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Montgomery County, Pennsylvania

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HATBORO BOROUGH

LITTLE KNOWN OR REMEMBERED FACTS OF HATBORO HISTORY

Hatboro will celebrate its 300th anniversary in 2015. Here are some little remembered facts that shaped its first 200 years.

- John Dawson was not the first settler of what has become Hatboro. Isaac Walton, Lawrence Thompson and Emanuel Dungworth preceded him.
- Hatboro was known as The Billet, Crooked Billet and Hatboro during its early years. All of these names connected to John Dawson and his occupations thus the misconception that he founded the town.
- By 1760 Hatboro aka Crooked Billet had 15 houses and less than 50 people. But it contained The Union Library (founded 1755) a school (established in 1734) one Gristmill, two Taverns, two General Stores, a Cooper, Cabinetmaker (undertaker) Blacksmith, two Doctors and one Tan Yard.

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Borough Holidays

- There will be no trash collection on the following holidays:
- New Years Day
 - Good Friday
 - Memorial Day
 - Independence Day
 - Labor Day
 - Veterans Day
 - Thanksgiving Day
 - Friday after Thanksgiving Day
 - Christmas Day

- In addition to the above dates, the Hatboro Administrative Office is closed on:
- Martin Luther King Day
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BOROUGH AUTHORITY – 1st Wednesday at 6:30 PM
PLANNING COMMISSION – 1st Tuesday of Each Month (if necessary) at 7:00 PM
ZONING HEARING BOARD – 3rd Wednesday of Each Month (if necessary) at 7:00 PM

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD IN BOROUGH HALL and are open to the public.
If a meeting needs to be changed or postponed information will be posted on the website and the community channel.



Above, Eric Gordon recently completed Pump 1 School and Haz-Mat Operation Level Training at Bucks County Fire School. JR Pascua and Eric Robertson (not shown) recently completed Pump 1 School at Bucks County Fire School.



Above left & bottom left, William Gottshall and Joseph Reading received Citations from State Representative Tom Murt for 50 years of service to the Enterprise Fire Company.

BOROUGH COUNCIL WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

THOMAS E. HARBAUGH

Tom is a 25 year resident of Hatboro. He and his wife Mary Ellen have five children. Tom has a B.S. in Finance from Penn State University and is President and Owner of Miller and Cornell, Inc., a property and casualty insurance agency in Hatboro. For the past twenty years, Tom has served on the YMCA Board of Managers, Board of Directors of Hatboro Little League, Hatboro Rotary, The Greater Hatboro Chamber of Commerce and the Hatboro 300 Anniversary Committee. He also is a member of the Board of Directors of Hatboro Federal Savings and the Hatboro Borough Authority. In August of 2013, Tom was appointed to Hatboro Council to fill a vacancy that occurred on Hatboro Council.



