

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2011 – 7:00 P.M.**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / MOMENT OF SILENCE**
- 3. MINUTES**  
October 13, 2011
- 4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
  - A. Activity Calendar – Additions and Changes**
- 5. TREASURER'S REPORT**
- 6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**
- 7. OLD BUSINESS**
  - A. Plank House Garden**
  - B. Chester County Day**
  - C. Atlas Project**
  - D. Brochure-Battle of the Clouds**
  - E. Family Research for Historical Resources-Ed Lendrat**
  - F. Other Old Business**
- 8. NEW BUSINESS**
  - A. Signs**
  - B. Cell Tower – Kathryn**
  - C. Harvest Festival**
  - D. Other New Business**
- 9. SUB-DIVISION / LAND DEVELOPMENT**
- 10. CORRESPONDENCE**
- 11. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 12. ADJOURNMENT**

**Important Dates**

Nov. 10, 2011	Farmer's Market	2 – 6 pm
	Historical Commission	7:00 pm
Nov. 11, 2011	Veteran's Day (Offices Closed)	
Nov. 14, 2011	Municipal Authority	7:00 pm
Nov. 15, 2011	Park & Recreation w/s	10:00 am
	Board of Supervisors – Executive Session	7:00 pm

	Formal Meeting	8:15 pm
Nov. 16, 2011	Friends of EGT 501c3	7:00 pm
Nov. 17, 2011	Police Commission	8:00 am
	Local Traffic Advisory Committee	1:00 pm
	Farmer's Market	2 – 6 pm
	Zoning Hearing Board –	7:30 pm
	QVC (ZHB Hearing)	
Nov. 21, 2011	Deer Committee	7:00 pm
Nov. 22, 2011	Thanksgiving Holiday Market	12 – 3 pm
	Board of Supervisors	7:00 pm
Nov. 24, 2011	Thanksgiving (Offices Closed)	
Nov. 25, 2011	Thanksgiving (Offices Closed)	
Nov. 28, 2011	West Chester Area Council of Govt's (Meeting in Thornbury Township)	7:00 pm
December 3, 2011	New York City Holiday Trip	

Newsletter Article Submission Due Date – Nov. 2, 2011

# **EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION 2011 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**AS OF 11-3-2011**

## **JANUARY 2011**

8 (Sat) EGT Annual Planning Session 7:45 am  
13 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm

## **FEBRUARY 2011**

9 (Wed) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 4/1]  
10 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm  
26 (Sat) Nat'l History Day – Judge's Orientation–9:30 am

## **MARCH 2011**

5 (Sat) Nat'l History Day Competition Judging –  
8:00 am – 1:00 pm -- Immaculata University  
10 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm  
12 (Sat) CCHPN Conference 9:00 am– 2:00 pm  
13 (Sun) Charter Day – Brandywine Battlefield – 12-4pm  
FREE  
13 (Sun) Charter Day – any PHMC site – 12-4:00 pm – FREE  
TBA (Sun) Plank House Vol Orientation/Meeting – 1:00 pm

## **APRIL 2011**

9 (Sat) Keep EGT Beautiful Day 8:30 am – Noon  
14 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm  
16 (Sat) Annual Egg Hunt 9:00 am– 12:00 noon (RAIN DATE 4/17)  
16 (Sat) Brandywine Battlefield Living History Day 10 am – 4 pm  
30 (Sat) Historic Sugartown Day – 10 am – 4 pm  
TBA (Sat) CCHS Reception for NHD 10:00 am - CCHS

## **MAY 2011**

7 (Sat) EGT Yard Sale 9-1  
8 (Sat) EGT Yard Sale (Rain Date – 9-1)  
11 (Wed) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 7/1]  
12 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm  
14 (Sat) Craft Day – Brandywine Battlefield – 10am - 4 pm  
17 (Tues) Primary Election Day  
21 (Sat) Plank House opens for the season – Saturdays 10am–4pm  
TBA (Sat) ABCs Meeting – 8:30-11 am

## **JUNE 2011**

4 (Sat) Living History Day - Plank House 11 a.m.- 4 :00 pm  
9 (Thurs) Kickoff for Village Walks and Town Tours  
9 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm  
14(Tues) Paoli Battlefield Campside Chat – 7-8 pm  
15 (Wed) Fugett Awards Assembly 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – 8:30 am  
22 (Wed) CCHPN Meeting and Volunteer Recognition 5:00: pm  
25 (Sat) Community Day and Fireworks -- 4 to dark  
(6/26 is Rain Date)

