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**MISS MAIZIE BREWS A TEA BUSINESS
A Dramatic Presentation at Mountainside's Hetfield House**

MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ – On Sunday afternoon, April 7, 2019 at 1:00 – 3:00pm, the Mountainside Historic Committee will host “Miss Maizie Brews a Tea Business” a dramatic presentation, brought to us in conjunction with the Public Scholars Project of The New Jersey Council for the Humanities, at the Deacon Andrew Hetfield House. Guests will be entertained as Miss Maizie discusses her experiences as a woman in 1925 opening her own business – a Tea Room. Ironically, the Deacon Andrew Hetfield House once operated as a Tea Room during prohibition.

What if it was 1925 and you wanted to open a Tea Room? What if you were a woman who wanted to open a business? In this dramatic presentation, Maizie Stanton will explain how her husband reacted and what she needed to do to prepare for this undertaking. During this session, the challenges faced by women who were stepping out of their homes and into the business world will be explored. Participants will engage in a lively discussion about the Tea Room craze and the evolution of women as entrepreneurs. Tea and cookies will be served. A \$5 per person donation is suggested.

Miss Maizie is brought to life by Maureen O'Connor Leach who has been a historic interpreter for over 25 years and has presented a variety of programs at historic sites throughout the country. She is a member of the New Jersey Living History Advisory Council and a Commissioner for the Monmouth County Historical Commission. Ms. Leach holds a BA in History and a JD.

The Deacon Andrew Hetfield House is located at Constitution Plaza adjacent to the Mountainside Library. Constitution Plaza is the first right off Birch Hill Road which is off New Providence Road near the Mountainside Volunteer Fire House. The Mountainside Historic Restoration Committee is a committee of volunteers whose purpose is to restore and maintain the Deacon Andrew Hetfield House

and the Levi Cory House and collect and save historic information and items from destruction. For information on the Mountainside Historic Committee events or to donate funds, please call (908)789-9420; or, go to: www.mountainsidehistory.org

PHOTO CAPTION: Miss Maizie Stanton interpreted by Maureen O'Connor Leach, will present a program and discussion on Sunday, April 7 at 1:00pm entitled "Miss Maizie Brews a Tea Business".

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