

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Newtown Historic Association will sponsor its 35th Annual Market Day on Saturday, October 1st (rain date Sunday, October 2nd) from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Market Day, the Newtown Historic Association's 35th annual colonial craft and art fair will be held on Saturday, October 1st rain date Sunday October 2nd At the Half Moon Inn – Court Street and Centre Avenue, Newtown.

For over three decades the Newtown Historic Association has had Market Day. This custom revives an old harvest season tradition in Newtown, where long ago, local farmers brought their crops to town to sell and enjoy a day of festivities and contests that culminated with a horse race down State Street.

There are over **50 crafters, demonstrators and artists coming with a wide variety of interesting crafts**, from bee keeping, quilting, rug braiding, spinning, fine arts, photography and woodcarving.

The 5<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Regiment - a colonial militia revolutionary war encampment will camp out in the backyard of the Half Moon (Court Inn). We will be having **face painting**, and **children's crafts**. There will be sessions beginning at 12:00 noon until 3:00 PM on **candle dipping**, **punched tin** and other colonial crafts.

**Bill Dooley and John Krumm** will be performing a selection of music, including traditional music of the Colonial Era will entertain from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. They will be performing a selection of music, including traditional music of the Colonial Era. The "Out of Tuners" will entertain in the Court Inn from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

"A Better Way Farm" will be there with their team of Belgian draft horses and their wagon to give everyone horse drawn hayrides around the Court, Penn, Congress and Mercer Sts. block. Our ever successful Festival of Foods will feature local Newtown restaurants offering delicious luncheon treats. Restaurants who are invited are Isaac Newton's and Lee's Hoagies. The special kettle corn vendor "Best Darn Kettle Korn" will be here again this year again with the Irish Lassie Funnel Cakes. There will be Open Hearth Cooking by Mercy Ingraham who uses only old methods of cooking and colonial recipes.

The raffle this year will be a \$400 gift certificate to use toward a weekend at the historic "Queen Victoria Bed and Breakfast Inn", Cape May, New Jersey. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

So come out and enjoy **Market Day** with all your friends and neighbors.