MARTY PALMER

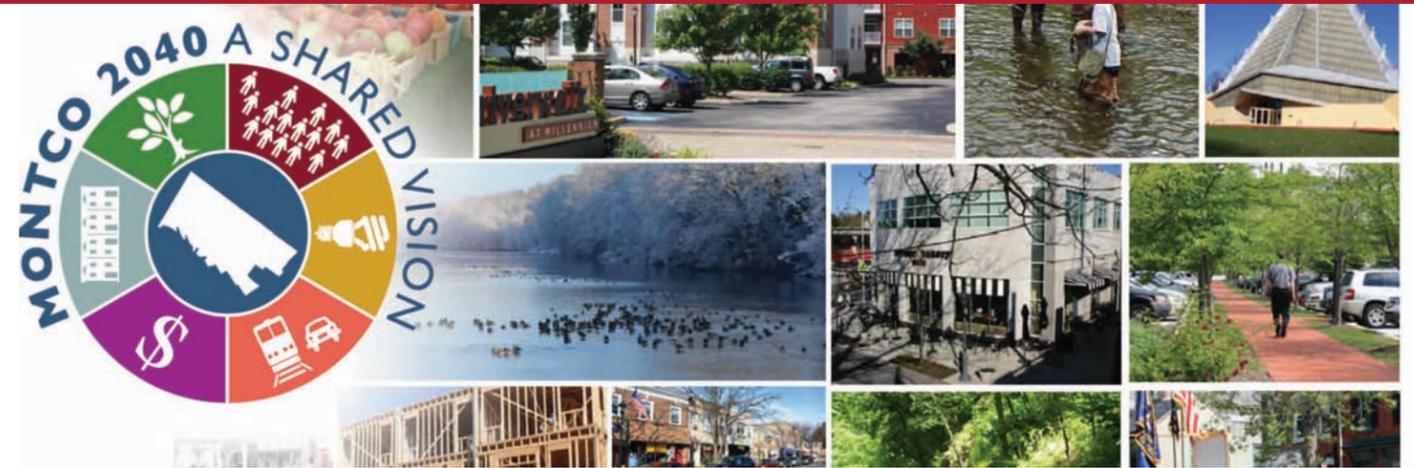
Marty is a lifelong resident of Hatboro and a graduate of Hatboro Horsham. Marty has a B.S. in Biology, a Masters in Education from Arcadia University and an MBA from Philadelphia University. Marty is a Trial Optimization Lead at Glaxo Smith Kline. He has served as Chairman for Hatboro's First Friday and Second Saturday events. He has coached for Hatboro Little League, the Hatboro Horsham Soccer Club, and Hatboro Horsham Basketball League. He is President of the Arcadia Athletics Alumni Association and serves as a Director with Bear Creek Lakes Civic Association. Marty and his wife Sally have two children.



NEWEST ADDITION TO THE FLEET



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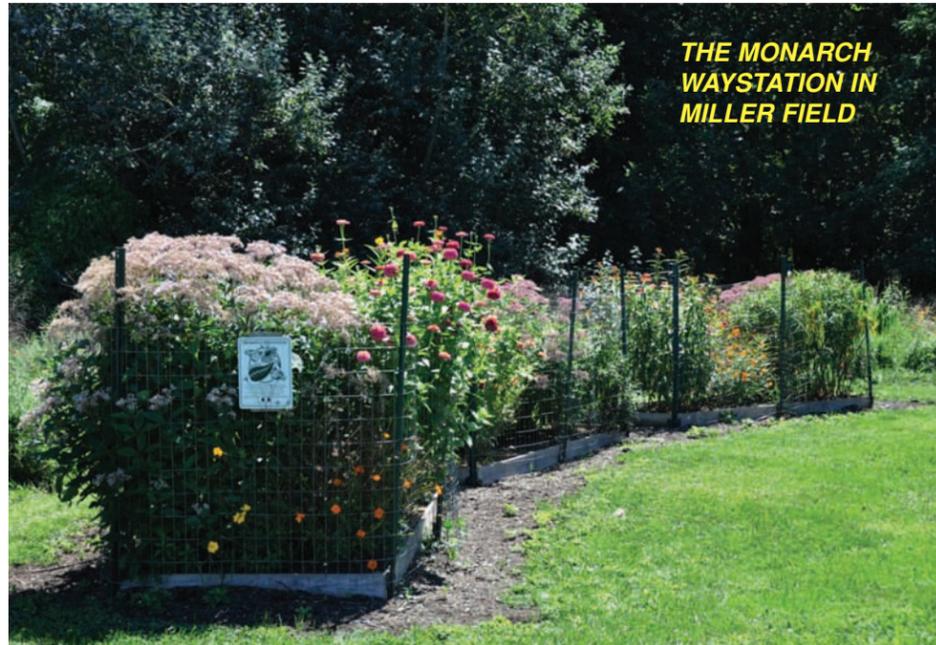
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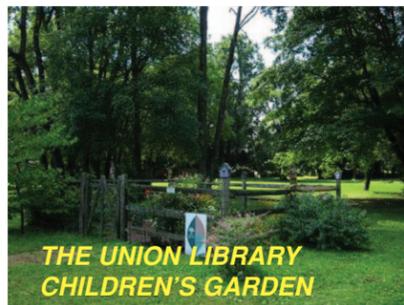


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The GOGB welcomes new members - whether you are an experienced gardener, interested in learning more, or just like to play in the dirt - there is always something interesting going on.

If you have questions, you can contact the COGB at: hatborogardeners@gmail.com or, you can visit their new Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Gardeners-of-the-Crooked-Billet/362510080436834>.



