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PRESS RELEASE

Newtown Historic Association presents "The History of the Langhorne Speedway"

The February meeting of the **Newtown Historic Association** will be held on **Monday**, **March 15th at 8:00 PM at the Half-Moon Inn**, Court St. & Centre Ave., Newtown.

The Newtown Historic Association has invited Charles W. Lauble, Jr., Board Member of the Historic Langhorne Association, to present a lecture entitled, "The History of the Langhorne Speedway."

Langhorne Speedway was located in nearby in Middletown Township (near the Oxford valley Mall) built by a group of Philadelphia racing enthusiasts known as the National Motor Racing Association (NMRA) in 1926 and was the first dirt track built specifically for automobile racing. The track's unique circular layout earned Langhorne the name "The Big Left Turn" and featured many famous drivers, such as Mario Andretti. As suburban growth engulfed the speedway, and offers from developers became too tempting to refuse, the final checkered flag fell on October 17, 1971. This lecture will feature photos and newspaper clippings highlighting the history of this local attraction.

The public is invited and refreshments will be served. This will prove to be a very interesting and informative meeting. For further information call 215-968-3914 or visit the NHA Website www.newtownhistoric.org.

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