



OCEAN COUNTY LIBRARY

Connecting People ... Building Community...Transforming Lives

101 Washington St., Toms River, NJ 08753-7625

Telephone: 732-349-6200

www.theoceancountylibrary.org

Susan Quinn, Director

February 22, 2024

PRESS RELEASE

CONTACT: Tom Mongelli, 732-349-6200, ext. 5900

tmongelli@theoceancountylibrary.org

Discover New Jersey's 'Dollar Princesses' at the Ocean County Library Lacey Branch

LACEY TOWNSHIP – Are you obsessed with the Gilded Age? See how American heiresses and European nobles wrote a key chapter in its history. In honor of Women's History Month, the Ocean County Library Lacey Branch will present "American Women and Titled Marriages: New Jersey's Dollar Princesses," 3:30 PM Thursday, March 21.

Monmouth University Professor Melissa Ziobro, M.A., will illustrate how marriage into the European upper class elevated the social status of "new money" American families often ignored by the nation's elite and preserved the cushy lifestyles enjoyed for generations by titled foreign families with waning fortunes.

As Specialist Professor of Public History at Monmouth University, Melissa Ziobro has spoken extensively about American heiresses of the Gilded Age. A select number of her engaging presentations are preserved in video and text formats on the [Monmouth University](#), [New Jersey State Park Service](#) and [New Jersey Studies](#) websites.

Please register at <https://bit.ly/OclLaceyPrincess> to attend this free program, sponsored by the Friends of the Lacey Branch.

The Friends are volunteers who support the library through programs, fundraising, and donations. New members are always welcome. Applications can be found at <https://www.theoceancountylibrary.org/oclfriends>.

For more information, stop by the OCL Lacey Branch, 10 East Lacey Road, Forked River, call (609) 693-8566, or visit www.theoceancountylibrary.org/events.

Keep up with Library programs and events at www.theoceancountylibrary.org, and on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#), [Spotify](#), and [Pinterest](#).

-more-



Professor Melissa Ziobro

Photo Courtesy of Prof. Melissa Ziobro

###