

# THE GREATER DOVER HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

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SEPT-DEC Newsletter

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sept. 2,3, 5 thru 10- Display at the Dover Fireman's Fair.

Sept. 15 Regular Meeting 7:30 p.m. @ Calvary Lutheran Church.

Oct.20, 2005 See Article on Member's meeting.

Nov. 17, 2005 Regular Meeting 7:30 p.m. @ Calvary Lutheran Church ( Election of Officers.

Dec. - NO Meeting.

## ELECTION DAY

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

It's that time of year again! The Society needs 5 new Board of Directors. We also need to vote for President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Archivist and Historian. The position of Assistant Archivist and Bookkeeper are also up for re election. In the next few months you may receive a phone call asking you to consider one of the positions. Before you say no, please re-think your answer. Your ideas and help are needed to keep this Society moving forward with its Preservation efforts for Dover. After all, isn't that why you became a Society Member?



### REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

I would like to thank Grace Trimmer, Judy Worley and Kay Stitley for the work that they did on the refreshment committee and to all the women who helped with feeding the volunteers on Timber Raising Day- May 21. I also would like to thank WEAVER'S QUALITY MEATS, K T'S PIZZA and FOX BEVERAGES for donating food and drink to feed the volunteers. Please patronize these local business's and let them know that you appreciate their generosity  
Thank You, Norma Botterbusch.

### QUILT RAFFLE/5th ANNUAL HISTORICAL WALK

Doris Burger drew the winning ticket for the quilt at the 5th Annual Historical Walk. Mary Bair of York was the winner of the Quilt. Doris also sold the winning ticket. We thank all who sold tickets.

The Historical Society Quilters are in the process of making our third quilt. We will begin selling tickets in January. The drawing will be at the 2006 Dover Fireman's Fair.

We also would like to thank Kay Stitley for conducting another very interesting and informative Walk. She was presented with a 5th Annual Historical Walk Crock.





### BLACKSMITH SHOP

The timber frame is up – thank you to our volunteers!

The roof is on – thank you Larry and employees of Progressive services!

The forge is built – thank you Don Miller and crew!

Our next workday is –

SEPTEMBER 17th at 8:00 am.

We will meet at the pavilion at the park. Please RSVP to Sue Forrey at [forreysjr@adelphia.net](mailto:forreysjr@adelphia.net) or 292-6190 as soon as you can.

We will need a count for lunch.

Thank you in advance for your hard work and valuable time.

Note to our “lady leather” workers – if you can clean the leather that day – please RSVP. We will be framing for windows and doors: filling in the gable ends and doing soffit and fascia work. If we have enough volunteers – we will be assessing the siding for the building and the doors. Please mark your calendar. If you have not helped to date – plan on joining us for a day of fun, yes fun in helping us complete this project!

**The next workday will be October 15th at 8am to try to finish whatever needs to be done.**

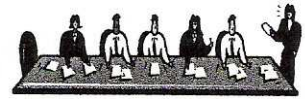


### 3rd ANNUAL SOCIETY PICNIC

The 3rd annual Society picnic was a hit – even though we had a thunderstorm and lots of rain – 49 people attended. And, as usual, the broasted chicken and potatoes were a hit. Lets not forget all the salads and desserts that had to be taste tested!

President Ron gave Susan, our Secretary a 2004 GDHS crock in appreciation for her work getting the Society Incorporated in 2004 and helping him with his duties as President. After dinner, everyone introduced themselves as residents, transplants or tourists of Dover. It was interesting listening to everyone’s stories of where they grew up and how they arrived in Dover. It was at this time Dr. Drawbaugh told us a story about a Blacksmith teacher and revealed a trick the smithy’s use when working. When our Blacksmith Shop opens, we will have to keep a watchful eye on our smithy Ted Zeigler to see if he pulls this trick!! Thank you for making this years picnic a success – see you next year!

P.S. The “stay-overs” would like to thank Norma for making sure there was plenty of coffee available until they left around 930pm.



### 2ND ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING

The 2nd Annual Members meeting is scheduled for Thursday October 20th, 730pm at the Calvary Church. This is your meeting to discuss, ask questions or make suggestions about the work the Society has done this year. This meeting is also for you to discuss the future of your Society – its projects, Committees, Officers and Board of Directors. If you as a member to not regularly attend meetings – this is the one meeting you should attend. Hope to see you!

# Welcome

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Janet Ponder-Sutphin

William A. Gerber Jr.

Elizabeth F. Gerber

Donna M. Null

Ms Ruthanna Heiner

Ms. Linda J. Harlacher

Ellen Krause



## **To the FIRST Board of Directors for the GDHS**

Strictly speaking as the Secretary of the Society – I want to thank every Board member for their courage to make the tough decisions when needed and their commitment to making sure this Society will continue for many years. You may not have always agreed with each other's views but you always heard each other's views and made a final decision based on the best interest of the Society.

As the FIRST Board of Directors, you sat through countless meetings writing, reviewing, editing and compiling forms, papers, letters and more forms [remember IRS Form 1023?] However, from those long countless meetings this Society became incorporated on September 23, 2003 and became a non-profit organization on September 10, 2003. You are to be commended. We even became exempt from sales tax.

As the FIRST Board of Directors, you gave your support towards starting the Blood Root Project re-print; the quilt raffle; the Borough Historical Walk; and least we forget the Blacksmith Shop! This November you will retire from the Society Board per the By-Laws – hopefully, the new Board will be just as positive and straightforward as you were.

Thank you again for all the time you gave to make this Society what it is today - - Jan Eisenhart, Gayle Heagy, Madelyn Shermeyer, Kay Stitley and Randy Worley.

Your Secretary,  
Susan Forrey

## **ARCHIVES**

Dr. Charles Drawbaugh, our Society Archivist reported at the last meeting that he would like to hear his phone ringing more often concerning donations to the Archives. We would like to encourage you to be conscious of collecting items for the Archives. Please talk to your friends and neighbors. A good source for finding memorabilia is at yard sales and public sales. This is a great way to determine where people have lived and determining where certain properties were located.

Recently a set of postcards were donated to us and now we know exactly where The Dover Hosiery was located at on North Main Street.

We accept artifacts such as pictures, High School Yearbooks, calendars, old receipts, household items, postcards, etc. If it is related to the Dover Area we would be interested. We also offer to make copies of the item and return your precious memorabilia to you. We are especially interested in Diaries, you may donate them or loan them..

Please call Dr. Charles Drawbaugh at 764-4307 or Assistant Archivist Gayle (Emig) Heagy at 292-1976.

Items will be accepted at our display at the Dover Carnival, at Botterbusch Jewelry or at our regular meetings.