

The Landmark Society

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Bradford, PA 16701

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A FAMILY CHRISTMAS AT CROOK FARM

Come enjoy the spirit of the Christmas season on Sunday, Dec. 3, from 1 - 4 PM, as we celebrate with "A Family Christmas At Crook Farm."

The house will be decorated and open for viewing and you will be able to purchase gifts in the Christmas Shop. Punch, coffee, tea and a variety of cookies will tempt your taste buds. Throughout the afternoon Christmas music and carolers will add to the Christmas feeling.

Santa will be at the schoolhouse to listen to Christmas wishes and cocoa and cookies will be available for his little visitors. For a small charge you may take home a Polaroid picture to remember the visit with Santa.

Outside, for those who want to enjoy the December air, there will be a hayride around the Crook Farm property.

"A PRESENT VIEW OF THE PAST"

Hope to see you there!

Jane Larson, Chairman

A seminar series titled, "A Present View of the Past", will be presented at the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford five Thursday evenings from Jan. 25 to Feb. 22 by the Bradford Landmark Society in cooperation with the Social Sciences Division of UPB. No reservations are needed, just plan to attend from 7:00 to 8:30 PM including a coffee break. Location on the UPB campus and the final program are still in planning but will include such topics and presenters as:

Crook Farm Educational ProgramBeulah Blair
The Oil Boom Days Dr. Richard Frederick
The Bakery Story Virginia Miles
Landmark's Audio and Visual Equipment..

Dr. Harry Taylor

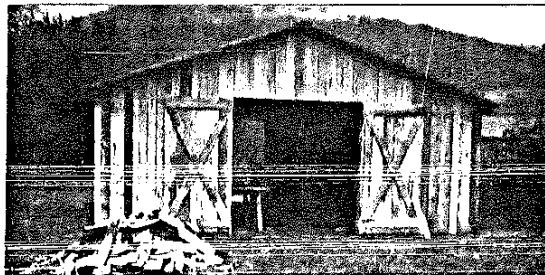
Gardens of the Past and What, How and
When to Plant Today William Graham
Clothes Make The WomanFashions in Bradford's
Past and Updated

If you have any suggestions for the program please let us know. The final program will be mailed to Landmark members in early January.

June Gray, Chairman

NEW STORAGE BUILDING

Since our last newsletter work on the new storage building has progressed to the point of near completion as the accompanying photo shows. Overall size of the building is 24 feet wide by 32 feet long with 8 foot square doors in the middle of each end to facilitate drive-thru for moving tables, chairs and supplies.



Within the near future the post for Will and Gerry Hart's Crook Farm sign will be installed as well as supports for the School House privy divider and the Craft Building addition. These projects will put us in good stead for the Spring season.

Harry Taylor, President

Dec. 9, 10, 1921.