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THERE'S A THEATER IN HATBORO!

(No, Really!)

By Zachary J. Palmer

I'm a director at The Village Players of Hatboro. After my most recent show, *Leading with the* usual comments, such as "This place is so wonderful, but I had no idea it was here," and "I wish I knew about you before, I've lived here all my life." So, now's as good Ladies, it was great to hear compliments like "That was so funny, I couldn't stop laughing," and "I laughed so hard I couldn't breathe." Unfortunately, these were coupled a time to let you know- yes, there is a theater in Hatboro.



The Village Players of Hatboro is located on Jefferson Avenue, near the Hatboro Loft Apartments (The former Roberts and Mander StoveWorks and later Gamburgs warehouse). Located in a historic dairy barn, The Village Players have been performing since 1947. We moved around a lot in the beginning, starting in the old Hatboro High School, then moving to the Ivyland Fire Station Hall, and finally finding our current home in 1957.

We're a 501(c)(3) not for profit, all volunteer theater- every aspect, from directing to passing out programs, is done by volunteers who receive nothing but the satisfaction of a job well done. We also make it a point to be involved in our local community. In the past, we've worked with groups such as Elm Street District-Hatboro, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and the former First Fridays in Hatboro. Most recently, we collaborated with the Kiwanis Club in revitalizing Tanner Park.



So, what sort of plays do we put on? A little bit of everything. This year, we started with a comedy, *Leading Ladies*, which ended in October. Our upcoming show, a thriller, *Being of Sound Mind*, about a woman who experiences a bizarre series of events, and must question; is she losing her mind, or is she the victim of a plot to destroy her sanity? We're especially excited about our March production, the Tony Award and Pulitzer Prize winning *Doubt*, an inspired study in moral uncertainty and faith. Then in June, we have the comedy *Don Juan in Chicago*, the tale of a Spanish nobleman who makes a pact with the devil; immortality, but he must seduce a different woman each day.

So come check us out; there are lots of ways to show your support! If you want to see a show, check out our website, www.thevillageplayers.com, for information on how to purchase tickets. New this year, you can purchase tickets online using a credit card (*we've reached the 21st century, it just took a few years!*)



**If you want to get involved,
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Want try performing on stage? Check out our website to see when we next have auditions. Want to help with running a show, like set construction, stage management, lights and sound, or lobby management? Send us an email: info@thevillageplayers.com and let us know how you'd like to get involved. Or, come to a general meeting, the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM.

WE LOVE NEW FACES!

And now you know...

yes, Virginia, there is a theater in Hatboro!



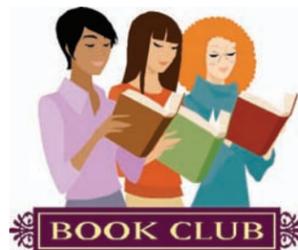


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Now that it's autumn, winter won't be far behind. Our northeast winters can bring us extreme cold, snow, sleet, and worse yet freezing rain. During these conditions, motorists need to exercise caution when driving. These conditions can cause special problems for motorists.



With the approach of the winter season, motorists should assure that their automobiles are in proper working order. The following tips may help motorists.

- Make sure all systems, including the power train, lights, wipers, fluids, defrosters and tires are in a safe operating condition.
- Make sure your tires are properly inflated and are adequate for snow. Remember, Pennsylvania law permits studded snow tires only from November 1 until April 15 of each year.
- Carry an emergency kit in your car that should include a first aid kit, flashlight, batteries and a blanket. A cell phone and automobile charger for your phone are obviously useful in the event of an emergency.
- Obey all traffic laws and regulations. Remember, braking distances are greater under wet, snowy, or icy conditions. Never exceed posted speed limits and always drive at a safe speed for existing conditions.

ABOVE ALL...DRIVE SAFELY!

Pedestrians also encounter special circumstances during winter weather. Borough of Hatboro Ordinance #1005, Section 21-302 states: "Every person in charge or control of any building or lot of land fronting or abutting on a paved sidewalk, fire hydrant, handicapped ramp, and/or curb cut whether as owner, tenant, occupant, lessee, or otherwise, shall remove and clear away or cause to be removed or cleared away, snow and/or ice from a path of at least 36 inches in width from so much of said sidewalk, fire hydrant, handicapped ramp, and/or curb cut as is in front of or abuts on said building or lot of land." These specified areas are to be cleared within 24 hours following the cessation of a storm.



PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLE SAFETY VIDEOS AVAILABLE FROM PENNDOT

Pedestrian and bicycle safety videos targeting children (K-8), parents, and young motorists are available on the Safe Routes to School website. PennDOT has developed the videos to provide a visual and entertaining way to teach pedestrian safety and help to keep children safe in their walks to and from school.

Go to <http://www.saferoutespa.org/educational-videos> or use the links below to access the free videos.

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WALK THIS WAY – Teaches elementary school children safety tips when walking to and from school.

WHY WALKING RULES – Teaches middle school children safety tips when walking to and from school.

CLOSE CALL – Teaches young motorists how and why to safely operate a motor vehicle in relationship to pedestrians.

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BEFORE YOU RIDE – Targets elementary school students and parents on such basics as bike selection, helmet fitting, bicycle safety checks, and securely parking a bike.

BASIC RIDING SKILLS – Describes essential riding skills, such as braking, balancing, turning, hand signals, and selecting safe travel routes to school to elementary school students and their parents.

RIDING ON THE ROAD – Teaches middle school students and others learning to ride their bicycle on the road the rules of the road and demonstrates riding with traffic, yielding, stopping, turning, avoiding hazards, passing parked cars, and proper lane positioning.

SHARING THE ROAD – Covers roadway positioning of cyclists, traffic and hand signals, safe turning, and cyclists' rights on the road to younger motorists, bicyclists, and others who are unfamiliar with existing bicycle laws. Also discusses how motorists and bicyclists can safely share the road.

BICYCLE LAWS – Demonstrates common offenses by both motorists and bicyclists and reviews common misconceptions of bicycle laws. Target audience is motorists, cyclists, and law enforcement officials.



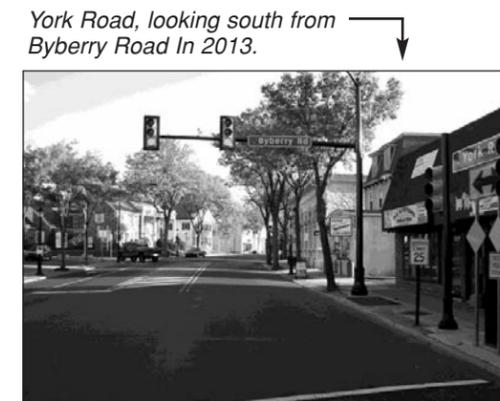
THEN & NOW



York Road, looking south from Byberry Road in 1890.



Corner of York Rd and Horsham 1890.



York Road, looking south from Byberry Road in 2013.



The Same Corner 2013, Emanuel Dungworth Miller who also built the Gristmill across Horsham Rd from it built this house circa 1716.

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2013/2014 WINTER SNOW GUIDE

SNOW & ICE REMOVAL

(Borough Code of Ordinances: 1005, Section 21-302)

Borough of Hatboro Ordinance requires the owner, occupant, or tenant of every property in the Borough to remove snow and ice from sidewalks 24 hours following the cessation of a storm. Compliance with Snow & Ice Removal is extremely important for pedestrians and emergency services. Please shovel your sidewalks!!!



PLOWING PROCEDURES



The Borough Public Works Department works tirelessly to restore roads to drivable condition following a snow storm. Plowing begins once snow accumulation reaches two inches in depth. During heavy snow storms, Borough crews must maintain access on the main roads continuously. The following roads will be plowed continuously to provide access to emergency vehicles:

- York Road
- Byberry Road
- Horsham Road
- Moreland Avenue
- Montgomery Avenue
- Jacksonville Road
- County Line Road
- Warminster Road

We ask residents to please be patient with our crews; we will make sure that we get to every street in the Borough.

The public works department is asking for residents to remove parked vehicles from the street during a snow event, parking in your driveway allows our crews to fully clear your street. If you live on a snow emergency route, if a snow emergency is declared you must remove your vehicle from the street or it will be towed.

