

You and a guest are invited to attend the
Cumberland County Historical Society's

ANNUAL BUSINESS AND DINNER MEETING

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2019

to be held at the Greenwich Presbyterian Church

630 Ye Greate Street, Greenwich, New Jersey 08323

4:30 P.M.—Business Meeting

5 P.M.—Ham Dinner with all the Trimmings

6 P.M.—Featuring Guest Speaker—"Harriet Beecher Stowe"

\$25 per person for members and \$30 per person for non-members.

Reservations must be received by October 31, 2019.

Please call the office (856-455-8580) for additional information.



Harriet Beecher Stowe, American Author.

(Portrayed by Kim Hanley from the American Historical Theater in Philadelphia.)

In 1852, Harriet Beecher Stowe published her novel *Uncle Tom's Cabin, or Life Among the Lowly*. This empathetic depiction of life for African Americans under slavery reached millions in the United States and the United Kingdom. The emotionally charged stories of Uncle Tom, Eliza, and Little Eva helped move the conscience of the country to the great and imperative cause of Abolitionism. It energized anti-slavery forces in the American North, while provoking widespread anger in the pro-slavery South. It is alleged that when she met Abraham Lincoln, he told her "So you are the little woman that wrote the book that started this great war."

Constrained by 19th century societal conventions, Harriet could not become a minister like her father, brothers and husband, so she chose instead to use the outlets available to a lady, among those were teaching and writing. During the early years of her marriage, Harriet drew income as an educator and from writing from magazine articles. Later, after witnessing the horrors of Slavery and the work of Abolitionists, she began *Uncle Tom's Cabin* as a story to be published in serial form. The stories catapulted her to international fame, and in the years following, Harriet went on to publish over 20 novels as well as travel memoirs, home-life guides, letters and essays, becoming one of the most widely published authors in American History.

↓ **Cut Here** ↓

Name(s) _____

Phone number _____

Number of Tickets _____ Total Enclosed _____

Please return this form with your check by October 31, 2019.

CCHS, PO Box 16, Greenwich, NJ 08323