## **JULY 2011**

1 (Fri) -- Goshen Friends Camp at PH/BSS – 1-3 pm  
4 (Mon) Constitution Center July 4 Celebration  
12 (Tues) Paoli Battlefield Campside Chat – 7pm CANCELLED  
14 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm  
29 - 31 (Fri-Sun) -Civil War Penn State Great Valley Road Show

## **AUGUST 2011**

1 (Mon) Civil War Road Show - Penn State Great Valley (last day)  
1-6 (Mon-Sat) Goshen Fair – evening  
10 (Wed) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 10/1]  
11 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm

## **SEPTEMBER 2011**

8 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm  
10-11 (Sat/Sun) Chadds Ford Days – 10 am to 5:00 pm  
11 (Sun) Brandywine Battlefield Commemoration Ceremony 6pm  
22 (Thurs) Chester County Day Slide Presentation - 7:00 pm  
TBA Dedication & Tour EGT RCSTP

## **OCTOBER 2011**

1 (Sat) Chester County Day  
1 (Sat) EGT Yard Sale 9-1 CANCELLED  
8 (Sat) CCHPN Program - Section 106, Continued 8 AM - 12  
Noon at the Brandywine River Museum  
8 (Sat) Illumination at Paoli Battlefield 7-9 pm  
9 (Sun) Chili Cook-Off 12-3 pm in West Chester  
11 (Tues) Lecture at the Gen. Warren Inn 7-8 pm (Sean Moir for PBFF)  
13 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm  
15 (Sat) Plank House closes for the season  
22 (Sat) Harvest Festival – EGT Park 10:00 am –4:00 pm  
(rain date Sun 10/23)  
22 (Sat) Marshallton Day – Blacksmith Shop – 5-8pm  
29 (Sat) Brandywine Battlefield – Halloween Eve - 6-8pm  
TBA Fall Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup Day

## **NOVEMBER 2011**

8 (Tues) Election Day  
8 (Tues) Lecture at the Gen. Warren Inn 7-8 pm (Tom McGuire for PBFF)  
9 (Wed) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 1/1]  
10 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm  
19 (Sat) EGT Neighbor-To-Neighbor Day – 9:00 am to Noon  
26 (Sat) Brandywine Battlefield – Patriots Day – 10am – 4pm)

## **DECEMBER 2011**

8 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm  
TBA EGT Volunteer TY & Holiday Party 5:30 – 8:30 pm

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**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
October 13, 2011**

The East Goshen Township Historical Commission held a scheduled meeting on Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building. In attendance were: Chairman Ellen Carmody, Co -Vice Chairmen Ben Rohrbeck and Chris Reardon, Kathryn Yahraes, Sue Ciroletti, Judy Shafer, Monica Close and non-voting member Ed Lendrat. Also in attendance were Erich Meyer, Park & Recreation Board, Deloris Higgins and Linda Gordon.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Ellen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Ellen led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and in a moment of silence for our troops.

**3. MINUTES**

A. Ben moved to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2011 meeting as corrected. Kathryn seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. Ellen announced that Linda Gordon is moving to Florida and thanked her for all of the hard work and leadership she has provided the Township in general, and the Historical Commission in particular. Ellen then presented her with a framed picture of the Blacksmith Shop as a parting gift.

B. Activity Calendar – The Marshallton Days event scheduled for October 22<sup>nd</sup> has been canceled.

**5. TREASURER'S REPORT**

A. Monica presented the Treasurers Report and budget. It was noted that 3 books have been sold, and \$125.00 was spent on the Chester County Day event with the remaining \$75.00 of the \$200.00 advance being returned. Judy will provide a bill for the \$25.00 she spent in getting the Plank House Garden Brochure printed.

Chris moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Judy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**6. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

See #4 above.

**7. OLD BUSINESS**

A. Chester County Day, Sat. October 1, 2011 – Ellen thanked everyone for a very successful day. We had many positive comments, and were the central feature of the news article done on the event. By our count we had 357 people visit the Blacksmith Shop and Plank House.

B. Plank House Garden – The garden has been redone and planted. Judy has completed a brochure to be handed out, and placed copies at the Blacksmith Shop and in the Plank House. Ellen thanked Judy and her team (including the folks from Mark Miller's staff) for all of the hard work. Judy asked the commission members to review the brochure to see if any changes are needed

C. Atlas Project – Everything needed for completion has been provided to the County.

Karen has asked that we attend a meeting to review the information and final layout.