"Springtime" (Home Talent)-Auspices Y. W. C. L.
Mr. & Mrs. Miles Johnson-Victoria Kopp
Agnes Powell-Martha Cody-Famie Johnson
William Vernon-Ida Bailey-Gertrude Willis
Mrs. Charles Day-Theo Bowman-Gerald Stone
Norman Costello-Aline Dana-Martin McKay
Alice Freemyer-Katherine Day-Jack West
Iva Morris-Margaret Woodley-Irma Oakley
Thelma Johnson-Iseabelle Lloyd-Shirley Ludwig
Eunice Miller-Jean Edwards-Arlene Rathfon
Elizabeth Dobson-Edith Barber-Etha Ballard
Rita Warner-Katherine Thomas-Katherine August
Ruth Matson-Leonore George-May Yampolski
Marguerite Southworth-Elsie Kellogg-Lelia Russ
Dorothy McKittrick-Sylvia Gardner-Jane Stover
Helen Gilmore-Belle Yampolski-Audrey Johnson
Helen Nelson-Eleanor Swanson-Dorothy Newell
Ruth Culbertson-Laure Cavara-Emma Matthews
Margery Freeland-Reba Oakley-Marion Hulings
Ruth Soper-Sarah Rosenthal-Bessie LaVine
Geardine McCleary-Jean Heilly-Ruth Witter
Bernice Culbertson-Dorothy Thorne
Margery Thorne-Laurine Brown-Mary Sorrentino
Margaret Chalker-Mildred Morgan-Evelyn Belle
Dorothy Dunham-Christine McKay-Martha Newell
Christine Bower-Blanche Skiker-June Wilcox
Ruth Owens-Dorothy Howard-Sarah Simpkin
Helen Pruch-Charlotte-Sadi Skerker
Berdina Reed-Mary Alice Mobb-Josephine Moffett
Janet Stewart-Pearl Barber-Martha Koch
Gertrude Rubin-Helen Barber-Katherine Hogan
Galia Lacky-Freida Simpkin
Futurists: Ritz McKenzie-Elizabeth Smith
Elizabeth DePalma-Lucile Menretty-Ruth Lyons
Ruth Thompson-Josephine Spindler
Virginia Boler-Mary McCartan-Audrey Buhl
Winnifred McQuoseny-Frances Healy
Show Girls: Hazel Shay-Margaret DeRosia
Dorothy Moore-Mary Downs-Lillian Johnson
Ida McIntyre-Emily Shay-Pauline Francis
Ruth Healy-Lillian Bergstrom
Caroline Johnson-Lillian Christenson
Playmates: Gladys Johnson-Marcia Parkhurst
Ruth Tyrrel-Jack Bird-Billy Black-Edna Walker
June Thompson-Mary Jane Hamilton-Alice Moxon
Flower Girls: Betty Jane Bird-Helen Boyles
Wilda Jane Parmentier-Marjorie Dunham
Springtime: Margaret Swanson-Eva Sprester
Helen Otteson-Dorothy Oakley-Marion Hostet
Helen Burns-Mary Kopp-Geardine Miadis
Elizabeth Yampolski-Genevieve Zisser
Mena Nichols-Jane Monroe-Cordelia Irish
Mabel Phillips-Marion Stewart-Evelyn Haber
Harriett Herold-Selma Halpurn-Ida Johnson
Catherine Herold-Isabelle Thompson-Ethel Story
Winnifred Kelly-Naomi Greenburg-Dorothy Nelk
Irene Williams-Martha Rossetti-Ruth Lane
Norman Chocoman-Marie Stewart-Irma Madison
Helen Offenback-Beatrice Ellison-Rhea Rose
Eleanor Moses-Almeda Culbertson-Eva Halpurn

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Helen Reddish-Jeanette Reichenbach-Ruth Soper
Marion Watkins-Ora Ricciardi-Mary Jane Covine
Anna Marie Morgan-Hell Carman-Gladys Westar
Elizabeth August-Freda Hicks-Jeanette Holden
Pauline Knapp-Helen Pinney-Alta Merritt
Howard Geckler-Elyot Bronner
Society: Pleasance Mundy-Ida Cody-Donald Dunn
Lorraine Ellis-Margaret Hubbard-LeRoy Dunn
James Valentine-Joe Goodwin-Max Knorr
Griffith Herold-Harry Emery-Mildred Donahue
Servants: Helen McIntyre-Ileen Vreeland
Dorothy McCool-Grace Dunn-Vivian Merkt
Elizabeth Moffatt-Beatrice O'Laughlin
Brides Aids: Virginia Behan-Margaret Armstrong
Pauline Bruymer-Stella Carrigan-Gertrude Burns
Dorothy Menretty
Maid of Honor: Mrs. Philip Webster
Mary Lee Powell
Best Men: James Fredericks-Meredith Webster
1868 Guests: Mrs. A. Rickerson-Eva Mullihan
Gladys Gemmel-Norma Hollis-Irene Norstrom
Mrs. Ray Johnson-Kenneth Anderson
W. B. Rickerson-Lewellyn Anderson
Warren Rickerson
1888 Guests: Janet Stevenson-Margaret Griffith
Elizabeth Hubbard-Doris Alger-Elizabeth Gates
Florence DePalma-Walter Shelgren
Spirits of Memory: Virginia Wolfe-Margaret Day
Helen Robinson-Margaret Sloan-Mildred Smith
Margaret Evans
Jury: Helen Hastings-Dorothy Fitzgerald
Lucile Oppenheim-Mildred Spencer
Grace Weaver-Helen Carl-Ruth Hannon
Katherine Goodman-Harriet Bloomer-Mary Monroe
Genevieve Collins-Helen Carmody-Christine Wilson

Sep. 16, 17, 1921.

