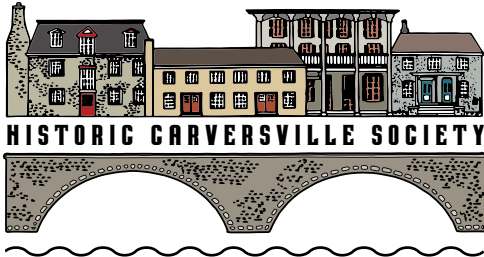


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Letter from the President

What a lovely fall season, the leaves changing color locally seem particularly vibrant rivaling any spot in New England. As the year comes to a close, I reflect on life in Carversville. My goal for 2022 was to foster the spirit of our special community by bringing back gatherings and finding ways to celebrate living here. HCS is fortunate to have new board members with energy and enthusiasm and new volunteers signing up to help. After a two year hiatus, Carversville Day returned in a smaller, more local way and seemed special. We all had a great time together with pets, bakers, watermelon eaters, and auction bidders in friendly competition. As a result of our survey we introduced Sips on the Square, with new members joining in the social hour, as prelude to Films in the Field over the summer. Recently we had a wonderful turnout for pumpkin carving on an afternoon with ideal weather. The Annual Meeting returned to an in person forum, in the Carversville Church, with a modern virtual option. Our fall issue highlights in part our mission of fostering our history. As we close out the year, I hope to see you at Caroling on the Square and wish you Happy Holidays!

– Lori White

HCS, HARB, The Township, Who's Who in Preservation

A brief primer in what each of these organizations does in terms of historic preservation.

HCS is a community- based organization, not a part of government. Our bylaws state our objectives as encouraging interest in and preserving the historic character of the village, promoting research into Carversville's history, collecting and preserving historic material, disseminating historic materials, identifying and preserving historic sites and landmarks and promoting community pride, spirit, and involvement. The role we play is one of advocacy.

HARB, the Historic and Architectural Review Board, serves in an advisory capacity to the Solebury Township board of supervisors. They hear requests for changes to properties within the historic district and based on hearings and application materials submitted make a recommendation to the Supervisors. All of the decisions must be approved by the Supervisors to become effective.

The Board of Supervisors is the final authority in what changes are made in the historic district. They can agree or disagree with the findings of HARB. Ultimately it is their responsibility to monitor and protect the historic districts within the township.

All of us as members of HCS and residents of the township may wish to share concerns and ask questions to achieve our collective goal of maintaining our historic community.

Carversville Day was a success this year!

Many local villagers and visitors from other neighboring towns came out to enjoy the festivities. We started the day off with our beloved Pet Parade.

David Stier and his band played smooth jazz in the background during the event. We also had several volunteers working the grill.



The Watermelon Eating Contest is always a crowd favorite!

Everyone enjoyed the cookie contest as well. This year's winner was Carol Ann Della Penna with her recipe for Lemon Basil Shortbread cookies.

Thanks to everyone who donated for the live auction and raffle jars. We had lots of excitement around the many items such as a fabulous Paella Dinner from Chef Chadd Jenkins, First Dinner Reservation at the Carversville Inn, many pieces of Carversville memorabilia, a cruiser bike, fine wine basket, a sculpture from local artist Justin Long and many more items!



Lemon Basil Shortbread Cookies

By Carol Ann Della Penna

Ingredients

- 3 lemons
- 1 cup of fresh basil
- 1 pound of butter
- 1 cup of granulated sugar
- 4 cups of flour
- 1 cup powdered sugar



Instructions

1. Using a fine grater or other zesting tool, zest 2 lemons.
 2. Chop the basil in a food processor. Mix with lemon zest and add juice from the 2 lemons. Set aside.
 3. Cube butter into $\frac{1}{2}$ inch cubes. Put in large bowl with flour, sugar and half the lemon zest and basil.
 4. Gently combine with your fingers to make a soft dough. Roll into 2 tubes about 2-3 inches wide. Refrigerate at least 30 minutes to 1 hour.
 5. Preheat oven to 325 degrees just prior to removing from fridge.
 6. Remove and slice the rolls into $\frac{1}{4}$ inch thick cookies and place an inch apart on cookie sheet.
 7. Bake cookies until they just begin to brown, about 12-15 minutes. Allow to cool completely.
 8. Juice the third lemon into a small bowl and add powdered sugar and remaining lemon zest/basil. If too thick, thin with more lemon juice.
 9. Spoon glaze over each cookie. Allow to harden.
 10. Enjoy!
- Should make around 3-dozen cookies.

We look forward to seeing everyone next year as we celebrate our wonderful village!

Ken & Phyllis Haldeman Have Moved!



Ken and Phyllis, active residents of the village for almost forty years, recently sold their home and moved to Doylestown. The "Lizzie Bishop House" was built in 1879 and sits up on the hill at 6134 Carversville Road.

