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**Saturday, 7 February 2026**  
**10:30 AM – 12:00 PM**  
**1841 Historic Courthouse**  
**101 Main Street**  
**Goshen, NY**

**“Lynched By A Mob! The 1892 Lynching of Robert Lewis in Port Jervis,  
New York”**

**Presented by: Michael J. Worden**

Michael J. Worden is an award-winning true crime author, retired decorated law enforcement officer, and researcher and author. He is the author of two historical true crime books: the two-time award winning *Lynched by the Mob! The 1892 Lynching of Robert Lewis in Port Jervis, NY*, published in May 2022, and the 2013 book, *The Murder of Richard Jennings: the True Story of New York's First Murder for Hire*.

*Lynched by a Mob!* is the most comprehensive, detailed and historically accurate account of the lynching of Robert Lewis, exploring the events leading up to the incident, the aftermath, the judicial investigations, and an in-depth exploration of the lives of the people involved. Never before published photos and court documents are among the many details Michael used to tell the story of the only lynching in New York State after the end of Reconstruction in 1877.

Michael has a BA in history with a concentration in military history, and is a graduate student at Yeshiva University where he is pursuing a masters degree in Holocaust and Genocide Studies. Michael serves as the Deerpark Town Historian and is a member of the Board of Directors for the Minisink Valley Historical Society. He is a former Town Justice and currently the Deputy Chief of Police for the Town of Deerpark Police Department. When he isn't delving into true crimes, he enjoys a variety of other pursuits, including special effects make-up, studying World War 2 in Europe, and listening to music. He is an avid traveler and has visited 20 countries with a particular fondness for Finland and Scandinavia.

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