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President's Memo

After a really glorious change of colors this season, winter is fast approaching. Don Steele informs me that our AppleFest was successful and we owe it in no small way to all the Board who chipped in and pulled off a small miracle. The day was beautiful and the help was wonderful. "Thank you" goes to all those people involved from set-up to tear-down and all the activities in between: Matt Unsworth, Jerry and Carol Bailey, Dan Clark, Don Steele, Doug Longenecker, Mike Houdart, Glen Stewart, Sonia Forry, Ebbie Unsworth, Olive Pisani, Edith Himmelberger, Avis Read, Maxine Schmidt, Ann and Al Snyder, Marj Bixby, Sue Kelsey, Steve Martinelli, and Kay Terwilliger and crew for the fine food, to name a few. It took a small village to make this fundraiser a really enjoyable time for family and friends.

Thank you to Rachel Dolhanczyk and Sonia Forry for assessing and cataloguing all our acquisitions/donations using the Past Perfect program. This was a huge project and I am pleased to report that our entire collection has been updated.

We are also continuing the process of the creation of a building to house our speeder car and various train memorabilia at the Train Station. Matt Unsworth and Steve Martinelli along with Doug Longenecker have taken on this task and we await their report.

Saturdays at the Train Station are very busy during the holidays and we really need your help! Please consider giving us a couple of your hours to man the station... a sign-up sheet will be available at our next meeting or you could call me to put you on the schedule.

Our annual Holiday Dinner is scheduled for Wednesday, December 9th at L's Restaurant in Corbin City (see enclosed flyer.) Please plan to attend and share some goodwill and cheer with all of us!

Finally, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to two outgoing board members, Sonia Forry and Ralph Cooper for all they have given in both time and service to our society. I welcome our new board member, Stoddard Bixby, and look forward to working with him and the entire board in the New Year. The Historian's position is open on the board and we would love one of you to volunteer (if interested, please call me at 628-2902.)

The board also wishes to thank the Township Committee for their support in helping us with our mission to preserve our valuable history for future generations.

As seasons change, let's remember all we have to be grateful for; both the Board and I wish you all a wonderful Thanksgiving and a happy and joyful Christmas and New Year!

Sincerely,
Carol Williams



Calendar of Events



- November 26 - Happy Thanksgiving!!!
- November 30 - **Board Meeting** (Budget) at Carol's home at 7 pm. **New** members of the Board of Trustees should plan to attend.
- December 9 - Our **Holiday Dinner** will be **Wednesday**, December 9. See the enclosed insert.
- December 13 - There will be **Christmas at the Gandy Farmstead** with open hearth cooking. Check with Carol for the time.
- December 25 - Merry Christmas!!!!
- January 1 - Happy New Year!!!!
- Jan. & Feb. - Generally there are no **regular meetings** in January and February.
- Jan. Feb. & March - There may be meetings of the **Board of Trustees** on a Monday evening in each of these months.
- March 9 - Remember to set aside the second Tuesday of March for our **annual covered dish supper and show and tell**.



Editor's Opinion:

By: Marj Bixby

We miss Lew Albrect!!! Without him there is a distinct lack of care for our historic sites. Willful damage was done to one of our artifacts, the water trough. I over-pruned the grapes. (Luckily by next year they will have returned to their former glory.) And no one pruned or sprayed the fruit trees. The Farmstead buildings, the Train Station and the Friendship School missed his observant eye. I hope that Carol will appoint a deputy Architectural Chairperson who can fill Lew's shoes until he is well enough to resume his duties.

This year we had no meeting of the Board of Trustees from early June until the end of August. And so we only learned at the end of August that we had no chairperson for the AppleFest. Luckily all the active members had all ready fulfilled their normal preparations for the AppleFest and all pitched in to make the fund raiser possible. I hope that this year we can have meetings of the Board of Trustees monthly so that we can stay on top of things. I also suggest that the meetings should be at the Train Station as some members who are not on the Board of Trustees feel uncomfortable going to a private home, but would feel comfortable going to our own site. I believe this will lead to more member participation.



AppleFest Report

In spite of two postponements, our AppleFest was a success. On our third try we hit a beautiful fall day, crisp, and cool, and bright. Due to the postponements we lost a lot of crafters. Many thanks to Ralph Clayton for all the interesting items he brought to the fair, which filled in the empty crafter's spaces nicely. Our visitors had fun and learned a lot. Of course, we also had a much smaller crowd than usual. This greatly decreased our profits. However, we did make a net profit of \$402.55.