1 B. Research – Ed was on some well deserved vacation, so there was no update for this  
2 meeting.  
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#### 4 **8. NEW BUSINESS**

5 A. A big thank you from the Commission to Mark Miller and his staff for all their help this  
6 year. The Commission voted to buy Wawa cards as a gift for Mark and his team.

7 B. Thanks also to Jack Yahraes for putting up the barn boards in the Wheelwrights shop,  
8 and for ‘encouraging’ the Daily Local News Paper to focus its Chester County Days story on us!

9 C. Ellen and Chris thanked all the Commission members who helped at the Paoli  
10 Illumination. The event was a great success. Next year it is hoped that a reenactment with an  
11 encampment will be held.

12 D. Ellen and Kathryn spoke about the Chili Contest. While the Township did not win, it was  
13 a good time, and there are plans to attend again next year.

14 E. Ellen noted that the presentation to be made by Tom McGuire at the General Warren Inn  
15 will be limited to the first 60 people. Those wishing to attend should sign up early.

16 F. Ellen asked the Commission members if they thought we should have someone represent  
17 us at the Township Harvest Festival. Kathryn volunteered to gather additional information on  
18 exactly what they want us to do. She will email the Commission members with whatever she  
19 finds out.

20 G. Kathryn mentioned that the wood log outside of the Blacksmith Shop will be split in two  
21 – one half for a bench, and one half for a water trough.

22 H. Frank Vattilano (from Parks & Rec) asked if the Commission would like to play a role in  
23 the summer camp program. Ben offered to do a program in the Blacksmith shop. It was also  
24 suggested that we train one or more of the camp volunteers to work in conjunction with the  
25 Commission to provide historic programs. Ellen will let Frank know we are interested in further  
26 developing some sort of program.

27 I. Monica mentioned that there was quite a bit of money left in the budget. The  
28 Commission identified a number of items that should be funded before the end of the year:

- 29 • Draft and print a Battle of the Clouds Brochure (Ben and Chris will work on this,  
30 and hope to provide a draft by the November Meeting)
- 31 • Re-do the signs at the Black Smith Shop and Plank house (all members are to  
32 look at the signs and offer ideas for improvement at the November meeting.  
33 Kathryn will talk to Mark Gordon to see if there are restrictions on what we can  
34 do).
- 35 • Purchase the materials to construct pegs and poles for the period fly that Deloris  
36 is making
- 37 • Have the township install exterior lighting for the display and security of the  
38 Plank House

#### 39 **9. SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT**

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#### 42 **10. LIAISON REPORTS**

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#### 45 **11. CORRESPONDENCE**

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#### 48 **12. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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Respectfully submitted

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EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
ABC reports  
October 2011

Account Title	Acct #	Annual Budget	M-T-D	Y-T-D
<b>HISTORICAL</b>				
WAGES - HISTORICAL	01462 1400	1,100		228
MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	01462 2490	1,075	(55)	762
GENERAL EXPENSE	01462 2492	1,050		138
MINOR EQUIP. PURCHASE	01462 2600			254
MEMBERSHIPS/SUBS	01462 3000	214		105
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	01462 3100	1,000		
EVENTS	01462 5000	214		32
CONTRIBUTIONS	01462 5200	536		
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>		5,189	(55)	1,518

**EXPENDITURE HISTORY REPORT**  
**FROM 01462 TO 01462**  
**FROM 1110 TO 1110**

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Budget #	Sub #	Check #	Vendor #	Vendor Name	Req #	Req Date	GL Per	Invoice #	Check Date	Check Amount	
01	GENERAL FUND										
1462	2490	*****MATERIALS & SUPPLIES									
	1452	1065	PETTY CASH		29999	10/2/2011	1110		10/28/2011	-54.58	
			Amount Returned to Historical after \$200 cash								
			Advance - Sept. 2011 Chester Cnty. Day							*	-54.58 *
1	*****GENERAL FUND									* -54.58 *	



The Revolution comes to East Goshen

It is September 16<sup>th</sup>, 1777, at 1:00 PM on a wet, windy, September afternoon. The sky is dark with the scudding clouds that indicate the imminent arrival of a storm.

As you stand outside of the Goshen Blacksmith Shop, the North Chester Road in front of you is a sea of marching red coated soldiers. It is General Cornwallis' column, of General, Lord Howe's army and they are moving to contact with the forces of General Washington just up the road near present day Immaculate University .

Even now you can hear the pop and bang of muskets as the two forces come together near the current Greenhill Road.

