



The Historical Society of Trappe Pennsylvania

For the preservation of the history, ancient buildings and land marks
of the Trappe area.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT :

I hope this letter finds all our members in good health. We've been quite busy around the Tavern. We had some work done on our security system and we are in the process of setting up displays for our new season. I hope that sometime over the summer, each one of you will have the opportunity to visit the Tavern to see just what we've done. Reservations are now being taken for our Spring Tour, but you'll read more about that later. I'd like to take this opportunity to wish each one of you a happy Easter and if we don't see you on the Tour I hope to see you at the June Dinner.

P.S. I am still in need of a Ways & Means Chairperson. I would personally appreciate it if someone would volunteer their time, there are many who will help but we need a leader to get things rolling.
PLEASE...PLEASE Help.

Mark Bullard

HISTORIANS REPORT :

From the Journals of Henry Melchior Muhlenberg

Monday, April 7, 1777

My son-in-law, Mr. Kuntze, and my son Heinrich, supplied my food and drink during my long stay here (in Philadelphia) and refused to take anything for this although everything is uncommonly expensive at the present time. The rest of my expenses at this time were as follows: (1) Owing to Mr. Heinrich Miller for the past year's German newspaper and almanac, 10s. (2) To Mr. Dick for a pair of trousers, 2 pounds. (3) For a bushel of course salt, 1 pound, 17s, 6d (4) To the barber for the last half-year, 15s (5) For a little medicine from the apothecary shop, 1 pound, 17s, 6d (6) For herba nicotiana, 10s (7) For fifty needles, 3s.9d (to sew patches, for it is necessary to patch together old rags owing to the excessively high cost of materials for clothing). (8) To the man who delivered the salt, 1s. 3d. (9) To the domestic maid, 3s.9d. (10) For feed and breakfast during the journey back, 4s, 8d. Traveling expenses for Mr. Schroeder (the praeceptor of the seminarium whom we sent to Providence), 10s. (11) For the Quarterly collection in the city, 15s, All together this makes 9 pounds, 8 shillings, 5 pence. (In the evening a boy arrived from Providence with two horese and a wagon in order to drive me back up tomorrow, God Willing.

Tuesday, April 8, 1777

At seven o'clock in the morning Mr. Reid's son, who came down last evening with two horses and our wagon drove off with me, and we arrived home at three o'clock in the afternoon. (For the boy's and the two horses' necessary provision for one night in a tavern I had to pay 1 pound, 1s.: for fodder for the horses on the way, 4s. 6d.; for two day's hire of the horses, 1 pound 10c.) During my absence my wife had the following expenses (in connection with the household): (1) To Heinrich Preiser for six days work on the place, 15s. (2) To the mason, Rambo, for making the drain leading from the wash shed, 2s. 6d. (3) To Georg Essig for a rake and broom, 3s.6d. (4) For keeping Mr. Shroeder's horse at Mr. Reid's, 2s. (5) To Mr. Haas what was still owing for butter, vide supra March 15, a.c., 10s. 3d. In addition pair 9s. 9s. for six pounds of butter. (6) For one quart of spirit, 7s. 6d. (7) For seeds and beggras, 3s. (8) For other sundries (and poor refugees), 6s. 3d. All together this makes 3 pounds, less 6 pence.

ESTHER O. KELLER
HISTORIAN

QUILTERS:

The quilters are taking new orders for quilts to be made of your choice. If you or someone you know wish that one-of-a-kind Quilt made especially for them, you or they can call 489-4872 or make a personal visit to the Augustus Lutheran Church on and Monday form 10A.M. tp 2 P.M.. They make great wedding or anniversary or shower gifts.

ANNA SCHRACK
CHAIRPERSON

MEMBERSHIPS:

Although our official membership drive has been completed as of April 1st., we are always accepting new members. We all feel that the Trappe Historical Society has something to offer everyone at all ages. We try to be as active as time and money allow us to be. If you know of someone who would like to join please have them fill out the application at the end of the newsletter and return to the Trappe Historical Society, c/o Beverly Reichenbach, 112 W. 5th Ave., Collegetown, Pa. 19426. Your membership and participation are greatly appreciated.

Beverly Reichenbach
Chairperson

FROM THE BULLARD'S :

Not much has happened, we, like most of you have Spring fever. It feels good to shake the cobwebs loose and get ready for some real warm weather. The Tavern will be getting a fresh coat of new paint this year, watch and see the change. Well, as paper is expensive and the deadline drwas near, let me say farewell for now until we see each other again.

Mark, Linda, Josh, Abi.

