

Greater Dover Historical Society Newsletter



Mark your Calendar

May thru August

MAY 18, Regular meeting @
7:30 p.m.

Board of directors meeting @
6:30p.m.

JUNE 15 - Regular meeting @
7:30 p.m.

JUNE 20 - sixth annual
Historical walk of Dover @
6:00 p.m.

JULY 20, - **PICNIC**

AUGUST 17- Regular meeting
@ 7:30 p.m.

All regular meetings are held
at Calvary Lutheran Church
on the square in Dover

NOTE

The next issue of the
newsletter will come out in
August. If you have any
news or articles of history,
please submit them to Norma
Botterbusch 292-7894 or
email to
Taylorstreasures@suscom.net

LECTURE



The West Manchester Township Historical Society will be
presenting a lecture by Jim McClure at the West Manchester
Township Building along East Berlin Road at 7:00 p.m. The
topic will be **IN THE THICK OF THE FIGHT**, and the axis threat
in WWII, Jim's latest book on York County. His other books
include **NEVER TO BE FORGOTTEN**, **ALMOST FORGOTTEN**,
NINE MONTHS IN YORKTOWN and **EAST OF GETTYSBURG**.

May 2006



SIXTH ANNUAL DOVER BORO HISTORICAL WALK

Kay Stitley will once again be
conducting our walk, to be
held on Tuesday June 20,
2006. We will meet at the Log
House on Canal Road, across
from the Dover Township
Building at 6:00 p.m. The
walk takes approximately two
hours. It has been requested
that we add two additional
stops to the walk, the first is
the blacksmith shop in
Ketterman Park and the
second is the cemetery on
Fairview Avenue. Light
refreshments will be served at
the Log House at the end of
the walk. Please invite your
friends and neighbors. We are
asking for donations of finger
type desserts. Call 292-7894



CONCERTS IN THE PARK

The society will be working the
concession stand at the
"Concerts in the Park", held at
the community park on Canal
Road. The concerts are held
Sunday evenings from 6-8.
The dates are as follows - May
21, June 11, July 16, August
20, and September 17. In
addition to selling food and
drink, we will also have other
items for sale, such as pictures
of the blacksmith shop, Dover
corks, trash bags, quilt raffle
tickets and Bloodroot books.
For info, phone Madelyn
Shermeyer at 292-2018. The
Society thanks Dover
Township Recreation board for
allowing us the privilege of
working the concession stand
as a fundraiser.

BEST WISHES

Best wishes to two of our
members, Jim Geiselman and
Don Baughman, who both
recently had open heart
surgery. We wish you a
complete and speedy recovery.
Our thoughts & prayers are
with you.



4th Annual Society Picnic

Thursday July 20, is our 4th annual members picnic to be held at Lehr Park along Davidsburg Road. We start serving at 5:30, but feel free to arrive any time after that. Please R.S.V.P. with the number of members attending to Norma Botterbusch at 292-7894 or 292-3241 (answering machine). We will be serving Jack Wynn's famous broasted chicken and potatoes. There will be hot dogs for the kids and the grown up kids. The only thing we ask that you bring is, yourself, your immediate family and your famous dessert. If you would like to help on the picnic committee please call Norma. There will be a sign-up sheet at the May & June meetings. We need a final count by July 13. So please join us for an enjoyable evening.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Bollinger's Electric

Kersey Bushey

Morgan Bushey

Jo Ott

Dianna Whitten

Craig Sutphin

Welcome



BLACKSMITH SHOP UPDATE

by Larry Law

The blacksmith shop project is coming along nicely. A group of volunteers worked very hard on Sunday, April 29, 2006 to lay the brick floor. A couple of weeks prior to that the floor had been leveled off, gravel was put down and then screenings of fine sand was put on top and tamped down. The brick were then laid and sand swept into the cracks to finish the project. Now the windows have to be installed once they are scraped free of paint and washed. The next project is to have the electric installed. The society hopes to have the Blacksmith shop operational by the summer. We also need to whitewash the out side of the building, and put the brick down for the apron in front of the double doors. We want to thank all of the volunteers who took their time to help with this project.



G.D.H.S. QUILT FUND RAISER

The quilt raffle is a fundraiser that helps the Society meet its budget. We ask members to sell their share of tickets. For your tickets see Kay Stitley at the meetings or call Norma Botterbusch at 292-7894. Each ticket is \$1.00 or 6 tickets for \$5.00. The quilt drawing will be at the Dover Fireman's Fair on Saturday September 9, 2006. The quilt will be on display all week at the fair. Tickets will be on sale at the conclusion of the Historical walk and at the concerts in the park. The quilt pattern is the double pinwheel and is a queen size quilt with pillow shams. The society would like to thank the Lady Quilters for their time in making this beautiful quilt. For a picture of the quilt, check our website or stop in at Botterbusch Jewelry in Dover.

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family of David Laird. Dave has been a real asset to the community and to the G.D.H.S.. He will be greatly missed. He will be remembered by many as Abe Lincoln during the Dover Bicentennial. We thank his daughter Janet Fadley for encouraging Dave to attend our meetings



We would like to extend our thanks to the following:

DOVER BOROUGH COUNCIL - for your yearly donation from the Nathan Wallace fund. For all your support in helping us re-build the Blacksmith shop and allowing us to re-build it in Ketterman Park.

DOVER TOWNSHIP - For your yearly donation from the Nathan Wallace fund. For all the support you show us, printing the newsletters, giving us a temperature controlled room to store our archives and use of different facilities free of charge.

