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<u>Bulletin</u>

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We meet on the third Tuesday of January, April, July, and October - at 7:30pm

OUR NEXT MEETING – Our next meeting will be Tuesday July 18th at 7:30pm downstairs in the AIR CON-DITIONED Library. We all remember the names Merrimac & Monitor as the Iron Clad warships of the Union and Confederacy in the Civil war. These great ships were the first of their type and led to the steel hulled ships and submarines that followed, right ??? Not exactly. Does the name "USS Alligator" ring any bells? I am not surprised.

Please join us on July 18th when Mrs. Alice Smith will present information on her current research project—The search for the descendents of the crew of the USS Alligator, and the submarine prototype—the Alligator, Jr. It seems that the Alligator was the Union's Civil War submarine. That's right—a real submarine! Legend has it that the prototype ship, the "Alligator, Jr", may have sunk in the waters of the Rancocas Creek in the vicinity of Riverside, NJ. Last fall, Mrs. Smith was invited by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to be a guest speaker at the 3rd Annual USS Alligator Symposium/ Workshop, held at the Independence Seaport Museum.

Mrs. Smith is a local Historian who has lived in the "Triple Town" area of Delanco, Riverside, and Delran for over fifty years. As current historian for the Dobbins United Methodist Church in Delanco, she recently completed a five year research project which culminated with publication of a book entitled *Sermon in Glass*. Alice is a member of the Township of Delanco Historical Preservation Advisory Board and the Newton's Landing History Committee. She also assisted in the research for Riverside's history book– *150 Years of Progress*. This should prove to be an evening full of interesting historical facts & Information!!!

HISTORICAL SOCIETY CELEBRATES THE 4th-

The sounds of Sousa Marches filled the air as the Haddon Heights Historical Society once again participated in the town parade. The Sousa music was provided courtesy of the Historical Society KAZOO BAND (see photo at right). Before the parade began, our group was visited by Congressman Robert Andrews. The Congressman was interested in our upcoming projects and encouraged the Board to continue our efforts to keep history alive. See more photos (pg2)

I am sad to report that my Model A Ford-"Florence" decided she was not quite ready to "go" when the parade started, so I missed seeing all of you along this year's parade.



(Society Pres. Marshall Hatfield leads the Kazoo Band)

MEMBERSHIP REPORT— "OverDues"— 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 July 18th. DON'T BE LEFT BEHIND...Your Historical Society is on the move! Make sure your membership is current.

As a reminder, I have <u>highlighted</u> the "Paid Through" date on the Newsletter mailing labels of those members who are <u>not current</u>. If the two-digit number to the right of your name is "05" or lower please forward your 2006 dues. We will be unable to continue mailing this quarterly newsletter to those who have let their membership lapse beyond a reasonable time. You benefit from our effort-let us benefit from yours!

<u>WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS</u> I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of Marshall Hatfield and the rest of our Board, to welcome two new members to the Board. Sue Roberts has agreed to fill the role of Secretary– formerly known as the titles of Recording and Corresponding Secretaries. Jan Ewing has also generously offered her time in the capacity of Membership Chairperson. Jan will continue our efforts to increase membership and coordinate member related data. Thanks to both of you for joining us!

HOUSE PORTRAITS- CHRISTMAS IN JULY??? It is not too late to create your own piece of history and a future family heirloom with a painting of your home- in time for Holiday giving! Each original watercolor painting is double-matted & framed with your choice of natural wood frames, 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. Just "picture" your historic home or the home of someone you love!



HADDON HEIGHTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY LOCAL HISTORY AWARD—The Haddon Heights Historical Society enlisted the aid of HHHS teachers and administration as we rolled out our first Annual Local History Award for students at the High School. The award was given on the basis of student-submitted research papers on a topic involving the history of Haddon Heights. Thanks to our Committee and their Chairperson, Margaret Westfield, for their work on this inaugural Award !!!

The winner was Ms. Britney Carmichael. Britney received an award of \$100 from the Historical Society at the High School awards Banquet on May 17th. Her paper was titled- "The History of Haddon Heights". Ms. Carmichael will be joining us at our general membership meeting on July 18th, to share an overview of her research paper, and receive her 1st Place Certificate. The 2nd & 3rd place winners, Vladslava Levchenko, and Joanna Barron have also been invited to our meeting to receive their certificates.

<u>2006 FALL FESTIVAL & HEIRLOOM DISCOVERY DAY</u>. The 2006 Haddon Heights Fall Festival will take place on SATURDAY OCTOBER 7th. The Historical Society will have a table on Station avenue, selling Cat's Meow items, books, memberships, etc. This year, however, we are excited to announce that we are moving the <u>ANNUAL HEIRLOOM DISCOVERY DAY from Sunday to SATURDAY</u>. The Heirloom Discovery Day event will take place in conjunction with the Fall Festival. The location is also new!!!!! We will Host this popular event in the <u>large meeting room in the H.H. Municipal Building!</u>

Mr. Ronald Shaffer of the International Society of Appraisers will be speaking and giving his opinion of value for antique and collectible items brought in by Historical Society members and the public. Hours for this popular event will be from 1:00pm—4:00pm. Members and visitors are welcome. For a modest fee you can bring your family heirlooms & see what they're worth... or just watch and make your own guess! Save the Day

If you are interested and can help out with the Historical Society booth, or want to assist with the Heirloom Discovery Day event, please contact <u>Bob Hunter at the Library- 547-7132</u>.

COMING SOON !!! GREAT HADDON HEIGHTS MERCHANDISE— We are in the final stages of planning and ordering several very nice and useful items featuring artist and architectural renderings of historic buildings in Haddon Heights. Watch for our new "Tea Towel" with artwork of the Train Station and 6 historic homes in town. The "Wine Carrier" bag and handy "Tote Bag" will also feature historic buildings. We are working diligently to have these items available for purchase at the Fall Festival and throughout the end of the year. What great Holiday Gifts they will make!!! Look for them at our booth.

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

July 18th- Summer Membership Mtg. Oct. 7th- Fall Festival Booth/Sales

(Station Ave)

Oct. 7th Heirloom Discovery Day

(at the Municipal Building)

Oct. 17th- Fall Membership Meeting

(Library – Downstairs)

Ongoing Projects Needing Volunteers

Haddon Heights Remembered- 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

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2007 SLATE OF OFFICERS & OCTOBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING- All of the Board members and Assistants listed above * will be considered for reappointment and election at our Annual October Business Meeting. Our Past- President Bob Hunter chairs the nomination committee. If you are interested in joining the Board, or know someone who is, please call Bob at the H.H. Library (856-547-7132) to get on the ballot for our October general Meeting.

WHAT'S ON THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY WEB SITE? — like the Society itself, our Society website, at **WWW.HHHISTORICAL.ORG** is **vibrant** and **growing!!** So, go online and take a look! I think you will be pleased to see how your Society and our town are represented to the world on the Internet.

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

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