They lovingly updated the interior of the victorian home with the help of carpenter Robert Melcherr and architect Rick Yarnall. Some updates included removing a staircase, installing built-in bookshelves throughout and adding an outdoor courtyard where they spent a lot of time enjoying the garden.

One of their fondest memories at the house is of hosting an annual Christmas party. It was usually the Saturday before Christmas and included many friends, drinks and food (usually by Max Hansen). They enjoyed hanging photos of the previous years' parties in all of the doorways for people to reminisce.

In addition to owning two stores in Peddler's Village (Knobs N' Knockers & Kneedle Knack), Ken and Phyllis were very active in the happenings of Carversville. Phyllis in particular spent many years on the board of the Historic Carversville Society and they both enjoyed volunteering for Carversville Day working at the grill or acting as treasurer.



THE LIZZIE BISHOP HOUSE

The Haldemans always appreciated catching up with neighbors at the post office or general store when picking up the mail and newspaper each morning. Ken reminisces that the Inn also played a very important role in the fabric of the village and they really enjoyed being there with friends. They loved having their children and grandchildren, Nancy, Jerry, Elizabeth & Anna Ruddle living just up over the hill.

Thank you for all you have done for our special community and don't be strangers!

To keep in touch, their new mailing address is:
Ken & Phyllis Haldeman
308 Fringetree Court
Doylestown, PA 18901



Carversville Pumpkin Carving Event

We had a beautiful fall day this year for pumpkin carving. Our carving station was set up in the grassy area just beyond the Carversville Inn along the creek. Our event was well attended by many long standing Carversville residents as well as several new families. We supplied gorgeous pumpkins from Hellerick's Farm in Pipersville. Guests also enjoyed cider and donuts from Solebury Orchards. It was a wonderful day to catch up with friends and neighbors!

Thanks to several volunteers that helped pick up pumpkins and supplies as well as set up the tables and chairs for the event.



Mark Your Calendar



Caroling in the Square

Sunday, December 18 at 6pm

2022 Season of Films in the Field and Sips In the Square Recap

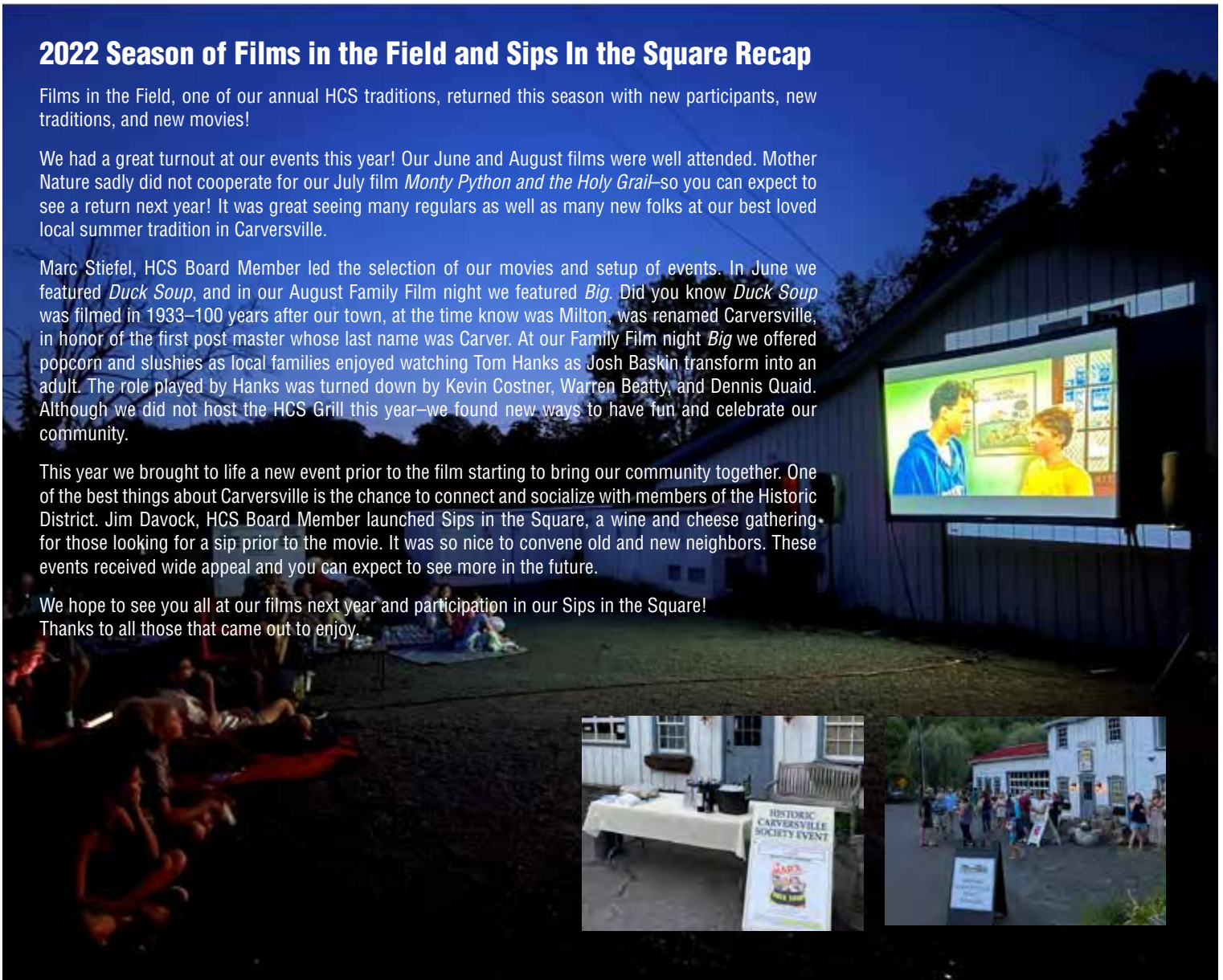
Films in the Field, one of our annual HCS traditions, returned this season with new participants, new traditions, and new movies!

