# The Half-Moon

The Newtown Historic Association, Inc. Newsletter

## Annual Picnic June 15

The Newtown Historic Association's (NHA) Annual Picnic is on Saturday, June 15, 2002 at the Court Inn. The event begins with BYOB at 6:00 p.m. and steak dinner following at 7:00 p.m. Please plan to attend this fun summer event.

#### Café Centro

This year's cocktail party was a unique and rousing success. Committee members Rosemary Tottoroto, Liz Kelsey and Jeanne Haeckel created a 1920's theme. One hundred and two guests attended with many members mingling outdoors all night long. Many thanks to the committee, Marty and Sue Sutton & their team of bartenders, Dave Walton and Paul Gouza for clean up and all the guests who donated appetizers, flowers and/or money for the event. A special thanks to the anonymous donor of the James Redding "Court Inn" print. Thanks to Barb Swanda for preparing the print. Congratulations to Tony and Isabelle Godwin who won the raffle

#### Market Day 2002

This year's 24th Annual Market Day is scheduled for Saturday, September 14, 2002. NHA members, family and friends can anticipate enjoying folk music, a variety of new colonial craftsman and artisans. There will also be children's activities in the backyard of the Court Inn.

#### New Officers & Board

The new officers and board members for the next term are as follows: Paul Gouza, President, Brian Rounsavill, 1st Vice President, Dave Walton, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Marge Torongo, Treasurer, Mary Callahan, Corresponding Secretary, Terry Keane, Recording Secretary. Board members include: Dave Callahan, Brian Heverin, Joanne Nardo, Maureen Harrison, Skip Gittens, Liz Kelsey, Jeanne Haeckel, Lorraine Pentz, Harriet Beckert. Also attending the board meetings are Paul Kester, Parliamentarian and Dolly Gish, honorary life director.

### Calendar of Events

Annual Picnic Dinner
Saturday, June 15, 2002

@ The Court Inn
BYOB 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Dinner 7:00 p.m.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Walking Tour Goodnoe School Students Wednesday, June 5, 2002 @ The Court Inn

Summer Tour Hours
Beginning June 2
thru August 25
The Court Inn
Open Sundays
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Garden Party Sunday, June 2, 2002 1:00 p.m. Backyard Court Inn Help plant & weed

Market Day Saturday, September 14, 2002 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 2 The Half-Moon May, 2002

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#### New Librarian

The NHA has found a new librarian for our Barnsley Room of Newtown History. Dr. Hendrik Booream has volunteered his time to organize and catalog our books.

The NHA continues to need volunteers for computer data entry and anyone who has experience in being a registrar, archivist or curator.

#### Research Center Hours

OPEN - Tuesday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

OPEN - Thursday 7:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.

#### Research questions?

Looking for answers to your Newtown history questions? Want to know the history of your old house? Be sure to stop by the Court Inn on Tuesday morning or Thursday nights. Our dedicated volunteers who put in many tireless hours would be more than willing to help you in your research.

#### Check your Attic?

Donation of Newtown artifacts made by NHA members and the community over the years have played a significant role in supporting, developing and expanding the NHA facilities and programs. Without your support and contributions, much of the progress we have made would not be possible and we would not be able to serve the evergrowing historically conscious Newtown community. We therefore, continue to seek and accept any significant "Newtown" related artifact and/or contribution to the NHA. Have you cleaned out your attic lately?

#### Preservation Award

On May 14, 2002, the authors of the NHA's "Early Newtown – a pictorial history of Newtown, PA book will be the recipient of a Preservation Award. Dave Callahan, Paul Gouza and Brian Rounsavill were chosen by the Newtown Borough Board of Historic Review for their prodigious effort and contribution to preserving the historic character

of Newtown through edification of the town's history and culture. This year marks the fourth annual awards event to show appreciation for time, energy and financial sacrifice that residents and business owners have made toward preserving and maintaining the historic character of the borough.

#### **GARDEN PARTY**

Bring your hand shovels, gloves and shears to the backyard of the Court Inn on Sunday, June 2, 2002 for a good-old garden party. Join in the fun of sprucing up the backyard and hear about gardening ideas and plans for the future.

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