



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

It's hard to believe that we are headed into Fall already! That means that it is time once again to thank the landscaping crew led by Cal Uzelmeier, Bob Snyder and Chet Davis for their tireless work keeping the property beautiful. Their efforts have made the grounds of the Moland House an increasingly popular place to take wedding pictures. If you did not get a chance to stop by over the summer to appreciate the landscape, you have plenty of time to enjoy it before it gets too cold. Come and take a walk on the nature trail as the leaves change color. It's fantastic!

Once again we had a spectacular Reenactment. We almost ran out of places to park! The weather was perfect, and thanks to Chairperson Jo-Anne Mullen and her crew of sixty volunteers, the day was a well-organized success. Special thanks go to Bob Snyder who handles the logistics; Sybil Johnson who did a terrific job with internet advertising; our own Moland Woodworkers led by Cal Uzelmeier and Dave Healy; Laura May and Jackie Schneck who organized the food concession; and our parking chief, Chet Davis. We also had a great article in the *Intelligencer* and *Courier Times* written by staffer Gwen Schrift that appeared just before the weekend. Here is a suggestion. If you saw the article and enjoyed reading it, a quick phone call to the Intel with a positive comment would be appreciated. This is the second year in a row that we were able to get that kind of press coverage

and it helps to let the editors know that such community based articles are welcomed.

The biggest new improvement, and one that is truly exciting is our new parking lot lights. Thanks to Chet Davis for heading the project. This year when you leave the Farmhouse Christmas Craft Fair or the Christmas Dinner after dark, you will be greeted with a well-lit parking lot and carriage lights on the stone pillars. This was a long time coming and required a significant amount of planning.

That being said, I think that this is a good time to remind our members that all of the improvements and maintenance done to the house and most of what is done on the property is done by volunteers, (we have no employees) or is paid for by the Warwick Township Historical Society. Last year we had to rebuild the dangerously leaning old bank barn wall at a cost of over \$20,000. The parking lot lighting project, which was done for the safety of our members and visitors, came close to \$19,000. We are now facing a \$2,000 improvement to our fire alarm system requested by the Fire Marshall.

Please see our website - www.Moland.org and "friend us" on Facebook

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Don't get me wrong. We get along very well with the township. They clear the snow and just recently had a couple of large dangerous trees removed. They erect the large tent for the Reenactment. However, they make no regular monetary contributions for maintenance or capital improvements, utilities, etc. We often talk to folks who, when they come to Moland and see the house and the recent improvements, think they are seeing their tax dollars at work. It is up to us to get the word out that we pay for that stuff. When Warwick Township, as other municipalities, enjoyed more prosperous times, they were a great help, contributing \$60,000 over

three years at one point, to match grants that we obtained from state and federal agencies. We will be forever grateful. But, times have changed, and with the above-mentioned exceptions, we are on our own. Therefore, the next time you encounter somebody, friends or neighbors, who don't get this, set the record straight.

Come see us this Fall!

Dave



New EVENTS are happening at the Moland House and more are expected as time goes on. Since we want to be able to share the latest information about these events with you, we have been reviewing communications tools.

The best and fastest method to reach you, of course, is via e-mail. Unfortunately, we do not have e-mail addresses for all interested individuals. In an effort to update our e-mail distribution list we need to update the list.

As part of that effort on October 17 we will be sending out an e-mail entitled "Moland House E-mail Test".

IF you receive that message, your e-mail is correct in our distribution list.

IF, HOWEVER, you do not receive that message it means we either do not have your e-mail address or the address in our system is incorrect. In that case, if you wish to be alerted about new events (and also receive an e-mailed copy of our newsletter, which includes pictures in color), simply send an e-mail to molandhouse77@gmail.com and we will update our files. You may include other comments if you wish.

Addresses provided to us will be used for Moland House distribution only. We promise that we will not share addresses with other organizations.

Revolutionary War Reenactment

August 16, 2014

This year's reenactment commenced with wonderful weather. Thanks to all the publicity that was put on social media and a great article in The Intelligencer we had about 600 people in attendance. I again need to thank all of the volunteers who made this day possible, as well as all of our sponsors.

Many of you might not be aware that we do have to pay the majority of the crafts people and reenactors to help cover their transportation and expenses for being with us. After all of our expenses, we made a profit of over \$3700.00.



Reenactment Sponsors 2014

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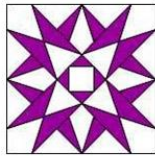
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Tea Time!

The Moland House Spring Tea April 19, 2015 1-3:00

We'll enjoy lovely refreshments and
quilt expert,
Barbara Harrison, will share insights
into early quilt making.



Event location: 1641 Old York Rd. Hartsville, PA.

Mail \$30 to WTHS P.O. Box 107 Jamison, PA. 18929 to reserve your spot.

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October Events



Snuggle up with our second annual **Quilt Show** on Sunday, October 12th from 1-4:00. Last year's exhibition was jam-packed with quilts from very, very old to very, very new. Each quilt has a bit of history or a story about it. Want to display your quilt in next year's event? Email events@moland.org or come to the show and let us know. If you love quilts, but can't make this event you are in luck because our Spring Tea will have a quilting theme. Check for the flier in this newsletter.

