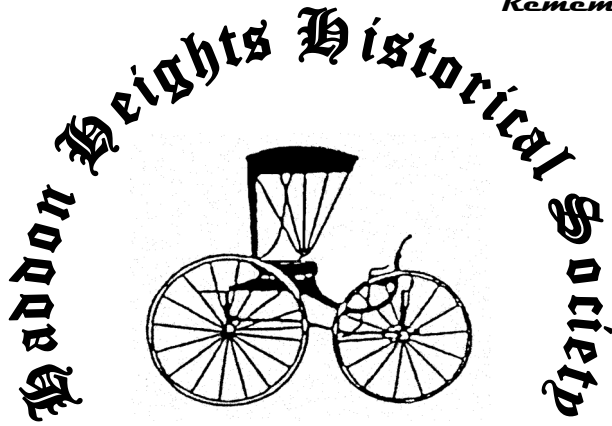


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We meet on the third **MONDAY** of January, April, July, and October - at **7:00pm**

OUR NEXT MEETING: Monday evening April 15th at 7:00pm in the Haddon Heights Library. The presentation at our April 2013 meeting is entitled, " The Second Battle of Princeton"- New revelations on the Battle of Princeton & preservation challenges from a proposed housing development... Our presenter will be Ms. Kip Cherry, who is 1st Vice President of the Princeton Battlefield Society. She has over 30 years of varied experience in historic preservation, urban planning and economic development. She is Chairman of the Princeton Battlefield Society's Planning Committee, which is leading PBS's efforts to save the site of the counterattack at the Battle of Princeton, which is slated for development as 15 units of faculty housing. She was Co-chair for the Society's 225th 1783 Anniversary Celebration - a three-day series of events, and managed the Society's Symposium on the Battle of Princeton (as a part of a federal grant) and its Ten Crucial Days Forum. Most recently she was Director of Marketing for Michael Graves & Associates. She graduated from Beaver College (now called Arcadia University), with a BA in English and has an MBA from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. She holds a certification from the American Institute of Certified Planners and is licensed by the State of New Jersey as a Professional Planner.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Spring has sprung, the birds are chirping, trees are budding, and flowers are blooming. The Haddon Heights Historical Society is looking forward to bringing you many exciting programs and activities. In order to accomplish all of our activities we have an exceptional board. Anne and Margaret have worked

“overtime” to accomplish the completion and installation of our three newest interpretive signs. We extend our great appreciation to the Laitman Trust for their grant that allows us to continue our historic educational projects. We hope to see you at the ribbon cutting ceremony at the three of the historic homes on April 28th, beginning at 12:00 PM. Peter continues to plan interesting and informative meetings and Ken faithfully publishes a very informative newsletter to keep all of us up to date. I am very lucky to work with such an exceptional board. I can’t begin to individually thank everyone for all of their dedication and fine work. We would appreciate having YOU on the Board. I know you are out there and we really need a Vice President and a photographer. Please consider joining this vibrant group of volunteers. I am looking forward to seeing you on April 15. Please consider bringing a friend.

Elena

HISTORICAL SOCIETY GIFT TO H.H. LIBRARY- The Haddon Heights Historical Society, in keeping with our mission of Community Education, Service and remembering the past for the people of tomorrow, recently continued our practice of making a \$200 donation to the Haddon Heights Library. Chris and his staff allow us to hold our meetings in the Library, and go out of their way to help and ensure our events are “uneventful”. We appreciate everything they do for us !

THREE MORE HISTORICAL INTERPRETIVE MARKERS TO BE DEDICATED- On April 28th, The Haddon Heights Historical Society will be dedicating our next three historical interpretive markers. Join members of the HHHS Board and the individual homeowners as these informative signs are unveiled in front of three of our four Pre-Revolutionary War homes in town. The festivities will begin at Noon on the 28th. We will meet at the Thorne-Glover Plantation House (c.1702) at 1908 New Jersey Avenue. From there, we will proceed to the John Thorne Glover house at 1212 Sylvan Avenue. Finally, we will dedicate the marker at the Colonel Joseph Ellis House (c.1720) located at 1009 Sycamore. If you can’t make it to the dedications, please make it a point to stop by and read these markers when you are in the neighborhood.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SPRING 2014- There... I have given you plenty of notice, that we need volunteers to help represent the Haddon Heights Historical Society in the Spring of 2014. Now, there should be no excuse for not stepping up to help. Our Historical Society has been given the opportunity to host the League of Historical Societies of New Jersey Spring Meeting for 2014. We last hosted this group in 2004 to help celebrate our town’s centennial year. In 2014, we will be helping celebrate the 350th anniversary of New Jersey ! That’s a pretty big deal.

At this time, we are looking for committee members to help plan and organize this event, which will include a luncheon, historical presentations, self-guided town tours, and a tour of the Ritz Theater. If you are interested in participating in the planning or helping out on the day of the event, please call the committee chairperson, Anne McAdams, at 856-547-0058. Last time out, we did Haddon Heights Proud! I would like to see us top that in 2014.

H.H. HISTORICAL SITES FEATURED- Thanks to the hard work and efforts of Joan Rossler and Anne McAdams, Haddon Heights historical sites and our historic marker project are featured in the publication Garden State Legacy, “Prized Artifacts of the Garden State”. You can access this publication at: www.gardenstatelegacy.com.

NO GRANT, BUT HIGH PRAISE FOR WORK !- Recently, HHHS Treasurer Art Ritter, and Councilwoman/HHHS member Rose Fitzgerald applied for a competitive \$5,000 grant. They received word that our proposal was not successful. However, the Grant Board gave a favorable review of our application and commended the Historical Society’s interpretive signage and National Register of Historic Places work!!!

