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Museum and Historic Site

# The History of Our Nation is Embedded in These Walls

### MEDIA ALERT

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#### SUNDAY AT MILL HOUSE August 25, 2013 - 1pm

#### Newburgh City Historian Mary McTamaney Will Speak about: Newburgh from 1830-1900- When Armstrong Occupied Gomez Mill House

This presentation will detail how the Newburgh Bay area mirrored, and sometimes amplified, the cultural and social shifts that moved the country from its early Romantic Era to its full-blown Industrial Revolution. Edward Armstrong played an important role in cultivating Newburgh's reputation as the birthplace of American Landscape design. From the idyllic classical mansion he created on Danskammer to the icon of industrial growth that followed it, the acres surrounding Gomez Mill House bear testament to historic national changes.

Mary McTamaney is a 4<sup>th</sup> generation resident of Newburgh continuing to live in the waterfront neighborhood where her great-grandparents settled during the Civil War. For four decades, she was a librarian and library administrator in the Hudson Valley. She continues to volunteer her time as municipal historian and on several regional boards and committees such as the Newburgh Preservation Association, Newburgh Historical Society, Waterfront Advisory Commission, and Documentary Heritage Program. She also writes a weekly illustrated column on Newburgh heritage for the Mid-Hudson Times.

In addition to her role as City Historian, Mrs. McTamaney also directs the Newburgh Heritage Center in the Old City Courthouse. Operating under the nonprofit Newburgh Preservation Association, the Heritage Center presents exhibits on local history and provides space for researchers viewing the City's history collection.

The mission of Gomez Foundation for Mill House is to preserve the 299 year old Gomez Mill House—the oldest standing Jewish dwelling in North America and home to Patriots, Preservationists, Artisans and Social Activists—as a significant regional- and national-ranked museum, and to educate the public about the contributions of its former owners to the multicultural history of the Hudson River Valley

The Gomez Mill House and Historic Site is located at 11 Mill House Road off 9W, in Marlboro, NY. General admission to the Museum (includes Gallery admission) is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors 55 or older, and \$3 for students with ID and children age 6 to 18; children under 6 are admitted free. Groups of 10 or more receive discounted rates and reservations are required.

All programs start at 1pm, unless otherwise noted. For more information contact: Gomez Mill House and Historic Site at (845)236-3126 or via

