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**PRESS RELEASE**

Newtown Historic Association presents  
“African Americans in the Civil War”

The February meeting of the **Newtown Historic Association** will be held on **Tuesday, February 22nd at 8:00 PM at the Half-Moon Inn**, Court St. & Centre Ave., Newtown.

In celebration of Black History Month, the Newtown Historic Association has invited Paula Gidjunis, an instructor for the Manor College Civil War Institute, to present a lecture entitled, “*African Americans in the Civil War.*” The presentation will discuss the different roles African Americans, both free and slave, took on in aiding in the abolition of slavery during the American Civil War. These roles included soldiers, spies, scouts, nurses and other important positions in the fight for freedom.

Ms. Gidjunis is a former middle school social studies teacher. She has a B.A. in History/Education, a Masters in Business Administration, a certificate in Historic Preservation, and is currently pursuing a Masters in History. She currently is on the board of the Delaware Valley Civil War Round Table and chairs their preservation committee, which has raised funds for a variety of causes. She is also on the board of directors of the Historical Society of Montgomery County.

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](http://www.newtownhistoric.org).

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