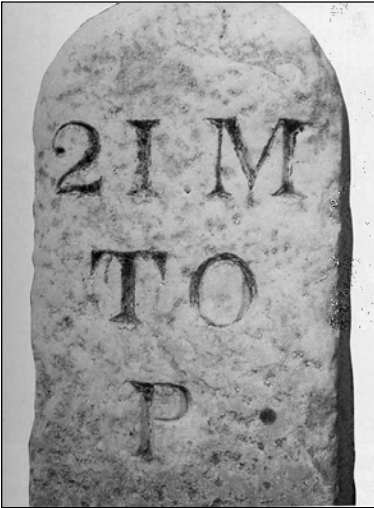


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Announcing a “Milestone” Event



This simple granite milestone once stood at the edge of the Lincoln Highway on the old Brackbill-Haldeman-Malin farm—now the Malvern Executive Center.

Marking twenty-one miles to/from Philadelphia, it was placed along the road soon after the Lancaster to Philadelphia Turnpike opened in 1794—as the first hard-surfaced, “modern” road in America.

There were once 64 of these stones (one each mile), but no more than a third of them remain. Today there isn’t a single one visible between Berwyn and Downingtown.

But that’s about to change!

The “replanted” TWENTY-FIRST MILESTONE will be unveiled and dedicated in a program commemorating the Lancaster Turnpike, the families who lived on the Milestone property and East Whiteland Township’s role in the revolutionary and transportation history of the United States. This ceremony will take place Friday, August 8, 2008 at 7:00 PM.

Don’t miss this historic event. Location: The Malvern Executive Center, 100 Deerfield Lane, Frazer. (First traffic light west of Route 401.)

Invited participants include State Senator Andy Dinniman, Rev. C. Ralph Malin, representatives of East Whiteland Township, the Lincoln Highway Association, K. Varden Leasa and more. Traditional music by Brandywine Friends at 6:30 pm. Light Refreshments. For more information call 484-888-3196 or email kvliese2@mac.com

A Visit with Abigail Adams

The Tredyffrin Historic Preservation Trust Spring 2008 Lecture Series was privileged to have First Lady, Mrs. John Adams, wife of the Second President of the United States, as their honored guest lecturer on Wednesday, April 30. Arranged by lecture program co-chairs Glenna Keene and Gretchen Kiernan, “A Visit with Abigail Adams”, as portrayed by Marianne Connolly, was presented in the historic chapel at New Seasons in Devon. Over 75 guests enjoyed a wine and cheese reception prior to the talk.

During her visit, Mrs. Adams shared many special and significant events of her life and travels, and discussed how they related to the times in which she lived. The First Lady spoke about her early childhood, education, and family life



“Abigail Adams” with Township Supervisor Paul Olson and his wife, Andrea. *Photographer: Allen Barol.*

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as the wife of John Adams (especially her years living in Philadelphia) and gave her reflections and perspective on the War of Independence and the development of the new nation. Marianne Connolly dressed in period costume and presented her talk in the first person. At the end of Mrs. Adams' presentation, she was pleased to answer questions from her fellow citizens and guests. The audience enjoyed this special opportunity to visit with Abigail Adams!

For further information about the Tredyffrin Historic Preservation Trust, please visit their website, www.tredyffrinhistory.org



Historic chapel at New Seasons in Devon, site of Abigail Adams spring lecture.
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