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News! Winter and Spring 2019

"Exploring Union County's history to inform the present and future."

UNION COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY PROGRAMS

Slavery in Central Pennsylvania (and how they got away with it) Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 12 noon at the Public Library for Union County, 255 Reitz Boulevard, Lewisburg, PA

We can trace the history of African-Americans in Pennsylvania all the way back to William Penn's father. How and why did their relationship with the surrounding European population change over the years? How did our definitions of freedom and liberty change? What other political and economic realities did they face?

Contrary to popular belief, the "peculiar institution" did not exist solely in the South. This program examines the changing perceptions and definitions of freedom and slavery in the 18th and 19th centuries. Please join local historian Bruce Teeple as he explores the institution of enslavement as practiced in Pennsylvania.



The program is free and open to the public. Please call the library at 570-523-1172 to reserve your place.

History of the Dale-Engle-Walker House

Saturday, March 23, 2019 at 12 noon

at the Public Library for Union County, 255 Reitz Boulevard, Lewisburg, PA



Everything has a story to tell, including the place we call "home." But what sorts of questions can we ask? When we look at a property's purchase, at the materials used in its construction, or at the decisions owners made over time, we can learn how to connect with our own places and appreciate those changes still affecting us today.

Join local historian Bruce Teeple as he shares what's been learned recently about the Union County Historical Society's home, the c. 1793 Dale-Engle-Walker House.

The program is free and open to the public. Please call the library at 570-523-1172 to reserve your place.

Spring Dinner & Program: Central Susquehanna Valley Thruway

Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 6:00 pm

at the Carriage Corner Restaurant, Route 45, Mifflinburg, PA

Brian Benfer of New Columbia will give a presentation of his drone photography of construction of the Central Susquehanna Valley Thruway project which local residents and travelers have been witnessing.

The Central Susquehanna Valley Transportation Project, or Central Susquehanna Valley Thruway (CSVT), is a planned 10.84-mile highway bypass from Rte 15 near Selinsgrove, north to Winfield, with a new bridge over theWest Branch of the Susquehanna River to Point Township, Northumberland County. Benfer started taking photos of the CSVT in 2016.

Spring Dinner / Program details and reservation forms will be sent to local members in March. Others interested in attending, please contact the Society via email at info@unioncountyhistoricalsociety.org or by phone to 570-524-8666. Information will also be posted on the society website.

Information on programs is posted on our website: www.unioncountyhistoricalsociety.org. Also, please be sure we have your email address so we can send you advance notices and updates. Historical society programs are supported by a grant from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, and your membership.



OFFICERS & BOARD 2019

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Welcome new members Janet Sponsler, Lewisburg Don & Jerri Wetzel, Millmont Rhyne family, Mifflinburg Melissa Carpenter, State College

and new life members Catherine Hastings, Watsontown Michael Morrison, Lewisburg Louise Knight, Lewisburg Kim Ranck, Lewisburg

The society is grateful for donations from

Mary Kay Harper, Lois Dale for the Dale Library, Dave Mensch, Maryellen Paulhamus, Lois Huffines for publications, and Jamie Durana in memory of Douglas Helms. **Thank You!** Dear Society members and friends,

Regardless of age, background, or perspective, we all have a set of practical skills to tap. Part of our mission is to make UCHS a welcoming place for visitors and workers alike. Other than three part-time staff members, everyone else at UCHS is a volunteer, providing the eyes and ears needed to fulfill our mission successfully.

Volunteers anywhere, at any level, require three things:

- Organization Volunteers need to see the big picture, why things are done the way they are, and how indispensable they are.
- Communication Nothing beats a free flow of ideas and suggestions for improvement, with mission fulfillment as the yardstick to measure all words and actions.
- Accommodation Volunteers have lives, so organizations need to be flexible and considerate. Out of all the other places they could be, of all the other things they could be doing, they choose to work with us.

UCHS's committees play a vital role in decision-making.

