

Craft Fair - Great Success

If you attended our second annual Craft Fair, you know what an outstanding event it was. There were assembled that day a very superior group of craftspeople and exhibitors (50 in all) who demonstrated and enthusiastically explained their crafts and exhibits. Moreover, the quality of the workmanship was exceptionally fine. We are enclosing the program from our fair so that those of you who did not attend can get an idea of the variety of our displays. You will notice the lack of duplication. Everywhere there were seeming duplications, there were great differences. There were, for instance, several wood workers, but one carved boats, another birds, another small figures, another wooden toys, and another demonstrated the art of hewing a log into a beam. Our craftspeople came from the local area and as far as from Philadelphia, Orwigsburg and Lancaster.

The food served was excellent: hot dogs with sauerkraut, barbecues, old fashioned molasses cookies baked on the premises, a delicious variety of baked goods and birch beer on tap.

The free bus rides to the archaeological digs were greatly enjoyed by over a hundred people.

Our aim for the Fair is to develop more interest in and understanding of early American life and our local history. It also gives us, the society's officers and board members, an opportunity to meet and talk with people of the vicinity about the work of the Society and our accomplishments and hopes. Although our primary purpose is educational and service we are happy if we earn some money for our many projects through our efforts. We were a bit disappointed in the amount of money raised this year (expenses were higher) and in our attendance. We had about 750 guests, about the same number as last year. But we had hoped that an outstanding Fair such as ours would attract more people this year. We realize that the many efforts for the Bi-Centennial Celebration has given us a lot of competition because of the unusual number of events scheduled for this summer and next. However, we do intend to have our Third Annual Craft Fair on Saturday, July 17, 1976. Plans are already underway for a gala, super event. Please help us make this be the biggest, best Fair to date. Plan to attend. You'll be sorry if you miss it!

Many Thanks!!

It seems most fitting for your President to write a note of appreciation to the many people who worked so hard to make our Craft Fair a superior event. I have made it a point to visit other widely publicized Craft Fairs in the area and without a doubt our Fair out-shown them all. The high quality of the work produced by our Craftspeople, the pleasant, enthusiastic explanation of the demonstrations and displays were a delight to all. The variety of crafts and lack of duplication was a point in our favor. We are grateful to all of these

craftspeople and exhibitors and were pleased that so many of them expressed their pleasure in participating and that they complimented us on the high quality of our show. No Fair that I attended had as fine accommodations as we. We thank Dan Fowler and the staff of the County Extension Office for helping us and permitting us to use the 4-H Club Grounds.

And then there was the Committee!! I can mention the chairmen, but our thanks go to everyone who gave us help; - workers, exhibitors, contributors. Our chairman was the quiet efficient Bobbie DiGerlando. The credit for securing the Craftspeople and the detailed planning of everything goes to her. Working with her was Joe DiGerlando, our hard-working vice-president, in charge of publicity, prizes, securing the bus for our tours to the digs and many other things. Credit must be given to Barry Jones for the designing of our posters and flyers.

Virginia Lopresti presided in the kitchen with a staff of able assistants. Mollie Santee supervised the baking of the cookies, Margaret Stocker procured and sold our baked goods, Hilton Rahn dispensed birch beer and Harold Stocker and Hank Fluck supervised the parking operation.

Joe Lopresti eloquently described the things uncovered in our archaeological work. Peter Koch of Brown-Daub Inc. and Bill Zimmerman of Solt Buses deserve special mention for their last minute assistance in securing a bus for our tours. Ken Smith was the helpful, courteous bus driver.

Our thanks go to all of the aforementioned people and to all the people who assisted them; to all of our contributors; and to the strong-armed people who helped "set-up" and "take-down" the Fair.

I must especially thank our officers and Board. No Society has a harder working Board than the Jacobsburg Historical Society. They work continuously all year. For the Fair they spent many hours in preparation and assisting at the Fair.

Sincere thanks to everyone - This means everybody who helped, worked, contributed or whatever - Thank you! Thank you!

Sincerely

Catherine S. Beers

Grand Prize Winners

First Prize - Thomas C. Miller, Easton - a pair of tickets to the Northampton County BiCentennial New Years Eve Ball.

Second Prize - Wandon Fredon, Nazareth - dinner for two at the Bushkill Center Hotel. We thank the hotel owner for this donation.

Third Prize - Mrs. Robert Hughes, Easton - a set of our Society's Founder's Collection Prints.

