



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:

As we enter our summer season let us not forget why we were established as a Society for in the first place. Our purpose is to preserve history, buildings and historic land marks in and around the Trappe area. At times we seem to forget why we were established. This year like so many years in the past we seem to suffer some tragic losses in members. A beloved member Mr. Earl Bechtel who was so well liked by the people of Trappe and surrounding communities, will be missed surely. With deep regret we lost our Library Chairperson, Chris Hill. Her loyalty and devotion to the Library will be missed more than anyone can imagine. We have several of our senior members who are also ill at home or with loved ones. If you get the chance it would be very nice to drop them a cheerful get well card. I know it makes me feel alot better when I know someone is thinking of me when I'm ill. Those that could use a bit of cheering up are: Mrs. Frederick Grimison, 201 Main St., Trappe. 19426 and Mrs. Emma Felton, 33 W. 3rd Ave., Trappe. 19426. Let me wish every one of you a healthy and happy summer of 1985.

HISTORIANS REPORT:

The following appeared in Perkiomen Region, Vol. XII, Nos 33 & 34, page 148.

MILITARY HISTORY OF UNION BRASS BAND

Notes from the diary of Davis Longaker. Hophni Van Fossen Johnson played E-flat cornet. These men were neighbors and maintained friendship unto death. With my mother and father, I (Ralph) was at the reunion 25 years after at Collegeville in 1866.

Mem. of Union Brass Band,
Perkiomen Bridge
Montg. Co., Pa.

1861
Perkiomen Bridge
Monday, July 15, 1861

The Union Brass Band Consists of W.E.M. Pettee, Bandmaster, C.E.P. Todd, leader, Baily, Pl Martin, C. Conway, C.R. Riley, Sam M. Todd, Herbert Pettee, H.V. Johnson, Wm. H. Snyder, WM. Weand, David Oberholtzer, Thad S. Vanderslice, M.H. Fox, Glendore M. Bear, Josiah Wagner and David Longaker.

Left home at 8 o'clock A.M. for Camp Washington, Easton, Pa., as musician, arrived at Philadelphia 12 o'clock, left for Easton at 2:45 and arrived at camp about 6:30 P.M. Ate supper at the hotel and quartered with a portion of Capt. Bringhurst's Co.

Received our blankets immediately, and a purty noisy set of fellows bunk with us. Tuesday July 16 attended guard mounting, but did not get through well. Attended the funeral of one of the 1st Pennsylvania (missing). A portion of two companys march about 6 miles, very dusty. Pettee gave us a new tune. Changed our quarters to the Capt. quarters of the 4th Reg. Got examined by the Surgeon before going to the funeral. Wednesday, July 17th... had breakfast cooked by Vanderslice, fried ham and water, having no coffee.... Went to the woods, when an officer came and told us Gov. Curtin was coming and wanted us for reviews. Went and was received by the Gov., first with our Reg. and then with Sickles. Walked around the course with Sickles. Reg. headed by Drum Corps, returned to our quarters. Had supper cooked by Vanderslice and S. Todd - rice, boiled ham and coffee... Went down to the Lehigh and went swimming. Came back to bunk

Esther O. Keller, Historian

THE QUILTERS:

The Quilters have been busy all winter and have a great deal of work ahead of them for the summer. If you started a quilt over the winter we will be happy to finish it for you. We are still doing this work for our local Historical Society.

Anne Schrack

MEMBERSHIP:

We are well into the 1985 year and many of you still have not paid your yearly dues. We have entended the deadline for dues to be paid until the Flag Day Dinner on June 14th. If you would rather mail your dues to me please make your checks payable to the " Historical Society of Trappe" and send them to me at: B. Reichenbach, 112 West 5th Ave., Collegetown, Pa. 19426. Memberships are as follows:

1. LIFETIME:	_____	\$100.00	
2. MUHLENBERG:	_____	\$ 50.00	*** NEW MEMBER***
3. DEWEES:	_____	\$ 25.00	
4. SCHRACK:	_____	\$ 10.00	JUDY YEOMAN ---- WELCOME !!!!!
5. ANNUAL:	_____	\$ 4.00	
6. STUDENT:	_____	\$ 2.00	

Your cooperation and support are what makes this organization run, please become a member and support our effort.

Thank You,
Beverly Reichenbach

PROPERTY:

We have several projects shheduled for the summer. Amongst these is the repair of the shed roof, removal of the remaining stucco from the old kitchen and repointing of the stone and possibly surfacing the parking lot. We plan on also putting in additional lighting at the front corner of the building so it is easier to see when entering the building.

Fred Conard

FLAG DAY DINNER.....

ON FRIDAY JUNE 14th at 6:30 P.M. at Mooreheads Catering, Trappe, Pa. 19426 we will be hosting our 1985 Flag Day dinner Meeting for all members to attend. The menu will be as follows:

- FRUIT PUNCH
- CHICKEN A-LA-KING ON A PATTY SHELL
- MASHED POTATOES WITH GRAVY
- PEAS
- CRANBERRY SAUCE
- COLE SLAW
- ROLLS & BUTTER
- ICE CREAM & STRAWBERRIES
- COFFEE - TEA - SANKA

COST: \$9.50 per person

Please make your reservations with Norman or Richard Holcombe at 489-7266. DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS SUNDAY JUNE 9th. Please make your reservations early

The program for the evening is still being finalized and at publishing time I do not have a confirmed yes. Rest assure we will have an interesting one.

See you there.....

A final note.....

For all you individuals who have supported the Society for so many years I would like to express the sincere gratitude of the Board of Directors as well as myself when I say we salute you for your unselfish support both financially and with your time.

The Board of Directors.