SNOW SHOVELING TIP TO AVOID BEING PLOWED IN

While shoveling driveways, the Borough of Hatboro Public Works Department asks residents not to pile snow in the public roadways, rather place the removed snow to the left of your driveway when facing the house. This will keep residents from being plowed in when crews commence their activities. It is impossible to keep snow from being deposited in driveways and sidewalks. For safety and efficiency, plows cannot be lifted at driveways.

Also please remove all Basketball nets from the Right of Way. These are not permitted in the right of way and may be damaged during snow collection efforts; the Borough will not be responsible for any damages to basketball nets.



Public Works Department



When snow or ice is forecasted, the Public Works Department will begin the process of brining the roadway. Public Works maintains over ___ miles of Township roadways. Through a contract for winter maintenance services with PennDOT, an additional ___ miles of state roads are slated for snow & ice removal by the department.

Brining is applied to all state roads first, then main thru streets, followed by side streets. Every attempt will be made to apply brining to every roadway with at least one pass thru, time permitting. Please check our website for additional snow & ice information.

Carbon Monoxide Safety



Often called the silent killer, carbon monoxide is an invisible, odorless, colorless gas created when fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil, and methane) burn incompletely. In the home, heating and cooking equipment that burn fuel can be sources of carbon monoxide.

- » CO alarms should be installed in a central location outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home and in other locations where required by applicable laws, codes or standards. For the best protection, interconnect all CO alarms throughout the home. When one sounds, they all sound.
- » Follow the manufacturer's instructions for placement and mounting height.
- » Choose a CO alarm that has the label of a recognized testing laboratory.
- » Call your local fire department's non-emergency number to find out what number to call if the CO alarm sounds.
- » Test CO alarms at least once a month; replace them according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- » If the audible trouble signal sounds, check for low batteries. If the battery is low, replace it. If it still sounds, call the fire department.
- » If the CO alarm sounds, immediately move to a fresh air location outdoors or by an open window or door. Make sure everyone inside the home is accounted for. Call for help from a fresh air location and stay there until emergency personnel.
- » If you need to warm a vehicle, remove it from the garage immediately after starting it. Do not run a vehicle or other fueled engine or motor indoors, even if garage doors are open. Make sure the exhaust pipe of a running vehicle is not covered with snow.
- » During and after a snowstorm, make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove, and fireplace are clear of snow build-up.
- » A generator should be used in a well-ventilated location outdoors away from windows, doors and vent openings.
- » Gas or charcoal grills can produce CO — only use outside.



Have fuel-burning heating equipment and chimneys inspected by a professional every year before cold weather sets in. When using a fireplace, open the flue for adequate ventilation. Never use your oven to heat your home.

FACTS

- ! A person can be poisoned by a small amount of CO over a longer period of time or by a large amount of CO over a shorter amount of time.
- ! In 2005, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 61,100 non-fire CO incidents in which carbon monoxide was found, or an average of seven calls per hour.



Your Source for SAFETY Information

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www.nfpa.org/education

CHRISTMAS TREE SAFETY

*As you deck the halls this holiday season, be fire smart.
A small fire that spreads to a Christmas tree can grow large very quickly.*

PICKING THE TREE

- Choose a tree with fresh, green needles that do you fall off when touched.

PLACING THE TREE

- Before placing the tree in the stand, cut 1-2" from the base of the trunk.
- Make sure the tree is at least three feet away from any heat source, like fireplaces, radiators, candles, heat vents or lights.
- Make sure the tree is no blocking an exit.
- Add water to the tree stand. Be sure to add water daily.

LIGHTING THE TREE

- Use lights that have the label of an independent testing laboratory. Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use.
- Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Connect no more than three strands of mini string sets and a maximum of 50 bulbs for screw-in bulbs. Read manufacturer's instructions for number of LED strands to connect.
- Never use lit candles to decorate the tree.
- Always turn off Christmas tree lights before leaving home or going to bed.

FACTS

-  One of every three home Christmas tree fires are caused by electrical problems.
-  Although Christmas tree fires are not common, when they do occur, they have a higher chance to be deadly.
-  A heat source too close to the tree causes one in every five of the fires.



