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EBHPS Pottery Collecting Program

Contributor: *Michael Hrinyak*



Michael Hrinyak explains various types of pottery

EBHPS 2016 Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Time	Location
March 16	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
March 16	General Meeting	7:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
April 20	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
April 30	Yard & Bake Sale	8 a.m.- 2 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
May 18	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
May 18	General Meeting	7:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
June 4	Strawberry Festival	6:00 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
June 15	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
July 20	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
July 20	General Meeting	7:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
August 17	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
September 10	Colonial Day	8 a.m.- 4 p.m.	West King St.
September 21	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
September 21	General Meeting	7:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
October 19	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
November 16	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
November 16	General Meeting	7:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
November 16	Election of Officers	7:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall
November 25, 26 & 27	Log House Craft Show	10 a.m.- 4 p.m.	Log House
December 3	Christmas Party	TBA	Red Men's Hall
December 11	Holiday House Tour	6:30 p.m.	East Berlin
December 14	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Red Men's Hall

Our 2016 Program Schedule got off to a good start at the January 20th meeting with a short presentation on Native American pottery presented by Michael Hrinyak. The presentation included: a brief discussion of the craft of making pots and the materials used, the historic context, the different areas where pots were made both prior to the arrival of European immigrants and after and the changes brought about by the interaction of native cultures and European settlement. Numerous examples of Native American pottery were employed during the talk to illustrate particular points. The talk ended with a discussion of how a novice goes about beginning a collection. Essentially, the recommendation is to do your research and then collect what you like; after all, it is your collection!

EAST BERLIN CAST IRON SIGN UPDATEJane Fox

We removed and delivered the sign to the Gettysburg Area High School in September. The Career Technology and Engineering class of Kevin Hardy are repairing and painting our sign. Since then it was recommended the sign be media blasted clean which makes a better job when applying the new paint; and since we weren't in any hurry, we agreed on his recommendation. We are hopeful for the sign's return in spring. I don't know about you all, but I'm looking forward to it all pretty and back in its place. We hope to have a welcome home ceremony at that time.



Message from Your Acting Board President

Michael Hrinyak

Now that we have finished celebrating the coming of a New Year (goodness, it seems like only yesterday), it is time to think of what is to come and what we as a Society need to focus on. I, for one, firmly believe that it is important to plan for the future. I know that it is important that the EBHPS looks ahead.



I see two issues that we should consider as we move ahead – membership and fundraising. The first area where we must focus is membership. We are an aging historical society which is not in itself a bad thing since with age comes wisdom; however, we need the energy and vigor a new and younger generation can bring. If we are truly to keep the past alive, we must enlist and inspire new lovers of history to take up the torch and to carry on the work so ably started by those who went before us. Secondly, we must put the Society on a sounder financial footing, so that we have the resources to continue the work we have started, including the care of the “needy” old buildings with which we have been entrusted. A good start has been made in this area with the establishment of the “1764” fund. We must do more to have a true endowment for the future. We also must reinvigorate our existing fund raising activities: Colonial Day, the Christmas Craft Fair, and the Christmas House Tour, while devising additional ways to both raise funds and make the Society relevant to the very fabric of East Berlin.

Yes, every historical society seems to have the same challenges and therefore the same goals – increase membership and secure funding. I want the EBHPS to become a leader in addressing these challenges. What can we do to make membership more attractive to current and new members? How can we make better use of our resources – buildings, collections and people? I need your ideas, support, counsel, feedback and wisdom as we make the EBHPS a place where like-minded individuals can work together to safeguard the past and point the way to the future.

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EBHPS Board Meeting

(condensed version)

Contributor: *Carol Carlson*, EBHPS Secretary

Board Meeting – February 17, 2016, Red Men’s Hall

Members Present: Michael Hrinyak, Carol Carlson, Lucia Hrinyak, Bev Jadus, Sharon O’Connell, Bill Powell. **Absent:** Bob Todd, Erma Barnhart, Mike Loges, Connie Rogers

Minutes...The minutes from the January 2016 meeting were accepted as written.

Financial Report...There was no financial report due to the absence of Treasurer Bob Todd. A Budget Committee will meet this month to work out a budget for this year.

Building Report...No new information. The work on the Mill – window repair, new gutters, paint on stairs – has been completed except for two windows on the creek facing side. They are being repaired and will be reinstalled when completed.

