

Fall 2021



# Thornbury Historical Society

T H O R N B U R Y H I S T O R Y . O R G

## An “Around Town” Table for Our Times

**T**he newest acquisition to the Thornbury Historical Society is an “Around Town” table painted by one of our members, April Margera. April owns and operates the Rose Hip Barn located in Thornton.

As luck would have it, Joan Dehm was alerted to the existence of this table by a friend from the Delaware County Historical Society who had recently been shopping at the store. After seeing it in person there was no doubt that the table belonged in the Historical Society’s collection. “Of course, we had to have it,” said Joan. The Society’s board members voted to add this unique piece of furniture to our collection. As April pointed out the appeal of this table means so much more to people who are familiar with the township. THANK YOU TO APRIL AND HER GENEROUS HELPERS FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE TRANSPORTING THE TABLE.

April began hand painting Around Town tables in the 1980’s. It started as a hobby and as fulfillment other than her job as a hairdresser. Her process of creating an “Around Town” table begins with locating an appropriate table that serves as a perfect backdrop for the scenery. Then she takes photos of the buildings she intends to hand paint on the table. Each chosen image is then lovingly recreated onto the surface. She admits that her chosen style is inspired by the Mackenzie-Childs’ Courtly Checks pattern. The finished piece is a customized work of art.



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PETE CAN STILL DO

Please consider collecting your aluminum cans for Pete Dietz. He continues to collect and recycle them to donate 100% of the proceeds to the Thornbury Historical Society. His dedication is much appreciated. It's easy! Place cans in a secured trash bag and drop it off in his backyard or porch located on Thornton Rd. directly across from the Profiles Hair Salon. Look for the "Pete's Peanuts" sign! The price of aluminum has increased so those donations are even more favorable. Thank you, Pete and thank you to your faithful assistant THS volunteer Dave Miller.

## Historic Timeline Bricks Make Great Holiday (or Anytime) Gifts

Are you looking for that all-time memorable gift or that unique gift for someone who already has everything? Maybe you want to show your grandkids their name(s) in brick each time they come for a walk with you in beautiful Thornbury Park. A brick does the trick.

We're excited to have had several new brick installations from residents who appreciate the importance of leaving their mark in township history. Add your name, your family's name or a local business' founding to Thornbury's history with the installation of an engraved brick at Thornbury Park. Buy a brick (or two) to have placed along the Thornbury Park walkway near one of the ten graphic displays.

Use the brick form on the back page of this newsletter and mail it with your \$65 per brick, check made payable to THS History Walk to:

THS  
8 Township Drive  
Cheyney, PA 19319

For information contact:  
Joan Dehm, 610-357-6619 or 610-358-3397  
Maria Huggins, 610-399-8360

## Founder's Day 2021

Community appreciation for Founder's Day was especially evident this year after it's "Covid Cancellation" in 2020! Everyone was encouraged by the turnout and THS was no exception! It was such a pleasure to have so many folks stop by to say hello and then leave with membership and brick applications.

In honor of Thornbury's 325th anniversary, the Historic Thornbury Brick Walkway was dedicated in 2012. This spawned the Board of Supervisors idea to hold an annual Founder's Day Celebration. CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS TO OUR THORNBURY PUBLIC SERVANTS!



## Reserve Your Spot and Mark the Date: October 12, 2021 THS Annual Dinner & 2021 Luckenbach Service Award Presentation

We can't go another year without seeing you! Please join us for our Thornbury Historical Society Annual May Dinner —this year in October!

**La Fava Restaurant & Bar, 1102 Baltimore Pike, Glen Mills, PA 19342**

**October 12, 2021; 6 pm to 9 pm**

**Includes:**

- Cash bar
- Appetizer stations
- 7:00 pm seated, four course dinner includes:
  - » Insalata mista (salad)
  - » Pasta Course
  - » Entrée course of oven roasted pork tenderloin OR fillet of salmon
  - » House made chocolate mousse dessert
  - » Coffee, hot tea and iced tea

Cost is \$45 per person and includes tax and gratuity. Prepaid reservations are due by October 8, 2021.

**The \$100 raffle money tree tickets are \$5 for one ticket OR \$10 for 3 tickets.**

For reservations and information contact Jean MacKenzie (484-354-7567 or 484-840-9252) or Joan Dehm (610-357-6619 or 610-358-3397). Check made payable to THS October Dinner can be mailed to Jean MacKenzie at 57 Rose Lane, Glen Mills, PA 19342 or Joan Dehm at 108 Millers Run, Glen Mills, PA 19342.

***It's that time of year again!*** Please check your mailing label to see if the **TIME TO RENEW** words are glaring at you. Please utilize the form below to complete your membership. THS would greatly appreciate your email address so that emails of upcoming events could be sent to you if needed. Also our website has the forms that THS uses for both Membership and Brick Orders (*also on the reverse side of this form*). Thank you, dear members, for your continuing support.

## Thornbury Historical Society Membership Form

☐ **Household 1 Year Membership**  
**(\$10.00 annual dues)**

☐ **Household 3 YEAR Membership**  
**(\$25.00)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments, Volunteer Services Etc: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ New Member

☐ Renewal: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

**I/we wish to receive the newsletter via:**

☐ Mail

☐ Email

**Please make checks payable to *THS Membership* and mail along with this renewal form to:  
Thornbury Historical Society, 8 Township Drive, Suite 2, Cheyney, PA 19319**





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## THORNBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

*Thornbury Historical Society,  
founded in 1976 during the  
nation's bicentennial, has acted  
as a focal point for community  
activities and projects. THS  
has led numerous drives for  
preservation of the township's  
valuable historic resources.*

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## Historic Timeline Brick Order Form

**GUIDELINES:** *Maximum of three lines per brick with fifteen (15) characters per line, including punctuation and spacing. Location and placement of bricks will be determined by the hardscaper. The cost of each brick is \$ 65.00. Please fill out one order form for each brick! Photocopy this form if necessary. Only 15 characters per line, including punctuation and spacing.*


#### ORDERED BY:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT:** *Payment must be received with your order. Please make your tax-deductible check payable to: Thornbury Historical Society, 8 Township Drive, Second Floor, Cheyney, PA 19319 Your phone number must be included to verify engraving if needed. Please double check your inscription and initial here to approve: \_\_\_\_\_*