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AFTER CHRISTMAS

Get rid of the tree after Christmas or when it is dry. Dried-out trees are a fire danger and should not be left in the home or garage, or placed outside against the home. Bring outdoor electrical lights inside after the holidays to prevent hazards and make them last longer.



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IS YOUR MAILBOX READY FOR WINTER?

Mailboxes sometimes present a problem to the Public Works Department when they are performing snow plowing. It would help prevent interference with snow plowing if mailboxes are installed so that the front of the mailbox is even with the back of the curb, or 12" off the edge of the roadway, without curbs. PennDOT allows property owners to place mailboxes within the limits of the legal right-of-way, out of respect for the US Postal Service's need to deliver. However, because those boxes are within the right-of way, damages are the responsibility of the property owner. Be sure your mailbox has a strong support. You may also wish to use reflective tape or other material to make it easier to see during storms or during dark hours. Check your box and support often, clearing snow from it & depositing the snow properly & in a manner to allow you & motorists proper sight distances (and never on the roadway.) Homeowners who have followed these tips in the past & have still experienced damaged mailboxes may wish to consider installing a cantilevered mailbox support that will swing a mailbox out of harm's way.



STREET LIGHTS

Did you know that the Borough maintains street lights? To increase efficiency & cut down on costs, the Public Works Department began the process of changing out older incandescent lights, mercury vapor & high-pressure sodium lights to LED lights.

To report a street light issue, please contact our Public Works Department at 215.443.9100 or, email at info@hatborogov.org. For timely repair, please make sure to provide the pole number or the closest address.

Prepare Your Home for Winter



As winter approaches, our thoughts turn to other activities as we plan for the annual hibernation to the indoors. This is also a good time to plan a safe hibernation for your house as well. The constant change in the weather can have a significant effect on your house that, if left unchecked, may result in major repairs in the future.

Now is the time to inspect your house for anything that does not appear to be normal. Things to look for include loose siding, missing or torn shingles, broken or sticking doors, missing caulking around windows or any other item that will leave your home exposed to the elements. Now is the time to start addressing these items before the cold weather sets in and these items are forgotten.

You may also want to take a look at other items that are often overlooked until it is too late. One important item is your home heating system. Most people who are not on a maintenance program forget to have service performed until well into the heating season when the furnace decides to stop working. Unfortunately, this is the time that most heating contractors are busiest and you may have to wait for service. Avoid the headache and plan ahead.

Items such as your water heater may need your attention as well as other home appliances. Remember to check and make sure water pipes are properly insulated and not exposed to freezing temperatures. Be sure that leaves and debris do not obstruct water flow from gutters and downspouts. Water that freezes and is allowed to back up rooftops often provides you with unwelcome leaks. The lists are endless, but remember your home is a major investment - take good care of it.



HOLIDAY TREE PICKUP

The Public Works Department will pick up trees on any one of your trash collection days.



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HATBORO BOROUGH

LITTLE KNOWN OR REMEMBERED FACTS OF HATBORO HISTORY

Hatboro will celebrate its 300 anniversary in 2015. Here are some little remembered facts that shaped its first 200 years.

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- During November of 1777 General George Washington spent time in Hatboro while his army was camped at Whitemarsh.



- On May 1st 1778 The Battle of Crooked Billet was fought in and around Hatboro.

- Slaves were bought and sold in Hatboro during the 18th century and many locals owned them.

- Free Black men owned property in Hatboro as early as 1829 and the town school was integrated by 1800.

- Hatboro became an Abolitionist town early in the 19th century and there were several stations on the Underground Railroad rumored to have been located here.

- Hatboro's Post Office was established in 1809. The postmark was spelled Hatborough.

- Hatboro's first newspaper was The Literary Chronicle in 1840 the paper later moved to Newtown.

- There were no Churches in Hatboro until 1835 when the Baptist and Methodist Church's were formed. The Baptist Church also had an integrated congregation during its early years.



- A company of New Jersey Cavalry was formed in Hatboro to serve in the Civil War because Pennsylvania was not enlisting Cavalry units at the time.

