gathering of its kind in the world drew hundreds of exhibitors and thousands of teachers from all of New Jersey. It gave us the opportunity to channel the Museum's unique characteristics to teachers who could add us to their educational program.

The NJEA gave us great exposure towards our goal to become part of the New Jersey social studies teaching curriculum.



*Margaret Casey-Administrator, Oranit Caplan-Program Director and Jane Stark-Executive Director at the NJEA.*



## Bus Grant Availability

As a member of the South Jersey Cultural Alliance we are fortunate to offer teachers the opportunity to bring their students to the Museum through the Geraldine R. Dodge Bus Grant, which pays for the bus fee. An application procedure on behalf of the school and Museum is forwarded to the South Jersey Cultural Alliance, which in turn reimburses the school.

If you are interested in bringing your students to the Museum, but know the school does not have the funds, contact Oranit Dror-Caplan at 609-646-9400 ext 21 to receive more information to apply for the Grant.

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**SAVE THE DATE!**

**The Third Annual  
Woodbine Festival**

**June 4, 2005**

*Museum open for tours.*

## How to schedule a visit

SCHEDULE A VISIT TO THE MUSEUM. Call Jane Stark-Executive Director, Oranit Caplan-Program Director or Margaret Casey-Administrator at (609) 646-9400. We look forward to welcoming you to our Museum.

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Price: \$30

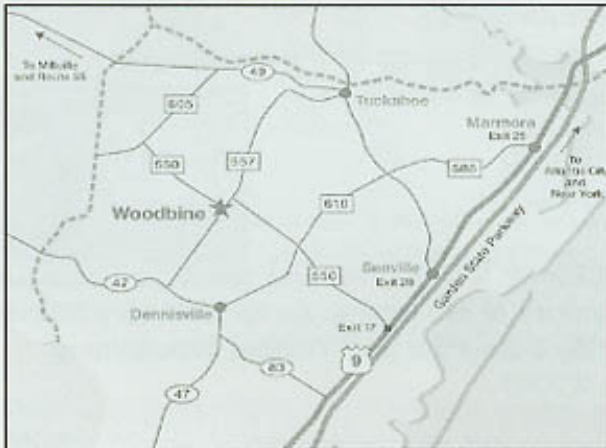
*All of the products above are available at the Museum Gift Shop, on our website or by calling (609) 646-9400.*



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- Take EXIT 17 toward OCEAN VIEW/WOODBINE
- Turn LEFT onto SEA ISLE BLVD/CR-625.
- Turn RIGHT onto SHORE RD/US-9.
- Turn LEFT onto WOODBINE OCEAN VIEW RD/CR-550. Continue to follow CR-550.
- Turn LEFT onto WASHINGTON AVE/CR-550/CR-557.
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**MUSEUM OF WOODBINE HERITAGE**

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