- The Archives Committee obtains and maintains items in the collection.
- The DEW Committee supervises the Dale-Engle-Walker Farmstead.
- The Development Committee works on strategic fundraising.
- The Finance Committee oversees our investments and committee budgets.
- The Membership Committee creates our promotional communications and coordinates activities, such as the seasonal merchandise venues. Its Nominating Subcommittee reviews candidates for the Board of Directors.
- The Outreach Committee is an umbrella group with four subcommittees: Education develops exhibits and Dale-Engle-Walker House tours; Events coordinates large activities at Dale-Engle-Walker; Programming organizes talks on local history; and Publications oversees book and article production by UCHS.

An exciting way you can help UCHS is to participate in the Strategic Planning sessions this winter and chart some new, longterm directions. The first session will be Wednesday, January 23 at 1 pm, at the Dale-Engle-Walker House.

Everyone has something to offer, so please contact the UCHS office if you would like to join us as we develop a history for the future.

Bruce Teeple



Union County Historical Society Strategic Planning Session

Wednesday, January 23, 1-5 pm at the Dale-Engle-Walker House, 1471 Strawbridge Rd., Lewisburg, PA

The Union County Historical Society invites members, as well as the general public, to participate in the first of several strategic planning sessions. These sessions will examine the historical society's current status and the directions it can take. "The more input we have from everyone, the better our programs can fulfill our mission by reflecting the needs of Union County. We want to build a history for the future," said Bruce Teeple, historical society president. "Please join us for disucssion."

Milton Historical Society 2019 Lecture Series

at the Milton High School Library 700 Mahoning St., Milton, PA Free and open to the public.

Pennsylvania: The Political Climate and What Matters to Voters Sunday, January 20 at 2 pm

Dr. Terry Madonna, Political Commentator and Director of the Center for Politics & Public Affairs at Franklin and Marshall College, will examine the state of politics in Pennsylvania, focusing on the governorship of Tom Wolf, the activities of the state legislature, and the attitude of PA voters on major issues of the day.

Slavery in Central Pennsylvania (and how they got away with it)* Saturday, February 10 at 2 pm

*For those who cannot attend the UCHS program on Saturday, January 23, Bruce Teeple will also present this program, exploring the institution of enslavement as practiced in Pennsylvania, for the Milton Historical Society.

Civil War Barons: Businessmen and the Union Cause Sunday, March 10 at 2 pm

Jeffrey D. Wert, historian and Pulitzer Prize nominee, will talk about the role of several US industrialists, and their companies' contributions to the Civil War effort to save the Union, including John Deere, Cyrus McCormick, Andrew Carnegie, Philip Armour, Gail Borden, and the Studebaker brothers.

For more information on these programs, contact John McWilliams, jcm6@psu.edu.

SMALL WORLD

From our friend and colleague Rick Sauers, curator at the Western Museum of Mining and Industry, Colorado Springs (previously director of Packwood House Museum, Lewisburg), a flyer from the Rock Ledge Ranch in Colorado Springs, Colorado, containing this back story:

"It was Spring 1874 when the Chambers family arrived by train to Colorado Springs after selling their wheat farm in Mifflinburg, Pennsylvania. That November they purchased Walter Gallowav's prime homestead claim of 165 acres with water rights in the Camp Creek Valley. Both Robert and Elsie were experienced in commercial farming – Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, the Hudson River Valley - and had expected to cultivate the grain and fruit crops they knew. But when the Rocky Mountain Locust Plague (1874-77) brought devastation across a broad swath of pioneer farms, they found other ways to support their family. Once the Chambers' home was completed in Spring 1875, work began on the greenhouse (behind the house next to the root cellar) to protect their first crops. By Summer 1877, they were able to offer meals, boarding, and also greenhouse plants and produce."

The Rock Ledge Ranch Living History Association plans to reconstruct Robert and Elsie Chambers' greenhouse near the 1875 Rock Ledge House historic site. The project will help provide programs that represent and interpret the social agricultural and economic development of the Pikes Peak Region from 1775 through 1920.

Traveling out west? Check out the Western Museum of Mining and Industry, and the Rock Ledge Ranch in Colorado Springs.