- Hatboro has only one Black Civil War Soldier buried here and he is in The Hatboro Baptist Church Cemetery. His name was Barkley Stagner and he enlisted in the 8th Pa. Cavalry in September 1861. He served during the Battle of Gettysburg with the 8th and his name is on the Pennsylvania Monument there.

- The Hatboro Baptist Church formed the first police in 1868. Hatboro's regular police and fire departments are both over 100 years old.

- In 1872 the railroad came to Hatboro and Hatboro gained its first bank in 1873. Also in that year Hatboro became a self governing Borough.

- Hatboro had a Catholic Church on Penn Street behind the Hatboro Baptist Church Cemetery.

- The town of Hatboro was Democratic before 1900.

- There was an active cell of the KKK during the 1920's in Hatboro but they were advised to leave the Black citizens alone.

- Hatboro's Halloween Parade funded the monument to her WWI soldiers.

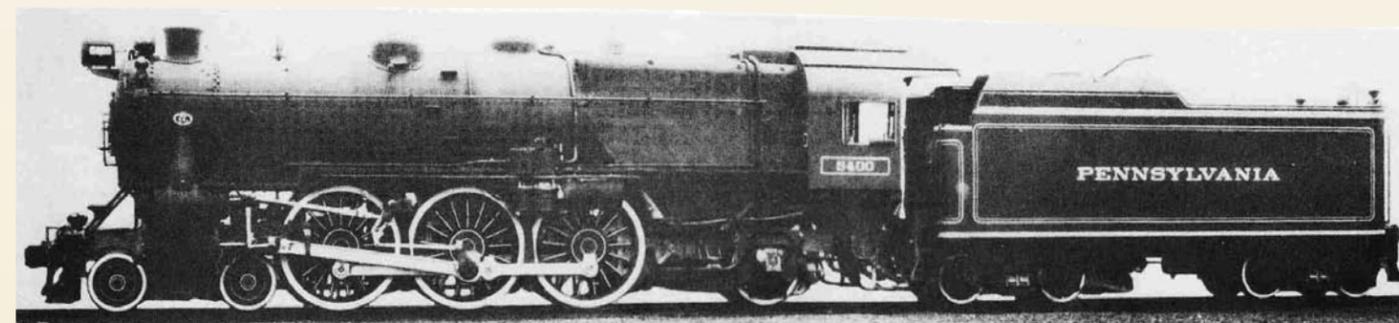
- There only three monuments to soldiers in Hatboro and only two of these have names listed on them.

- Only one person has been elected to the US Congress from Hatboro. (I, Newton Evans)

- During probation Hatboro had a speakeasy and a floating gambling game.

- Only two murders are known to have been committed in Hatboro in its almost 300 years.

- Some forgotten parades in Hatboro are: The Halloween Parade, Fourth of July Parade and The Orangemen's Parade.



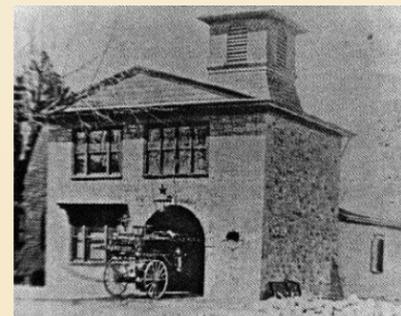
Historic Hatboro



This house was built by John Dawson a hat maker and the founder of Hatboro in 1705. The house later became a tavern in the 1730's called the Crooked Billet Inn. In 1777 George Washington conducted staff meetings at the

Inn. The Crooked Billet Inn was mentioned in a letter to congress from George Washington in 1777. The building was demolished in 1955 to modernize the area. A memorial plaque stands at the location of the site at 55 S. York Road in Hatboro.

The Town Hall and Firehouse was built in 1891. Over the years the building has been used by the Enterprise Fire Company, the Hatboro Police, and as a senior citizens center. The building is now occupied by the Second Alarmers.



- Hatboro was once known as the cruising capital by young and old car buffs.

- Hatboro had a Pool Hall, Bowling Alley and Movie Theater at one time.

- There was a Friday night dance for the young people at the old High School.

- You could leave your doors unlocked and everyone knew each other (or so it seemed).

- The only animals prohibited in Hatboro, were Pigs and the only Jackasses were the two-legged variety.

