

# Views From The Veranda

## "Becoming Victoria"

Monday, April 17, 2017 8pm

82 Union Street ~ Montclair



Princess Charlotte Augusta of  
Wales  
Portrait by George Dawe, 1817

Victoria's Family – How did her family affect her? How did she become queen? Who were Charlotte and Leopold? How did they affect Victoria? Through a visit from her Royal Highness, Princess Charlotte, the Princess Royal, we will learn about the line of succession, the personalities of the royal family of England during the reign of 1735-1837, and the eccentricities of some of the royal family members.

Judy Martorelli has been a VSA member since 1978, and is a life-long resident of New Jersey living in Morris Township. A former teacher, actress, and vocalist, she has been interested in Victoria since an early age. She will present this story in costume, through the role of Princess Charlotte, Victoria's cousin. Come join us in meeting royalty!



### *Dear Members:*

*One of the strengths of this organization is the variety of topics in our monthly presentations and the opportunity to hear about historical events that are often obscured. Dr. Linda Caldwell Epps gave an informative presentation on the O'Fake Family. The O'Fakes, an African American family in Newark after the Civil War, were prominent in their community and accumulated personal wealth by their proficiency in an array of skills and talents such as music, dancing and gentility.*

*Upcoming chapter events: the Spring trip to the Barnes Foundation and Maxwell Mansion in Philadelphia on May 3rd, the Preservation meeting in Newark at the newly restored Habnes Building on May 15th, and we will hold our Garden Party at a secret private garden in Montclair on June 19th.*

*Looking forward to seeing you all at these lovely engagements.*

*~ Jane*



*Meetings of The Victorian Society in America, Northern New Jersey Chapter are normally held on the 3rd Monday of the month at 8pm at the Montclair Women's Club - 82 Union Street - Montclair, Nj. Meetings are free for members - Non-members \$5 - Yearly membership only \$30! Why not consider joining today or giving a gift membership to a friend? Call Catherine Sullivan at 973-762-6453, or send her your contact info at 9 Vose Avenue Apt 220, South Orange, NJ 07079. If your last name begins with the letters **M, N, O, & P** please bring refreshments to the next meeting. Any questions please contact Christina at 973-744-5916 or email [christina.mayer@fmglobal.com](mailto:christina.mayer@fmglobal.com).*



## Historic Walking Tour of Anderson Park Saturday, May 6th at 10am

Before Anderson Park existed, three houses and a fire station sat on the property. Find out where they went and other surprising stories about how this Olmsted-designed Essex County park came to be created over a century ago, how it shaped Upper Montclair, and how it led to the formation of other Montclair parks. Also hear about efforts to rejuvenate the landscape of this park, on the National Register of Historic Places. Free. Meet at the boulder at the park's northeast entrance, 274 Bellevue Avenue, east of North Mountain Avenue, Upper Montclair. Raindate: May 7, same time. Information: (973) 477-7207 or [Lisanne@friendsofandersonpark.com](mailto:Lisanne@friendsofandersonpark.com), or visit [FriendsOfAndersonPark.com](http://FriendsOfAndersonPark.com).



*Annie L Anderson Clark with children Betty and Guy, Jr. circa 1914. Annie was the daughter of Charles W. Anderson, who donated the land for Anderson Park. (Photo credit: Ann Anderson Evans, via Friends of Anderson Park)*



### *The Royals by the Sea*

*Presented by Ian Cox April 21, 1997 8:00pm*

*Montclair Women's Club*

*82 Union Street - Montclair*

*Royal Homes Beside The Sea*

*During the 19th century the Prince Regent (later to become George IV) and Queen Victoria spent considerable periods of time residing in their holiday homes beside the sea. The Royal Pavilion at Brighton and Osborne House on the Isle of Wight survive today as unique testimonies to the creators and occupants of both properties. In this*

*lecture Ian Cox will explore the fascinating origins, development and occupation of the two houses and highlight the importance each played in the lives of these two colorful nineteenth century monarchs.*

*This will be Ian Cox's third visit to speak to the New Jersey chapter of the Victorian Society of America. Ian is still Director of the Christie's Decorative Arts Program based at the University of Glasgow, but he has been on sabbatical leave for the last six months working on a research project for the prestigious ceramic firm, Royal Crown Derby. The publication relating to this project, a book entitled Royal Crown Derby Paperweights, will be out in June.*

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