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NORTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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JOIN US AT OUR SEPTEMBER MEETING FOR A DISCUSSION ON ANGELS

The September meeting of the Northampton Township Historical Society will feature a talk by society member, Cristine Handler, on Angels and their history. Cristine created her angels after years of needlework, curtain, and pillow designing, dress and costume making. A request from a customer at the Living Waters Christian bookstore in Newtown led to their creation. The customer, upon seeing the first angel was delighted and wanted 99 more within a week. The bookstore owner requested them, in different variations in dress color for seasons and holidays and friends and other customers requested multiple skin tones. Cristine's work is available at a select group of retailers, area craft shows, and through catalogue orders. They will be available soon by order on the Internet. She has also donated her time and work to the Salvation Army annual fashion show, tea, and silent auction fund-raiser, Abington Hospital's June Fete, and Festival of Trees, Saint Mary Hospital's annual holiday craft bazaar, Northampton days, Attleboro living center, and Christ's home for seniors. Cristine has been an active crafter at the annual Newtown market day festival, and appears in traditional colonial attire. She is a juried member of the Bucks County Guild of Craftsman and has held various leadership offices within the guild. Cristine has also done other speaking engagements for the after five club, Christ's home and various community and church organizations. She is available for speaking engagements by appointment. Cristine and her husband reside in Holland with their four cats in an old farmhouse where her attic studio is located. Please plan to attend this very interesting presentation on September 20th at 7:30 PM at the Northampton Township Senior Center adjacent to the library on Upper Holland and Township Roads, Richboro.



CHURCHVILLE TRAIN STATION GLOWING AGAIN

The historic Churchville train station was recently renovated thanks to a grant from the state of Pennsylvania and Representative Roy Reinard. The project was supervised by Society board member Diane Amadio. Diane did a wonderful job of making the \$5000 grant go a long way. The station, built in 1892, served for many years as a stop on the Newtown branch of the Reading Railroad. Service on the line was terminated in the 1980's. The station also served for many years as the Churchville postoffice. Owned by SEPTA, it has been rented for many years to an individual who maintains the inside. Articles on the renovation appeared in both the Courier Times and the Advance newspapers. Again many thanks to Diane for a job well done!

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Diane Amadio poses before the newly renovated Churchville station. Diane coordinated the job, funded by a state grant.

NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dear Members,

After spending a summer fighting the almighty army of slugs that infested our flower beds I can only give a hearty welcome to autumn!

I had so many places and projects that had to be started, alas most of them are still on hold. I worked all summer and didn't get to do much dreaming time. Maybe this fall.

I would like to make a trip to historic RittenhouseTown in October. If anyone would like to make the trip please give me a call.

A very big thank you to Diane Amadio for the outstanding job she did to beautify the Churchville train station. If you have not seen it, drive by. You will be pleasantly surprised.

The Judge Henry Wynkoop paintings and booklets will be presented to the township this semester.

We have a number of people that have not up to date on their dues. If you would like to remain a member and continue to receive the HISTORIA please take a moment to check the mailing label to see if your membership is current.

Mary B. Seader

September 20

Northampton Township Historical Society Meeting - History of Angels

October 15 - Sunday

ALL ABOARD!!!

Join us and enjoy the beautiful fall foliage on a New Hope and Ivyland excursion from Warminster to Wycombe and back. Brunch will be served at the historic Wycombe Inn. We will meet at the Warminster Station for the Sunday October 15th, 10:30 AM train and ride through Ivyland, Grenoble and Rushland on the way to Wycombe. Cost for Historical Society members will be \$25. Non-member rates are \$38.95. Reservations must be received by October 1. Please call Diane Amadio at 215-355-6399.

November 15

Nothampton Township Historical Society Dinner Meeting - 6:30 PM



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CHURCHVILLE STATION.



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HISTORIA is published quarterly by the Northampton Township Historical Society. The Society meets four times each year at the Northampton Township Cultural Center, Upper Holland Road, Richboro. Everyone is welcome at our meetings. Meetings start at **7:30 PM** with refreshments, general meeting, and a featured speaker. Past issues of the HISTORIA are available at our web page.

Meeting Dates for 2000/2001

Sept 20	General Meeting	7:30 PM
Nov 15	Dinner Meeting	6:30 PM
March 28	General Meeting	7:30 PM
May 23	General Meeting	7:30 PM
Sept 26	General Meeting	7:30 PM

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND RENEWAL CLASSIFICATIONS

PATRON:	Extra support for the society	\$35.00
FAMILY:	All members of one family	\$15.00
SINGLE:	Adult individual membership	\$10.00
SENIOR CITIZEN:	Age 65 years or older	\$5.00

This will be your membership for the calendar year of 2000 (January 2000 to December 2000)

Note - Applications received after October 31 will be credited for the following year.

This application is sent with all editions of the HISTORIA. Please check your mailing label for the expiration year.

Normal renewal time is in the first quarter of the year or when the March HISTORIA is received.

If your membership is current, please pass this application on to others who may be interested in our society.

Please consider a contribution of more than the minimum membership to help defray increasing society costs.

Send to : **Northampton Township Historical Society
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NAME: _____ SINGLE: FAMILY:

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May we count on you to serve on one of our committees ? : Y _____ N _____ MAYBE _____

Please give us your ideas for speakers at future meetings : _____

Would you be willing to write an article for the HISTORIA _____

Your comments and suggestions are welcomed : _____