Colonial Day...There will be a Colonial Day meeting on Monday, February 22. Updates will be given then. We have 24 craft vendors so far. At the last meeting there were 5 returning food vendors. The permit to close West King Street has been requested. The deadline for craft vendor applications is March 1. Bev follows up with a personal phone call to those who have not returned their application.

House Tour...The Christmas House Tour is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, December 11. We really need someone to step us as chairperson. We do have a few East Berlin homes as possible tour venues, we need at least five.

General Meeting Attendance/Programs...Lucia and Sharon will work with Jane Fox to come up with interesting programs for our general meetings. A few days before the last general meeting, Lucia sent an email reminder for the meeting to the membership; and it helped to get people to come to the meeting who would not have otherwise attended. The Board suggested that we have joint programs with the Library.

Membership...Peggy Bange sent a report about the membership list. Our numbers are down, and we desperately need some new members. We talked about ways to get locals to come to our meetings. Right now, the entire Board of Directors is made up of people who are not native to East Berlin. We also need a person or persons to take charge of the 1764 Preservation Fund.

Hearth Cooking...The next Hearth Cooking meeting will be on Sunday, March 6. Because a few of the current members will be moving out of state, there will be openings for new members. Those interested can call Jenn Oswald.

Fundraising...Our next fundraiser will be the Yard and Bake Sale on Saturday, April 30. This is the same day as the EBACC yard sale. We may sell hotdogs and funnel cakes, if we can get enough help from the general membership. We are also considering having a tea and fashion show, silent auctions, hearth meals, desserts for sale.

Informer...We are asking our general membership to submit articles for the Informer. If anyone has interesting information about their historic home, a relative, or an event, they can submit the article for publication in a future edition. We also wondered if we could have a “want ad” section in the Informer. If anyone has an article of historic value they want to sell, or are looking for a specific item, they can put the word out in a want ad in the Informer.

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Society Membership

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Current Members, PLEASE renew your membership if you haven't sent it in. Your membership in EBHPS is very much appreciated.

Do you know someone with an interest in historical preservation or an admiration for history? GIFT them a membership in the EBHPS. It will be one of the best gifts you will ever give someone.

Membership forms are available to print on the EBHPS website at www.EBHPSPA.org or call the EBHPS office at 717-259-0822 and ask to have one mailed to you.



Thank you for your CONTINUED support to EBHPS

March Membership Meeting Program

Contributor: *Jane Fox*, *Membership Meeting Program Coordinator*

PROGRAM: **March, 16 at Red Men's Hall.** Camp Security. The York County, PA camp where colonists held British prisoners of war during the American Revolution.

SPEAKERS: June Lloyd, Librarian Emerita of York County Heritage Trust will be presenting the history on Camp Security. Carol Tangola, President of the Friends of Camp Security, will discuss the preservation of the site. Craig Landis, retired elementary school teacher and volunteer on digs at Camp Security will speak. Mr Landis has written a book entitled, "Camp Security: A Revolutionary War Prison Camp".

*** Brief History:** Camp Security, an American prison camp built in 1781, was first occupied by the troops of General John Burgoyne, who had been captured at Saratoga in 1777. In the fall of 1781, a stockade and living quarters were built on the 270 acre York County, PA farm taken for the camp. The York County militia, who often sympathized with the prisoners and only loosely guarded the camp, ran Camp Security. A farmhouse still existing on the site may have been used as militia headquarters. The Continental Congress had no money to feed or clothe its military prisoners, so a parole system allowed prisoners to work for local residents thereby supplementing the camp's meager supply of food, clothing and blankets. Wives and children accompanied many of the prisoners, a common practice at that time. The camp also housed American citizens, as many of the prisoners married colonists during their seven years in captivity. A fever hit the camp in the winter of 1782-1783 killing many prisoners and family members who were buried in a graveyard near the camp. Following the end of the war in the spring of 1783, Camp Security was abandoned.

* (from Friends of Camp Security website: www.campsecurity.com)



Hands at the Hearth Cooking Club

Contributor: *Jenn Oswald*

Hands at the Hearth will be holding a planning and organizational meeting on March 6th at the Log House at noon. Please bring along cookbooks, paper, pencil and a reflective mind. Snacks are planned and will be provided. Thanks goes out to Betty Quibell who will be donating firewood and starting the fire that will keep us all warm. Our original planning date in February was changed to March due to date conflict for 8 members. See you all then. Dress warm!!