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH - For allowing us to use your fellowship hall to hold our monthly meetings and for allowing our Society quilters to use the hall once a week for quilting.

K T'S PIZZA-We want to thank Keith for the support he has given us. He supplies pizza for us when we have work days at the Blacksmith shop. Please support K T'S pizza and let Keith know you are from the G.D.H.S.

GLEN-GERY BRICK - For donating and delivering the bricks for the floor and the apron to the blacksmith shop.

AARON ENTERPRISES OF DOVER - For donating and delivering the screenings (sand or gravel) for the floor of the blacksmith shop

BOB SNELBECKER. ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR - For supplying the material and allowing his men to install the electric free of charge

TIM BOTTERBUSCH - For donating the leg vise for the blacksmith shop..

BLOODROOT BOOKS

by Madelyn Shermeyer
We are re-printing the BloodRoot series. The first book is near completion (this consists of book 1 & 2). Joe Marks the instructor at York Vocational Tech and his students are doing all the work on this project. They will be on sale as soon as they are complete.

WELLSVILLE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

This society was formed about six months ago. On Sunday April 30, 2006 they held their first fund raising project - The Wellsville House Tour. Kay Stitley and Norma Botterbusch represented the G.D.H.S. and went on this tour. You don't know what you missed! We didn't realize there was so much history in Wellsville. We toured twelve houses, churches, schools, etc. The hospitality was just great. This tour was to benefit the restoration of The Little Red School House. Best wishes to our neighbors - The Wellsville Area Historical Society.



**Have a safe and enjoyable summer.
Ron Botterbusch. President**



Ron can be reached at 2 South Main Street, Dover, Pa
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Annual Report of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Dover Borough
School Board for the year ending June 30, 1940

EXPENDITURES

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| Secreary ,s Salary 66----- | \$ 100.00 |
| Treasurer,s Salary----- | 30.00 |
| Tax Collectors Commission ----- | 116.40 |
| Auditor,s Fees ----- | 15.00 |
| Expenses Census Enumeration ----- | 8.00 |
| Other Expenses of General Control ----- | 32.88 |
| Salaries of Teachers ----- | 2685.04 |
| Textbooks ----- | 66.58 |
| Supplies ----- | 65.29 |
| Teacher,s Attending Institute ----- | 24.00 |
| Paid to Joint School Board Treasury ----- | 3150.00 |
| Other expenses of Instruction ----- | 21.73 |
| Library Books and Supplies ----- | 16.15 |
| Wages of Janitor ----- | 100.00 |
| Fuel ----- | 128.58 |
| Water ----- | 4.58 |
| Light ----- | 16.28 |
| Janitors Supplies ----- | 11.43 |
| Other expenses of Operation ----- | 2.80 |
| Upkeep of Grounds ----- | 23.92 |
| Repairs of Building ----- | 5.52 |
| Furniture ----- | 34.50 |
| State Retirement Board ----- | 68.82 |
| Box Rent ----- | 2.00 |
| Insurance ----- | 22.71 |
| Paid back short Term Loan ----- | 500.00 |
| Interest on short term loan ----- | 10.00 |
| State Tax on loan ----- | 2.00 |
| | <u>\$ 7234.21</u> |

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| Receipts including balance in Treasury | |
| June 30, 1939 ----- | \$ 7339.83 |
| Expenditures ----- | <u>7234.21</u> |
| Balance in Treasury June 30, 1940 | \$ 105.62 |

G.D.H.S. ADOPTS A HIGHWAY



The G.H.D.S. has begun the process of "adopting" a portion of a state highway. The two mile highway section under consideration for "adoption" in PennDOT's program is Carlisle Road from the Dover Borough to Sky Top Trail. Participation in the program will allow GDHS to clean up this section of road in order to create a better visual impression of the township, to demonstrate pride in our community, and to further develop our sense of civic responsibility. The camaraderie that develops when volunteers come together to work for a common cause is a reward beyond measure. As future caretakers, GDHS members will be required to pick up litter on this highway segment at least four times a year. Our two year commitment will be automatically renewed unless either party chooses to terminate the agreement. The GDHS looks forward to final participation approval by the PennDOT Adopt-A-Highway program. As the summer season approaches, the society's citizen volunteers can look forward to "enhancing the environment and beautifying the roadside landscapes."



BLACKSMITH HISTORY

Submitted by Ted Ziegler

During the Civil War when the South came North to the Farms, they went into the barns and broke the beaks off of the anvils so they couldn't work on the horseshoes.

Thomas Jefferson 1800-1830 had young slaves that were too young to work in the fields, so he taught them to make nails. The settlers, as they moved West, burned their houses before they left so they could re-use the nails. The anvil in our blacksmith shop is a Mousehole anvil made in Sheffield England 1820-1835.



ARCHIVES

Don't forget summer is nearly upon us so remember to check those yard sales for Dover artifacts, you never know what is hiding in some of those boxes. Last week-end we purchased five Dover year books. We are also looking for pictures of the houses in Dover. You don't even have to give them to us, we will copy them and return them to you. Dr. Drawbaugh and Gayle Heagy would love to hear from you.



UPDATING OUR RECORDS

We are in the process of updating our records. If your Name, phone number, address, email address or anything else has changed in the last year, please submit to Joyce Law at 4420 Paradise Road, Dover, Pa 17315. Or contact Ron Botterbusch at 292-7894.

The Society can use your help by sharing your ideas and thoughts about how we may raise money in the future. Please contact us with any suggestions.

**Don't forget to visit our very informative website at
www.gdnspa.org**