PEOPLE MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The Historical Society Annual John B. Deans Dinner & Program was held on November 16 at the Lewisburg Hotel. An excellent program on "The Reading Railroad in Union County" was presented by railroad enthusiast Tim Bitner of Lewisburg. The silent auction raised almost \$1000 towards the Bill Clemens Scholarship Fund. Many thanks to all who participated.

Awards were presented to individuals who have had impact through specific and outstanding projects, or services, that support the appreciation and understanding of local and regional history:

The Outstanding Service Award was given to Phyllis Dyer, of Winfield, for preserving artifacts and memorabilia of Winfield, Union Township and Union County; and for organizing Union Township's Bicentennial celebration.

The Outstanding Achievement Award was given to Logan Roush, of New Berlin for serving on the Board of the New Berlin Heritage Association, organizing the Annual Historic New Berlin Day, and maintaining the New Berlin Heritage Museum's collection for the benefit of future generations.

The Outstanding Service Award to presented Christopher Macneal, of Philadelphia for his extensive research on the construction and history of Union County's agricultural architecture, and from that work, writing *The Shape of Time in Buffalo Valley: Farmsteads and Barns of Union County, Pennsylvania.*

Summer internships available at UCHS:

To qualify for a paid internship, undergraduate students must attend an accredited four-year PA college/university, *and* be eligible for financial aid, *and* live in Union, Northumberland or Snyder County. Internships are intended to enhance the student's education and complement their field of study (such as history, business, education). Work at the society office (M-F) may include research, writing PR, data entry, and general office tasks. Interns may also serve as guide or host at the Dale-Engle-Walker House.

Letters of interest must be received at UCHS by February 28. For more information, please contact Linda Rhoades-Swartz: 570-524-8738 or info@ unioncountyhistoricalsociety.org. Many thanks to those who helped at **Christkindl Market**: Jeff Reber, Craig & Nancy Miller, Jamie Wagner, Diane & Jim Lengle, Kathy & Jim Swope, Kim & Steve Ranck, Doug & Karen Hovey, Glenda Sheaffer, Bruce & Michelle Teeple, Dan Bower, and Linda & Barry Swartz; and to Karen Gardner for display material. This year's event was, as usual, a successful fund-raiser for the historical society. Mifflinburg's Christkindl Market, an outdoor German- style Christmas market, is a festive shopping and dining experience. *Please consider joining other UCHS members next year in the fun of decorating and staffing the UCHS booth at the Christkindl Market*.

Thanks to our **Friday office volunteers** and researchers: David Goehring, Tom Greaves, Marj Kastner, Glenda Sheaffer, Matt Wagner.

Additional volunteers and researchers are welcome. Contact the society today!



Special thanks to Fred Swanger who cleaned and varnished the handicap ramp at the Dale-Engle-Walker House. He did a wonderful job – it looks new and is safer.

REQUEST:

Some members are away from home during various times of the year. When you are "temporarily away" the US Post Office will not be hold or foward UCHS letters and newsletters – they are returned to us with postage due. To help us keep in touch with you, and reduce costs of returned letters, please contact us at 570-524-8666 or info@unioncountyhistoricalsociety.org to let us know when we can stop and then continue corresponding via mail.

Remember, we are happy to keep in touch by email if we have your email address.

The Union County Historical Society office and library welcomes members and visitors

Monday through Friday 8:30 to 4:30 - located in the county courthouse, 103 S. 2nd Street, Lewisburg.

Recent Genealogy Searches and Their Researchers

If you have information to share, please contact UCHS or the researcher (address and/or email below)

- FELMY, Jacob: Donna Gruber, 53 Harold Dr., Ashland, OH 44805; djg3520@gmail.com
- MILLER, Joseph P & Catherine (Gross) Miller (1872-1917), son Frank Wm.: Diane McCague,

55 Laramie Rd., Plainfield, NJ 07060; dmccague@outlook.com

- LONG, Gideon; DOEBLER, Henry; B. Franklin Doebler 1832-1888: Susan Eckman, 24 Ridings Way, Chadds Ford, PA 19317
- HOUSEL, Joshua 1772-1852 + Charity 1776-1818; John Housel 1808-1899 IA + Marg't Madden 1819-1905: Sherril Buckner, 5848 Montpelier Dr., Williamsburg, VA ; buckner365@gmail.com