Full Summer Schedule at the "Dig"

The saying about "no rest for the weary" is true at Jacobsburg. After participating in the program with the Northampton County Community College, Joe and Virginia Lopresti launched into an ambitious summer program. Assisting them in their work is a group of young people from the Lehigh Valley Man Power Program. The young people arrived on July 15. For the first three days there were about 17 boys and girls. Six of these were young college

students who were to work with the welfare offices but because of the strike were sent to us. The rest of the workers are boys and girls who are students at the Philadelphia School for the Deaf. These boys and girls live in the Lehigh Valley and are working during their summer vacation. They are accompanied by their counselor, Harold Koch, a teacher at the school. They were assigned to us for two weeks but at the end of that time asked if they could stay on until August 22. Virginia and Joe Lopresti have received this group as a challenge and are happy to supervise them. Virginia is a patient teacher and works along with the young people explaining to them what they are doing. Joe sets an example of hard work that cannot be duplicated. How can we thank two such devoted people who give up six weeks of their summer, forty hours a week? Their contribution to us and to the handicapped children is invaluable. You can help by showing interest through visiting the site and perhaps staying for a few hours to help with the work! Dig. Clear brush. Meet these fine people.

New Porch to be Laid at Homestead

We have been able to purchase enough tongue and groove fir for the replacing of the porch floor at the Homestead. This purchase was made possible by the support of the membership through payment of dues and extra contributions. There are still a few members who have not paid their 1975 dues. If you are one of these we need your contributions for there is much work to be done.

Volunteers Needed for Work Projects

We need workers at the Homestead anytime in August, September or October. We are asking you now. Two people said after the Fair - "Nobody asked me to help." We did ask for help and we ask again. You need not be a skilled worker - just handy. Albert Toth has outlined the following projects.

1. work on the bridge (carpentry)
2. porch flooring - carpentry, painting
3. insulation - no skill needed, just help Mr. Toth with the machine etc.
4. electrical wiring - Mr. Toth is the electrician, needs a helper to help feed wires.

Call Albert Toth for anytime possible - Saturday, Sundays, weekdays, evenings. Every hour will count!

Recent Gifts

The very large map of Northampton County in 1860 purchased by the Society has been beautifully framed due to the kindness of Mr. William Eisenhardt and Mr. Walter Speck. An especially designed frame made of white pine cut in 1735 was created by the Eisenhardt cabinet mills and a fine plexiglass cover was installed by the Specks Plastic Co. We greatly appreciate these fine gifts.

We are truly grateful for the original chestnut gate to the hemlock lane which was restored and placed in its former location by Mary Henry Stites as a gift to the Society.

The Boulton Cook Books

Another favorite cake at Boulton was Buckeye Cake and where its name came from who can tell - perhaps a cousin from the Buckeye State brought it with her when she came to visit. At all events it was made frequently in various forms - in a loaf pan, a flat pan to be cut in squares and iced with the addition of a cup of nutmeats and perhaps raisins, or on special occasions in an odd-shaped pan for half-moons. In this latter form the pan was shaped like the rain gutters of a house about twelve inches long. After baking, the cake was removed from the pan, allowed to stand some hours, then sliced about a quarter of an inch thick. The slices were spread on a tray and iced with chocolate and orange icing - a delicious confection. The following recipe belongs to the handwritten category.

"Buckeye Cake"

1 lb powdered sugar
1 cup butter
1 cup sweet milk
4 cups flour
6 eggs
2 teaspoonfuls baking powder

There are no directions for baking this recipe belongs to the day when the cook tested the oven by opening the door and putting her hand in for a few seconds. As for mixing, well, everybody knows how to mix a cake, butter and paper a tin! Don't they?

M.H.S.

Upcoming Events

Put these dates on your calendar now and plan to attend.

1975 - Sunday October 12 (Rain date October 19) Annual walk through Henry's Woods and tour of Jacobsburg
Wednesday October 22 Annual meeting at College Hill Presbyterian Church
8:00 p.m.

1976 - Saturday May 8 (Rain date May 15) Open House And Tour of Gardens at the Homestead
Saturday July 17 - Third Annual Craft Fair
Sunday October 10 (Rain Date October 17) Annual walk at Henry's Woods

Next Board meeting September 3, 1975 8:00 p.m. at the home of the President

WORKING CRAFTSMEN

Inside

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| 1. Mary Lou Audendried | Tole Painting |
| 2. Sally Bowers | Rug Hooking |
| 3. Mary Louise Brion | Quilting |
| 4. Roth Fries | Crocheting |
| 5. Mary Hahey | Stained Glass |
| 6. Mary Herring | Pressed Flowers |
| 7. Ladies Aid Society | Quilting |
| 8. Gladys Lutz | Pa. German Folk |
| 9. Joyce Mann | Art Painting |
| 10. Ralph Mann | Stuffed Dolls, |
| 11. Lorraine Mineo | Woodcarver |
| 12. Bernard Perch | Woodcarver |
| | Herbs |
| 13. Martin Shemella, Jr. | Potters Wheel |
| 14. Anna Shook | Demonstration |
| 15. Faith Weiler | Silversmith |
| | Decorated Eggs |
| | Decoupage |

