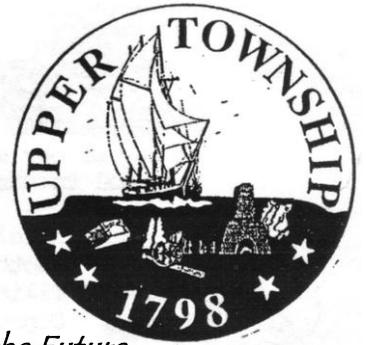


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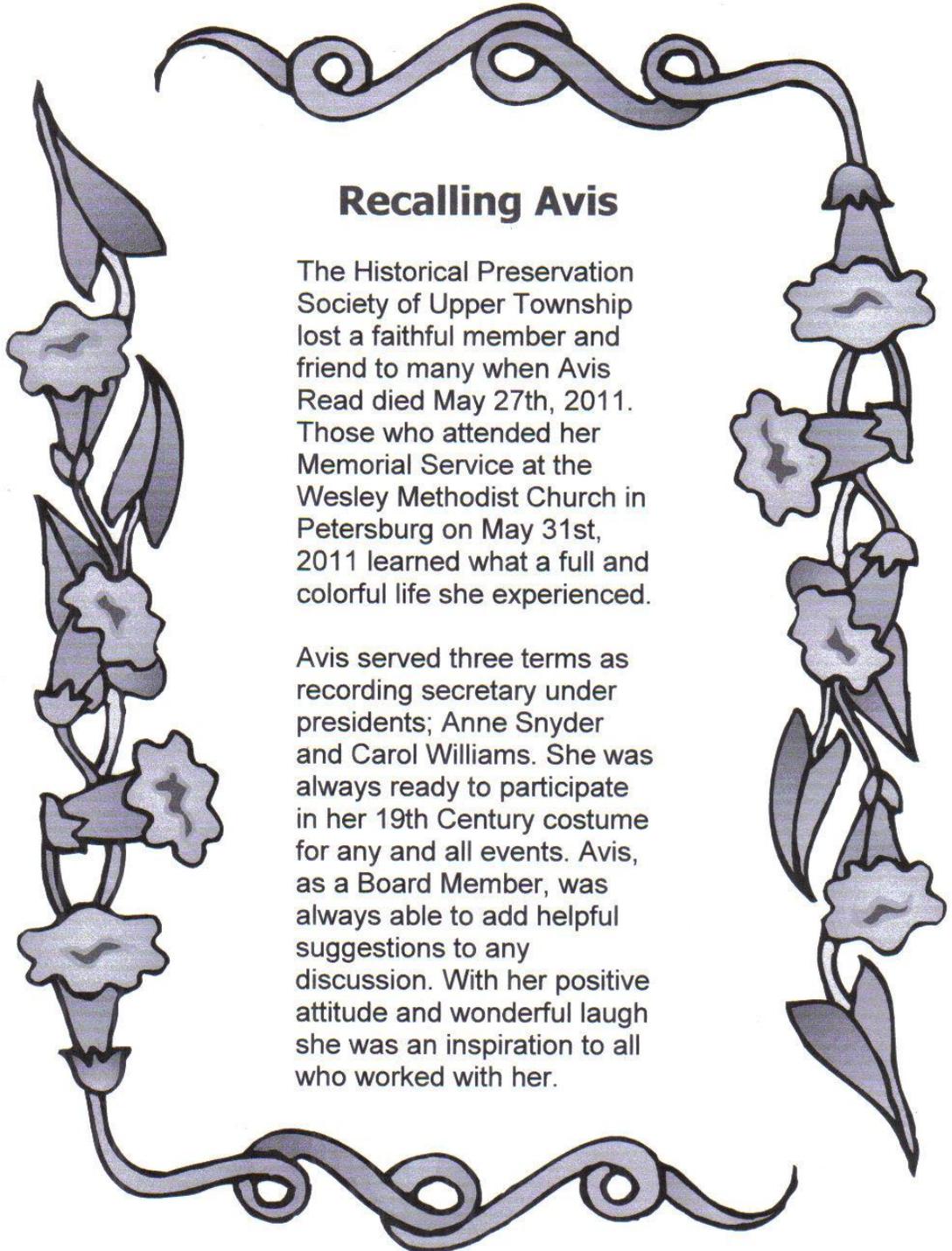
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## Recalling Avis

The Historical Preservation Society of Upper Township lost a faithful member and friend to many when Avis Read died May 27th, 2011. Those who attended her Memorial Service at the Wesley Methodist Church in Petersburg on May 31st, 2011 learned what a full and colorful life she experienced.

