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Newsletter

Fall 2021

HALE BYRNES HOUSE

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MISSION STATEMENT

DSPA-Hale Byrnes' mission statement is to protect, preserve, and promote the story, buildings and grounds of the historic Hale Byrnes House, an 18th century Quaker miller's property.

As the southern anchor of the Wild and Scenic White Clay Creek, we aspire to remain a small, welcoming, and historically accurate meeting place for families, teachers, scholars, fishermen and tourists.

PLEASE NOTE: IT IS ALWAYS EASIEST TO REACH US BY E-MAIL.

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We have been very fortunate this year to have had the support of the Delaware Humanities Council, the Cooch's Bridge DAR, the State of Delaware, and all our members and friends. We thank you all VERY much for your support. Although our visitation numbers are down due to Covid, we have had 484 visitors (including those who attended our Zoom programs) from April -September 30 of this year.

Our 2021 year will come to a close on the first weekend of December, with a Zoom into History program at 7:30 pm on Saturday evening, December 4, and an in-person talk on Sunday afternoon December 5 from 3:00 PM-5:00 PM. Dependent on State Covid policies, we hope to have our annual holiday open house on Saturday Dec 4. Please visit us online at www.halebyrneshouse.org for the latest news, photos and our 2022 Calendar of Events.

September 11, 2021 speaker, Eric Simonis



August 14, 2021 speakers, Chris Mlynarczyk & Blaise Glowiak



http://www.halebyrnes.org/history7.html

In Answer to Your Questions

In spite of this fall's hurricane, Hale Byrnes House suffered less water damage than in previous storms. We especially thank the State of Delaware's Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs which worked diligently several years ago to correct our drainage issues. That effort definitely seems to have made a difference.



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WHAT DID WE DO THIS YEAR?

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Received \$1,500 Humanities Grant To Offer Zoom & In-person Programs
April-December, 2021

Sat, May 1
VIRTUAL WHITE CLAY CREEK FEST
Http://Whiteclay.Org/Creekfest

Tues, Jun 29
We were on TV: 302 #18 (SEASON 4):
Hale Byrnes House | Full Show

Https://Www.Metv2.Com/The302/The-302-18-Season-4-Hale-Byrnes-House-Full-Show/Video 93029510-69f6-520e-B315-D1ea2b729b4f.Html

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Sun, Aug 22
Had A Simple Supper For Sal Lilienthal
Sal rode his bike 685 Miles Along The Yorktown
Campaign Route!

Https://Townsquaredelaware.Com/Man-Biking-Along-1781-Route-Of-French-Soldiers-To-Stop-In-Wilmington/

Started An Education Committee
Chaired By Kathy Desimone & Michael Lynch
Http://www.Halebyrnes.Org/Linksedu.Htm

Contracted artists Bryant & Pamela White (See Next Column). Chaired by K. Lynn King.

October
Bartlett Tree Service & State of Delaware
trimming trees
Chaired by Paul Clark



EXCITING NEWS!

DSPA-Hale Byrnes House has just signed a contract with well-known artists Bryant and Pamela White to paint a picture of our famous Witness Tree. This tree provided shade for George Washington's staff during the Council of War held here on September 3, 1777. The painting will include the tree, Washington, Lafayette, several re-enactors and a bit of the house.

For more information about the artists please click on this link:

https://www.whitehistoricart.com/

Donations towards the painting's completion will be gratefully accepted. Please send checks to the address at the bottom of this page!

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CELEBRATING SAL LILIENTHAL'S 685 MILE BIKE RIDE ALONG THE YORKTOWN CAMPAIGN ROUTE







We were honored to host cyclist Sal Lilienthal of Connecticut and his back-up driver Jeff Canning of Cortlandt, Westchester County, New York, at a "Simple Supper" on Sunday August 22. The owner of Bicycle Tour Co. in Kent, Connecticut, Lilienthal started his bike ride in Newport, Rhode Island, peddling and kayaking to Yorktown, Virginia, following the 1781 route of Washington and Rochambeau.

OUR UPCOMING FALL 2021 PROGRAMS

Onsite programs are \$5 at the door.

NOTE: MASKS ARE REQUIRED INDOORS

Saturday, October 16, 7:30PM - 9:30 PM

ARRTNDE-"Revolutionary Education "

Speaker: Marcos Salaveria, Lewes Historical Society

Sunday, October 17, 3:00PM - 5:00

"Photographs from the Newark Historical Society"

Speaker: Theresa Hessey

ARRTNDE-Saturday, November 20 7:30-9:30

Beyond the Battlefield Speaker: Karen Chase

Sunday, November 21, 3:00PM - 5:00 PM

ARRTNDE-James Armistead Lafayette

Speaker: Syl Woolford

Holiday Open House. Masks required.
Saturday, December 4 Noon-5Pm
1st Delaware Reenactors
Music by Libby & Michael McDowell

Saturday, December 4, 7:30-9:30 PM Zoom into History

"George Washington and the Continental Army in Delaware, August 25-September 9, 1777"

Speaker: Gary Ecelbarger

Sunday, December 5, 3:00PM - 5:00PM

About the 300th Anniversary of

White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church

Speaker: Jeff Jordan, PhD

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Hale Byrnes House and grounds may be rented for meetings, birthday parties, weddings, etc. by families, schools, and organizations. In 2021 the SAR and the Delaware Press Association both rented our space for programs for their members. In a previous year, the space was rented for a wedding. For more information please e-mail us at

www.halebvrneshouse.org

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