"Remembering Yesterday For The People Of Tomorrow"



<u>Bulletin</u>

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We meet on the third Tuesday of January, April, July, and October

OUR NEXT MEETING - Our next meeting will be Tuesday April 18th at 7:30pm downstairs in

the Library. Our topic will be "Morven: The Power of Place". Our speaker will be Martha Leigh Wolf- Executive Director of Morven Museum & Garden. Through slides and description, she will answer the question, "Why is Morven considered the most historic house in New Jersey?" You will have to come to the meeting for the answer.



Ms. Wolf will trace the many colorful people who

have called Morven home over its 260 years, beginning with Richard Stockton- Signer of the Declaration of Independence, and concluding with five New Jersey Governors from 1945-1982. We will discuss the evolution of the house and gardens along with the recent restoration as a museum.

Martha Leigh Wolf has been Executive Director at Morven since 2001. Before that, she served as Executive Director for Historic Bartram's Garden in Philadelphia for 13 years, subsequent to 11 years with the Brandywine Conservancy and River Museum. Ms. Wolf studied Art History at Swarthmore College and Museum Management at the University of Delaware. Join us for this very "New Jersey" presentation. While you're at it, bring a friend or two...

<u>ARE YOU BORED?</u> With the change of just a few letters, you could become "Board". We are looking for several people interested in filling key roles in the Historical Society. We currently have openings for the following Board member and Assistant to the Board positions:

- Recording Secretary- Takes minutes at Board and Membership meetings; reads minutes at next meeting.
- Corresponding Secretary-Handles occasional correspondence to members & others as necessary.
- Public Relations/Marketing Assistant- Works with Board to promote fundraising activities/items
- Membership Committee Chairperson- Coordinates membership activity, collects dues, and ensures current status of membership data.

Please step up and take an active role in **YOUR** Haddon Heights Historical Society

<u>Coming soon...</u> Historical Society tote bags, tea towels, and canvas wine carriers.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT— 2006 annual dues are still only \$8.00 and include the quarterly newsletter. You can complete the membership application on page 3, and send it along with a check to our P.O. Box, or you can bring the form and money to the membership meeting on April 18th. DON'T BE LEFT BEHIND...

Make sure your membership is current. We are unable to continue mailing this quarterly newsletter to those who have let their membership lapse beyond a reasonable time.

GENEALOGY PRESENTATION A SUCCESS- Our January speaker, Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak, had members, family, and friends coming out of the woodwork to hear her presentation of interesting and unusual stories related to (Sorry... I couldn't resist the pun) her work as a Genealogist. Megan is also an author, and autographed copies of her books for audience members. Please let us know if you want more about Genealogy.



(Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak)

THANKS THANKS!!- Thanks to the following members who have recently made a difference. Joan Rossler has agreed to be the Historical Society Project Coordinator, helping us keep all of our projects on track. Anne McAdams has agreed to spearhead the Legislative Committee to review and revise our Charter and By-Laws. Armond Cammarota has updated the format of the membership list, making it more easily accessible to the Board. Jack Witzig has spent many hours in front of his computer screen keeping our web site current and interesting. Additionally, he has managed to put the original "Haddon Heights Remembered" book into an electronic format which will make it easier for our Publications Committee to work with and update as we move toward publishing "Haddon Heights Remembered- Volume II". Thanks to all !!!



<u>WE NOTE THE PASSING</u>— I am sad to report the passing of Gail Stern, Executive Director of the Historical Society of Princeton. Gail addressed the Haddon Heights Historical Society at our October 2005 meeting. She presented many fascinating facts about Albert Einstein's "Miracle Year", a century ago in 1905. Gail was a strong and steady force for history in New Jersey. She and her dedication to preserving the past will be missed by all who knew her.

(Gail Stern) <u>WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT</u>— As a non-profit organization, we are eligible to receive your tax-deductible (federal tax) donation or memorial gift. You may designate a specific project, like the Haddon Heights High School Local History Award, or make an unrestricted gift above your annual membership dues. See below for an update of the Local History Award, partially funded by a memorial gift.

