

## STENTON WELCOMES GCA FOUNDERS FUND COMMITTEE AND CELEBRATES NATIONAL AWARD!

By Dennis Pickeral, Executive Director, Stenton

On June 18th, the NSCDA/PA rolled out the red carpet at Stenton for members of the Garden Club of America's Founders Fund Committee, following the announcement that Stenton was the recipient of the 2015 Founders Fund Award. This national award, given to one project each year, includes a \$30,000 grant which will be used to create an urban meadow at Stenton. The meadow will frame a newly restored entry drive and represent the expansive agricultural fields that historically surrounded the house. Stenton's project was proposed by the Wissahickon and Weeders Garden Clubs.

Members of the Founders Fund Committee, hailing from GCA garden clubs all over the country, were greeted by NSCDA/PA Board members and Stenton Committee members. First Vice-President Gina Whelan, Stenton Committee Chair Carol Rush, Wissahickon Garden Club President Mary Jane Greenwood, and Zone V GCA Founders Fund Award Representative Betsy Crowell offered thanks to the committee members and presented a certificate to Stenton. Executive Director Dennis Pickeral led a tour of the mansion and grounds, pointing out the meadow's

locations and sharing some of the significant early connections that Stenton has to the development of the field of horticulture in America. Thanks to a generous donation from Past President Peggy Shaver and donations from various Garden Club and Stenton Committee members, the Founders Fund Committee members ended their visit with a champagne toast and refreshments. Many of the Founders Fund Committee members expressed their enthusiasm for Stenton's project and the visit, and look forward to seeing the completed project!



Left: NSCDA/PA Past President Peggy Shaver with Stenton Garden Committee and Garden Club of Philadelphia member Susan Yeager. Right: NSCDA/PA Board members, Stenton staff, meadow project consultants and GCA Founders Fund Committee members gather in the garden where the first annual GCA meeting took place in 1913.

## DEVELOPMENT NEWS

## KEYSTONE GRANT TO FUND RESTORATION OF STENTON'S WING

In June, Stenton was awarded a \$50,000 Keystone Historic Preservation grant from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. This grant will help fund restoration of the exterior of Stenton's historic service wing, which includes a c.1730 carriage house that now serves as program/meeting space, as well as a later kitchen/washhouse and greenhouse. A new roof will be installed and painting, carpentry and other repairs will be undertaken. Stenton will be working to raise some of the matching funds for the project from the "Fling for the Wing" party on October 10 (see below for more details). Construction is expected to start later this year and be completed in 2016.



*Historic image of Stenton and service wing*



*Phase I of Stenton's Wing Restoration Project included replacement of the south kitchen and piazza roofs in 2011.*

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

### Fling for the Wing in October

Please join us from 4:00 to 6:00 on October 10th at the "Fling for the Wing," a joint NSCDA/PA and Society of Colonial Warriors autumn party at Stenton. Live music by Run O'The Mill String Band, harvest-themed craft beers, and barbeque by award-winning Philadelphia restaurant Sweet Lucy's Smokehouse will make this family-friendly fall event a fun-filled afternoon to remember! The "Fling" is also a terrific opportunity to meet members of the SCW, who, like the Colonial Dames, promote interest in and the study of America's colonial history. All proceeds will help restore Stenton's historic Service Wing, where our national award-winning History Hunters educational program takes place each year. We hope you will attend! For more information or to RSVP, please contact Stenton Site Administrator Kaelyn Barr at 215-329-7312, or email [kaelyn.taylor@stenton.org](mailto:kaelyn.taylor@stenton.org).

## SAMPLER DONATION ADDED TO NSCDA/PA COLLECTION

In May 2014, Dame Barbara McClenahan generously donated a 178 year-old New Jersey sampler to the NSCDA-PA. It was clearly a lovely needlework, although it was initially folded in its non-original frame, hiding the top portion of the sampler from view. When it was removed from the frame, more details became evident.

The needlework was worked on a plain weave linen ground using polychrome (blue, brown, green off-white, and yellow) silk threads in cross-stitch and satin stitch. The maker's name and age (Angelia Cassell, aged 9 years), and the month and

date she made it (September 1836), are stitched in blue silk thread at the bottom.

This type of needlework is called a band sampler, because the four alphabets and one progression of numbers are worked across nine rows, or bands, each separated by a geometric line. Spot motifs (birds, a basket, trees, rose buds) fill the areas on either side of her name and date. The entire composition is framed on four sides with four rows of blue, yellow, and green stitches.

Gina Whelan, a Dame and Winterthur-trained textile conservator, donated her time to conserve, mount, and frame the sampler so that it could be properly appreciated



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*Dear Dames,*

Even if our own school days or those of our children are behind us, the fall still feels like a "new year." It kicks off NSCDA/PA's next program year, for starters ~ and what a year we have planned for you!

In this issue of *Connections*, you'll learn more about the Governance Project Committee's work over the spring and summer. I encourage you to read Committee Chair Gina Whelan's summary of the ideas and improvements underway; we're eager for your feedback.

There's a lot going on at Stenton these days, as you'll see from our cover story on winning the GCA Founder's Fund Award, as well as events highlighted in this issue's center section. We're so grateful to all of you who come out to Stenton to volunteer, attend workshops, support the site, and share in the festivities.

We have a special treat in store for the first Stated Meeting of 2015-16, as we welcome back our colleague and former executive director of the Pennsylvania

Society and Stenton, Dr. Stephen G. Hague, of Rowan University. Stephen's new book took much inspiration from his work at Stenton. His enthusiasm for his subject is readily apparent, and for those of you who missed him at the Logan Conference last fall, you'll find that his presentations are always entertaining and informative. You won't want to miss it!

You'll see other familiar names among guest speakers this year, as we hear from a number of our own talented PA Dames. And in the very special month of April 2016- the month of our founding 125 years ago ~we'll welcome Dumbarton House executive director Karen Daly who'll give us some interesting perspective on the rich legacy of the NSCDA as a whole, as well as the Dames' exciting prospects ahead. Stay tuned for more news of this momentous anniversary year.

It's oft repeated, but no less true: the Pennsylvania Society's enduring legacy of preservation, education and patriotic

service owes everything to its members. You are as vitally important to our mission and good work today as those who founded this Society in 1891. I thank you all for your continued support. It's an honor to serve you.

Yours most sincerely,

*Anne L. B. Burnett*

## NSCDA/PA Staff

**Executive Assistant:** Adriana Robinson

**Curator:** Laura Keim

**Stenton Director:** Dennis Pickeral

**Site Administrator & Education Director:**

Kaelyn Barr

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**HQ Facilities Manager:**

Kenneth J. Robinson

**Stenton Site Manager:** Lauren Griffin and Martina Plag

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Lauren Griffin

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Ilana Grubin

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## A VISIT FROM NSCDA PRESIDENT

The PA Society was honored to welcome Marcy Moody, National President, NSCDA, for a two day visit in April. Highlights of the visit, as seen below included a History Hunters school tour with Stenton



*Tagging along with History Hunters, heading to the Stenton barn.*

Committee members, and a personal tour of Stenton. Marcy also visited Historic Germantown headquarters and attended our April Stated Meeting program and luncheon.



*L to R: , Stenton Director Dennis Pickeral, Marcy Moody, PA Society 1st VP Gina Whelan*

## SAMPLER (CON'T)

at Headquarters. Gina's primary research on original frame profiles used for American schoolgirl needlework uncovered two other New Jersey samplers from the same date, each with a frame that had mahogany veneered sides and bird-eye maple corners. Gina worked with her frame maker to have a replica of the original frame style made to fit Angelia Cassell's sampler.

Please take a moment to find the

sampler in our Headquarters second floor lounge, where it is now on display alongside our other samplers. We extend our heartfelt thanks to Barbara McClenahan for her generosity in donating the sampler to NSCDA-PA.

Perhaps one of our talented genealogists will take on the project of tracking down Angelia Cassell's family?! Who knows, one of us might be related to her!

GOVERNANCE

# GOVERNANCE PROJECT COMMITTEE UPDATE

By Gina Whelan, Governance Project Committee Chair

The NSCDA-PA Governance Project Committee (GPC) has been busy! This July, Pennsylvania Dames received an online survey designed to elicit responses so that we can better understand the individual members' levels of participation and attendance at Dames events. There was an impressive 38% response. We thank everyone who took the time to fill out the survey. We have not completed our review of the survey results and so are not ready to offer recommendations for future meeting schedules at this time.

Earlier this year, the GPC met several times each month to analyze our current board structure and review our standing committee arrangement. With guidance from our consultant, Bryan & Jordan, we researched other Dames State Societies' board structures, referred to National's basic structure recommendations established for all State Societies, investigated the dynamics of successful boards, and assessed the effectiveness of various board sizes. During that time, we clustered the committees by function and

clarified which are task forces (temporary) or standing committees. Our next step will be to write job descriptions for all positions so that expectations are clear.

After our research, the GPC concluded that our current Board structure, though appropriate when developed in 1891, no longer serves its intended purpose, nor does it use our members' valuable time efficiently and effectively. Our current 25-member board structure [see chart] is unwieldy and does not reflect recommended best practices for non-profits. The Dames strive to attain the highest standard in all endeavors and this includes our organizational structure.

The GPC recommends: reducing the number of Vice Presidents from five to either one VP (Proposal A) or three geographic VPs (Proposal B), reducing the number of managers. Grant assistance agencies and best practices highly recommend that we establish an order of succession so the President can work with the Vice President, training her for a smooth transition when the President's term ends. A revision in the term limits

for officers and managers is being considered. Currently an officer may serve six one-year terms, and a manager may serve two consecutive three-year terms. We are also considering linking committee chair positions to manager positions.

Two potential board structure revisions (Proposal A and Proposal B) are being evaluated, and a final recommendation will be presented to the membership at the stated meeting in October 2015. The vote on the proposed NSCDA-PA by-laws amendments will occur in December 2015. Be sure to attend both the October and December meetings so you can participate in the discussion and the by-laws revision vote.

Below are charts that outline the possible future structure and term limits of our Board. Please let us know your ideas or concerns. The GPC members are: Anne Burnett, Sally Congdon, Gez Ebbert, Margaret Broussard, Peggy Shaver, Jane Foster, Kristen Cahn von Seelen, and Gina Whelan. Please contact any of us to ask about the GPC proposal.

NSCDA/PA (25)			
President - (1 yr)			
1st VP - Historical Activities Committee Chair - (1 yr)			
2nd VP - Patriotic Service Committee Chair - (1 yr)			
3rd VP - L/D/Y Committee Chair - (1 yr)			
4th VP - Allegheny Committee Chair - (1 yr)			
5th VP - Museum Properties Committee Chair - (1 yr)			
Corresponding Secretary - (1 yr)			
Recording Secretary - (1 yr)			
Treasurer - (1 yr)			
Assistant Treasurer - (1 yr)			
Registrar - (1 yr)			
Associate States Registrar - (1 yr)			
Historian - (1 yr)			

Manager - (3 yr)			
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Restructuring Proposal A	
NSCDA/PA Officers* (7)	& Board of Managers (8-10)
*President (1-2 yr)	Managers: 8-10 managers, linked to standing committee, 1-2 year term
*VP (1-2 yr)	Patriotic Service Chair (1-2 yr)
Corresponding Secretary (1-2 yr)	Historical Activities Chair (1-2 yr)
*Recording Secretary (1-2 yr)	Program Chair (1-2 yr)
*Treasurer (1-2 yr)	Governance Chair (1-2 yr)
*Registrar (1-2 yr)	Development Chair (1-2 yr)
Associate States Registrar (1-2 yr)	Communications Chair (1-2 yr)
*Historian (1-2 yr)	Headquarters Chair (1-2 yr)
* Stenton Committee Chair (1-2 yr)	Membership Chair (1-2 yr)
	2 open manager seats (2-3 yr)
2 seats reserved for County Committee Chairs: Allegheny and Lancaster/Dauphin/York	Honorary members (voice no vote): Lady of Dumbarton House; Assoc. Trust. Friends of Sulgrave; REG. Gunston Hall; County Committee Chairs; House Committee; Museum Properties
	Add: Key Staff members, Past Presidents

Restructuring Proposal B	
NSCDA/PA Officers* (7)	& Board of Managers (8-10)
*President (1-2 yr)	Managers: 8-10 managers, linked to standing committee, 1-2 year term
*VP, Philadelphia (1-2 yr)	Patriotic Service Chair (1-2 yr)
*VP, Allegheny Com. Chair (1-2 yr)	Historical Activities Chair (1-2 yr)
*VP, L/D/Y Com. Chair (1-2 yr)	Program Chair (1-2 yr)
Corresponding Secretary (1-2 yr)	Governance Chair (1-2 yr)
*Recording Secretary (1-2 yr)	Development Chair (1-2 yr)
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# ANOTHER PERFECT EVENING FOR STENTON GARDEN PARTY

By Carol Rush, Stenton Committee Chair

On May 14, 2015, Stenton held its annual Garden Party celebration. With over 200 attendees, it is safe to say this event has become a favorite of Stenton supporters and community members. It was a lovely evening, and everyone enjoyed lingering in the mansion to see *Logania: Stenton Reassembled*, the yearlong loan exhibit of over 100 Logan items, and then entering the garden for the cocktail buffet. Anna Marley, Curator of Historical American Art at the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, was in attendance and signing her book, *The*

*Artist's Garden: American Impressionism and the Garden Movement*, which highlights the many connections between the Garden Movement, the rise of American impressionism in art, and the growth of women's organizations. Stenton is the intersection of all of this activity.

During the program, we announced that Stenton was a Garden Club of America (GCA) Founders Fund Finalist, and presented nosegays to our Garden Club partners: Mary Jane Greenwood, President of the Wissahickon Garden Club, Linda

Anderson, Past President of the Weeders Garden Club, and Betsy Crowell, the GCA zone representative. We also honored Betty Shellenberger for her nearly 75-year membership in the NSCDA-PA. Betty stole the show with her acceptance speech in which she reiterated the importance of Stenton and Germantown in the history of the country and how it is incumbent upon all present to continue to support these sites and extol their virtues. Thank you to all who helped make this a very special event!



1: Stenton Chair Carol Rush and past PA Society President Alice Lea Tasman welcome guests to Stenton; 2: Young Colonial Dame Susanna Cahn von Seelen performs in the parlor as guests tour the mansion, 3: Author Dr. Anna Marley, of PAFA; 4: Lancaster Dames Betty Miller, Sally Jarvis and Irene Walker enjoying the party.; 5: Special honoree Betty Shellenberger says a few words; 6: Betsy Crowell, Linda Anderson and Mary Jane Greenwood; 7: Garden Party guests take in the Colonial Revival Garden in bloom

## MUSEUM PROPERTIES

## FORMER STENTON DIRECTOR TO DISCUSS HIS NEW BOOK ON EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY GENTLEMAN'S HOUSES

The NSCDA/PA will be delighted to welcome back former director of Stenton and historian **Dr. Stephen G. Hague** to the Stated Meeting on Wednesday, October 21 for an illustrated talk and book signing about his recently published book, *The Gentleman's House in the British Atlantic World*. Dr. Hague will discuss the architecture, landscapes, gardens and furnishings of ten Georgian houses on both sides of the Atlantic, with special emphasis on Philadelphia connections, in a presentation entitled "The Best Georgian Mansion in England and America."

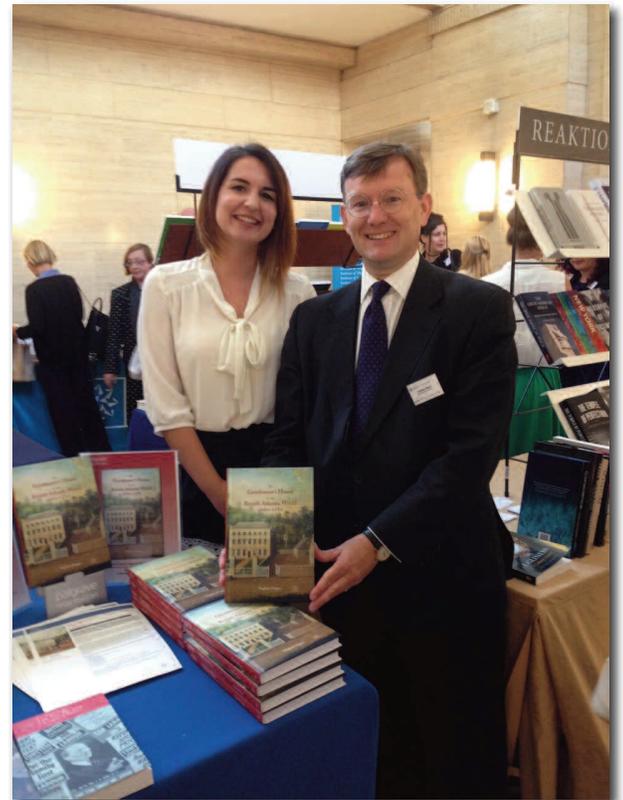
The eighteenth-century Georgian mansion holds a special fascination in both Britain and America. Beginning in the late seventeenth century, small classical houses like Stenton developed as a distinct architectural type. From small country estates to provincial towns and their outskirts, these "gentleman's houses" proliferated throughout the British Atlantic world. Dr. Hague's book analyzes the evolution of these houses and owners to tell a story about incremental social change. Hague examines houses in North America as part of a larger process of architectural expansion throughout Britain and its colonies, and challenges accounts of the newly wealthy overspending on houses and material goods. Instead, *The Gentleman's House* offers a new interpretation of social mobility characterized by measured growth and demonstrates that colonial Americans and provincial Britons made similar house building and furnishing choices.

Eighteenth-century houses continue to be viewed as amongst the most beautiful and desirable types of domestic architecture. Weaving together stories of buildings, owners, families, and some curious characters, Dr. Hague will draw upon his study of nearly two hundred houses to offer a 'Top Ten' List of the best houses that he encountered.

Dr. Hague joined the History Department at Rowan University in Glassboro, New Jersey in 2012, where he teaches British, British imperial, and modern European history. Previously, he was Executive Director of Stenton from 2001

to 2008. Dr. Hague holds a D.Phil. from Oxford University in England and is a Supernumerary Fellow of Linacre College, Oxford.

Following the talk, copies of *The Gentleman's House* will be available for purchase at a special Dames rate.



## STENTON SHORT SUBJECTS

**Workshop Offers Unique Up-Close Look at Early American Chairs:** As part of the ongoing *Logania* loan exhibition, Stenton hosted two workshops in April with renowned scholar of early American furniture, Philip Zimmerman. Filled to capacity, the workshops offered participants a rare opportunity to compare the construction and details of a large group of Philadelphia Queen



Anne and Chippendale chairs. Many of these chairs, with Logan provenance, have never been exhibited together before. The workshops prompted lengthy discussions and debate about the differences in the objects and the evolution of chair making in Colonial Philadelphia.

**Historic Germantown Awarded Major Grant:** Historic Germantown was awarded a \$150,000 project grant in June from The Pew Center for Arts & Heritage, a multidisciplinary grantmaker that supports arts and culture in the greater Philadelphia area. The two year project, entitled "Elephants on the Avenue: Race, Class and Community in Historic Germantown" pairs historians and artists to collaboratively curate text and image-based public art, and facilitate educational and artistic workshops about race and class ("the elephants"), informed by the stories and history of HG's participating historic member

## OPPORTUNITY TO ACQUIRE JAMES LOGAN'S TINDER LIGHTER!

Stenton has the opportunity to acquire an extraordinary tinder lighter on loan from antiques dealer Skip Chalfant. The lighter is currently at Stenton as part of the *Logania: Stenton Collections Reassembled* exhibition, which ends in September. We are now actively conducting a small campaign to raise the \$20,000 needed to purchase the lighter for Stenton, which will add to our ever-growing collection of documented Logan family objects. The lighter, which was likely made in the 1730s-40s, is engraved "JAMES LOGAN" on one side and descended through a line of the family that can be traced back to his daughter, Hannah Logan. To date, we have raised \$8,500 toward the tinder lighter's purchase. If you would like to help support the acquisition of this important object for Stenton, please contact Curator Laura Keim at 215-329-7312, or email [laura.keim@stenton.org](mailto:laura.keim@stenton.org).



## STENTON SHORTS (CON'T)

sites and the broader Germantown community. Historic Germantown is a consortium of 16 cultural attractions located in northwest Philadelphia. Stenton has played a leading role in building the consortium. For more about Historic Germantown, visit [www.freedomsbackyard.com](http://www.freedomsbackyard.com).

**July 4th at Stenton:** Stenton held its annual Independence Day Celebration for our community and friends on a rainy July 4th. This event is a laid back, simple way to spend your Fourth of July holiday. Despite the misty weather, we had a turnout of over 100 visitors, who enjoyed playing games, listening to the Run O'The Mill String Band, and of course making hand-cranked ice cream! Thank you to all who donated hot dogs and refreshments, including Dottie and Doug Hocker, Joyce Keller, and Kristin Cahn von Seelen. A special thank you to our volunteers, including Anne and David Burnett, Patsy and Ray Jones, and Nancy Wessells!

**The Logan-Norris Reunion:** It has been over ten years since our last Logan Family Reunion, and we are so excited to announce we will be hosting one this September 11th & 12th, aligning with the close of the special exhibition, "Logania: Stenton Reassembled" which will close at the end of September, 2015. The Reunion event will include a Friday night reception at the Library Company of Philadelphia, as well as a fun, engaging Saturday at Stenton. We are hopeful this event will strengthen relationships and foster new support from our Logan-Norris descendants.

**Decorative Arts Workshop November 13th:** Please Join us at Stenton on Friday, November 13th for 'China of the Most Fashionable Sort': Chinese Export Porcelain in Colonial America. Suzanne Findlen Hood, Curator of Ceramics and Glass at Colonial Williamsburg, will explore Chinese export Porcelain owned and used in Colonial America. This study day will include a hands-on workshop investigating the Loudoun Collection

of Chinese Porcelain as well as mended Logan Family objects excavated at Stenton. Ticket Required, cost is \$50.00, or \$45.00 for Friends of Stenton & NSCDA/PA members. Fee includes buffet lunch. Please email [programs@stenton.org](mailto:programs@stenton.org) or call 215-329-7312.



Top: Dames volunteers Carol Rush, Nancy Wessells and Patsy Jones serve up freshly churned ice cream on July 4th; Bottom: Long-time History Hunters guide Winky Hurwitz assists a young friend with colonial games

## PATRIOTIC SERVICE

## TROOP SUPPORT

By Rebecca O'Neill, Patriotic Service Chair

The NSCDA-PA held a collection drive in early 2015 for our troops serving in Afghanistan. Through the generosity of our members, we collected over 100 pounds of items, and also wrote cards of appreciation. In May, several members got together to pack the items and then ship the 19 boxes of supplies to our American soldiers.

I received a response from one soldier who said "The supplies are really appreciated and letters of support mean a lot!" The troops in Afghanistan donated some of the items sent, i.e. Beanie Babies, to an Afghan Women and Children's Center to aid them in becoming self-sufficient. It is nice to see that not only do the soldiers appreciate all our support, but they in turn "pay it forward" and help others in need. Thank you to all who participated in this worthwhile effort in support of our troops!



Top left: Packing up boxes are Anne Burnett, Beckie O'Neill and Liz Mills, Chair, Flag Programs and Service to Military; Top right: Blackhawk helicopter pilot Major Matthew O'Neill donating items from NSCDA-PA to Afghan Women's Educational Center, Kabul.; Bottom: Headquarters Company, 6-101st Aviation Battalion in Afghanistan.

## THE NATIONAL HISTORY DAY CONTEST

By Wendy Wells-Finn, L-D-Y Committee

I was proud to represent the NSCDA-PA as a National History Day judge for the Pennsylvania State Finals, held at Millersville University. Students from all over the state brought their winning regional entries to compete for the opportunity to move on to the final stage of The Kenneth E. Behring National History Day Contest, held each year at the University of Maryland, College Park. After spending months on project research and preparation, and competing at local and affiliate contests, these students were eager to show their hard work at the national level.

As a judge, it was two days of fascinating history presented in various formats that included papers, short films, exhibits, website design, and performances. Students participated in either the Junior (Middle School) or Senior (High School) divisions. I was honored to judge documentaries in both the divisions. The theme this year was 'Leadership & Legacy.'

Kudos to the Pennsylvania History Day Website and the Army Heritage Center Foundation for organizing this statewide event. Millersville University does an incredible job of coordinating and

sponsoring the two day judging event. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner were catered by the University and the food was fabulous. I'm looking forward to next year!

And finally, I am pleased to announce the winning entries from Pennsylvania at the 2015 NHD National Contest. It was an outstanding year for Pennsylvania: 11 projects reached the final round. Of these, five finished in the top three, and three won special awards. We should be very proud of our students and teachers.

# THE PENNSYLVANIA COLONIAL DAMES SCARF

By Eleanor Peterson, Special Projects & Historic Tours



Spring/Summer Scarf



Fall/Winter Scarf

We're happy to announce that the official NSCDA/PA scarf is now available. Making their debut at the December 2014 Stated Meeting, scarves may be ordered below or by phone, and soon via our redesigned website currently under construction.

Emblematic of Pennsylvania's colonial history, many of the design motifs represent the

colonial furnishings in the Stenton Mansion.

The scarf's main motif features four shells, similar to those found on many of Stentons' furnishings. Uniting the four shells are vines, leaves, and four colonial styled chandeliers, each one incorporating a small Colonial Dame figure.

The center of the scarf shows flowers from

the Mountain Laurel, the Pennsylvania's State flower. The small hearts are from an architectural detail in Stenton's entrance hall.

The Pennsylvania scarves are available in two colorways. Each one or both will compliment any seasonal wardrobe! Please order yours today at our introductory price of \$75.

## SCARVES MAKE GREAT GIFTS FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY! ORDER YOURS NOW!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Security # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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MEMBERSHIP



1: ANNUAL MEETING 2015 This year's Annual Meeting guest speaker was NSCDA National Patriotic Service Chair and Pennsylvania Dame Sara Woodward, from the Allegheny County Committee. She presented an interesting talk on the history of the Committee, current activities, and plans for the future. Here Sara (in middle) chats before the meeting with (L) Penny Perry, and Lancaster-Dauphin-York Committee Treasurer Barbara Gillis; 2: New NSCDA/PA Registrar Connie Taylor (center) with Annual Meeting luncheon attendees Donna Bremer and Marguerite Mogila; 3: The traditional June Board meeting at Stenton includes outgoing and incoming board members. Included in a photo gathering in the garden are: Front row: Katy Drinkwater Bieniesock (with Bailey the pup), Dora Rogers, Carol Rush, Alice Lea Tasman, Jane Foster Willson. 2nd row: Catherine Klaus, Elizabeth Laurent, Carolyn Raymond, Gina Whelan, Beckie O'Neill; 3rd row: Eleanor Peterson, Colleen McCauley, Betsy Grace, Wendy Wells-Finn; 4th Row: Nina Schaefer, Lee Manonian, Connie Taylor, Barbara Wood, Lisa Carr, Sharon Holt, Peggy Conver.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

DECEASED

BRUCE, Mrs. Donald F.  
(Marian Helms Bates)  
Admitted: October 16, 1962  
Died: May 8, 2015  
PA-3608

COSLETT, JR., Mrs. Edward W.  
(Judith Scott Connelly)  
Admitted: December 09, 1966  
Died: September 16, 2014  
PA-3672

HANSON, Mrs. Kenneth L.  
(Joan Nesbit Search)  
Admitted: November 8, 1976  
Died: January 6, 2013  
PA-6325

JONES, Mrs. L. Davis  
(Meade A. Barner)  
Admitted: February 10, 1995  
Died: March 28, 2015  
PA-6259

MARSH, JR., Mrs. Harry A.  
(Susan Carter Kendall)  
Admitted: December 11, 1953  
Died: December 31, 2014

MCILVAIN, Mrs. Robert M.  
(Emilie Wagner Baird)  
Admitted: November 13, 1970  
Died: November 28, 2014  
PA-3834

ROEHRS, JR., Mrs. Walter  
(Brent Wolcott)  
Admitted: March 5, 1954  
Died: August 19, 2014  
PA-3274

SCHROEDER, JR., Mrs. Frank C.  
(Charlotte Haskell Bryan)  
Admitted: May 15, 1987  
Died: April 21, 2014

THEIS, Mrs. Eric  
(The Rev. Laura Yates)  
Admitted: December 12, 1974  
Died: November 1, 2014

NEW MEMBERS

HENRY, Jane Earnshaw McConnell  
Ancestor: James Graham, PA  
PA-6841

MCCONNELL, Juliette Brewster  
Ancestor: James Graham, PA  
PA-6842

PARKER, Elizabeth Dale  
Ancestor: Robert Callender, PA  
PA-6848

RESIGNATIONS

MAST, Ms. Jennifer Lynne  
PA-6241

NESS, Mrs. Alan D.  
(Carolyn Eshelman Despard)  
PA-6789

ODOM, Mrs. Samuel S.  
(Mary Taylor (Polly) Vann  
PA-6349

PALMER, Mrs. Richard Ware  
(Nancy Fernald Shaw)  
PA-6620

RYAN, Mrs. Chares Richard  
(Barbara Biddle Crowell)  
PA-6646

TONER, Mary Jacobs  
PA-6677

# NSCDA/PA 2015-2016` CALENDAR

LANCASTER/DAUPHIN/YORK Meetings & Events

ALLEGHENY Meetings & Events

STENTON Events

NSCDA/PA EVENTS

**STENTON Committee Meetings**

**LINEAGE Meetings**

**NSCDA/PA Board Meeting**

1st Thursday of Every Month (except Jul & Aug)

2nd Tuesday of Each Month (except Jul & Aug)

2nd Friday of Each Month (except Jul & Aug)

2015	DATE	DAY	EVENT	TIME	PLACE
September	8	Tu	Lineage Committee Meeting	10:30 am	Headquarters
	11 - 12	Fri - Sat	Logan Family Reunion	Fri: 5:30 -7:15 pm Sat 10:00 am -5:00 pm	Hist. Soc. Of Pa Stenton
	11	Fri	Board Meeting	9:30 am	Headquarters
	15	Tu	ACC Board Meeting	10:00 am	Home of Gez Ebbert
	October	1	Thu	Stenton Committee	10:30 am
3		Sat	Revolutionary Germantown Fest.	10:00 am -4:00 pm	Cliveden
6		Tu	Lineage Committee	10:30 am	Headquarters
6		Tu	LDY Meeting		
9		Fri	Board Meeting	TBA	Headquarters
10		Sat	Fling for the Wing	4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Stenton
15		Thu	Citizenship	11:00 am	Courthouse
21		Wed	Stated Meeting: Stephen Hague - The Best Georgian Mansions in England and America	11:00 am - 1:30 pm	Headquarters
21		Wed	ACC Stated Membership Meeting - 18th Century Making Demonstration, Speaker Susan O'Toole	10:00 am	Allegheny Country Club
31		Sat	Halloween Harvest Day	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Stenton
November	5	Thu	Stenton Committee	10:30 am	Stenton
	3	Tu	Lineage Committee	10:30 am	Headquarters
	6	Fri	Board Meeting	TBA	Headquarters
	13	Fri	Dec. Arts Workshop (Ceramics) Susan Hood	10:00 am - 2:00 pm	Stenton
	22	Sun	Thanksgiving Service & Tea	2:00 pm	Washington Memorial Chapel
December	3	Thu	Stenton Committee	10:30 am	Stenton
	5	Sat	Stenton Christams Tea	2:00 pm	Stenton
	8	Tu	Lineage Committee	10:30 am	Headquarters
	11	Fri	Board Meeting	TBA	Headquarters
	16	Wed	Stated Meeting: Christmas Lunch	11:00 am - 1:30 pm	Headquarters
<b>2016</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>PLACE</b>
January	12	Tu	Lineage Committee	10:30 am	Headquarters
	7	Thu	Stenton Committee	10:30 am	Stenton
	19	Tu	ACC Stated and Open Meeting - The Fort Pitt Block House	10:00 am	The Pittsburgh Golf Club
	20	Fri	Board Meeting	9:00 am	Headquarters
	20	Wed	Stated Meeting: Susan Butterworth: My Life at QVC	11:00 am - 1:30 pm	Headquarters
February	2	Tu	LDY Meeting		
	4	Thu	Stenton Committee	10:30 am	Stenton
	9	Tu	Lineage Committee	10:30 am	Headquarters
	12	Fri	Board Meeting	TBA	Headquarters
	16	Tu	ACC Board Meeting	10:00 am	Home of Gez Ebbert
	17	Wed	Tentative Snow Date for January 20th Stated Meeting	11:00 am - 1:30 pm	Headquarters
March	3	Thu	Stenton Committee	10:30 am	Stenton
	8	Tu	Lineage Committee	10:30 am	Headquarters
	11	Fri	Board Meeting	TBA	Headquarters
	15	Tu	ACC Stated Membership Meeting, Sulgrave Manor, Speaker Bess Fuchs	10:00 am	Pittsburgh Field Club
	16	Wed	Stated Meeting	11:00 am - 1:30 pm	Headquarters
	17	Thu	Citizenship	11:00 am	Courthouse
	26	Sat	Stenton Easter Egg Hunt	1:00 pm	Stenton
April	5 or 12	Tu	Lineage Committee	10:30 am	Headquarters
	7	Thu	Stenton Committee	10:30 am	Stenton
	8	Fri	Board Meeting (Anniversary of 1st meeting)	TBA	TBA
	8	Fri	Anniversary Celebration of NSCDA Founding - Cocktail Party	TBA	Headquarters
	19	Tu	ACC Board Meeting	10:00 am	Home of Gez Ebbert
	20	Wed	Stated Meeting: Karen Daly -Living Preservation: the NSCDA Entrusted with History's Future for 125 Years	11:00 am - 1:30 pm	TBD
May	5	Thu	Stenton Committee	10:30 am	Stenton
	10	Tu	Lineage Committee	10:30 am	Headquarters
	12	Thur	Stenton Garden Party	5:00 pm -7:00 pm	Stenton
	13	Fri	Board Meeting	TBA	Headquarters
	17	Tu	ACC Stated Membership Meeting - The Neville House Decorative Arts Tour, Tour Guide Anne Genter	10:00 am	Home of Gez Ebbert
	18	Wed	Annual Meeting: Gina Whelan - Conserving Washington's Tent	11:00 am - 1:30 pm	Headquarters



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