BENDER, Solomon 1828-1864 Snyder Co., PA: Brad Bender; Brad@benders.org

STRICKLAND / MADDEN: Valerie Bieber; bccimax@aol.com

- METZGER, Jacob: Larry R. Metzger, 7909 Shantivana Trail, Austin, TX 78737; Imetzger50@yahoo.com
- FORREST, E.M. and Geo. W. 1817-1887 / BIDDLE, Gershom 1823-1910 / KRAMER: Tim Forrest, tim.forrest@gmail.com
- BLACK, James & Isabelle: Dave Black, 5217 Zander Dr., Bellingham, WA 98226; dkblack@aol.com
- SPADE/SPAID/SPATH, BOLINDER/BOLLENDER, ALSPACH [Snyder County c.1800]: Beth Zukowski; zukowskibeth@gmail.com
- DORMAN, Ludwig (1740-1820); Peter (1791-1874) & Catherine Dorman; Jacob (1834-1863) & Margaret Bartholomew Dorman: Mary D'Amore, 639 Montomery Rd., Hillsborough, NJ 08844; marydamore@gmail.com

SAX, Morris d.c.1898; son of Solomon Sax [non-Union County family]; tomsaxe@comcast.net

FISHER, Wm d.1819; SHROYER, Conrad d.1825; SPANGLER, Geo. Christian d.1829; CROSSGROVE, James d.1876: Micki Remington, 651 Fairview Ave., Gettysburg, PA 17325; mickiremin@aol.com

- WISE, Daniel c.1794 PA 1857 OH & Hannah Fisher Wise: John Wise; jcwise01@gmail.com
- KOHLER, Andrew of Snyder County: Stephen Kohler; smkohler1@sbcglobal.net
- KUHNEY / KOONEY, Peter c.1783-1857 & Elizabeth d. before 1870, David (1828-1900?) & Julianna, Jacob d. 1914 in Iowa & Susan: Aimee Cross; aimeecross@outlook.com
- HASSINGER, Eva Liley d. 2000 FL; Steve Guffy; alexguf1753@gmail.com
- SPIDEL, Marks & Susanna, Beaver Twp., Snyder Co. 1850; and David Spidel & Barbara, OH 1850: Kris Stepaniuk; kristinestep@aol.com
- SAND BRIDGE CLUB, Brush Valley Narrows: Leanne Gast; 5 Freeman Hall Rd., Nottingham, NH 03290; lrgast@comcast.net
- CORNELIUS SCHOOL, Forest Hill area [teacher Anna Jane Stover] seeking photo of school: Kay; kmcfate@tds.net
- WWI: Carol Sones Shetler, PO Box 81, Muncy, PA 17756; sewnoted@hotmail.com

Added to the library:

The Unlikely Railroad: The Story of the Lewisburg and Tyrone Railroad, the L&T, operated by the Pennsylvania Railroad, John C. Corson. 2018.

Union / Snyder County Times issues for 2018.

Added to family histories:

- *The Bissells of Barstow: A Genealogy of Pierce B. and Sarah Van Boskirk Bissell*, by Roger E. Bissell, Eldon K. Bissell, Julie Ann Tupker, 2018. Donated by Roger & Elizabeth Bissell of Antioch, TN
- Solving the Puzzle: One Family's Story (Feerrar/Fuehrer) by Phillip W. Feerrar, Ph.D., 2018. Donated by the author.

Keefer Family Association newsletters for 2018.

COLLECTION NEWS by Tony Shively

The Archives /Museum Committee of the Union County Historical Society fosters the collection of Union County manuscripts, ephemera, local advertising, and decorative arts through gift and purchase.

