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Fairfield Area Historical Society plans tribute, history programs

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Fairfield Area Historical Society (FAHS) is excited to present one-of-a-kind showpieces to make history come alive this season.

All are welcome to experience how strange American Victorian- and Edwardian-era history truly was with the Victorian Historian at the Fairfield Borough Village Hall on March 17 at 7 p.m.

Delve into the often-forgotten realm of 19th and 20th century America as the Victorian Historian, or Adam Shefts, uncovers the strange and often forgotten events of the time through short stories, footage, audio and live demonstrations.

Events and happenings showcased by the Victorian Historian were commonplace country-wide during the Victorian era, including spirit communication seances, and could very likely have happened right in the local Adams County area, FAHS President Camille Cline said.

Shefts is a Victorian- and Edwardian-era history enthusiast, and an avid researcher of all things obscure during some of the most unique moments in American history.

Shefts' passion for American history spans the Civil War through the sinking of the Titanic and topics include everything from common trends and natural disasters, to criminal masterminds of the eras.

If you've ever wondered about common Victorian era superstitions, or about the amount of daily arsenic doled by fashionable folk, then the Victorian Historian invites you to pull up a chair.

FAHS loves to hold quarterly programs for the community and is eager to experience the Victorian Historian for the first time along with the community after Shefts' 2020 appearance was canceled, Cline said.

The Victorian Historian is a free, one-hour, family-friendly, entertaining and educational program open to the public.

More information about the Victorian Historian can be found at <https://thevictorianhistorian.com/> as well as on Facebook.

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