



GREETINGS FROM THE OUTGOING PRESIDENT

Let me bring you up to date on the moving of the Colonial House to a more visible location: progress, none. Back in June, Dave Brown and I sent the request to the appropriate state agency and received no response. Maureen and I submitted a second application by certified mail which they received on September 22: still no word. Ah, New Jersey.

Our new Building and Grounds Chairperson, Paul Goldblatt, did contact them by e-mail and the Ameche on October 16. We have now received the go ahead.

As of this date, Oct. 13, there is still no nominee for the position of corresponding secretary on the board. The non-elective positions of publicity and Home-spun have been assumed by D.J. Petit and Harry Bellangy, respectively. Many thanks to Bob and Ruth Mitchell for all the time spent on providing our publicity to the media.

Our special gratitude to Sava Leffand for her extraordinary devotion to her secretarial responsibilities. Her presence on the board will be greatly missed but she has generously agreed to help in any way she can with communications. She has been a real trooper in spite of some physical difficulties and we want her to know it has not gone unnoticed nor unappreciated by all of us who have worked with her.

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GREATER CAPE MAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of this society is to collect, preserve, document, interpret and share the history of Greater Cape May and to enhance appreciation of that history through the society's historic site, collections, research, exhibits, educational programs and publications. In addition, as steward of the Colonial House, the Society will seek to perpetuate the heritage of early Cape Island.



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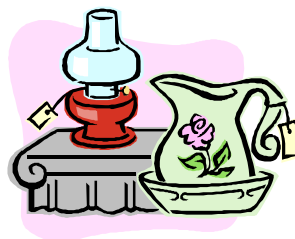
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ANTIQUe AND FINE CRAFTS FAIR

September 9, 2006, dawned bright and beautiful for the 22 vendors to display their wares and for the Greater Cape May Historical Society to set up its White Elephant table in Wilbraham Park for the Antique and Fine Crafts Fair.

There was a soft breeze to add to the enjoyment. Through the efforts of Peg Allen, Dot Balzano, Happy Beacham, Harry Bellangy, Paulette Bierman, Warren Betty, Ursula Friedrich, Peg Gillies, Paul and Kathy Goldblatt, Joan Green, Lois Harris, Brett Jurewicz, Mike and Sava Leffand, Pat Milligan, Ray and D.J. Petit, Joan Prentice, Harry and Maureen Savage, Karl Suelke, Pat Tanaka and Rose Marie Walter the Society realized a profit of \$1,374.35.

Thanks to all the vendors and members for their support.



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Visitors to the Colonial House Museum, who declared themselves so moved by the efforts being made to maintain the House and by the enthusiasm of that day's Guide that they made a very generous contribution to the Building Restoration Fund.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

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Maureen Idell, Bristol, PA

Contributing Membership

Paul and Kathy Goldblatt, Villas, NJ

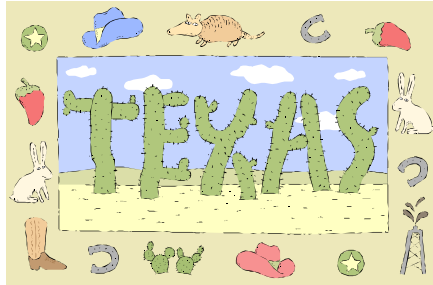


CONDOLENCES

Bettyne Hull, a very long time member and ardent supporter of the Greater Cape May Historical Society passed on this summer. Besides lending the support of her presence at meetings and her help on many projects in the past, Bettyne donated the fruits of her considerable talent to raise money for our society. A fine artist, Bettyne created different sets of historically based miniature pictures which she incorporated into note cards to be sold in the Colonial House Museum shop. These sold very well for many years. We greatly regret the loss of this gracious and talented member of our Society.



Sorry to see them go:
 Wishing them the best!



Dave and Caroline Brown have left us to be nearer to a son who lives in Austin, Texas. Their new address is:

126 Enchanted Drive, Georgetown, Texas.

Sounds wonderful, doesn't it?

We have only the best things to say of Dave, our Building and Grounds Committeeman, who invariably did everything he said he would, and then some.

He certainly was a whiz at getting improvements made to the Colonial House - did a lot of the work himself, too.

Having a truly excellent talent for working with Bob Smith, head of Cape May City Maintenance, and for working with contractors - Dave knew the right ones to go to for work on Historic buildings - Dave saw to getting many smaller improvements made.

A lovely flower garden was planted out front - and enormous thanks go to Stina Ferguson and Barbara Pitman of the Garden Club of Cape May who, with Dave and Bob Smith's help, planted and maintain it.

New (but apparently old) shutters were made, painted and installed, and the ensuing bubbles in the paint corrected. Brass plaques were designed, made and installed. New wooden signs were created and installed.

Dave conquered the enormous intricacies of getting the **big jobs** done. The House was painted top to bottom, after a number of pieces of rotted siding were replaced. And, biggest (and oldest in planning and hoping for) Dave managed to pull together all the data from our past Building and Grounds people, and all the suggestions from various Architects who had looked at **the Bulge** in the side of the Museum building.

After our President and Vice President, Harry and Maureen Savage, devoted six months of endless work to writing and rewriting applications for a Grant to get \$ 15,000 to pay for the stabilization of the Colonial House Museum, Dave negotiated the contracts and got Schramm and Halderman to "reset" our House so that it is at last stable - a tremendous accomplishment.

We can only say **THANK YOU!**

It was wonderful having such a dedicated and talented member in our Society

Enjoy your new home!

By Sava Leffand



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