The Committee would like to acknowledge the following individuals for recent donations: Cynthia Pick of Lewisburg donated local photos, books, and ephemera: a large Donald Ross photograph taken in Lewisburg; Bucknell L'Agendas from 1907, 1936 and 1937; Christkindl poster from 1991; numerous Daily Item inserts from 1994 and 1995; Pennsylvania Heritage booklet from 1978, Holidays: Victorian Women Celebrate in Pennsylvania by Nada Gray, J. S. Campbell print; Bucknell poster from 1941; Bucknell newspapers "The Orange and Blue" from 1905 and numerous Bucknell "Commencement News" from 1905; Lewisburg poster from 1987; Union County Historical Society newspaper inserts; Milton Standard 1972 Hurricane Agnes insert; Union County booklets published by the Daily Item and Milton Standard; early Bucknell newspapers and books; Lewisburg Apothecary calendars 1953 and 1993; photograph of Albert Johnson and campaign card for office of President Judge; Evangelical Sunday School Class records from 1929, 1930, 1934, 1936 and 1937; pamphlet from Dreisbach Church from 1974; "Linn Leaves" pamphlets from 1953-1955; Rural Delivery softcover book, "Memories of Mifflinburg 1792-1992"; fourteen Union County Historical Society calendars (various dates); Union County Today (various years;, 1997-1998 Union County Chamber of Commerce Membership Directory; Milton Evening Standard Souvenir 29th Annual Encampment book from 1909; The First National Bank of Sunbury 125th Anniversary booklet; three copies of the Northumberland Point Township Pennsylvania Bicentennial Book (1772-1972); Good Intent Fire Company 100th Anniversary booklet (1839-1939); Inside Pennsylvania Magazine including article about Pik Rite Corporation; 1997 calendar from Sunbury; Reflections of the Past booklet, History of the 19th Century Lewisburg Architecture hardcover book; photograph and negative of the Lewisburg Opera House,;color photograph of celebration at the Civil War Monument in Lewisburg in 1995 along with a copy of the program for the rededication service of the monument on July 4, 1995; a black and white photograph of several veterans standing alongside the Civil War Monument in Lewisbur;, Frazen Circus poster printed for their Lewisburg performance c. 1987; Slifer House Museum framed ceramic ornament; and stationary from the Lewisburg Saturday News. Miriam Roush of Middleburg gave a large collection of early 1900 papers that record disbursements from the office of the Union Commissioners.

The Maintenance Department of the Union County Courthouse donated an American flag that flew over the U.S. Capitol in honor of Union County at the request of Honorable Allen E. Ertel, Member of Congress on November 22, 1982.

Sam Alcorn of Washington, D.C. donated a *National Sportsman Magazine* watch fob (circa early 1900's) that was found on the Dale-Engle-Walker property through the use of a metal detector.

Jamie Wagner of Mifflinburg donated a cobbler's bench that was purchased by Jeremiah Burrey and used in his shop in Vicksburg.

Sherry (Kostenbauder) Barnhart of York, PA and Karen Kostenbauder of Lancaster, PA donated a seven volume collection of original diaries maintained by Kelly Township resident Simon Bennage from February, 6, 1886 through April 27, 1897 and again from May 1, 1901 through September 30, 1907; an original copy of the *History and Topography of Northumberland, Huntington, Mifflin, Centre, Union, Columbia, Juniata and Clinton Counties* published in 1847; an original copy of Linn's *Annals of Buffalo Valley* published 1877; an original copy (1856) and one reproduction copy (1991) of *The Long Lost Friend* by John George Hohman; an *1868 Atlas of Union & Snyder Counties* (reprint from 1975); *Milton, Pennsylvania* by Mary Belle Lontz (1974); *The History of White Deer Township* by Anna Dersham (1976); *Geographical and Biographical Annals of Northumberland County, Pennsylvania* (1988 reprint); *Union County Pennsylvania – A Bicentennial History* by Charles M. Snyder (1976); *Centennial History of Lewisburg* by I. H. Mauser (1984 reprint); *Delta Place 1769-1976* by Doris (Hartley) Reed; and copies of the Union County Heritage from 1978, 1982, 1988, 1992 and 1998.

Kenneth Snook of Mifflinburg donated a New York Jewelers catalogue from 1891 monogrammed with the name of its owner, George C. Mohn of Laurelton.