On Boot Road, just a mile away, another column of Lord Howe's army is encountering continental troops. Both of these British columns are being engaged by General Anthony Wayne's Pennsylvania troops thrown forward of the main Continental line to open the battle.

The wounded and dead mount as the contact grows. The battle of Goshen has begun.

But at 5:00 o'clock the clouds open up and, according to Hessian officer Maj. Carl Baurmeister , "It came down so hard that in a few moments we were drenched and sank in mud up to our calves". Fighting sputters to a halt as the officers on both sides consider their next moves.

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Today, the battle of Goshen is little known.

Also called 'The Battle of the Clouds' due to the storm, this encounter was part of the 'Philadelphia Campaign' that began with the landing of Lord Howe's army at Head of Elk in Maryland, included the Battle of Brandywine, the Battle of the Clouds, the Paoli Massacre, the Battles of Germantown and Whitemarsh, and ended the following summer as the British left Philadelphia and encountered a transformed Continental Army on the farm fields surrounding Monmouth Court House in New Jersey.

The Battle of the Clouds included most of the units and leaders that had participated in the Battle of Brandywine, and promised to be every bit as important. How it would have turned out, if not for the hurricane that flooded the area and ruined the ammunition of the soldiers, continues to be a point of discussion.

However, most agree that the right flank of Washington's army was about to be flanked by a third column marching towards the Great Valley and the White Horse Tavern via today's Pottstown Pike. A repeat of Brandywine seemed in the making.

Some argue that the hurricane was a blessing that saved the Colonial Army and allowed Washington to escape across the valley and back to the Warwick Furnace area to rearm, reequip and, later, retrain at Valley Forge.

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While many of the farms, roads and buildings that witnessed the Battle of the Clouds are changed or gone, it is still possible to locate the areas of battle, and view a few of the remaining structures.

(add the structures here)

(add the road map(s) here)


**Memo**  
**East Goshen Township**  
**1580 Paoli Pike**  
**West Chester, PA 19380**

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Date: October 20, 2011  
To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Rick Smith, Township Manager  
Re: Minutes



It has been brought to the Board of Supervisors attention that there may be some confusion about the process the various ABC's use for approving minutes.

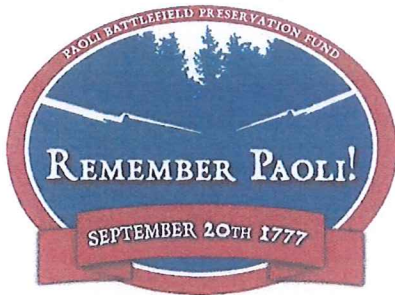
Typically, minutes are listed as an action item on the agenda. The chairman asks if there are any corrections to the minutes. The members state the corrections. A motion is made, seconded then the members vote.

On some ABCs, members take the position that they should not vote on the minutes if they were not in attendance at the meeting. This may prevent the minutes from being approved at a meeting, which in turn results in a delay in having them posted on the Township Web Page.

However, there is nothing in Roberts Rules of Order to support this position. In fact Roberts does not specify a process for approving the minutes and it specifically notes that minutes can be approved by consensus as follows:

"The chair asks, 'Are there any corrections to the minutes?' and after corrections, the chair says, 'If there are no further corrections to the minutes, they stand approved as corrected,' or if there are no corrections, 'They stand approved as submitted.'"

Going forward the Board of Supervisors would encourage all ABC's utilize the consensus process for approving minutes.



# Paoli Battlefield Preservation Fund

IRC 501(c)(3) Pennsylvania Non-Profit Corporation

October 26, 2011

The Honorable Terence Farrell, *Chairman*  
The Honorable Kathi Cozzone, *Vice Chairman*  
The Honorable Ryan Costello  
CHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
2 N. High Street, Suite 512  
P.O. Box 2748  
West Chester, PA 19380-0991

Re: Grant Application to the American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP)

Dear Commissioners,

The Paoli Battlefield Preservation Fund, Inc. (PBPF) administers the Paoli Battlefield Historical Park for Malvern Borough. We have been actively involved in the current ABPP funded mapping and research project. The Battle of Paoli was the third engagement between the American Continental Army, commanded by General George Washington, and the British Expedition commanded by Sir Richard Howe in what has been termed the Philadelphia Campaign. Chester County secured this grant as an extension of its mapping study in 2009 for the Battle of the Brandywine.

