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## A SECRET STORY

In BCHF headquarters at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, January 27, Dr. Nina Haydel, of the English Department at Rider University, will present a program entitled "Sally Hemings & Thomas Jefferson: A Secret Love Story." Dr. Haydel's first-person presentation, accompanied by a power point background, will offer different viewpoints on the long debated and controversial history of the relationship between Hemings and Jefferson, and delve into Hemings' genealogical background, her relationship with the Jefferson Family, and her experiences as a free woman in Paris.

Light refreshment will be served at the conclusion of the program. A donation of \$4 per person is requested. There is no fee for students.

The public is cordially invited. Ask your relatives and friends to join you!

For further information, call 215 788-9408

Photo: Sally Hemings as portrayed by Dr. Nina Haydel



## A MESSAGE FROM JAN

I want to wish you all a healthy, happy New Year. This year will bring some changes to BCHF. We will have a different president, a different Gazette Editor and a new board member. These are all healthy changes for any organization.

I will no longer be penning the President's Corner. As I look back on the three years and 30 President's Corners, I recall wondering what I would write about each time. How could I come up with something somewhat worth reading? Then BCHF organized a bus trip in October of 2017 to the Hudson River Valley. One of the stops was to Eleanor Roosevelt's Val-Kill cottage which was her spe-

cial retreat near Hyde Park. There I learned that Eleanor wrote and published a column every day for around thirty years. How could I worry about what to do for 30 Corners? I bought a book of her quotations. How about this one . . . "what one has to do usually can be done". That trip, like many run by BCHF, was not only enjoyable but also a learning experience. We are all looking forward to many more enjoyable and educational experiences, and many more interesting Gazettes. Again, I wish you all the best for 2019.

*Jan Ruano - proud to say, Past President*

## FROM THE EDITOR

January will mark the beginning of my tenure as Editor of your BCHF Gazette. I hope you will not find too much changed as our former Editor, Harold Mitchener, is a tough act to follow. Harold has promised to be there whenever I start to panic. I will be relying on our storytellers: Jan Ruano, Nancy Maren, Kathy and Andy Barniskis, Helen Younglove, Dave McGlynn, Mary Kehoe, and Carol

Mitchener to name a few.

Our town has a remarkable past and so there is always material that is "new" to read. Our Ways & Means plans programs and trips that are always popular. Most proudly, we sponsor iconic Historic Bristol Day. People come here for many reasons and it will be a joy to make your Gazette an important part of Bristol's future.

## One of Our Readers Remembers . . .

The GAZETTE received a letter from Mrs. Lillian Mitchener Bauserman of Colorado Springs, CO. She was a former resident and was graduated from Bristol High School in 1948. Mrs. Bauserman said that she worked part-time at McCrory's Five and Ten Cent store on Mill Street. Mr. Queen was the manager.

During summers she worked on the opposite side of the street at the Borden Castanea, a sandwich and ice cream shop. She said that one day a customer left her a 50 cent tip and that it was the largest tip that she had ever been given. Usually tips were 10 or 15 cents or perhaps once in a while, 25 cents.

She also remembers the W.T. Grant store and the Penny Mart. She married and had a daughter. When her daughter was old enough to attend the Bristol Schools, she took a job at Norman's stationery. She worked there for 20 years.

She also mentioned the newspaper in Colorado Springs is called THE GAZETTE. She was hoping to come back to Bristol for Historic Bristol Day this year, but was not able to make the trip. She said that perhaps she will come next year. THE GAZETTE staff thanks Mrs. Bauserman for the letter and for the memories and comments she shared with our readers.

## Trips - Past & Future

### "Christmas in Cape May," December 6, 2018

The "Holiday Inns Tour" included shuttle service and a "Holiday Lights" narrated tour in a festively decorated trolley.



The day began with a 3-course luncheon at the Washington Inn in Cape May's Historic District.



Left: Pictured here is the "Cherry House," a private residence, circa 1849. Beauclaire's Bed & Breakfast was the third property on our tour.