Pictures courtesy of Glen Stewart & Kay Terwilliger





*We're Celebrating the Holidays
Come Join Us!*

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9TH

**WHERE: L'S RESTAURANT & BONES TAVERN, 119 ROUTE 50
CORBIN CITY**

TIME: 6P.M. COCKTAILS ... 6:30 DINNER

WHAT: DINNER CHOICES:

- CHICKEN SALTIMBOCCA... PAN SAUTÉED WITH PROSCIUTTO, SAGE AND MELTED PROVOLONE IN A WHITE WINE DEMI GLAZE
- SEAFOOD AU GRATIN ... JUMBO SHRIMP, LOCAL SCALLOPS AND LUMP CRABMEAT BAKED IN A CREAMY CHEESE SAUCE WITH CRUMB TOPPING
- CIDER GLAZED PORK CHOP ... 12 OZ. CENTER CUT PORK CHOP WITH APPLE CIDER DEMI GLAZE
- SIRLOIN FILLET...8 OZ. FILLET COOKED TO YOUR LIKING

**ALL DINNERS COMPLETE WITH DINNER SALAD OR SOUP OF THE DAY,
POTATO AND VEGETABLE.
DESSERT AND COFFEE/TEA
\$30.00 PER PERSON**

NAME/S: _____

CHOICE: CHICKEN # _____ OF DINNERS

SEAFOOD # _____ OF DINNERS

PORK # _____ OF DINNERS

SIRLOIN # _____ OF DINNERS

TOTAL: \$ _____ ENCLOSED

TEAR OFF AND RETURN BY DEC.2, WITH CHECK MADE OUT TO HPSUT

TO:

DON STEELE

**12 HOMESTEAD COURT
BEESLEY'S POINT, NJ 08223**

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Couple \$25.00
Sr. Couple both 65+ \$20.00
Student \$ 5.00
Donation \$ _____

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(memberships and donations are tax deductible)
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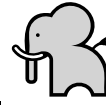
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RECENT EVENTS



By: Marj Bixby, editor

Dan Campbell was our guest speaker at the September 8th meeting. His topic was a history of the land and buildings that make up the historic site of Batsto and the Wharton Tract. He explained that Batsto was developed because of the bog iron which was the only source of iron for the colonies and early nation. This site not only had the iron, but the forests to provide the charcoal and the shells to provide the lime needed to produce the iron. The industry employed many workers, and a town grew up around the foundry. And of course the wealthy owners built themselves a mansion. His lively discussion and interesting slides made this an informative and entertaining evening. Did you know that in what was once North Tuckahoe, now Estelle Manor, we have the remains of our own iron foundry, complete with the charcoal piles and shell piles and the foundation of a small mansion?

Our guest speaker at the October meeting, Maurice Hunt, a collector of wax seals, appraised our antiques for us and also showed us his extensive collection.

Our recent fund raiser was the AppleFest. See pages 3 and 4.

One of our own members, Robert Holden, brought his collection of political memorabilia to our November meeting. Perfect timing for the election month. It's so nice to be reminded of the variety historical information that our members bring to the society.



Results of the AppleFest 'Take a Chance'

By: Sonia Forry, historian

This year's offering was a Byers' Choice Figurine which depicted a woman selling apples. It was won by Mr. and Mrs. Van Epps of Marmora, who were especially pleased because she is an avid collector of the carolers.

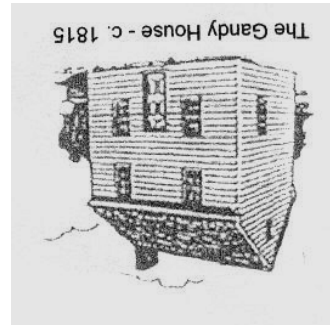
This was the second year we sold chances on a Byers' Choice figurine. If you missed out in 2008 and 2009, try again next year when the final caroler will be offered for 'Take-a-Chance'.



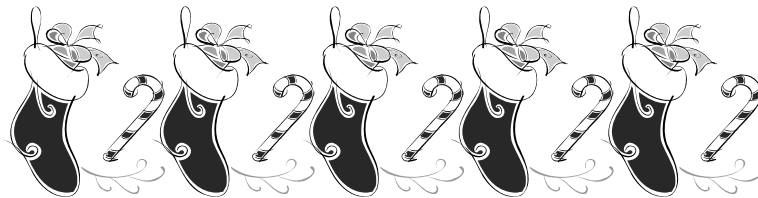
Gandy House Exhibit

By: Sonia Forry, historian

If you attended the AppleFest in October, hopefully you viewed the new exhibit located in the rear lean-to addition to the house. The former site of our gift shop, the small room is now dedicated to a very interesting display of antique laundry items. The Society's collection consists of an early washing machine, tub and scrub board, laundry soap advertising box, several sad irons in various sizes, wood-constructed ironing board, plus a selection of vintage ladies undergarments. The latter clothing items date from the late 1800's into the early 1`900's, and are displayed hanging on a wash line.



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Are
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Thank you for your promptness.

Edith Himmelberger, Membership Committee Chairperson