The ABPP grant for the Battle of Paoli has established for the first time the boundaries of this battle, encompassing not only Malvern Borough but five other townships (East Goshen, Easttown, East Whiteland, Tredyffrin and Willistown). The information developed during this project will enable the County, municipalities and historic preservation and education organizations to seek further grants and projects to research and develop this aspect of our national history. It will also supply the basis for developing an accurate cultural resources survey for submission to become a National Historic Landmark.

As noted before, the Battle of Brandywine (Sept. 11, 1777) was the first engagement and the Battle of Paoli (Sept. 20, 1777) was the third. In between was the Battle of the Clouds (Sept. 16, 1777), a face-off between then entire Continental and British forces that failed to develop into a full-fledged battle due to hurricane conditions. But it was it caused an important strategic decision for General Washington – the need to protect the vital iron forges in Chester and Berks counties and the main military supply depot in Reading. Ultimately, Washington decided that they were more important than trying to stop the British from occupying Philadelphia. As a result, Valley Forge was selected as Washington's winter encampment.

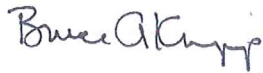
Chester County has been the leader in Pennsylvania for securing grants from ABPP. Since 2002, ABPP has granted only six (6) to Pennsylvania. Four of the grants were to Chester County government and one of its municipalities (E. Pikeland). The other two grants were smaller (PHMC in 2006 and Philadelphia in 2003). ABPP is well aware of the initiatives of our county in historic preservation and education. It is very rare that ABPP has funded so many related projects in a single state, let alone a single county!

P.O. Box 173 • Malvern, PA 19355 • 866-650-PBPF (7273) • [www.ushistory.org/Paoli](http://www.ushistory.org/Paoli)  
E-Mail: [info@paolibattlefield.org](mailto:info@paolibattlefield.org)

We strongly urge the County to continue its GIS projects by submitting a grant application for additional funding from the American Battlefields Protection Program for research on the Battle of the Clouds as soon as possible.

As George Washington recognized opportunities and grabbed them in his pursuit of independence, so we should pursue this unique opportunity to continue identifying and preserving this local and national heritage.

Thank you for your support,



Bruce A. Knapp  
President

Cc: Glenn Angstadt  
John Mikowychok





## The Chester County Historic Preservation Network

P.O. Box 174, West Chester PA 19381

[www.cchpn.org](http://www.cchpn.org)

October 26, 2011

The Honorable Terence Farrell, *Chairman*  
The Honorable Kathi Cozzone, *Vice Chairman*  
The Honorable Ryan Costello  
CHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
2 N. High Street, Suite 512  
West Chester, PA 19380-0991

Re: Grant Application to the American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP)

Dear Commissioners,

Chester County has been recognized for the vision and leadership shown by its award-winning Landscapes I & II and Historic Resource Atlas project. The Chester County's GIS, Parks & Recreation and Planning offices have supplemented these innovative programs by securing grants from the highly competitive American Battlefield Protection Program of the National Parks Service. These grants, focused on the 1777 Philadelphia Campaign of the Revolutionary War, helped inspire East Pikeland Township to successfully secure an additional ABPP grant for the Continental Powder Works.

These projects have involved many municipalities and materially assisted progress in the Historic Resource Atlas program. The remarkable digital presentations have enthralled many residents by visually displaying troop movements and changes in roads and towns from the Colonial period to present day. The uses for future planning and development are apparent and should materially enhance the ability for proper reviews and permitting.

Beyond that, these programs can form a basis of future economic improvement within the county. Leisure tourism attracted over 33 of the 37 million visitors in the Greater Philadelphia area (including Chester County) and generated over \$8.7 billion in revenue and \$273M in local taxes in 2010 (*Greater Philadelphia Tourism Marketing Corp. Report*). The American Revolution Center is underway in Philadelphia and many opportunities will present themselves to market the Philadelphia Campaign of 1777 in a manner similar to successful Revolutionary War sites and tours in Boston.

Why is this important for historic preservation? Simply, public awareness of the history of their surroundings increases support to maintain, protect and highlight these important parts of our heritage. While the current GIS projects focus on the War of Independence, they will encourage increased interest in our past, no matter the era.

**We strongly urge the County to submit a grant application for additional funding from the ABPP for a study on the Battle of the Clouds as well as to consider additional planning commission grants for preservation plans for the Paoli and Battle of the Clouds portions of the *Philadelphia Campaign of 1777*.**

Sincerely,

Bruce A. Knapp, President

Cc: Glenn Angstadt  
John Mikowchok