Third Bread

I used to laugh in my mind when my grandma would say, I'll get you that receipt. I would think in my mind, 'it's a recipe, not a receipt'. Little did I know at the time that what we know today as a recipe used to be called a receipt.

Have you ever heard of THIRD BREAD? It gets its name because it traditionally used three types of grain. (Corn, Wheat and Rye).

Enjoy the two RECEIPTS below. One is a bit more modern than the other.

2 cups lukewarm water
1 cup rye flour
1 yeast cake
1 cup granulated corn meal
1/2 tablespoon salt
1/2 cup molasses
3 cups flour

Dissolve yeast cake in water, add remaining ingredients, and mix thoroughly. Let rise, shape, let rise again, and bake as Entire Wheat Bread

Re-printed from: The Boston cooking-school cook book, by Fannie Merritt Farmer.
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Modern Bread Machine:
(Give it a try)

1 pk Yeast
3 c Bread flour
3/4 c Yellow commeal
FOR 11/2 LB. LOAF
1/2 c Honey
3/4 c Rye flour
1 1/2 c Warm Water; Very Warm
1 1/2 ts Salt
Original recipe makes 16 Servings

Put ingredients into pan in the order listed, select white bread and push start. NOTE: Using two flours and a meal, this is called third bread and was found in many old cookbooks. It is a light, honey colored bread. It will sink a bit in the middle, but has a chewy crust and a sweet, very satisfying flavor.

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Colonial Day Quilt

Contributor: *Carol Carlson*

It's the middle of February and we have finally reached the center of the quilt. So now we are halfway through – or halfway to the end – however you want to look at it. Mariam, Bev, and I have been joined by Winnie Flynn on Mondays and Thursdays. Winnie is a wonderful addition to our quilting group. She is a member of the Dillsburg Historical Society/NYCHAPS, and is a very experienced quilter. And her stories about her work adventures around the country and the places she's been make the time go by much more quickly. At this rate we hope to have the quilt finished by the end of April, just in time for our Yard and Bake Sale. Bev is having the raffle tickets printed out, so we will keep everyone updated as to when they will be available for purchase.

As you know we try to use historical patterns for our Colonial Day Quilts. This pattern dates back to the early 1800's. The blues and creams we used to piece the quilt are reminiscent of old colors. And because some of the fabrics we used for the blocks were from my stash, many of them are older fabrics, from as far back as 30 years ago. The rest are newer fabrics that we purchased back in April; and these are historic patterns, so they fit in with the theme of the quilt.

EBHPS Yard and Bake Sale

EBHPS ALERT

Contributor: *Carol Carlson*

Even though we are old(er) and in need of preservation ourselves, the Society has decided to try something new. We will hold a yard sale and bake sale on Saturday, April 30, from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. This date would have been the date of our Antique Show, but the Community Center was not available because their annual yard sale had been scheduled for that date.

Lucia Hrinayak and I will be cleaning house at Red Mens Hall, going through the back closet and sorting items of interest for the sale. We found lots of duplicate calendars and other printed materials that are not necessary to EBHPS collections. We will need several more days of sorting, organizing, and pricing many old books, calendars, leftover fabrics, and other things that are no longer useful.

This is where we need the help of the entire membership. If you have gently used articles in your home (not junk) that are no longer loved or wanted, you can bring them to Red Men's Hall, and we will organize them and price them for the sale. We are also asking our members to bring in a baked good (or several baked goods – cakes, cookies, candies, breads) that we can price for the bake sale part of our fundraiser. The more we have, the more money we can make. Items for the yard sale can be brought to Red Men's any time (we are quilting on Mondays and Thursdays, between 1:00 and 3:00, or you can call to schedule a drop off time). Baked goods should be delivered on the afternoon of Friday, April 29, so that we have time to price them.

We will need help with setting up for the yard sale and bake sale. We also need workers to sit in front of Red Men's and sell our wares. Then there is clean-up at the end of the day. If you can help out in any way, just call the Society at (717) 259-0822. We will have more information at the March general meeting. Remember that the money we raise will go toward preservation efforts on our five buildings.