

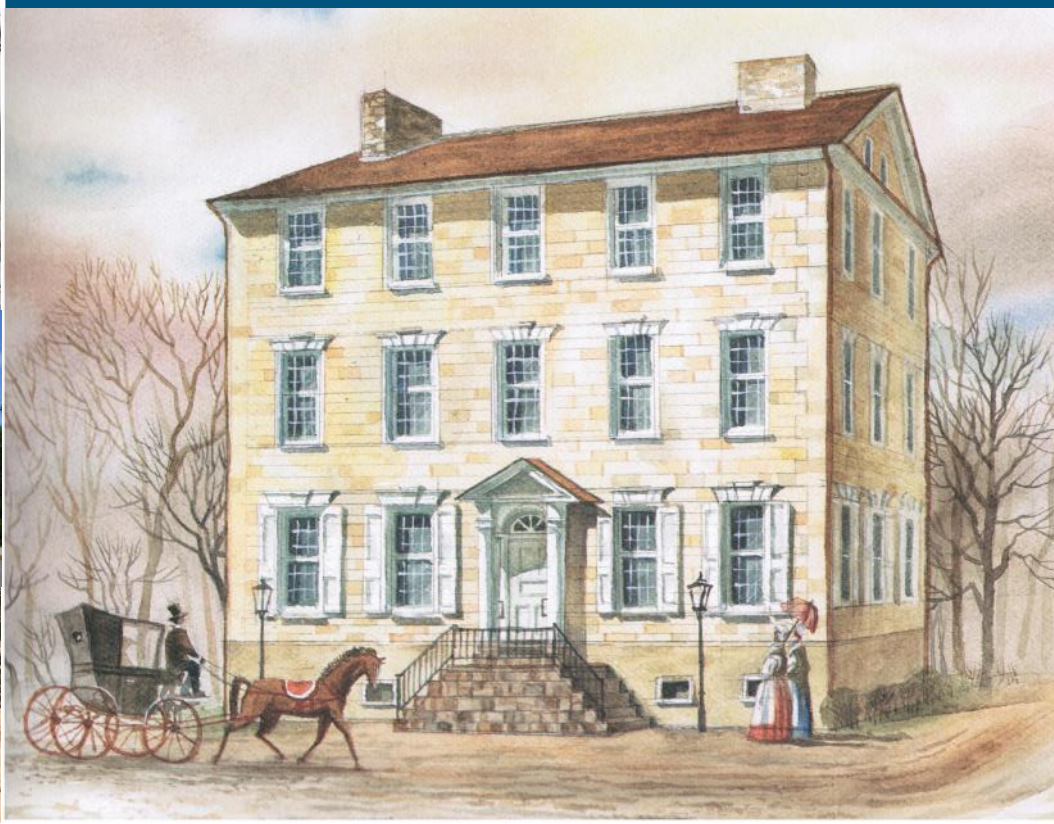


Monroe County Historical Association

2020 Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon

Sunday, February 23, 2020

The Shawnee Inn & Golf Resort
Shawnee on Delaware, Pennsylvania



Monroe County Historical Association

Noon to 1:00 p.m. - Social Hour and Silent Auction

1:00 p.m. - Annual Business Meeting and Luncheon

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| I. | Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance | Russell D. Scott, III |
| | Prayer and Memorial | James C. Werkheiser |
| II. | Approval of February 2019 Minutes | Russell D. Scott, III |
| III. | Treasurer's Report | Patricia J. Sayler |
| | 2019 Summary, 2020 Budget | |
| IV. | President's Report | Russell D. Scott, III |
| V. | Executive Director's Report | Amy H. Leiser |
| VI. | Nominations for Board of Directors | Clarence J. Murphy |
| | Special Presentations | |
| VII. | New Business | Russell D. Scott, III |
| VIII. | Adjournment | |

15th Annual P.E.P. Awards Presentation and Slide Show

Program by the members of the P.E.P. Committee

- Commercial P.E.P. Award - 616 Main Street, Borough of Stroudsburg
- Publicly Funded P.E.P. Award - Fenner/Snyder/Robacker Homestead,
Hamilton Township
- Heritage Resource Award - Old Mill at Sciota, Hamilton Township
- Residential P.E.P. Award - Abeloff/Lambert Home, Stroud Township

Volunteer of the Year Award

Jeffrey L. Wright, Esq.

