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The museum is now open for the season, Tuesdays and Saturdays 11AM-3PM and by appointment.



Upcoming events include:

the Annual 'Farm Days 1866' for area 4th grade students.

Troy Town Cruisers Season Kick Off Car show Saturday May 20, 10AM-3PM

Participation in the annual Troy Memorial Day Parade



General Store



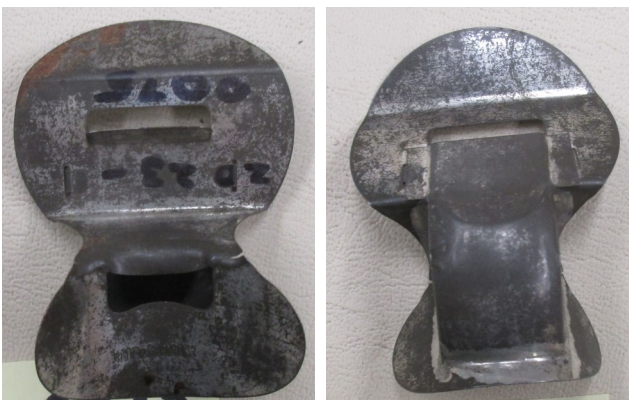
Cigar Store Indians are an iconic piece of history. Back in 17th century Europe, when illiteracy was very high, shops use to use symbols as signs for their shops and stores. Tobacco store owners use to distinguish themselves by placing a single life-size wooden Indian statue outside. This advertisement was appropriate as the Indian symbolized tobacco in a tradition that originated in Europe because the American Indians were the ones who acquainted the Europeans with Tobacco crop. (cigarwoodindian.com)

Museum Web site Update- www.TheHeritageVillage.org is up and running, volunteer Roberta Wood continues to add page content. The *Pennsylvania Heritage Festival* vendor application can be found under the PA Heritage Festival tab
 A reminder vendors will have to submit proof of insurance.



What is it???

Metal , front and back views, made in Germany
 2.5 x 2 inches Answer on page 3



The Tuesday work crew has completed a number of Projects: new door locks, finishing touches on the General Store, repairs, painting, staining benches, cleaning, plexiglass enclosure of the Packaged Disaster Hospital Exhibit. The Heritage Garden Club have the gardens 'blooming'.



This year is a celebration of our *Country Stores* and are pleased to bring you stories researched and written by Dave Lenington and Chelsea Wagner.



General Store
Owned by Ray and Tressa Marshall
Allis Hollow, Pennsylvania 1931



Horton and Mather General Store
Ulster, Pennsylvania

"... The general store business" in Ulster was purchased in 1886 by Henry Turrell. He and R. A. Horton, his partner, incorporated the business.

The building had a number of owners through the years. R. A. Horton built a block building around the wood structure, then removed the wood portion.

The post office and the first known telephone exchange were located on the left side of the Horton building. "... A door between the store and post office" enabled Mable Davidson, postmaster and store bookkeeper, to serve as telephone operator.

This general store carried "a full grocery line, also a hardware line."

The little building on the right side was an "office for Dr. A. B. Lyons," Ulster physician from 1906 until 1960. The building later became a barber shop.

In 2018 this and several other Ulster buildings were demolished to make way for an expanded intersection.



Rome Post Office and General Store

This was the Rome post office and store. In 1864 James McGranahan was postmaster of Rome and worked at the general store. He received a letter before Christmas 1876 from his friend, composer Philip Bliss, asking him to reconsider using his singing talents in evangelism. One week later he received a telegram about Mr. and Mrs. Bliss being on the train that crashed in Ashtabula, Ohio. Mr. McGranahan became Mr. Bliss's successor in evangelism. He worked with evangelists Daniel Whittle and D. L. Moody, and composer of gospel songs, Ira Sankey. The words to *My Redeemer* were found in Mr. Bliss's belongings after the tragedy; then, James McGranahan composed the music.

To right- H. B. Burroughs General Store,
West Franklin, Pennsylvania, Postmark 1908



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West Franklin, Pa.

Carpenter & Pierce, Pub.

PA Route 6 Maker's Market Coming to PA Heritage Festival this September

The PA Route 6 Alliance and the Endless Mountains Heritage Region (EMHR) are pleased to announce their joint effort to host a Maker's Market on September 16-17 at the Heritage Village and Farm Museum in Troy in conjunction with the PA Heritage Festival.

The Maker's Market will promote regional crafters, artisans, and agricultural producers from a variety of artistic disciplines. Photographers, woodworkers, soap makers, wineries and breweries, and artists of all kinds are invited and encouraged to participate as a vendor in the Maker's Market.

The Maker's Market is an extension of the PA Route 6 Artisan Trail, where northern Pennsylvania's rich history, diverse regions, and friendly people come together to produce a vibrant culture of craftsmanship and creativity.

"We are excited to partner with the PA Heritage Festival to provide the opportunity to showcase the talented artisans who live and work within this region," says Erin Morey, the PA Route 6 Artisan Trail Coordinator. Each year, PA Route 6 publishes a map with the current year's trail members. The 2023 map, released in April, features more than 90 artisans from across Route 6, which according to Morey is the most members they have ever had on the trail.

"Our hope is that this Maker's Market will further enhance and compliment the Artisan Trail experience," says Morey, "while providing local artisans another opportunity to sell their products."

"The EMHR is proud to partner with our fellow Heritage Area, the PA Route 6 Alliance, in putting on this Maker's Market," says Cain Chamberlin, the executive director for EMHR. "As part of our agricultural theme of 'Living with the Land', we strive to promote our rural culture and connect with those who continue the longstanding tradition of farming in our area. It is our hope this event will not only bring attention to our agricultural heritage and support local businesses along the Route 6 corridor, but also bolster the PA Route 6 Alliance's Artisan Trail program."



What is it???

This item had us stumped, Volunteer Eileen Deutschle suggested a 'nose flute' further research found that today's plastic version can be purchased.



Nose Flute, also called a 'Humanstone' A truly unique instrument(?) that's fun for any age. The flute is held over your nose and mouth you blow it through your nose Your open mouth becomes the "sound chamber" - as you open and close your mouth, the pitch of the note changes. The sound of the Nose Flute is reminiscent of a Slide Whistle, but is still very unique. With some practice, it is quite possible to play tunes on it.

The public is invited to the next regular BCHA Board meeting Wednesday June 21 1PM at the Museum (no May Meeting)

Pennsylvania Heritage Festival

September 16 & 17, 2023

Route 6 Maker's Market



Meet Artisans & Craftspeople at the PA Heritage Festival

Sponsored By:



PA ROUTE 6 ARTISAN TRAIL



Endless Mountains Heritage Region

Susquehanna River North Branch Water Trail

Hosted by the Heritage Village & Farm Museum in Troy, PA

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
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Current members have been sent renewal notices

Thank you

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

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