Edward Sheary of Weaverville, NC donated the drum, drum sticks and canteen used by Mifflinburg resident, Abraham Sheary, when he served in Co. D 74th Regiment of the Pennsylvania Volunteers during the Civil War.

Rev. John Lee of Lewisburg donated a piece of WWI era sheet music. **William W. Haas** of Lewisburg gave numerous items that once belonged to his father, Sherriff William Haas, including newspaper clippings, old sheriff books, books listing the daily meals provided to Union County Prison inmates, a large scrapbook with clippings relating to the Union County Courthouse; William Cameron Fire Department "100 Years of Service" book, Lewisburg High School

Class of 1928 reunion photographs, U.C. Courthouse construction photographs from the 1970's, Lewisburg High School Program from 1928, album containing clippings and photographs from William Haas' retirement banquet, and hunting photographs from the 1930's.

Doris B. Hidlay of Lewistown gave a booklet from the Farmer's Best Restaurant circa 1960's. **Terri Stump** of New Columbia donated a Bucknell Sesquicentennial book 1846 – 1996, and a loose-leaf copy of the Union County History Book by C. M. Snyder.

Elaine Wintjen of Lewisburg donated a shopping bag with advertisement from Brookpark Dental Arts and the Lewisburg Community Pool (LARA).

Bill Bauserman of Winchester, VA donated a medical bag along with contents once owned and used by Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes Glover of Laurelton.

Claudia Luce of Strasburg, VA gave an old album containing photos from Lewisburg and Mifflinburg areas, some by photographers Slear, Cornelius and Haus.

Mike Popeo of Williamsport, former curator of the Little League Museum in South Williamsport, donated a Lewisburg Baseball uniform circa 1930's.

Ethel Snook of Lewisburg gave history books pertaining to the Union County Sesquicentennial, the William Cameron Engine Company, the 1936 Flood, Bicentennial Gazette, and *Daily Item* from 1975 and *Union County Today* books.

Two Union County school bells were returned "home" to Union County, thanks to the efforts of **Craig Derk** of Winfield and **Carol Davis** of Florida, descendants of the bells' collector. Craig Derk's great grandfather, late of Union County, acquired a hand-held school bell that started a collection of bells. Later, a matching bell that would have hung on the schoolhouse, was added to his collection. The bells, presented on Sept. 16 at the Dale-Engle-Walker house, will now be part of the society's significant collection of material on local education, including the county's one-room schools.

Items recently purchased by the Archives Committee on behalf of the society include:

Allenwood Volunteer Fire Company cookbook entitled "Burnt Offerings" from 1989; real photo postcards of the Mifflinburg Moose, the Dreisbach Farm, and C.C. Wetzel Restaurant in New Berlin, and a cyanotype postcard with a view of Chestnut Street in Mifflinburg; Bucknell View Mobile Court ashtray, miniature cast iron frying pan advertising Cole's Hardware, advertisement for Singer Sewing Machine Office in Lewisburg, lease agreement from individuals in Vicksburg, H. C. Grove pencil, ice tongs from Schnure's Self Service in Mifflinburg, ashtrays advertising Eugene Keister in New Berlin and Bob's Floor & Window Service in Lewisburg, color slide of train accident near Johnson Mill Road east of Vicksburg from 1981; and purchases of church histories, calendars, political campaign cards, photographs, school photographs, rulers, fly swatters and shoehorn with local advertising.





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Return Service Requested

Membership in the Union County Historical Society supports programs, the research library, and the growth of our collection of Union County photos, postcards, documents, and items made by Union County crafts people. Membership helps maintain the 1793 Dale-Engle-Walker House, which offers tours, exhibits, and programs. The Union County Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations; membership is tax deductible as allowed by law. In addition to membership, donations specific to the Society's work: education, the collection, genealogy, the Dale Library or the Dale-Engle-Walker property, are gratefully accepted. Volunteers are welcome. **Member benefits** include the biennial Heritage book, newsletters, a discount on society publications, and free use of our extensive reference library of local and regional documents, family histories, and access to on-line resources.

New, renewing, and gift memberhips: please mail this form to: Union County Historical Society, 103 S. 2nd St., Lewisburg, PA 17837

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