Avis served three terms as recording secretary under presidents; Anne Snyder and Carol Williams. She was always ready to participate in her 19th Century costume for any and all events. Avis, as a Board Member, was always able to add helpful suggestions to any discussion. With her positive attitude and wonderful laugh she was an inspiration to all who worked with her.



President's Memo  
August 2011

As the lazy, very warm days of summer begin to turn cooler, I look forward to another new season of activities. So far this year we have seen the staging of our very successful Strawberry Festival (thanks to our co-chairs, Anne Snyder, Sonia Forey, Kay Terwilliger and all those members who contributed time and energy), a series of very interesting and informative meetings (thanks to Dan Clark), the beginning of a series of speaking engagements on the Gandy Farmstead (Sonia and I) and the beginning of construction on our new speeder housing at the Train Station (thanks to Paul Dietrich, Matt Unsworth and Steve Martinelli).

As you know, one of our on-going new projects is to make the Gandy Farmstead a learning experience for our fourth grade students. We have begun putting together a trunk of odds and ends that relate to the farmstead's heyday and sharing it with fourth graders as a prelude to visiting. We are still hoping that you might suggest or have an interesting item that we could put into this trunk inviting the children to go on an archeological trunk treasure hunt. You might consider loaning some interesting artifact/s for the trunk. Articles as simple as small farm implements, candle and butter molds, hog scrapers, jelly sieves, wool carders or spindles, are what we are looking for. We will ask our students to do the job of an experimental archeologist and try to discover the use of these objects before they see them in use at the farmstead. We will be asking for volunteers to visit the Elementary School with the traveling trunks and to man the house and outbuildings as docents for the few days we will be inviting our students to visit. Please consider giving us some of your time to make this happen. We really want our township's children to love the history that surrounds them!

The eleventh annual AppleFest has been scheduled for Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. We will need volunteers for this event. If you are interested in attending our first planning meeting, it will be held at the Train Station on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10am. Our Nominating and Budget-Audit Committees also need members. If you are interested in serving in any of these capacities, please call me at 628-2902. All board members are reminded that our next board meeting will be held at my house on Sept. 6 at 7 pm.

*It is with a heavy heart that I remember the joy – filled laughs that all of us shared with our dear friend, Avis Read. She is sorely missed. I must thank Olive Pisani for filling in for Avis until our next election.*

Please enjoy the rest of the summer and see you in September when I regale you with my adventures in Namibia, Africa!

*Carol Ann*

# Calendar of Events

August 23 - The first meeting of the AppleFest committee will be at the train station at 10 am.

September 6 -



There will be a Board of Trustees meeting at Carol Ann's house at 7 pm.

September 13 -

The first **general meeting** of the fall will be held at the Upper Branch of the Cape May County Library. By popular request Dick Reagensburg will be returning to speak to us again. **Don't miss this meeting!!!** Snacks will be served at 7:00 pm and the meeting will start at 7:30 pm.



October 11 -

Our guest speaker for the Mary Archibald. She is also Seaport Stitchers Quilt usual.



October general meeting will be member of Yesteryear Quilters and Guild. Time and place will be as

October 15 -

Our big autumn fundraiser, the **AppleFest**, will be held on Saturday 10/15. The rain date is 10/16.

November 8 -

The November **annual meeting** is when we elect next year's officers. Time and place as usual.

November 13 -

Due date for all winter S.H.O.U.T. articles

December 13 -

This is the tentative date of the **Holiday Dinner**.



## Welcome New Members

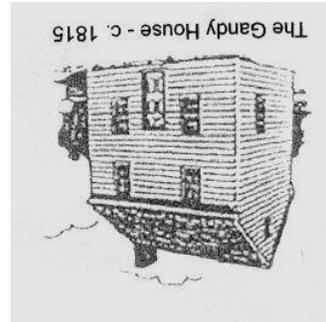
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**Please add these addresses and make the following corrections to your membership directory.**

Doug Longenecker has a new phone number: 609-701-0034  
Ebbie Unsworth now has email: unsworthebbie@aol.com



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**thank you**

**A big thank you to all the members who made our Strawberry Festival so very successful!**



**Hope you all will come out to make our AppleFest Just as successful! It takes all of us. Come to the first meeting August 23, Tuesday, 10 am at the Train Station.**