"Fads and Fancies of 1921" (Home Talent) \$1.50
Benefit St. Margaret's Guild of the Church
of Ascension Maigo McKinley - Director
Miles Johnson-William Vernon-Wade Ellis
Helen Lowe-Martha Cody-Ruth Miller-Wm. Gallup
Famie Johnson-Elizabeth Day-John Johnson
Gladys Hanley-Mrs. Frederick Mulhaupt
Mrs. Miles Johnson-Mr. Schwab-Gladys Gemmel
Mrs. Gus Werthman-Donald Dunn-Saba Shepard
Griffith Herold-Mary Lee Powell-Billy Black
Katheryn Tierney-Gertrude Willis-Ruth Fizzell
Mrs. Charles Day-Norman Costello
Emily Hopley-Lillian Johnson-Ida McIntyre
Frances Healey-Harriet Bloomer-Mary Matych
Margaret Tanner-Dorothy Habgood-Margaret Lloyd
Gertrude Holmes-Mildred Smith-Virginia Wolfe
Margaret Day-Helen Robinson-Pleasance Mundy
Lillian Davis-Camilla Connors-Dorothy Currie
Pauline Gush-Vivian Merkt-Mildred Donahue
Beatrice O'Laughlin-Elna Boring-Cecelia Smith
Lillian Wagner-Emily Banks-Ilean Banks
Kathryn Davitt-Gladys Johnson-Virginia Hyde
Ruth Brown-Gladys Hyde-Margaret Hubbard
Joyce Sharpe-Lucille Oppenheim-Mary Carr
Elizabeth Moffatt-Helen Findley-Lenore Oxley
Faye Furnsworth-Mildred Richmond - Pianist

WHAT DO YOU DO AT THE BAKERY?

Our curator, Jane Stack, underwent cataract surgery on October 10 and has not yet returned to her full time job at the Bakery. Since I'm one of her substitutes, maybe I can answer that question, "What do we do?" Some days it is very quiet and one gets caught up on projects. This doesn't happen too often. The whole month has been busy. Margaret Clark continues to label and record acquisitions. That's her husband Walt hauling the trunk down the stairs for our current window display. Larry Richmond may come in to check directories and find himself hunting up pictures for Dr. Vincent Kohler's future class on Art Deco. George Kish, our editor, is in looking for new material for future newsletters. Two Kendall oil couples come in for the "tour" and purchase rig kits or yellow dogs. They're here from Alberta, Canada, and Louisiana. Terry Rumpell, a Junior at UPB from Erie, who is a History and Communications major is researching Emery Field for a video tape. Betty Hannold stops by to check on grandfather Peter A. Decker's listing in the city directories. Margrieta Hewey and her visiting daughter purchase a yellow dog. Bob Doyle, our treasurer is in for deposits of membership dues, memorials, sales, all of which we've duly recorded. We sell dollhouse furniture to a young man for his 8 year old sister's birthday. We change the battery in the smoke alarm so it stops chirping. Dr. Taylor delivers two dozen yellow dogs which he has just painted after he and Dave Pytcher picked up our latest order at the foundry. Dave checks the supplies on hand to make certain we have sufficient material to make the bails and attach the descriptive tags on the new yellow dogs. We look up an obit in a 1904 paper for a lady in Quebec, check for information on soft coal miners and the B & O Railroad, try to find an early oil producer in our books, and a picture of a house where a murder occurred in 1918. Right now we are working on trivia questions. I wonder what next week will bring? Hurry back Jane.....

Betty Robinson

INQUIRIES

Ms. Carole Longo Harris, 15 Oakdale Boulevard, Morrisville, PA 19067, is seeking information on the B & O Railroad and soft coal mines 1890-1930 in western Pennsylvania. She would like any information about any immigrants that helped to build and maintain the railroads and those who were coal miners. Our Landmark files contain very little information on this so your help would be appreciated.

David McKain, 152 Watson Road, Preston, Conn. 06360, one of our "Life" members, would like you to examine your memories for "area winter stories" he might use in connection with his future book. He's especially interested in stories about winters "at their worst", winter tales associated with peoples' habits and values, reports of low temperatures, snowfalls in peak years, highlights of winter experiences. David and his wife, poet Margaret Gibson, have recently returned to Connecticut after two months as "Writers In Residence" here in Bradford. It was a most enjoyable experience for all of us who took part and we'll be looking forward to future books from both David and Margaret.

Betty Robinson

MORE DÉJÀ VU

Home talent dramatics have always been popular in Bradford, both in participation and in attendance. As far back as we have records - to about 1882 - there has never been a year when at least one show has not been sponsored, cast and directed by local people. Again thanks to Emory W. Heath we have the names of many participants. We only have space for a sampling of names in this issue and picked (at random) the years 1885, 1905, 1921-23, 1934. In the year 1921 Mr. Heath outdid himself because for only two of the four home talent shows that year the casting lists are so long that it seems as if "everybody" in Bradford was involved. How many can you recognize?

Geo. Kish

Mar. 16, 17, 1885.

"Eether" (St. Bernard's Benefit)-Sadie Higgins
 Clementine Wise-Lillie Bender-Minnie Carr
 A. Fitzpatrick-Susie Bell-Lena Bender
 Gertrude Lindsey-Josephine Ruble-Pearl Geary
 Kate Gallagher-Mamie Goodwin-Lizzie McDonald
 Miss S. Jofkins-Mrs. M. Gorman-H. Wise
 Harry Thompson-Dr. Johnston-Tom C. Tracy
 A. G. McKenna-William Flint-James Geary, Jr.
 George Stafford-Maggie Berry-Celia Mulqueen
 Edith Hanlon-Jerome B. Newton, Jr.
 Harry Wright-Rose Madam-Mary Wise-John F. Shay
 James Regan-Alonzo Chisolm-Frank Sheldon
 James Matthews-Bessie Murphy-Mary Donahue

Jan. 15, 16, 1923.

"K. of C. Minstrel Frolic" (Home Talent) \$1.50
 Andy Logge - Interlocutor
 Frank Thomas-Charley Maloney-Matt Ryan
 Harold Driscoll-John Desmond-Lawrence Smith
 Tom McAndrew-Harry Spindler-Eddie Ryan
 Lewis Emery, Jr.-James Braucocini
 Emma Matthews

Dec. 15, 1905.

Elite Vaudeville Company (Local) benefit for
 the Beacon Light Mission.
 Hazel Chapman-Lewis Emery-Edith Devine
 Bernard Horrigan-John Nelson-Will O'Day
 Overman & St. Clair-Mrs. Pettit-Degolier.

Feb. 28, Mar. 1, 1934.

Miriam Kreinson's Second Little Show (Local)
 Sam Leshner, M.C.-Jack & Tom Hughey, pages.
 George Angelo-Ann Healy-Evelyn Terko
 Marie Zett-Eileen & Marjorie Carey
 Robert Shannon-Tom Barber-Nancy Cameron
 Janet Wiborg-Jean Hullivan-Mary Joan Osborne
 Marjory Ann Miller-Jean Deakin-Jean Conwell
 Dorothy Jane Nash-Francoise Coulter-Helen Healy
 Betty Ann English-Margaret Jean Bysinger
 Helen Cunningham-Christine Ross-Jane Zook
 Jean Schnure-Virginia Smith-Dorette Dresser
 Jean Barber-Marjory Sloan-Adelle Friedman
 Elaine & Jean Kilbury-Dick O'Day's Country
 Club Collegians with Fred Rossi

Bradford Landmark Society memberships: --- Regular.....\$5 per year
 --- Contributing.....\$10 per year
 --- Life.....\$100

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