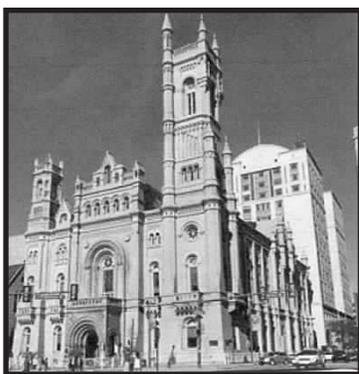
Trip participants enter The Queen Victoria Bed & Breakfast Inn, built in 1881 as a private residence.

## Forecast For The Future

**Wednesday, April 3 - day trip to Philadelphia.** The day will begin with a self-guided tour of the U.S. Mint - - the fourth and current Philadelphia Mint, which opened its doors in 1969 and which held the distinction of being the world's largest mint as of October 2017. The Philadelphia Mint can produce up to one million coins in 30 minutes. It also produces medals and awards for military, governmental and civil services. The engraving of all dies and strikers only occurs here. Tours take place via an enclosed catwalk above the minting facility itself. Various video stations have been placed along the tour route, where visitors can push buttons to watch videos about various stages of the minting process. Most of the videos were narrated by Baseball Hall of Fame announcer for the Phillies, Harry Kalas. **N.B.** -All visitors must have a government-issued photo ID!

Next, we'll head to Spasso's on South Front Street, across from the Irish Immigrant Memorial at Penn's Landing, where we'll be treated to a 3-course luncheon, including a choice of three entrees.

Our final stop will be at the magnificent Masonic Temple on North Broad St., constructed in 1873, and listed on the U.S. National Register of Historic Places and designated a U.S. National Historic Landmark. The massive structure serves as the headquarters of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons. It features the Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania and includes seven lodge



rooms.

Before heading back to Bristol, our bus will do a drive-by of the Mormon Temple on Vine Street for a look at this majestic edifice which opened in 2016.

All-inclusive price of this trip is \$90 for BCHF members and \$95 for non-members. For more information and reservations, contact Helen Younglove at 215 788-9408. **Reservations close on February 6.**

**Tuesday, June 18 - Narrated Luncheon Cruise on the "River Lady" & Visit to Historic Smithville Park.** The "River Lady" is an authentic reproduction of a paddle-wheel riverboat, which cruises the Toms River and Barnegat Bay. Lunch will include a salad, vegetable, potato, choice of one of five entrees, rolls & butter, soft drinks, coffee, tea and dessert. Following the cruise, our bus will take us to Historic Smithville Park in Easthampton Twp., NJ, for a village tour.

The all-inclusive trip cost is \$95 for BCHF members and \$98 for non-members. For further information and a reservation flyer, contact Jan Ruano at 215 788-2106. **Reservation deadline is April 12, unless sold out before then.**

**Thursday, December 5 - Day trip to Tarrytown, NY.** Highlight of this trip will be a tour of elaborately-decorated Lyndhurst Mansion, listed as one of USA Today's "Top Holiday House Tours." This Gothic Revival country house sits in its own 67-acre park beside the Hudson River.

We will have a buffet luncheon at Sunset Cove, located on the shores of the Hudson, in Tarrytown, followed by a guided tour of "Sunnyside," the home of Washington Irving, the author of "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow."

More information will be provided when all the arrangements have been officially confirmed.

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## Thomas Jefferson (1743 - 1826)

The speaker at our January meeting at BCHF will be portraying Sally Hemmings, who was one of the slaves of Thomas Jefferson. This article deals only with the life of Thomas Jefferson.

Thomas Jefferson was the third U.S. President (1801 - 1809). He was a tall man and had red hair. Since the Virginia colony had no public education, he began his formal education under a tutor. At the age of 9 he went to life with a Scottish clergyman who taught him French, Greek, and Latin. After Tom's father died, he entered the school of James Mawry who was an Anglican clergyman who lived in Charlottesville, Virginia.

In 1760, at the age of 16, Jefferson was admitted to the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia. Williamsburg had a population of 1,000 and was the provincial capital of Virginia. While at Williamsburg, he met William Small and George Wythe who would have great influence on him. William Small was from Scotland and had been educated in Aberdeen, Scotland. He was a professor at William and Mary College. It was through Small that Jefferson learned about the Enlightenment, a period of intellectual ferment in the thirteen American colonies during the 17th to 18th century, which led to the American Revolution. Jefferson's teacher, Wythe, who did not graduate from college, ultimately became America's first Professor of Law. A number of writers from England and Scotland also influenced Jefferson's political philosophy.

Jefferson was a native of Central Virginia called Shadwell. He was a leading lawyer and plantation owner. During the Revolutionary War (1775 - 1783), he rose to leadership position in the State of Virginia. He was the author of the Declaration of Independence which he wrote in a room he rented in Philadelphia.

After the war, he held political office until his retirement in 1809. He served as a member of the Virginia Legislature, a delegate to the Continental Congress, Governor of Virginia, U.S. Minister to France, U.S. Secretary of State, Vice-President of the U.S., and as the third President of the United States.

Jefferson supported the arts, sciences, and education. He believed the power of the government came from the people and should be limited. Mr. Jefferson embraced many of the ideas of the Enlightenment, the period when philosophies emphasized the use of reason and science. Jefferson was greatly influenced by the English philosopher, John Locke. It was Locke who emphasized basic human rights and believed that people should revolt against governments that violated those rights. He was influenced by some political writers, namely James Harrington and Alger Sidney of England, and Montesquieu of France.

The term "Jeffersonian Democracy" has come to refer to Jefferson's ideal of rule by the people. He felt local governments should be most powerful and central government should have limited powers. He believed in freedom

of speech and religion. He wanted the "Bill of Rights" in the U.S. Constitution.

During his adult life, he did have African slaves. Jefferson was one of the leading architects of his times and he designed the Virginia Capitol building, the University of Virginia and his home, Monticello. He was the president of the American Philosophical Society. He also encouraged a wide range of scientific and intellectual research.

Martha Wayles Skelton, Jefferson's wife, died 18 and 1/2 years before he became president. His older daughter, Martha Randolph Jefferson, sometimes served as hostess for her father during his tenure in the White House.

Once the Constitution was ratified in 1788, the first U.S. capital was in New York City. Philadelphia served as the temporary capital of the United States of America between 1790 and 1800 while Washington, D.C. was being built. It was Jefferson and Alexander Hamilton who decided that the Capital of the United States should be along the Potomac River. Washington's home, Mount Vernon, overlooked the Potomac.

Some of Jefferson's achievements, successes and accomplishments were; the exploration by Lewis and Clark to explore the Louisiana Purchase from the Mississippi to the Pacific Ocean. (Some of the items brought back can be found in his home at Monticello); the founding of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, NY; *Marbury v. Madison* where the Supreme Court established the Courts' right to declare laws unconstitutional.

During his presidency: there was a war with Tripoli in the Barbary States of North Africa; in 1804, Napoleon crowned himself Emperor of France; also in 1804 Richard Trevithick developed a steam powered locomotive and in 1807 Robert Fulton established a successful steamship line on the Hudson River; Jefferson's grandson, James Randolph was the first child born in the White House.

Thomas Jefferson is buried near his house, "Monticello" in a family graveyard. His gravestone had the following on it: "Here was buried Thomas Jefferson, Author of the Declaration of American Independence, of the Statute of Virginia for religious freedom and Father of the University of Virginia."

Three of Jefferson's most famous quotes are:

"Never put off until tomorrow what you can do today."

"Never spend money before you have it."

"When annoyed count to 10. When very annoyed count to 100 before you speak."

President Kennedy on April 29, 1962 at a dinner honoring Nobel Prize winners said, "I think this is the most extraordinary collection of talent and of human knowledge that has ever been gathered together at the White House, with the possible exception of when Thomas Jefferson dined alone."



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## Historic Bristol Day - - Winners of the Children's Art Contest

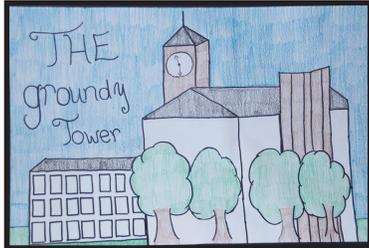
Congratulations to the winners and thanks to everyone who entered into the 2018 Art Contest.



Left: 1st Place - Alyson McKinley, 7th Grade, St. Mark School  
Right: 2nd Place - Rylee Frey, 7th Grade, St. Mark School



Left: Honorable Mention - Johanna Reynolds, 6th Grade, Snyder Girotti Middle School



Left: 3rd Place - Wendy Padilla, 6th Grade, St. Mark School



### Historic Bristol Day - by Nicholas Rizzo

I would like to take the time to thank everyone who volunteered for the 42nd Annual Historic Bristol Day and in particular those who were members of the Historic Bristol Day Committee, which had met monthly since the beginning of 2018. We had yet another successful event, with so many spectacular attractions including: the return of the tall ship Gazela, the archaeological Dig at Friends Meeting House, the special exhibit at the Grundy Library on Small Business in Bristol, the Annual Car Show, the House Tours, The Children's Corner, the various entertainments, and so much more! Also a special thanks to the sub-committee, Greg Whit Dances and The King George Inn in planning the outdoor reception "Gazelabration" that was held on the eve of Bristol

Day.

I have received a lot of positive feedback and numerous compliments from those who attended, but I always made sure to give credit to the talented and hard-working members of the Committee and to BCHF, who made this past year another success.

I have agreed to chair 2019 Historic Bristol Day, and we will be having our first planning meeting likely in late January. If you wish to become a committee member or would like to volunteer on Historic Bristol Day, please email me at [nickandrew78@comcast.net](mailto:nickandrew78@comcast.net). I will be sure to include you on any notifications about our future planning meetings.

Thank you again . . . Nick Rizzo, HBD Chair

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### A True American Ninja Warrior

A busload of BCHF members and friends had the honor and pleasure of meeting then-Cadet Evan Collier at West Point Military Academy during our trip to New York's Hudson Valley in October 2017. Evan is the grandson of BCHF members Howard & Claire Collins Collier who grew up in this area and later moved to Ohio.

Evan's father, Michael, who was an Army Captain and commanded a company of Helicopters, proudly informs us that Evan graduated from West Point on Memorial Day 2018. He chose to enter Branch Infantry and was selected for "Early Ranger." He started Army Ranger School at the end of July at Ft. Benning, GA and made it through without having to be "recycled," and graduated on September 28.

Evan is currently in the Infantry Basic Officer Leadership Course, designed for newly-minted infantry second lieutenants, and is expected to complete the course in early March 2019. After that, he will attend Airborne School, where he will learn how to parachute. Once the courses are completed he will report to Ft. Bragg, NC, where he will be assigned to the First Brigade of the 82nd Airborne Division for approximately 3 years.

Evan won "The True American Ninja Warrior" title at the U.S. Military Academy last April, upon breaking the school's record in the Indoor Obstacle Course Test that every West Point Cadet has had to run since 1944. He dashed through the grueling challenge in 1 min. and 57

sec. - 93 seconds faster than male cadets are required to score to graduate. His feat can be viewed on the web at U.S. Military Academy Indoor Obstacle Course.

Our sincere congratulations to 2nd Lt. Collier on his many accomplishments, along with best wishes for the future.



Then-Cadet Evan Collier meeting the BCHF bus group on Oct. 3, 2017.

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## Bristol Friends Meeting House Archaeological Project: *How Do You Know Where to Dig?*

by Meagan Ratini and Jesse Walker

After having two “seasons” of excavations at the BCHF building, archaeologists were interested in learning more about other parts of Bristol’s rich history. This year’s archaeological dig on Historic Bristol Day focused on the Friends Meeting House at the corner of Wood and Market Streets in Bristol Borough. The purpose of the dig was two-fold: to determine if historically important archaeological remains exist around the Meeting House and also to provide another opportunity for the public to participate in a professional archaeological project.

On Historic Bristol Day (October 20, 2018), visitors to the dig often asked: “How do you know where to dig?” Picking a place to excavate is determined by several factors, including background research about the site’s history, an understanding of the site’s present condition and whether anything might have survived archaeologically, and permission to conduct research there. In terms of generally picking a location, background research led archaeologists to take a closer look at other aspects of the Friends Meeting House.

Preliminary research revealed that the building was originally built between 1711 and 17113, with a number of changes since. Historical photographs and maps showed no other buildings were built on the property that might have disturbed fragile archaeological remains. The large sycamore tree next to the building is also quite old and suggests that the yard has long been an open area. These observations made this a prime location to look at the early history of the town. In order to do archaeology, however, permission from the property owner is always required. In the summer of 2018, Ms. Ratini of Bucks County Community College and Mr. Walker of the Bristol Cultural and Historical Foundation met with members of the Bristol Friends Meeting and discussed their interest in conducting a public dig in the Meeting House yard. The Friends (Quakers) were enthusiastically supportive of the project

and gave their permission to proceed.

Several weeks later, the archaeologists conducted a preliminary dig to investigate the potential of the yard to contain archaeological materials. They dug small test pits in different locations across the yard based on historical knowledge and “reading” the landscape in more detail for clues to how it has changed over time. This approach allows archaeologists to gain an understanding of the types of artifacts, building remains, and other archaeological evidence that might exist across the property. In one test pit near a side door of the building, archaeologists encountered a larger number of historical artifacts as well as stones which seemed to have an architectural purpose. These several things found in a small area suggested that this location could potentially tell us more about the history of the site, but the test pit itself was too small to tell more information. Further investigation was needed.

On Historic Bristol Day itself, archaeologists returned to this area and opened a larger five foot by five foot square unit and excavated it throughout the day with help from volunteers, local Quakers, and the general public. The project’s dedicated volunteers included professional archaeologists Joel Dworsky and Melanie Fuechsel; avocational archaeologists Alice George and Jeremy Walker, with further help from Patricia Harrison in the lab afterwards; and archaeologists-in-training Olivia Scharff and Mia Walker. Volunteers helped explain archaeological concepts and techniques to visitors throughout the day and also helped to uncover more local history. The project also had great support from the members of the Bristol Friends Meeting, including aerial imagery taken by drone by the Meeting’s Clerk, Paul Shaffer.

Keep an eye out for more articles about the Bristol Friends Meeting public archaeological project in future issues of the *Gazette!*

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### The H. Clay Beatty Post (G.A.R.) of Bristol

H. Clay Beatty was born in Bristol on Apr. 2, 1835. He was admitted to the Bar in 1857 and at the outbreak of the Civil War united with Capt. William S. Thompson in forming a company for 3 months service. Before the organization was completed, the Government ceased receiving troops for short service. Then all organizations met at Reading and were mustered into the service to the State. Lieutenant Beatty was promoted to Captain. On July 22, 1861 the Regiment was called into service for 3 years at the battle of White Oak Swamp on July 28, 1862. Capt. Beatty was wounded in the knee. Before he had fully recovered the use of his limb, he had his company into action at the Second Battle of Bull Run on Aug. 30th. Capt. Beatty was trying to help one of his men from an exploding shell, he received a mortal wound himself from a fragment which struck his arm in 3 places. He was brought home and died the following day. His body was interred in St. James Church yard and a monument was erected by his fellow members of the Philadelphia Bar.

It was decided on Memorial Day 1878 to form a local post (Post #73) and name it in honor of H. Clay Beatty. At its formation, an elaborate program was arranged - a big

parade with fire companies, secret societies and fraternal organizations. They decorated 121 graves at Bristol, Tullytown and China Hall cemeteries. The members continued to meet. However, it was decided in November, 1920 that the members no longer could keep up the work of the organization. The 6 surviving members (all veterans of the Civil War) voted to dissolve the organization. They would retain their membership in the G.A.R. by affiliating themselves with the G.A.R. headquarters in Phila. A representative was present from the Sons of Veterans, a younger organization.



Capt. Henry Clay Beatty

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# Out Of The Past

The following items were excerpted from **JANUARY 1899** issues of **THE BUCKS COUNTY GAZETTE**

1/5 - - local intelligence:

Captain F.O. Edwards, of Bristol, is winning early distinction at the State capital. Yesterday, the 55 Republicans who remained out of caucus perfected an organization and appointed a committee of seven on Organization and Platform, one of whom was Edwards.

The Union News Company's stand has been moved into the ticket office at the railroad station.

A telephone has been placed in the telegraph office at the railroad station for the accommodation of telephone subscribers.

On account of the ice in the river and the uncertainty of the return of the ferry boat, the Bristol scholars at St. Mary's school in Burlington are boarding there this week.

The cars on the Langhorne trolley quit running at about 11 o'clock last Saturday night, on account of the snow.

Out of an estimated population of 7,000 in Bristol, only 123 deaths occurred in 1898. Of these were one that had reached the age of 88, one at 90 and two at 91.

Amateur photography is almost a craze in the Second Ward. It is probably that a camera club will soon be formed.

A refreshment stand has been established in the rink, where hot coffee, candies, soft drinks, etc., can be obtained at a moderate price. A new scoreboard has also been put up.

**NEW YEAR'S SHOOTING.** The all-day shooting tournament on Monday on the flats back of Dorrance's mill began at 10 o'clock with clay pigeons from a trap. John Coleman, C.C. Strumfels and John Briggs later in the day all tried the live pigeon shooting.

**TONIGHT'S CAKE WALK.** Manager William H. Yoast, of the Bristol Rink, has secured first class amusement for this evening in having the Success Quick Walking Company of Philadelphia come and display its propensities. Admission 15¢.

**FORESTERS' HALL DEDICATED.** Court Onward, Foresters of America, moved into the new building on the corner of Lafayette & Pond Streets last Tuesday, when it was dedicated. This hall is the first one in the State of Pennsylvania to be dedicated by the Order of Foresters, all other lodges meeting in rented rooms.

"Hot Water Bottles. All sizes and prices. **EMLÉN MARTIN**, Druggist, 213 Radcliffe Street."

"The whole earth never yielded a more wholesome stimulant for the weak and feeble than **Bailey's Pure Rye**. A bottle from \$1 to \$2. For sale by **JOHN MC OWEN**, Bristol."

1/12 - - **SCHOOL DIRECTORS AND OTHERS.** It is a common saying that good teachers make good schools, but the responsibility of selecting teachers and administering the affairs of the schools rests with the directors and it is as essential to have good directors as to have good teachers. We have our own borough superintendent. The number of pupils attending the schools is 860. There are four school buildings. These buildings, with their furnishings, have an estimated value of \$58,000. Last year, the receipts for school purposes amounted to \$15,643.83. The State appropriation was \$6,412.40.

**METHODIST REVIVAL.** Special revival services began at the Methodist Church last Sunday afternoon, to continue indefinitely. A number of prominent clergymen have signified their intention to be present to conduct the meetings.

**LA GRIPPE AFFECTS THE SCHOOLS.** On account of the prevalence of la grippe, the public school attendance in Bristol has been diminished.

**PIG CHASE AT THE RINK.** A novel attraction is announced for next Saturday night at the Bristol Rink, when a chase on roller skates for a pig will take place. The person catching and holding

the pig will be declared the owner thereof.

**LOCAL INTELLIGENCE:**

St. Mark's Literary Society has taken on 20 new members since December.

The Bristol Ice Company started this morning cutting ice from Mill pond.

"Shall a Polygamist Become a Member of Our National Congress" will be the subject at the Presbyterian Church on Sabbath evening at 7:30.

The Bell Telephone Company is exerting itself to get new subscribers for its services in Bristol. The rates have been reduced to \$20 per year for local calls.

**"Fresh Candy.** The Union Confectionary Store will open for business in Bristol on next Saturday morning. High grade candy at Philadelphia prices. **CONFECTIONERS' UNION**, 219 Mill St."

"Last Year the Best! Our books show that last year was the best since in business. We make our own sausage and scrapple. **FOREST C. SMITH**, 527 Bath St."

**"SOMMERFELD'S LIVERY & BOARDING STABLES.** Pool and Billiards. Cigars and Tobacco. Nos. 116, 118 and 120 Pond St."

1/19 - - **RELIEF ASSOCIATION ORGANIZED.** The Bristol Firemen's Relief Association of Bristol met last night in the parlor of America Hose Company and permanently organized. The association is composed of four representatives from each incorporated company, selected in December every year.

**S.P.C.A. PROHIBITS PIG CHASE.** The much-talked-of pig chase, which was announced as taking place on Saturday evening at the Bristol Rink, attracted about 200 or more people to witness the sport, but the crowd was disappointed when it was discovered that the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals had prohibited them from having the proposed chase on the grounds that it was cruelty to the pig. To take the place of the pig chase, a potato race, candle race, and apple eating contest were hastily arranged.

**LOCAL INTELLIGENCE:**

About 40 members of the Blue Ribbon Club will partake of a dinner at Kidd's cafe next week, at which all the delicacies of the season will be served in Caterer Kidd's best style.

"De breed am small but de flavor am delicious. A genuine Blue Point is the finest oyster there is on the market. We gets the best oysters and always has them fresh. Delivered by our own wagon to your door in time for any meal. **E.A. JEFFRIES**, opposite P.O., Bristol."

1/28 - - **GRAMMAR B ENTERTAINMENT.** The pupils of Grammar B school on Wood St. last Friday afternoon gave an entertainment and an exhibition of their work in the school room that reflected very creditably upon the ability of their teachers, Miss Tomlinson and Miss Bartine. Violet Guyon had an exhibition of the vertical writing which is now being tested in the schools.

**LOCAL INTELLIGENCE:**

During the electrical storm on Tuesday night, three telephones were burned out.

The ladies of the First Baptist Church will serve a luncheon next Saturday at John Thorne's store, corner of Wood and Dorrance Streets. There will be for sale clam chowder, plum pudding, coffee and sandwiches, pepper pot, baked beans, vegetable soup, ice cream and cake. Each article will sell for 10 cents. A good lunch can be had for 15 cents.

**"SILBERT HOUSE**, Nos. 121 to 125 Radcliffe St . . . First-class accommodations and reasonable prices. Mrs. George Silbert, Prop."

"How is your bread? The amount of coal, labor, flour and all needed in baking bread does not pay the busy housekeeper to make it. Try a loaf of ours and you will not bake. **JAMES BENNETT**, The



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## BCHF Calendar of Events January to June 2019

**JANUARY** Sun., 1/27, 2:00 PM. 1st-person presentation entitled "Sally Hemings & Thomas Jefferson: A Secret Love Story." Light refreshment. \$4 donation requested; no charge for students. BCHF headquarters. Info at 215 788-9408.

**MARCH** Sun., 3/24, 2:00 PM. 1st-person presentation entitled "The Greatest Ever: Babe Didrikson Zaharias Story." Light refreshments. \$4 donation requested; no charge for students. BCHF headquarters, Info at 215 788-9408.

**APRIL** Wed., 4/3 "A Day in Philadelphia" bus trip, incl. guided tour of the Masonic Temple on No. Broad St., drive by of the new Mormon Temple (As a reminder, the tour was not available.), a self-guided tour of the U.S. Mint and 3-course lunch at Spasso on Front Street. Cost: \$90 for BCHF members; \$95 for non-members. Call 215 788-9408 for flyer/reservation form. Reservation deadline is February 6.

**APRIL** Sun., 4/28. Please join us for our Annual Spring Tea. As usual there will be a delightful program,

delicious tea sandwiches and desserts, and a door prize or two. Plan to reserve your table as soon as tickets go on sale. More details will follow in February's Gazette.

**MAY** Sun., 5/5 2:00 PM. "Ashore on Ellis Island," presented by the Gifted & Enrichment students of Snyder-Girotti Elementary School. Light refreshments. Donation requested for the school's Gifted & Enrichment program. BCHF headquarters, Info at 215 788-9408.

**JUNE** Tues., 6/18. Luncheon cruise aboard the "River Lady" from Toms River, NJ and tour of Historic Smithville Park in Mt. Holly, NJ. Cost: \$95 for BCHF members; \$98 for non-members. Call 215 788-9408 for flyer/reservation form. Reservation deadline is April 12.

• BCHF Headquarters are at 321 Cedar Street, Bristol.

• For current information about activities and events, check out our web site at [www.bristolhistory.org](http://www.bristolhistory.org).

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