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Haverford Township Historical Society

Fall, 2010

HTHS Membership Meeting
Thursday, October 21 @ 7:30 PM
The Grange Estate
143 Myrtle Avenue, Havertown, PA



The Historical Society welcomes speaker Dr. Donald Powers, MD., who will present a program about the history of Delaware County Memorial Hospital. DCMH was founded in 1925, and has been impacted by all the technological changes in medicine during most of the 20th century and after. A lot of history during this era was made in the field of medicine. Dr. Powers has been Director of Continuing Education at Delaware County Memorial Hospital since 1990.
Admission is free, light refreshments will be served.

Historical Society to Sponsor Philadelphia Athletic Vintage Base Ball Club



It started on a hot and humid June day in Paddock Park. Historical Society member John Kirkland had contacted Scott Alberts from the Philadelphia Athletic Vintage Base Ball Club to arrange an exhibition game with the Talbot County Fair Plays. A small crowd gathered to watch old style baseball played in full traditional wool uniforms using rules from the 1860's.

The day was enjoyed by all who attended, despite the hot weather. Seeing how the game entertained everyone while shedding some light on baseball history, we realized that the Philadelphia Athletic Vintage Base Ball Club shares our mission of engaging our community and promoting history. The Historical Society's Board of Directors has decided to sponsor the Athletic Vintage Base Ball Club and assist them in their production of pamphlet about their organization and vintage baseball. We hope to coordinate more exhibition games next spring. People who attend the Oktoberfest at Nitre Hall on October 8 will have the opportunity to meet some of the Athletic players.



Oktoberfest at Nitre Hall!
Friday, October 8, 7 to 10 PM

We invite you once again to join us at Nitre Hall for the Historical Society's annual Oktoberfest celebration.

On this cool autumn evening, guests will enjoy craft beers and light fare. The Oktoberfest will feature live music from the summer kitchen by the "Unskunkables", everyone's favorite neighborhood dad garage band. Inside Nitre Hall, a silent auction of items donated by local businesses and individuals will be held. Proceeds from the Oktoberfest are used to fund the Heritage Festival hosted by the Historical Society each spring along Karakung Drive. Donations to the silent auction help raise a large portion of the budget needed for the Heritage Festival.

Tickets \$20 members, \$25 non-members. Tickets available at the door or by sending cash or check payable to "HTHS" to Oktoberfest Tickets, c/o Tricia Woodman, 1114 Edgewood Road, Havertown, PA 19083.

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Gail Schneck, Noreen Kebart and Mary Courtney.

Buildings and Grounds –“It takes a village...”

A whole-hearted effort began in March to get the building and grounds of Nitre Hall ready for the 2010 Heritage Festival.

- In the garden, Gail Schneck, Noreen Kebart, Hazel Deliktany, Barbara Marinelli, Michael Campbell, Nancy Pasquier, Tony Four of the Master Gardeners and Carolyn Joseph, weeded, planted and mulched.



Chris Whiting mulching the area behind the wall.

- Paul Orner donated herbs for the herb garden.
- The Boy Scouts of Troop 463, under the leadership of Eagle Scout Charles Lynch, rebuilt the small storage shed and stone wall at the back of Nitre Hall.
- Rick Miller repaired, painted and hung a shelf in the kitchen for displaying artifacts.
- Curator Carolyn Joseph framed the arrowhead collection in shadow boxes also now on display in the Nitre Hall kitchen.
- Township Public Works repaired broken window panes in the cabin and Nitre Hall.

Thanks to everyone.



Holiday House Tour

Sunday, December 12, 2010
1 to 4:30 PM

The Lawrence Cabin is the featured historic site on this year's drive-yourself tour of beautiful homes in Haverford Township. Tickets are \$20 for members of the society and \$25 for non-members. They can be purchased by contacting Terri Dougherty at 610-449-1571 or at the cabin on the day of the tour. Maps and house histories will be provided.



Jeanne Angell, Mario Olivia, Rick Miller, Greg Basile, Mike Giordano and Mary Courtney accept the award presented by Rich Paul, chairman of the commission, along with members of Delaware County Council.

Llanerch Crossing Park Award

The Heritage Commission of Delaware County selected our nomination of Llanerch Crossing Park to receive a 2010 Preservation Award for Special Project for the commemoration of the Battle of Llanerch Junction. The site informs visitors about the confrontation with the Pennsylvania Rail Road, the growth of rail



Jay Jenkins reading about the Battle of Llanerch Junction.

transportation in Delaware County and the development of the suburban neighborhood of Llanerch through murals, landscape design and descriptive historical signage. The presentation to the Llanerch Crossing Park committee was made in Media on May 4th for the park on W. Chester Pike & Darby Rd.



Recent Additions to the HTHS Library and Archives

- The Good Education of Youth: Worlds of Learning in the Age of Franklin, edited by John H. Pollack. This volume of essays, beautifully illustrated and published as companion to the 2006 exhibition of same name was donated by the University of Pennsylvania Library. Mr. Pollack is Public Services Specialist at the Rare Book and Manuscript Library there. The Society's 1885 unique, hinged slate, on display at the Federal School is featured, as are photographs of the school.
- Hard-bound volumes of "American Heritage Magazine" (Vol. XII, No. 1, 2 & 5, 1961). Donated by Sue Kratziinger, Librarian at Haverford Middle School, as part of a de-accession project.
- The Log Cabin in America From Pioneer Days to the Present, C.A. Weslager. Rutgers University Press, NJ. 1969. Donated by Chris Whiting.
- Two glass display cases donated by Jeanne Angell.
- Brookline Square Club Fez with tassel donated by Ken Tiss.
- Brookline Fire Department Patch, donated by Raymond A. Lemasters, Town Historian of Hackettstown, NJ.
- Several pounds of bees' wax from the hives at the Grange were donated to the Colonial Living program by beekeeper Beverly Rorer.

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The Historical Society is keeping up with the times to stay connected to you. Check out our facebook page!

Welcome New Members

Janae Alberts

Sue Vision

Ted McCalla

Hazel Delikatny

Jonathan and Barbara Sanna.

Jonathan was a winner of the Heritage Festival Photography Contest this year.

We're Going Paperless!

Starting soon, the Historical Society will begin issuing this newsletter via email. The decision to go paperless is based on many factors – our goal is to be environmentally responsible by reducing our paper usage and to reduce our costs. We hope to reach a broader audience and make the newsletter available on our website, www.haverfordhistoricalsociety.org. Visitors to the site will be able to view current and past issues of the newsletter. By reaching out to our membership and our community online, we hope provide more frequent updates about our organization's news and events and become a stronger presence in the community.

To make sure that you continue to receive this newsletter, please do the following:

- Send an email to us at info@haverfordhistoricalsociety.org. with your name and the email address you'd like us to use for the newsletter. **OR**
- For members who do not have access to email and would like to continue to receive a paper copy of this newsletter, please leave a message with your name at our Nitre Hall office by calling 610-449-7988.

We look forward to continuing to serve our community by protecting, preserving and promoting local history.



Please send your comments and suggestions for this newsletter to Tricia Woodman at johnwman@msn.com.



STEP INTO HISTORY WITH US!

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HTHS MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Haverford Township Historical Society is to protect, preserve and promote the history of our community and to sustain its cultural heritage for future generations through educational programs, accessible archives and site preservation.

Upcoming HTHS Events

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