Things are going to get a bit creepy at the Moland House with our first ever **Cemetery Crawl**. Learn a bit about the life and death of some of our most illustrious encampment participants on October 26 from 1-4:00. If you want to help, email events@moland.org. (Not too scary for most children.)



November Events

Antique Appraisal Day. Last years' event was so much fun (and so profitable) that we are doing it again! Mark down Sunday November 16th on your calendar.

If you have always wondered about that old vase/painting/chair/doll/map that you have kept all these years, now is the time to find out if it is worth anything. Bring your treasure to the Moland House and find out. From 1:00 to 4:00, the respected Philadelphia firm of Barry S. Slosberg will give you a verbal appraisal for up to 3 items per person.

Appraisals will cost \$8.00 for one item, 3 items for \$20.00. Plenty of free parking. See you November 16th for the Moland House version of Antique Roadshow!

Craft Show. Black Friday begins a wonderful crafting experience at the Moland House. If you've never been, you'll be amazed at how our meeting room and library are transformed into a **crafters delight**. The entrance fee of \$1 benefits the Moland House.

December Events

HANGING OF THE GREEN: Help us with this tradition of decorating our beloved museum with fresh greenery. We'll snack and laugh and enjoy the season on December 10th at 1:00.

Christmas Dinner ---- SOLD OUT! If you were waiting to send in your reservation for our **Christmas dinner**, we regret to inform you that it is sold out. We look forward to the day when we would have a entertainment/educational facility that would hold more for this event on December 13th. Joe Doyle as John Adams will be our entertainment for the evening.

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE: Come enjoy the greenery and the spirit of the season with our holiday Open House on December 14th from 1-4:00.

Landscape

Although most of the work of the Moland Landscape and Garden of Native Plant volunteers has come to a close it is not too early to think of next Spring and our need for help.

Volunteers are needed to work with the landscape and garden volunteers on Mondays and Tuesdays beginning with the first Monday in April 2015. We begin at 9am and end about noon. Special arrangements can be made if the days or times do not fit into an individual's schedule.



Assisting with the maintenance of the grounds and/or the garden is a good volunteer opportunity for any individual who enjoys spending time outdoors. You do not need to be a plant expert to participate.

It's an exciting time at the Moland House Historic Park. Increasing numbers of individuals and families are discovering the Park's advantages and we would welcome volunteers of all ages to help us further our efforts.

Interested individuals can contact Cal Uzelmeier (landscape and garden coordinator) at 215-672-9906 or uzelc@aol.com.

Volunteer Opportunities

Do you have an interest in sharing your love of history, getting your hands dirty in a garden, planning social activities, using technology to enlighten others, marketing, sales, etc.?

We have volunteer opportunities to match many skills and interests. Experience is not a prerequisite; however, a desire to enjoy yourself is a requirement ☺

You may be able to double your donation to Moland House!!

Does the company you work for (or retired from) have a matching grant program? As part of your employer's corporate philanthropy program they may have a matching gift program where they will double donations made to a qualifying organization. Some companies even offer a donation to an organization where an employee/retiree volunteers a certain number of hours per year. As a 501(c)3 organization Moland House may qualify for your employer's program.

Wine and Cheese Social

This year as a thank-you to our many members a wine and cheese social was held in September at the Moland House.

Individuals who attended had a delightful time tasting the wine & cheese and meeting other members.



Do you have an article you would like to see in a future Moland Gazette? If so, please send your draft or suggestion to CasaUCreations@aol.com for consideration. The deadline for the next issue is December 17, 2014.

Recent Moland Activities

George Washington Painting

We would like to thank Sam Davis for loaning Moland a picture from his private collection which depicts George Washington meeting Martha. If you were at this year's Reenactment you saw Sam in character as General Washington.



New Lighting

If you remember leaving the Moland House after an evening event and walking through a dark parking lot, you will find a pleasant change this year. During the summer lighting was added to the parking lot, Old York Road entrance and at the carriage house.



Repaired Paddock Wall

The paddock wall closest to the Moland House has finally been repaired. This summer Bill Marek rebuilt the wall and it now matches the opposite wall that was repaired a few years ago.



New Closet for Costumes



Currently in the upstairs bedroom, next to the office area, a new closet is being built which will house costumes that are worn by some of our volunteers.





UPCOMING EVENTS --- MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Open House*: --- 2nd and 4th Sunday 1 – 4 pm (October), 2nd Sunday 1-4 (November to Spring): Drop in for a tour.
- Board Meeting: --- 2nd Wednesday evening every month 7:30 pm –
- Antique Appraisal Day: ---- November 16, 1-4pm
- Holiday Craft Show: --- November 28 – December 6
- Hanging of the Greens: --- December 10, 1pm
- Christmas Dinner – December 13

*Open House Special Events:

- **October 12** – Quilt Exhibit
- **October 26** - Cemetery Crawl on the Moland House grounds

Would you like a quick link to our website? Do you have a ‘smart’ phone? Just scan this QR code with a phone’s scanning app and you will be taken directly to the Moland House website (www.Moland.org).



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