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October-November 2018 TOWN CRIER HULMEVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

NEW PRESIDENT

Due to an increasing work load at the office our recent Historical Society President, Eric Schmid, had to relinquish his office. We want to THANK him for his service over the past year.

Marce Heald has again taken on the position as President of the Society. We THANK her for her continuing commitment to the organization and the community of Hulmeville.

SPECIAL EVENT

Last spring the Historical Society sponsored a special program by Courier Times journalist, Carl LaVO. We are pleased to present another program by Carl on Wednesday, October 10 at 7:30pm at Borough Hall. The topic of his talk this time will be "A Castle for Auntie Lela: The woman behind Doylestown's Fonthill Castle and Mercer Museum. This event is open to the public. Carl will also have some of his most recent book available for purchase.

Refreshments will be served (and donations of items are needed). See you there!

NEW HHS FUNDRAISER

Beginning in January of 2019 the Historical Society will launch a new fundraising effort to replace the 26 Week Club, which we've run for several years now. This new effort is being called the HISTORICAL SOCIETY LOTTERY. Tickets will be offered for \$5 each and can be purchased during each 8 week period corresponding to the 6 editions of our Town Crier Newsletter throughout the year. Drawings of our winner will take place at the end of each newsletter publication period (Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept, and Nov). Like a 50/50 or our previous 26 Week Club, winners will receive half the money collected during each drawing period.

Tickets can be purchased by contacting project coordinator, Kurt Ludwig at 267-697-9235. They will also be available at our annual events, i.e. Senior Luncheon, Flea Market, Craft Fair, Tree Lighting and at monthly Historical Society meetings.

FLEA MARKET

Our Annual Hulmeville Historical society Flea Market is being held this year on Saturday, September 29th throughout the community. An update on this event will appear in the next issue of the Town Crier.

CRAFT FAIR

Final preparations are in the works for this year's Annual Craft Fair sponsored by the Hulmeville Historical Society on Sunday, November 4th from 10am-3pm at the Fire House, but we need your help!

Some men are needed at 8:30 and 3:00 to help vendors unload and reload their wares. Donations of baked goods are needed for the Bake Sale table. And help is needed in the kitchen. If you're able to give a couple of hours please contact event coordinator, Ann Louise Miller, at https://hulmevillehistoricalsociety@yahoo.com. And of course we hope to see you out shopping for those Christmas gifts for your family and friends!

CAT'S MEOW

The photos and write up of our next piece, the Bunting Farm House, most recently the home of Harriet Black and family, are in the hands of the company. We expect this newest piece will be available for Christmas. If you wish to order a piece for yourself or several for gifts contact our project coordinator, Mary Johnson, at 215-757-8412. Mary still has some of our previous pieces in her inventory available for purchase as well. The cost of each piece is \$20.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The following is a list of the Hulmeville Historical Society upcoming events:

Wednesday, October 10, 7:30pm- HHS special program with Carl LaVO Sunday, November 4, 10am-3pm- 5th Annual Craft Fair Friday, November 23, 7:00pm- Tree Lighting and Party Wednesday, December 19th- Decorating Contest judging

Historical Society public meetings are held at 7:30pm on the following dates: 10/10, 11/14. No meetings are held in July or December.

ANNUAL HULMEVILLE TREE LIGHTING AND PARTY

It won't be long now til it's time to gather in Memorial Park and the Wm Penn Fire House for the Tree Lighting and Party. This is another of the events sponsored annually by the Hulmeville Historical Society. This year the date is Friday, November 23 with the Tree Lighting at 7:00pm and the Party following at 7:30pm. This is an event for the whole family to kick off the holiday season with carol singing, a reading of The Night Before Christmas, refreshments and a visit by Santa (if we've been good!). So mark your calendar and plan to join in the fun with your family and neighbors!

As always we are in need of a child from the community to light the tree. An entry form is available on the enclosed flyer to fill out and submit for your child or grandchild who is from a Hulmeville family. Also donations of refreshments are needed.

SPECIAL INVITATION

The Langhorne Historical Society has invited our Hulmeville Historical Society and all community members to a special Memorial Service for the Forgotten Slaves buried at the Middletown Friends Meeting, 453 W. Maple Ave., Langhorne on Saturday, October 6 The Service begins at 1:00pm and will include reflection and sharing, music by the Lincoln University Choir, a presentation by Jesse Crooks on the Underground Railroad in Langhorne, the reading of Manumissions, dedication of Memorial Markers and blessing of Burial Locations. A luncheon will follow at 3:30pm. Golf carts will be available for those with difficulty walking. There is no charge for this event but you are asked to RSVP to Holly Olson at 215-514-9486 or hollybqc@verizon.net.

HOLIDAY DECORATING

We light the Borough Christmas Tree on November 23rd and probably many of our residents will be doing their holiday decorating around that same time.

Once again this year the Hulmeville Historical Society will be sponsoring a Decorating Contest. Decorate and light up your property and you can get in on the contest. We are returning to an entry process for this contest. You may email your entry to

hulmeville.events@gmail.com or drop form to Kurt at 301 Main Street,
Hulmeville. Entry deadline is Dec. 15th.
Judges from the Historical Society will be driving around to see all the lovely homes in our Borough on the evening of
Wednesday December 19th to choose the winners who will then be notified.
Questions can be directed to coordinator,
Kurt Ludwig at 267-679-9235. Let's have a great response!

HULMEVILLE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD MEETINGS:

Meetings are held the 3rd Monday each month as needed.

If you live in the Historic District and are planning exterior renovations or improvements to your home you are required to come before the HARB! Call Mary Johnson at 215-757-8412 one week before a meeting or for more information.

WM PENN FIRE COMPANY

Our all volunteer fire company Engine 7 of Hulmeville responded to 35 calls in August and 3 by early September. Due to the fact that all the volunteer companies in the area have difficulty attracting new members, and because most of the volunteers we do have work day jobs, the Middletown Township Fire Marshall's Office has begun a new program with several paid fire fighters to respond to daytime calls. They will be leasing engines from Wm Penn and Penndel companies.

October is Fire Prevention Month and Wm Penn will be participating in Scout Night on Oct. 2, 6:30-9:30pm at Middletown Township. And on Oct. 10 at 10am we will be doing a program for the Pre-School at the Neshamony UM Church, Hulmeville.

To rent the Hall for an occasion contact Cheryl Chamberlain at 215-375-2650.

HULMEVILLE GARDEN CLUB

The Garden Club will soon have a new President. As of January 1, 2019 current President Debbie Mahon is stepping down due to her responsibilities as Mayor of Hulmeville. Replacing her as President of the Garden Club will be Jane Davidson Barton.

MEETINGS- Tuesday, October 2,
6:30pm, Silver Lake
Nature Center;
Program- Gardening in
Glass Terrariums by
Debbie Mahon
Tuesday, November 13,
6:30pm, Silver Lake
Nature Center

Activities- Saturday, November 3, 9am, Clean-up both Parks Fundraiser- Annual sale of holiday

wreaths. Contact a member about ordering. Wreaths can be picked up at the Tree Lighting, November 23, 7pm at the Fire House.

BOROUGH COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETINGS: 7:30PM IN BOROUGH HALL-

2018 meetings- 10/1, 11/5, 12/3

Council was recently updated on the work in Johnson Hall. Concerns have been expressed in the Borough about debris in yards and along the creek. It's been a long hot, summer but Council is preparing for winter. Council is now requesting Proposals for Snow & Ice Removal from Borough Streets and Borough properties.

All interested members of the Borough are invited to Council's public meetings.