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| 1. Lois Frederick | Kitchenware |
| 2. F. James Hess | Needlepoint Pillows |
| 3. Joseph & Virginia Lopresti | & Cane Chair |
| 4. William Lorah | Jacobsburg |
| | Excavations |
| | Indian Artifacts |
| 5. Eva Smith | Display |
| 6. Albert Toth | Corn Husk Dolls |
| | Hand Tools |

Outside

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| 1. Mark Brandt | Hewing |
| 2. Peter Burleigh | Woodcarving |
| 3. Pat Denardo Jr. | Primitive Pottery |
| 4. Henry Derix | Silversmith |
| 5. Dominic Digerlando | Basket Weaving |
| 6. Chris Dreisbach | String Hammock Making |
| 7. Bettina Ehrig | Handspinning |
| 8. D. A. Ehrig | Muzzleloading Dem. |
| 9. Anthony Emery | Net Making |
| 10. Janice Emery | Quilling |
| 11. Mrs. H. Frantz | Seed Mosaics, |
| | Pen & Ink Drawings |
| 12. Jack Gera | Blacksmith |
| 13. William Heacock | Woodworking |
| 14. Pamela Horvath | Macrame |
| 15. K. & D. Keenhold | Candle Making |
| 16. Ida Lorenzo | Rug Hooking |
| 17. Betty Marshall | Calico Creations |
| 18. Fran Meixell | Holly Hobby Dolls |
| 19. Richard's Metal Creations | Metal Sculpture |
| 20. Walter Shunk | Pottery |
| 21. Mr. & Mrs. B. Smith | Wooden & Stuffed Toys |
| 22. Walter Squyres | Broom Making |
| 23. Doris Tamandl | Tote Bags |
| 24. J. Carroll Tobias | Sterling Jewelry |
| 25. Diane Werner | Soap Making |
| 26. Mrs. John Ziegler | Crewel Embroidery |

The JACOBSBURG HISTORICAL SOCIETY was founded in the fall of 1972 and became incorporated as a non-profit organization in February of 1973.

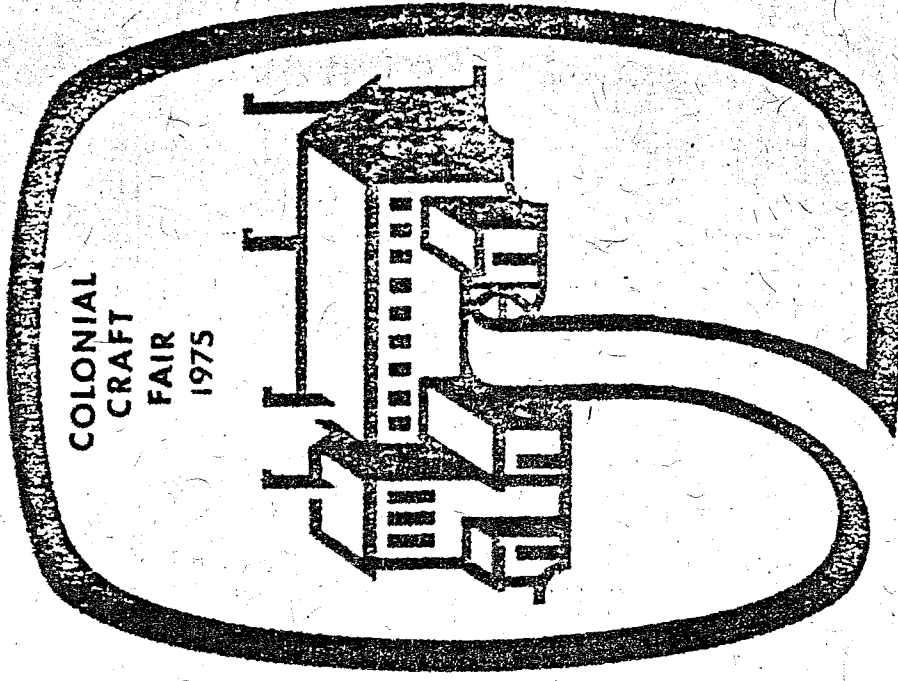
Perhaps you never have heard of the villages of Jacobsburg and Boulton or Henry's Woods and the Henry Gun Factory located there. Understandably so, for today most of the structures of this once thriving area no longer exist. However, these areas now are included in what is to become Northampton County's only state park. . . The Jacobsburg State Park.

Jacobsburg, named for Jacob Hubler and founded in 1740, offered its industrious residents a simple way of life in Eastern Pennsylvania's pastoral hills and valleys. By 1851 the village had grown to include a tannery, forges and iron works, a cooperage, residential dwellings, an inn and a store.

The Jacobsburg Historical Society invites you to participate in a journey into the fascinating world of early American history and into the grand adventure of restoring and preserving a portion of that world for future generations.

Through archaeological digging and historical research the Jacobsburg Historical Society is endeavoring to recreate a complete picture of the Jacobsburg area.

Won't you join and support the Society in preserving and restoring the natural beauty and historical significance of Pennsylvania's Jacobsburg State Park?



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