

# SECRETS OF A SEAPORT – FELL’S POINT

## Course and Lecture Series

Six 1 \_ Hour Sessions by Jack Trautwein

Fees - \$10.00 per session - \$50.00 for Entire Course

For Registration Call Barbara Cromwell, 410-675-6750, ext 16

At the Fell’s Point Visitor Center – 1732 Thames Street

Monday, April 20, 7:30 PM– Lecture: 1730 – 1776 Fell’s Point The Early Years

Introduction

Historic Geography

The Fell Family: 1726-1786

Setting the Stage: 1763-1776

Commerce, Immigration, Shipbuilding

Wednesday, April 22, 7:30 PM– Lecture: 1776-1800

The Revolutionary War: 1776-1783

Commerce

Privateering

Joshua Barney

Rapid Growth: 1783-1800

Commerce - Merchant Class

Shipbuilding, Immigration

Monday, April 27, 7:30 PM – Lecture: 1800 – 1814

The Turbulent Waters: 1800 – 1812

The World Scene

Commerce, Shipbuilding

Background of the War of 1812

War Declared

Civil Unrest

Merchant Involvement and Privateering

Wednesday, April 29, 7:30 PM – Lecture: 1812 – 1814 The War of 1812

The Beginning of the War: 1812

The Early Engagements

The Chesapeake Blockade: 1813-1814

The British Chesapeake Diversion Campaign-1814

The Battle of Bladensburg and The Burning of Washington

The Defense Of Baltimore

The Wars End and Concluding Remarks

Monday, May 4, 7:30 PM – Lecture: 1815- 1860 Between the Wars

The Post War Era: 1815-1830

Commerce, Shipbuilding

The Immigration Explosion: 1830-1860

Commerce, Shipbuilding

Wednesday, May 6, 7:30 PM - Lecture: 1860 – Present: The Fall and Rise of Fell’s Point

The End of an Era: 1860-1900

Immigration, Commerce, Shipbuilding

The Declining Years: 1900-1978

Commerce

The Road Fight

History Revealed

A New Era: 1978-Present

In Conclusion & Closing Remarks

Architecture in Brief

Important People

Important Places

## Session One

1730- 1776

### Fell's Point The Early Years

Patapsco River Map  
Plat of Baltimore Town and Jones' Town - 1732  
Baltimore Map 1792  
Fell's Point Map 1804  
Hogshead Tobacco  
Early Fell's Family

## Session Two

1776-1800

Revolutionary War

Rapid Growth

Mordecai Gist Letter  
Shipbuilders in Fell's Point  
Early Pilot Schooner  
Joshua Barney Chronology  
Private Navies  
Commission and Bond

## Session Three

1800-1814

### Turbulent Waters

A Time Line – The War of 1812

Baltimore Schooners

Shipbuilding: 1805-1815

Prize Distributions

General S. Smith's Montebello

Nicholson's Address

Captain T. Boyle's Proclamation

Memorial To The King

Major Participants- War of 1812

## Session Four

1812-1814

### The War of 1812

Overall Map

Bladensburg & North Point Maps

Main Line of Defense Map

Ferry Branch Diversion Chart

“The Roar of a Silent War”

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## Session Five

1815-1860

Between The Wars

Baltimore Clipper Ships  
“Jeannie Johnston”

## Session Six

1860-Present

### The Fall and Rise of Fell's Point

Pungy Schooner  
Thames Street – Late 1800's  
Locust Point & Ferry

# Appendixes

Architectural Features  
Notables of Fell's Point  
Historic Buildings and Locations  
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