

Do You Know Where This Historical Monument Is Located? By Sarah Harris, Commission Member, Morris Township Historic Preservation Commission

It was on the 6th day of January 1777 following his brilliant and decisive victories at Trenton and Princeton that General Washington with his Patriot Army marched through Morris County and went into winter quarters. His march took him past the location of this monument en route to various camps in and around the Morristown area.



The inscription on the monument reads as follows:

“BY THIS ROUTE, WASHINGTON WITH HIS ARMY RETIRED TO MORRISTOWN AFTER HIS VICTORY AT PRINCETON, JANUARY 1777 ---- ERECTED BY THE D.A.R.”

Using the information above, e-mail your answer to sarahfh57@aol.com. Look in the next issue of the Municipal Messenger for the correct answer.

Please Mark Your Calendar With These Important Dates

March 27, 2007 – Last day to register to vote in school elections

April 4, 2007 – Morris Township’s Clean Community Day

April 17, 2007 – School Board Election, polls open from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm

May 9, 2007 – Police Unity Tour Sendoff, Ginty Field, breakfast for riders, guests, and families from 6:00 am to 9:00 am; ceremony begins at 9:00 am; riders sendoff at 10:00 am

May 24 to May 27, 2007 – Morris Township Day Carnival, Ginty Field, Hours from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm on Thursday & Friday; noon to 10:00 pm on Saturday & Sunday.

June 5, 2007 – Primary Election, polls open 6:00 am to 8:00 pm

Outreach Program Brings Township Government To You
By the Morris Township Committee

Your local governing body, the Morris Township Committee, meets at the Township Municipal Building on Woodland Avenue once or twice a month throughout the year to deal with business matters. However, unless a really controversial matter is up for discussion, very few citizens ever attend these meetings.

We could interpret the public’s silence as assent to what’s being done in their behalf, but it may be unwise to do so. In an effort to gain more interaction with our Township residents in an informal setting, we’re planning to schedule a series of local public forums to give you a chance to let us know what is on your mind.

These informal sessions will be held across the Township in various neighborhoods, usually at a firehouse or other public venue such as the train station. A minimum of two members of the Township Committee, taking turns, will appear for a few hours on a Saturday morning to hear your concerns and questions and to solicit your suggestions and ideas.

Please watch the media and our website www.morristwp.com for the date of a forum in your neighborhood.

Your Township Committee

- Robert E. Nace, Mayor
 - Richard A. Watson, Deputy Mayor
 - Joseph V. Calvanelli
 - Kathleen G. Hyland
 - H. Scott Rosenbush
- Check our website at: www.morristwp.com or refer to your Municipal Calendar for more information on key dates for Morris Township meetings & other activities.

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Please Note:

- Morris Township Municipal Building will be closed on:
- February 19 (President’s Day)
 - April 6 (Good Friday)
 - May 28 (Memorial Day)

Check Your Home For Lead Paint By Kevin P. Breen, MPH, Morris Township Health Department

If your home was built before 1978, it may contain some lead paint regardless of the type of neighborhood you live in. A child can get lead poisoning by ingesting paint chips or breathing in lead dust. Lead dust is most often created during renovation or remodeling of homes with lead paint, but can also be created by friction and impact of lead painted surfaces such as windows, doors and stair risers. Lead poisoning affects a child’s brain and nervous system; even small amounts of lead can cause lasting harm. The health effects of lead in children are retarded growth, learning disabilities and behavioral problems. Some of the symptoms of low level lead poisoning are poor appetite, fatigue, headaches, listlessness, stomach aches, vomiting, irritability and difficulty in concentration. At higher levels clumsiness, weakness, coma, convulsions and death may occur. To have your home evaluated for lead hazards, please contact the NJ Department of Health for a list of state licensed and certified lead inspectors at (609) 631-6749 and go to <http://www.state.nj.us/health/fhs/childhth.htm> for other information. To have your child tested for elevated blood lead levels, please contact your pediatrician or the Morris Township Health Department at (973) 326-7392.