Presented by Amy H. Leiser, MCHA Executive Director

Announcement of 50/50 and Silent Auction Winners

Monroe County Historical Association
Sunday, February 24, 2019, Annual Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER: One hundred thirteen members and guests attended the 2019 Monroe County Historical Association Annual Business Meeting and Luncheon. The meeting was called to order by President Russell D. Scott, III at 1:02 pm. Board member James Werkheiser led in the salute to the flag and memorial to departed members.
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Martin Wilson, second by Ken Sandri to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2018, Annual Meeting. Motion passed.
3. TREASURER'S REPORT: Patricia Saylor reported the organization ended the year in the black with a \$17,368.98 surplus. She presented the 2018 financial summary and 2019 budget report. Ms. Saylor advised that the MCHA had received a bequest from the Roy Pipher Estate in 2017, valued at \$217,423.42, and that the Board had placed the funds in a Board Restricted account which can be used for limited purposes only and not general MCHA expenses. Pat reported \$10,000 was used from the Pipher Board Restricted account to pay for strategic planning for the organization. Motion by Clarence Murphy, second by Carrie Wetherbee to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.
4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Russ highlighted the fiscal health and growth of the organization. He thanked the elected officials in attendance including State Representative Jack Rader, State Representative Rosemary Brown, Monroe County Commissioners John Moyer, Charles Garris and John Christy, and former Commissioners Suzanne McCool and Janet Weidensaul. Russ thanked the current MCHA Board of Directors and specifically thanked the outgoing Board members: Ken Sandri, Pat Saylor, Jim Werkheiser, Jeffrey Wright, and Marie Conklin Young. Russ spoke about what each individual did for the organization during their time on the Board.
5. EXECUTOR DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Executive Director Amy Leiser welcomed everyone in attendance. Amy thanked the volunteers and the staff, Bret Fowler and Hope Kuchinski.

She discussed the efforts of the MCHA to connect our local history with this community and announced that MCHA has been awarded a Keystone Grant to conduct an archaeology dig in the backyard of the Stroud Mansion. Amy gave a short slide show presentation on what the archaeologist found during the Phase 1 testing including a near-perfect Palmer projectile point.

6. HISTORY COMMITTEE REPORT: John H. Abel recognized the hard-working members of the History Committee. They have been actively hosting the very successful Third Thursday Lecture Series at the Stroud Mansion since 2017. He spoke about the History Challenge and reported that last year's 1st place winner Jake Oravec, was unable to attend today's luncheon because he was attending a workshop at Harvard University. He used his winnings from the History Challenge to pay for the workshop.

7. NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Clarence Murphy moved the following individuals for positions on the Board of Directors: Gerald J. Geiger (1st term), Robert M. Moses (1st term), and Precie Schroyer (1st term), Margot W. Vagliardo (1st term). Bill Leonard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

8. NEW BUSINESS: Amy Leiser presented the five outgoing Board Members framed prints of the Stroud Mansion as a token of the organization's appreciation.

10. ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Martin Wilson, second by Bill Leonard to adjourn. Motion passed at 1:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John K. Leiser

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Acting Secretary

Monroe County Historical Association 2020 Budget

	Jan - Dec 2020
<u>Income</u>	
Charitable Revenue/Support	\$17,364.19
Monroe County Commissioners	\$25,000.00
Special Events/Functions	\$88,640.00
Programs & Services	\$16,758.96
Reimbursed Expenses	\$16,135.72
Interest Income	\$7.19
Release of Restricted Funds	\$51,390.28
<u>Total Income</u>	<u>\$215,296.34</u>
<u>Expense</u>	
Salary & Wages	\$104,760.00
Payroll Tax Expense	\$7,563.45
Worker's Compensation	\$1,183.80
Professional Fees	\$7,192.38
Supplies	\$6,103.23
Special Events/Functions Expenses	\$27,640.45
Postage	\$1,443.72
Conferences & Meetings/Travel	\$1,151.64
Marketing	\$7,780.78
Equipment Maintenance/Purchases	\$5,405.33
Professional Dues/Licenses/Permits	\$2,081.00
Occupancy	\$28,997.97
Insurance	\$9,002.00
Bank Service Charges	\$2,127.50
Credit Card Statement	\$854.37
Miscellaneous	\$2,008.72
<u>Total Expense</u>	<u>\$215,296.34</u>

2019 Operating Budget Overview

Budget Income and Expense	Actual Income and Expense
Income: \$195,766.18	Income: \$196,041.68
Expense: \$195,766.18	Expense: \$196,623.20
	Profit & Loss: - \$581.52

The following is an un-audited summary of the Monroe County Historical Association's operating and restricted account balances as of December 31, 2018 and 2019. The audited financial statements will be available at the Stroud Mansion at the completion of the audit.

MCHA Accounts	2018	2019
General Operating Account	\$60,879.20	\$53,752.29
Preservation Fund	\$6,717.64	\$2,967.64
Acquisition Fund	\$2,053.56	\$3,554.89
Dunning Fund (Library)	\$164,564.60	\$164,782.78
Capital Fund Project	\$12,700.20	\$12,713.97
Pipher Estate	\$207,296.68	\$282,698.87
Endowment Trust	\$1,223,030.55	\$1,404,881.56

Endowment Distribution Report

For the 2019 fiscal year, the amount of \$51,390.28 was disbursed from the Endowment Trust to the Operating Account in support of staff salaries. — Patricia J. Saylor, Treasurer

The Monroe County Historical Association receives generous grant support from:

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Monroe County Historical Association

Current Board of Directors

Term ending February 2020

Doug Arnold (1st term)

Bruce Denlinger (1st term)

Honorable Jennifer Harlacher Sibum (2nd term)

Term ending February 2021

Bill Leonard (1st term)

Russell D. Scott, III (1st term)

Anthony Stevens-Arroyo (2nd term)

Margot W. Vagliardo (1st term)

Carrie E. Wetherbee (1st term)

Term ending February 2022

Michelle Bisbing (1st term)

Gerald J. Geiger, Esq. (1st term)

Robert M. Moses (1st term)

Precie Schroyer (1st term)

Martin Wilson (2nd term)

Glenn Yetter (2nd term)

Nominations to the Board of Directors

Doug Arnold (2nd term)

Bruce Denlinger (2nd term)

Ken Sandri (1st term)

Patricia J. Sayler (1st term)

MCHA Endowment Trust Report 2019-2020

Many thanks go to these generous donors. The Endowment Trust provides the essential stability needed to assure the future success of the Monroe County Historical Association.

During the 2019-2020 campaign, contributions totaled \$3,410.00 We offer our sincere appreciation to our supporters for their generosity. Please remember that contributions and memorial donations are welcome throughout the year.

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Dr. & Mrs. John Leiser	Mr. & Mrs. John Woodling
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Leonard	Mr. Jeff Wright & Mrs. Barbara Keiser
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Yearly Attendance 2019

<i>Stroud Mansion</i>	
Museum	346
Library/Research	362
School groups	133
Fundraisers/Outreach/Workshops	909
Total:	1,750
Weekly Volunteer Hours:	913

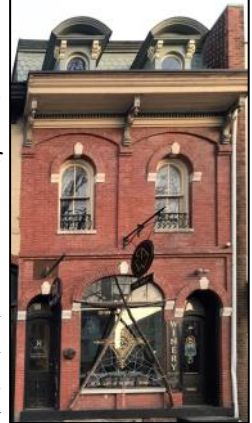


Congratulations!

2020 Monroe County Historical Association Award Winners

Commercial P.E.P. Award Winner 616 Main Street, Borough of Stroudsburg

This 1880 commercial building was home to the Bell Insurance Company for over 70 years. Edwin A. Bell was born at Croasdale Manor and early in his career assisted in the formation of the Monroe County Savings Bank and the Chemical Pulp Company. The E.A. Bell Insurance company was the underwriter of two of the most historic fires in Monroe County: the Water Gap House, which burned in 1915, and the Kittatinny, which burned in 1931.



This late 19th-century building utilized Second Empire style and features slate covered roof-front, marble spring stones with semi circular arches on the doors and window openings, keystones, and a brick belt course. Like the exterior, the interior has similarly escaped major changes. The building is owned by Greg Katz and is currently occupied by RAW Winery and Hard Cider and Mackey Photo and Video.

Publicly Funded P.E.P. Award Winner Fenner/Snyder/Robacker Homestead, Hamilton Township

The Fenner/Snyder/Robacker Homestead was constructed in 1805 for John Heinrich Fenner and this two-story stone manor was inhabited by generations of Fenner and Snyder family members. The exterior is reminiscent of the Federal style of architecture with 26 double-hung windows and four entry doors, including the formal entrance. The interior details have been maintained and restored.



In the mid-20th century, local antique collectors Earl F. and Ada Robacker purchased the estate, and when Ada Robacker died in 1988, she willed the home to Hamilton Township with the stipulation that it be used for cultural, educational, or historical purposes. Through open houses, programs, and special events, community members have the opportunity to visit the Fenner/Snyder/Robacker Homestead, which features an art gallery and the Keller-Meixell bedroom with its impressive collection of early Pennsylvania furnishings.

Congratulations!

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Residential P.E.P. Award Winner Abeloff-Lambert Home, Stroud Township

This mid-century modern home was built in 1960 by Lester and Clementine Abeloff. It is designed in what is now called the Contemporary style of architecture.

The Abeloff-Lambert House retains high material integrity on both the exterior and interior. Other than a few minor changes, the owners of the home have preserved its original characteristics, charm, and style.



The exterior is unique, with a long, narrow composition, and a recessed main entrance and side entrance. The most notable mid-century style detail is the early form of the open concept floor plan for common areas, while the bedroom areas remain private down a separate hallway. The kitchen was very advanced at the time with modern chrome appliances and conveniences not seen in previous kitchens. Gold flocked wallpaper, tile floors, and patterned panels, rather than walls, used to separate interior spaces are customary of this design aesthetic.

Heritage Resource Award Winner The Old Mill at Sciota, Hamilton Township

The original mill on this site was of log construction and was known as Brinker's Mill. In 1779, General John Sullivan used the mill to provide provisions for his troops as they moved north on Sullivan Trail. By the 1790s, this log mill was demolished.

The existing mill, built by Bernard Fenner in 1800, is the substantial stone and timber frame structure seen today.

The water wheel that drove the mechanisms to grind grain and feed is known as an undershot wheel. The water in the dam was diverted to drive the wheel which turned mechanisms throughout the mill. The massive timber frame design that supports the heavy moving parts of the mill exhibits features that are seen in Germanic frames.



The Old Mill was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1976 and is maintained and operated for demonstrations by the Hamilton Township Supervisors.

Congratulations!

2020 Monroe County Historical Association Award Winners

Volunteer of the Year Award Winner

Mr. Jeffrey Lynn Wright, Esq.



Jeffrey Lynn Wright was born in Allentown, PA, in 1947 to Orville and Louise (Kretzing) Wright. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in History in 1969 from the University of Pittsburgh and his Juris Doctor degree in 1972 from Duquesne University School of Law. Jeffrey attributes his love of history to his parents. As a child, family vacations included historic destinations throughout Pennsylvania and the U.S. Always a history buff, Jeffrey began researching his family tree and the history of Perry County, PA, at age 12.

Volunteering has always been an important aspect of Jeffrey's life and he credits his coworkers for instilling in him the importance of giving back to the community. Jeffrey began volunteering with the Monroe County Historical Association in 1978 when he moved to the area for work.

Jeffrey served a number of terms on the Board of Directors and three terms as President of the Board. Jeffrey was instrumental in writing many legal documents for the Monroe County Historical Association including establishing the Endowment Trust in 1986. He assisted with the merger between the Monroe County Historical Society and the Monroe County Museum Association in 1990 and oversaw the acquisition of the Stroud Mansion from the Women's Club in 1994. Jeffrey updated the organization's by-laws in 2018 and executed the Pipher Estate bequest in 2019. Jeffrey has even dressed in costume as Daniel Stroud for special events and open houses at the Stroud Mansion!

Providing guidance, hard work, enthusiasm, and commitment for many committees and events, Jeffrey continues to be an active member of the Monroe County Historical Association. Because of the endless hours he has devoted to our organization over the years, the Monroe County Historical Association is proud to present Jeffrey Lynn Wright with the 2020 Volunteer of the Year Award.

Happy Bicenquingagenary Stroud Mansion!
1795 - 2020: Honoring the 225th Anniversary of the Stroud Mansion

- The Stroud family lived in the house from 1795 – 1836.
- From 1837-1839, the building was leased to Joseph Snyder who operated a tavern called the “Mansion House Tavern.”
- In 1840, John and Charles Malvin leased the house and called it the “Temperance House” where “bucketfuls of lemonade were provided.”
- By 1847, Mrs. Margaret Eagles, a widow, opened a hotel named the “Mansion House Inn.”
- In 1858, the Stroud family returned to the Mansion and brothers James H. Stroud and George Stroud, and their half-sister Martha Stroud Shotwell moved into the home. Interestingly, they divided the home into three parts with “a line drawn through the front door of the house.” The siblings remained in the house until 1878, when the last one died.
- The Mansion was rented by Theophilus Heilig and his family from 1880-1889. He was a Lutheran Minister in Middle Smithfield Township and cared for the home immensely. He installed gas lighting and even draped the home in black following President Garfield’s assassination. There was a fire at the Mansion in 1883.
- The house was vacant for the next three years.
- The Mansion was sold to Timothy and Josephine Everitt in 1892 for \$8,500. The Mansion had many rental units in it.
- In 1919, the Stroud Mansion went on the market. The asking price was \$15,000.
- In 1920, the Stroudsburg Civic Club raised \$20,430.50.
- Over the years, the following groups and organizations used the Stroud Mansion for their meetings and events: public library, Civic Club, Women’s Club, Junior Women’s Club, Red Cross, Girl Scouts, Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Monroe County Historical Society.



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Mark your calendars now for these upcoming events!



Monroe County History Challenge

Thursday, March 26, at 7:00 p.m. at Stroudsburg High School
Join us for this question-and-answer history scholarship competition for our area high school juniors and seniors. Free!



Third Thursday Free Lecture Series Begins

Thursday, May 21, at 7:00 p.m.
Join us for our annual Thursday Lecture Series.
Jeffrey L. Wright will present on A. Mitchell Palmer.



“Hiking into History”

Saturday, June 20
The MCHA and the Pocono Heritage Land Trust are partnering to offer a guided hike through the woods with a historical destination.
Details to follow



“Raise Your Glass & Support the Past”

Thursday, September 10, 2020
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at The Lodge at Mountain Springs Lake
Our largest fundraiser event of the year! This fun evening features a wine-pairing dinner & live and silent auctions.



Holiday Luncheon at the Stroud Mansion

Friday, December 11 and Saturday, December 12, 2020
Enjoy a delicious luncheon catered by The Cook's Corner.

Volunteers in 2019

The following volunteers deserve a round of applause for their dedication and support. From offering tours, baking desserts, assisting researchers, completing light office tasks, serving on committees, and so many other jobs, these individuals helped us to share our history with members, friends, and visitors in our many projects, events, and fundraisers. Thank you!

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