



The Half Moon

- The Newsletter of the Newtown Historic Association -

Welcome

The Newtown Historic Association presents this newsletter to the Newtown community with the goal of providing news and information on related historic and preservation events in our area. We welcome any suggestions for future articles.

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Research Center New Address:

100 Mercer St.
Research Center Hours
Tuesdays 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Thursday 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
And also by appointment

New Members

We are pleased to welcome the following:

New Individual and Family Members

Ernest & Rebecca Bancroft
David & Sandra Chantry
Robert & Victoria diMella
Mary Beth Palestina
Josh & Emily Phillips
Doug & Susan Turner
Richard & Dawn Wyatt

New Corporate Member Chimney Savers

Upgraded to Distinguished Donor

Steve & Jeanne Haeckel
Nancy Halpin

“The Big Move”

The Mercer St. Research Center renovation at 100 Mercer St. is nearly complete.

Our volunteers, Jim Garner and Casey Crawford spent their weekend painting all the trim.

Bob Musto, Drew Musto and Joe Michelin helped unload the two huge loads of shelving brought to the Research Center by one of Barry Fleck’s pickup trucks and employee.

David Walton, David Callahan and Adam Assyisian erected shelving to store boxes coming over from the Court Inn.

Then for two weeks Dave Callahan and helpers brought truck loads of boxes from our oversize room over to the new building. These boxes contain all sorts of archived items that have been collected over the past 40 years

Sunday, July 21st we had the big move of most all the items from the Research Center from the Court Inn over to the new Mercer Street Research Center.

At 7 am on the Big Move day, we had about a dozen members, and friends of members who belong to gyms who are used to heavy lifting all come to the Court Inn.

20 full file cabinets were moved, flat files, the copier, scanner, tables, chairs, computers, monitors, etc. They had two pickup trucks making trips back and forth from the Court Inn to the Research Center, loaded with all these things.

They finally finished around noon. Also it was a 100 degree day.

We would like to thank all that helped that day, Kevin Crawford, Jason Ross, Mark DiMario, Bob McLauren, Tracey Zanolini, Gary Zanolini, Matt Giordano, Brian Rounsavill, Paul Gouza, Tim Potero, David Walton, Rich Speranza and Dave Callahan.

The New Research Center located at 100 Mercer St. expects to be open by August 22nd. It will be open the same hours as had been at the Court Inn. Tuesdays from 9 am – 3 pm and Thursday evenings from 7 – 9 pm.

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Do you have any computers to donate? Must have windows 10. Please call Dave Callahan 215-805-8772.

Garden Walk

The Garden Walking Tour on Saturday, July 20th was a very hot 100 degree day. Organized by Mary Jo Garner and her assistant Keyna Crawford featured 17 gardens in the borough. There was a raffle for garden items and five vendors at the Court Inn selling ironwork, art work, plants and flowers, etc. Also delicious refreshments were provided.



Historic Walking Tour

The annual Historic Walking Tour of one of the historic areas of Newtown was held Friday evening, June 14th with Jeffrey Marshall leading it. The streets covered this year were Chancellor & Congress Streets. Jeff is an excellent guide for this walk as he has a wealth of knowledge about the buildings architecturally and historically.



Fifth Grade Walking Tour
The annual Fifth Grade Walking Tour was held on Wednesday, June 5th for children from Grey Nuns and Goodnoe Elementary to walk throughout the borough and visit 10 places to learn more about historic Newtown. This tour organized by Peg Walker continues to pique the children's interest in the history of Newtown. The children really enjoy this tour and so do the parent chaperones – everyone learns something.



Do you have historic items to donate? (pictures, letters, research on a property or family, etc.) please contact us.

Market Day in Historic Newtown

Market Day is our annual event that celebrates the colonial tradition of local farmers & homesteaders bringing their crops, livestock, and homemade wares into town to sell to neighbors & townspeople. It is our proud tradition to feature high-quality crafters, artisans & fine artists; colonial-era demonstrations, reenactments & activities; farm stands; entertainment for all ages; and food from local restaurants. It will be on Saturday, October 5th. We always need volunteers to help with set up, soda sales, sales table, clean up. If you can lend a hand, please contact Carrie Wetherby 215-847-1112 or email

marketday@newtownhistoric.org

Dues Notices Sent Out

Annual dues notices have been mailed, so please don't forget to pay them. It is only through the financial help from people like yourselves that the NHA can continue its efforts to preserve Newtown's unique heritage

Corporate Members

We are proud to highlight our corporate members:

- A. L. Patterson
- Chimney Savers
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Upcoming Events

Market Day in Historic Newtown,
Saturday, October 5th
Bucks County Deeds,
Monday, October 21st 7:30 pm
Bucks County History – Carl LaVo,
Monday, November 18th 7:30 pm
Holiday Open House Tour
Saturday, December 7th
10 am to 4 pm



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