We had a great turnout at our events this year! Our June and August films were well attended. Mother Nature sadly did not cooperate for our July film *Monty Python and the Holy Grail*—so you can expect to see a return next year! It was great seeing many regulars as well as many new folks at our best loved local summer tradition in Carversville.

Marc Stiefel, HCS Board Member led the selection of our movies and setup of events. In June we featured *Duck Soup*, and in our August Family Film night we featured *Big*. Did you know *Duck Soup* was filmed in 1933—100 years after our town, at the time known as Milton, was renamed Carversville, in honor of the first post master whose last name was Carver. At our Family Film night *Big* we offered popcorn and slushies as local families enjoyed watching Tom Hanks as Josh Baskin transform into an adult. The role played by Hanks was turned down by Kevin Costner, Warren Beatty, and Dennis Quaid. Although we did not host the HCS Grill this year—we found new ways to have fun and celebrate our community.

This year we brought to life a new event prior to the film starting to bring our community together. One of the best things about Carversville is the chance to connect and socialize with members of the Historic District. Jim Davock, HCS Board Member launched Sips in the Square, a wine and cheese gathering for those looking for a sip prior to the movie. It was so nice to convene old and new neighbors. These events received wide appeal and you can expect to see more in the future.

We hope to see you all at our films next year and participation in our Sips in the Square! Thanks to all those that came out to enjoy.



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Did you know that a horse
and carriage could ride through the
underpass in front of the Shaw's
and Barrett's houses?



Each year, the Historic Carversville Society selects graduating seniors from New Hope-Solebury High School to recognize for their achievements. Students are generally chosen for their volunteer work and community service in and around our local area. This year we are thrilled to have been able to recognize 3 students for their outstanding contributions. We are pleased to announce the 2022 scholarship winners:

Coco Brown

Francesca Cademartori

Christopher Maguire

University of Miami

Chapman University

Drexel University

These fine students have all excelled during their time in the New Hope-Solebury Schools, and we are sure they will continue to thrive as they leave our community and being the next phase of their lives. Each student received a \$750 scholarship to help finance their education. The ability of the HCS to continue to fund these valuable grants is thanks to the annual dues paid by members and the various fundraising activities our group runs each year.

Please join us in congratulating these students on their accomplishments!

New Board Members

Elizabeth Ruddle Gabrielson moved to Carversville (in the Tamarak Farm neighborhood) in August 2020 with her husband Ross and two children, Madeline (10) and Jack (8). She grew up on Stover Mill Road and is the daughter of Nancy & Jerry Ruddle and the granddaughter of Ken & Phyllis Haldeman. After years of living in Manhattan and Montclair, she and her family decided to move "home" to Solebury. Elizabeth is thrilled to be back with the Carversville community she loves so much and is looking forward to volunteering on the Board to support the Historic Carversville Society's missions and events. Serving on the HCS Board is particularly special for Elizabeth because she is taking the seat of her grandmother, Phyllis Haldeman.

Vicki Ghiz has been a Carversville resident for the past 30 years. After teaching in a neighboring community for 16 years, she retired to stay home and raise her three children. Vicki and her husband Scott feel very fortunate to be part of such a wonderful community. They appreciate so much of what Carversville has to offer. A wholesome and healthy environment with many traditions that nourish a connected community. This active engagement is the reason Vicki is thrilled to be part of the HCS board.

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS
FOR ALL YOUR EFFORTS IN 2022!

LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE INTERESTED
IN HELPING OR HAVE IDEAS!

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