SPRING TOUR...SPRING TOUR...SPRING TOUR...SPRING TOUR...SPRING TOUR

ON SATURDAY, MAY 19th, THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF TRAPPE IS SPONSORING ITS SPRING TOUR OF WINTERTHUR MUSEUM AND GARDENS. THE CHARTERED BUS WILL LEAVE THE PARKING LOT OF THE AUGUSTUS LUTHERAN CHURCH, 717 MAIN STREET, TRAPPE AT 8:45 A.M. SHARP, AND WILL RETURN THAT AFTERNOON. THE COST OF THE TOUR WILL BE \$20.00 PER PERSON. THE PRICE WILL INCLUDE THE TRAM RIDE AROUND THE GROUNDS BUT WILL NOT INCLUDE LUNCH. THE CAFETERIA WILL BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE YOUR LUNCH AND REFRESHMENTS. RESERVATIONS ARE LIMITED!!!! FOR RESERVATIONS SEND YOUR REMITTANCE TO THE TRAPPE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, 305 MAIN STREET, TRAPPE, 19426., OR CALL 489-7471 FOR MORE INFORMATION.

KATHY HOISINGTON
CHAIRPERSON

OF INTEREST TO ALL:

1. MID APRIL : UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL ANTIQUE SHOW. 33 STREET ARMORY, PHILADELPHIA.
2. APRIL 14-15 : CIVIL WAR RE-ENACTMENT, RIDLEY CREEK STATE PARK, EDGMENT, PA.
3. APRIL 20-22 : EASTER CONSERVATORY DISPLAY. LONGWOOD GARDENS, KENNETT SQUARE, PA.
4. APRIL 22 &
SEPT 2. : PENNSYLVANIA CRAFTS FAIR DAY. BRANDYWINE RIVER MUSEUM, CHADDS FORD, PA.
5. APRIL 28 -
May 6 : HISTORIC YELLOW SPRINGS ART SHOW AND SALE. CHESTER SPRINGS, PA.
6. MAY ; PHILADELPHIA FOLK FAIR. CIVIC CENTER, PHILADELPHIA.
7. EARLY MAY : PHILADELPHIA OPEN HOUSE. CONTACT 928-1188 FOR MORE DETAILS.
8. MAY 5-6 : STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL. PEDDLER'S VILLAGE, LAHASKA, PA.
9. MAY 6 : FRENCH ALLIANCE DAY. VALLEY FORGE NATIONAL PARK.
10. May 12-13 : MERCER FEST. DOYLESTOWN, PA.
11. MAY 25-JUNE 2 : DEVON HORSE SHOW AND COUNTRY FAIR. DEVON, PA.
12. May 26-27 : PARADE OF SOLDIERS. COLONIAL PENNSYLVANIA PLANTATION
13. EARLY JUNE : ELFRETH'S ALLEY FETE DAYS. PHILADELPHIA, PA.

MANY...MANY... MORE ACTIVITIES ARE SCHEDULED. IF YOU WISH A COMPLETE LISTING ALL YOU GOT TO DO IS TO ASK....

SPECIAL NOTICE

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THE TRAPPE FIRE COMPANY WISHES TO EXTEND AN INVITATION TO ALL PEOPLE WITHIN THE TRAPPE AREA TO ATTEND AN EASTER MORNING BREAKFAST. THE DATE IS SUNDAY APRIL 22, 1984 FROM 8 A.M. - 12 NOON. THEY WILL BE SERVING PANCAKES AND SAUSAGES AND BACON AS WELL AS REFRESHMENTS. THE COST WILL BE \$2.50 FOR ADULTS AND \$1.50 FOR CHILDREN 6-10. THIS IS AN ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST AND WELL WORTH THE MONEY. GIVE YOUR FAMILY A BREAK AND TAKE THEM TO BREAKFAST BEFORE OR AFTER CHURCH. IF YOU CAN MAKE IT PLEASE ATTENDS. I HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

Trappe Fire Company

MEMBERSHIP FORM:

NAME _____

DATE _____

ADDRESS _____

RETURN TO:

TRAPPE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
305 MAIN STREET
TRAPPE, PA. 19426

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP PREFERRED:

- 1. LIFETIME: _____ \$100.00
- 2. MUHLENBERG : _____ \$ 50.00
- 3. DEWEES : _____ \$ 25.00
- 4. SCHRACK : _____ \$ 10.00
- 5. ANNUAL : _____ \$ 4.00
- 6. STUDENT : _____ \$ 2.00

PLEASE LIST ANY COMMITTEE YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN ASSISTING ON.
YOUR HELP AND PARTICIPATION ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED.