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## BCHA Party Line Volume 13 Issue 2 February 2023

There has been a whirlwind of activity and progress this month. New logo, General Store building and exhibit progress, 2023 Museum Guide ads with History of the General Store, pictures and articles content, Web site revision launched and a big announcement about the *Pennsylvania Heritage Festival*.

New logo, the original logo, a pencil drawing of the museum building at its opening became outdated. The museum building doubled in size and the addition of the Heritage Village which now consist of 9 buildings, is now represented. The new logo includes the soon to be erected Windmill and wooden silo. The windmill blades are painted red, white and blue and will be very eye catching from Rt 14 as you pass by. The silo, will be added to the pedestrian north exit of the museum building. Visitors leaving the museum headed to the Village will pass through the silo. A new experience for many.

The inside General Store exhibit has been moved to the General Store building in the Village. Thank you to Ralph Knapp and Barbara Andrus for their assistance in the recent Photos Ops.



Additional inside work included sanding and applying a finish to the floor. Mike Kelly built a raised platform for the display cases for improved visibility. Still to come, new ceiling light fixtures and placement of additional artifacts.



The 2023 Museum Guide will feature history, pictures and articles of area community General Stores by Dave Lenington and Chelsea Wagner.

We will have more content than we have space but will include all the material in upcoming newsletters and Face Book Posts

A special thank you to all businesses and 'Friends of the Museum' who financially supported the Museum Guide.

# Pennsylvania Heritage Festival

## Route 6 Maker's Market



Meet Artisans & Craftspeople at the PA Heritage Festival

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Mark Your Calendars Now for the 2023 Pennsylvania Heritage Festival **September 16 & 17** featuring historical demonstrations & exhibits, non-profit organizations presenting their 'mission', handcrafted arts & crafts, direct sales and flea market vendors. **We are excited and welcome the PA Route 6 Maker's Market to this family oriented event.** The PA Route 6 Maker's Market showcases local artisans and craftspeople. A special section of the festival will be dedicated to the makers along Route 6 who specialize in jewelry-making, pottery, baked goods, wineries and distilleries, art and photography, and much more. The Heritage Village includes the 1822 Gregory Inn plus 8 other historic buildings and Farm Museum. The Festival will feature: a civil war encampment, children's hands on activities and a touch of fall which includes a 'children's pumpkin chucking', scarecrow making. Enjoy the museum's newest General Store Exhibit and building. The event is held annually the third weekend in September at the Heritage Village and Farm Museum, Alparon Park in Troy, PA.

The revised museum web page is now active, [theheritagevillage.com](http://theheritagevillage.com) Thank you, Tami Bethune of BTG Solutions. Tami carries on a tradition of family involvement in the Heritage Village and Farm Museum, her aunt, Martha Jean Wood was a Board member and volunteer in the museum's early years. Uncle Tom Young assisted with the 'Farm Days 1866' educational program, bringing one of his Clydesdale horses. Tami Wood Bethune is from the Bradford County area – with family roots in Canton, Alba, Troy and Granville and SE Pennsylvania. Though she lives in SE Michigan now, she maintains ties with this area by supporting the Canton and Troy Chambers and their communities. BTG Solutions (Bridge the Gap) provides website, social media and email marketing services for main street businesses and organizations.

[www.btgsolutions.us](http://www.btgsolutions.us)

Volunteer Roberta Wood has graciously agreed to be our web page manager and after training will then train other interested Board members and volunteers. Folks who search the *Pennsylvania Heritage Festival* will be re-directed to the Heritage Village web page. Roberta will be adding additional content, Please visit often.





Farm Days 1866' is a daylong presentation that follows the book *Farmer Boy*, by Laura Ingalls Wilder. Bringing the book to life with 40+ demonstrations and presentations. The program is offered to area 4<sup>th</sup> grade students.

Tom Young demonstrated the harnessing of one of his Clydesdale horses and explained to the students the specific role of the horse collar.

'Farm Days 1866' will be held May 15 & 16, 2023

There is limited space still available for Monday May 16,  
Please contact Barbara Barrett [bbarrett362@comcast.net](mailto:bbarrett362@comcast.net)



*Welcome* to the B.C.H.A, Board of Directors,

Casey Smith. although only a high school freshman, Casey has a long history of volunteering at the museum and its special events. He represented Almanzo Wilder at 'Farm Days 1866' in 2015 and has helped in a variety of roles since. He is a regular during the summer on the Tuesday work crew, assisting with the carpentry projects, painting, and display development.

Casey loves history and is also a Civil War re-enactor, he will share with you his role within the 4th US Light Artillery at the annual Pennsylvania Heritage Festival.

Casey has become a dependable and knowledgeable tour guide here at the Heritage Village and Farm Museum, able to adapt his presentation from the youngsters to the grandparents.



### 2023 B.C.H.A Membership Drive

Please consider supporting the Heritage Village and Farm Museum by becoming a member, renewing your membership or a financial donation.

Make checks out to B.C. H.A.

Single Membership— \$10

Family Membership— \$25

Small Business— \$100

Each includes unlimited admission to the museum.

Mail to: Barbara Barrett  
309 W Keller St Lock Haven, PA 17745

Current members have been sent renewal notices

*Thank you*

To folks who have renewed their membership, become a member or have donated financially.

Board Member and Tuesday work crew volunteer Mike Kelly is making trash barrel containers for the grounds. The re-used wood pallets make for a 'rustic' fitting cover



The public is invited to the next regular BCHA Board meeting  
Wednesday March 15 1PM at the Museum  
In the event of inclement weather we will follow the Troy School District schedule.

No school— no meeting,

Early dismissal— no meeting

School delay—yes meeting

*Sign of Spring*



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