LOCAL HISTORY AWARD UPDATE— Several Haddon Heights High School students submitted entries in the <u>first annual</u> Haddon Heights Historical Society Local History Contest. The Board will announce the winner of the 2006 Local History Award and make a formal presentation at the High School's Awards Banquet in May.



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(Local Advertisement 1916)

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TRIVIA- Our local phone exchanges are mainly "546" and "547". Do you know what the "Name" of the exchange was? Clue: It was derived from the letters of the alphabet associated with the numbers "5" and "4" on the dial. Answer is to the right... (u[00ui])

What's on the Historical Society website?

By now, you probably know about the Haddon Heights Historical Society website, at www.hhhistorical.org. But do you know that it, like the Society itself, is vibrant and growing? This is what visitors will find on the website as of now:

Borough

- Events: Pictures from almost every Centennial event and more
- Features on organizations such as the Fire Department, Haddon Glen and borough churches, as well as lost places like the Haddon Heights Inn, Crystal Lake, and the Hatcher House. Included are histories and old pictures.
- Photo Galleries, including an extensive postcard gallery, photos from the library collection, and borough maps spanning from 1877 to 1992

Historical Overview, including a timeline, important documents, and facts & figures

Society

- Information about the society and how to become a member
- Meetings: Coverage of every meeting from July 2003 to the present
- **Field Trips:** Photos from the Society's recent field trips

Newsletters: 29 newsletters from 1985 to the present

Preservation

- **Features** on historically preserved buildings and locations in town
- **Borough Code** related to preservation

Search the Past

- **People Directory** of past town residents, encompassing nine years from 1895 to 1948. Search for tens of thousands of people by name, address, occupation & company. Find out who lived in your house in the past!
- Advertisements from 1906 to 2006. Take a look at hundreds of actual advertisements from 1916 to 1994!

NOTE: Year 2006 <u>Annual</u> Membership dues are only <u>\$8.00</u>, and are due at this time. Please bring this completed form and payment to the next Historical Society Meeting. If you prefer to mail in your dues, please send to:

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Coming Events Calendar

April 18th- Spring Membership Meeting
April 29th- Spring Trip Morven Museum

May 2006- Local History Scholar Award

July 4th Parade

July 18thOct. 2006Oct. 2006Oct. 2006Heirloom Discovery Day
Fall Membership Meeting

Ongoing Projects Needing Volunteers

<u>Haddon Heights Remembered</u>- Jodi Clark-

Revision/Update & Printing

H.H Town & Business Directories Marshall Hatfield Data entry, verifying & collating

Marketing of H.H. Historical Society Items-

Elena Hill- Develop merchandise to sell

Historical Society Board/Contacts

President- Marshall Hatfield

<u>Vice-President-</u>
<u>Treasurer-</u>
<u>Recording Sec.-</u>
Peter Hill
Jodi Clark
(VACANT)

Newsletter Ed.- Ken Funkhouser

Corresponding Sec.-(VACANT)Web Master-Jack WitzigPast Pres./Librarian-Bob Hunter

<u>Trustees-</u> Virginia Appleby

Ken Funkhouser

Jack Witzig

<u>Project Coordinator</u> Joan Rossler <u>Legislative Chair</u> Anne McAdams

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<u>HOUSE PORTRAITS</u> Create your own piece of history and a future family heirloom painting of your home, with these double-matted, framed watercolor house portraits at the very reasonable price of \$130. A portion of the price for these 16"X20" custom paintings benefits the Historical Society. Help continue this great fund-raiser. "Picture" your historic home or the home of someone you love!

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FREE VISIT TO MORVEN- After hearing about Morven Museum and Garden at the April meeting, you may want to go see it for yourself. We are planning our Spring Trip to do just that! On Saturday April 9th, we will be car pooling from the HH Library, at 9:00am. Our group will tour the Morven Mansion and Garden. We will also be able to participate in "Communiversity 2006", a day of performances, food, games and more! If you want to sign up or if you have questions, please call the Library at 856-547–7132.

THANKS for listening ... I hope you like what you read in the Bulletin. Drop me a line. Share some history! Ken Funkhouser, Editor

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