CONGRATULATIONS !!!!!!!!!!!!!

HISTORICAL DATES IN AMERICAN HISTORY- MAY / JUNE

- 5/1/1931- The empire State Building opens in New York City. It was the tallest skyscraper in the world
- 5/5/1961- The first American Astronaut, Alan Shepard Jr., travels 115 miles into space aboard the Mercury capsule "Freedom 7"
- 5/6/1935- President Franklin Delano Roosevelt creates the WPA (Works Project Administration), putting the nation back to work. Haddon Heights benefitted from several of these projects!
- 5/7/1915- A German submarine fires without warning on a British ocean liner, the Lusitania, which sinks off the coast of Ireland with 128 Americans among the 1198 killed.
- 5/8/1945- Celebrations erupt across America and Europe, marking V-E Day, the end of the War in Europe.
- 5/9/1914- President Woodrow Wilson proclaims the first Mother's Day, following a campaign by newspapers, clergymen, politicians, and a West Virginia woman named Ann Jarvis.
- 5/16/1866- Congress authorizes a new 5-cent coin which is soon nicknamed "the nickel".
- 5/17/1792- The first meeting of what would become the New York Stock Exchange is held at the Merchants Coffee House in New York City.
- 5/18/1852- Massachusetts passes the nation's first school attendance law; children aged 8 to 14 required to attend.
- 5/20/1932- Amelia Earhart becomes the first woman to cross the Atlantic Ocean solo by plane. Also, Pan American Airlines begins the first scheduled commercial service across the Atlantic with a flight from New York to Spain in 20 hours and 16 minutes.
- 5/21/1881- Clara Barton founds the American red Cross as a branch of the International Red Cross.
- 5/21/1927- Charles Lindbergh completes his 33 1/2 hour solo flight aboard the "Spirit of St. Louis".
- 5/23/1904- A price war breaks out among European steamship companies competing for immigrant passengers, and the price of a steerage ticket to America falls to \$10.
- 5/24/1844- Samuel F.B. Morse exclaims, "What hath God wrought?" in the first message sent over his invention, the Telegraph. One of his guests, Dolly Madison, widow of President James Madison, is invited to send the next message. "Message from Mrs. Madison- She sends her love to Mrs. Wethered."
- 5/26/1876- General George Armstrong Custer leads his 655 man cavalry regiment out of Fort Lincoln, South Dakota toward the Little Big Horn .
- 5/30/1783- America's first daily newspaper, the Pennsylvania Evening Post, begins publication in Philadelphia.
- 5/30/1868- The first Memorial Day is observed, as General John A. Logan calls on soldiers and veterans to decorate military graves with flowers.
- 6/1/1821- Emma Willard, pioneer in higher education for women, founds the Waterford Academy for Young Ladies in Waterford, N.Y. Later, she established the nation's first college-level school for women.
- 6/2/1924- All U.S. born Indians (native Americans) are granted full American citizenship.
- 6/4/1896- The first Ford automobile is assembled in Detroit, but the road test had to be postponed because the finished car was wider than the shed in which it was built.
- 6/6/1944- "The eyes of the world are upon you", General Dwight D. Eisenhower tells troops about to cross the English Channel to land on the beaches of Normandy. "The way home is via Berlin", he said.
- 6/8/1869- A patent is granted to Ives W. McGaffey of Chicago for his invention of a "sweeping machine" that operates by suction.... A vacuum cleaner.
- 6/10/1935- Alcoholics Anonymous is founded in New York city.
- 6/14/1777- The Continental Congress agrees on a national flag with 13 stripes and 13 white stars in a field of blue.
- 6/17/1947- Pan American Airways introduces "Around the World" service for a fare of \$1,700.
- 6/19/1846- The first recorded baseball game is played in Hoboken, NJ following rules by Alexander Cartwright.
- 6/22/1944- FDR signs the G.I. Bill, formally known as the Servicemen's Readjustment Act.
- 6/28/1904- Helen Keller, blind and deaf, graduates with honors from Radcliffe College. Keller has already become a celebrity through the publication of her inspiring autobiography.
- 6/30/1948- Bell Labs announces the development of the transistor as a substitute for radio tubes.

(Information comes from 'A Book of Days in American History', by Larry Shaprio, 1987)

COMING EVENTS

4/15/13 7:00pm- Library: General Membership Mtg.- Presentation on the efforts to preserve the historic Princeton Battlefield

6/1/13 League of Historical Societies of NJ Spring Meeting- Woodbridge Twp. Historic Preservation Commission (Middlesex County)

6/24/13 7:30pm- Library: HHHS Board Meeting

7/15/13 7:00pm- Library: HHHS General Mtg.-

9/30/13 7:30pm- Library: HHHS Board Meeting

10/21/13 7:00pm- Library: HHHS General Mtg.-

12/16/13 7:00pm- Library: HHHS Board Meeting

SPRING- 2014 -League of Historical Societies of NJ Spring Meeting held in Haddon Heights !!!

2014 is the 350th anniversary of NJ. We are looking for members to join our planning committee.

Just a reminder...The Historical Society is a 501(c)3 organization. Please keep us in mind as you plan your charitable donations.

THANKS for listening... I know you are out there...If you come across old photos of Haddon Heights, or old stories of historic interest, please contact me. Remember.... The things we accomplish today become tomorrow's history. Leave a full historical legacy for your descendants.

Ken Funkhouser, Editor

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