



Nanticoke Valley Historical Society

Flag Facts



As we see the flags out for Columbus Day, here are some flag-facts to think upon, from the editors.

Francis Bellamy was chairman of a committee of state superintendents of education, in the National Education Association. As chairman, he prepared the public school programs for the Columbus quadricentennial celebration, which took place on Columbus Day 1892.

He structured this public school program around a flag raising ceremony and flag salute. The flag salute would be his own Pledge of Allegiance. He had given a great deal of thought to the choice of words used, and what he decided on was: I pledge allegiance to my flag and the Republic for which it stands, one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all. It was published in the September 8th issue of *The Youth's Companion*, a leading family magazine of the day, and so was available all over the country for the Columbus Day programs. In October, it was decided that "to my flag and (to) the Republic for which it stands" was better.

In 1923 and 4, the National Flag Conference under the "leadership of the American Legion and the Daughters of the American Revolution" took a look at the Pledge's wording and changed the words "my flag" to 'the Flag of the United States of America', without the approval of the writer.

In 1954 The Knights of Columbus staged a campaign to add the words "under God" to the pledge. Congress took it upon itself to declare that official.

Several groups now use their own adaptations of the Pledge and would like theirs to become the version of choice for general use.

More good information on the writing and rewriting of the Pledge of Allegiance can be found in *The Pledge of Allegiance History and Analysis*, 2007 by Dr. John Baer; *Twenty-Three Words* by Margarette S. Miller or <http://oldtimeislands.org/pledge/>

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Historical Society Happenings

Nunsense will be Friday, Saturday and Sunday (18th, 19th, 20th) at the J. Ralph Ingalls building, 33 Church St. Maine. **See back page.**

Remember that we will be touring the **Endicott History and Heritage Center on October 21**. This will be at 6 PM .The IBM museum, which was for many years within the IBM buildings and available only to employees, is now part of this facility.

Parking is free in the parking lot (by cinema saver) behind the old Burts Building, where the museum is located. The Endicott History and Heritage Center is at 40 Washington Ave, between Monroe St. and North St. It is directly across from the M&T Bank. Parking is free on Washington Ave. If you need additional information call 624-0143 or 727-2503

Those who want to will stop at Consul's Family Kitchen on Oak Hill Ave and Watson Blvd. for dinner – right up the hill from the museum. There is a parking lot there on the down hill end of Watson Blvd.

In November we will have a fund raiser/social gathering, to celebrate another successful Historical Society year. It will be in the new banquet room of the new eating place in Maine, called **Kelli's Too**.

The exact day will be announced soon, but it will be in the middle of November. Watch for the usual phone call to tell you the final plans.

We will be gathering at 6:00 for conversation and snacks. At 6:30 we will partake of a buffet of Grilled Chicken, Baked Ziti, Tossed Salad, Rolls, Soda and Coffee. Dessert will be a Historical Society Cake.

It will be possible to carry out a meal too, but please come and socialize. It is a chance to talk with other Historical Society people with whom we seldom cross paths. The cost will be \$22.00 a person, which will include tax and tip.

A call to Nancy at 862-4527 or Alice at 862-3635 will help in planning.

Alert for Needs

There will be a need for round tables to use in the auditorium/gym of the J. Ralph Ingalls school building, as more musical cabarets are performed there. If you know of some for sale or have one or two to lend please call Nancy 862-4527.



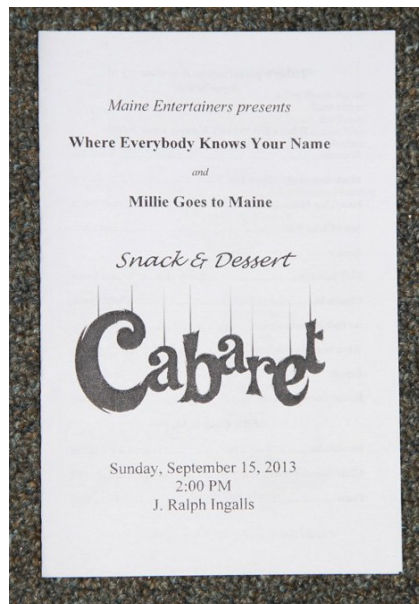
Be Our Guests Kids



Maine Entertainers



Desserts in the Hall



Madison Millie Cabaret



Nancy, Jim, & Nick

Stock up on books at the Penguin Group (USA) Book Warehouse Sale!

This highly anticipated sale will be held on the following days:

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| Saturday, November 9 | 1-8 PM |
| Monday, November 11 | 5-8 PM |
| Tuesday, November 12 | 5-8 PM |
| Wednesday, November 13 | 5-8 PM |
| Thursday, November 14 | 5-8 PM |
| Friday, November 15 | 5-8 PM |
| Saturday, November 16 | 1-5 PM |

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Interstate 81 Southbound: Exit 1 At end of ramp take right turn. Travel 2.3 miles. Teamworld building on the right.

The Board of Trustees for the Nanticoke Valley Historical Society

- Each voting board position has a three year term. Three board positions are to be refilled each year, providing an ever changing but on-going board coverage.
- Board members Chris Underwood, Janice McKittrick, and Pat Krzyzewski will serve through 2013.
- Board members Alice Hopkins, Clark Gardner, and Dottie Winans will serve through 2014.
- Board members Sue Hoskins, Joanne Weir, and Phyl Childs will serve through 2015.

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2013 Dues Are now due.

Check the address label to verify that your dues are up to date.

Note: If you are receiving this newsletter via E-mail please check your records to verify that your dues are up to date. Your yearly dues help the Historical Society pay its bills.

The Newsletter E-mail address is:

nvhistoric@verizon.net

Please use the dues return slip below. On the top of your address label is printed your dues Paid/Due status for years 2012 and 2013. Your dues may either be mailed to the Treasurer at the address on the Slip or given to the Treasurer at meetings (in an envelope with your name on it and the dues slip enclosed).

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 Attn: Treasurer
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Dues: ___ \$15.00 Single ___ \$20.00 Family ___ \$50.00 Patron ___ \$100.00 Business

Nunsense The Play

The Nanticoke Valley Historical Society will host the play "Nunsense" on Friday 10/18 and Saturday 10/19, at 7:00 PM and Sunday 10/20 at 2:00 PM, at the J. Ralph Ingalls school building at 35 Church St. in the Town of Maine. The performance will be brought to the stage by the Dance Connection under the direction of Hilary Squier with choreography by Shelley Krisko. As a special addition to the show, Maine-Endwell alum Erica Spera (stage name Sperica) will open each performance with a stand-up comedy routine. Sperica has been performing stand up comedy in NYC and has been seen recently at the Gotham Comedy Club and the Metropolitan Room.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children and \$25 family maximum. Pre-performance refreshments are included and will be served ½ hour before each show (Friday – wine and cheese, Saturday – desserts, Sunday – soups and bread). Reservations are highly suggested and are available by calling 862-3635, 862-4527 or 785-6408.

This program will mark the last public event to be held in the J. Ralph Ingalls building this year because there is no heat in the building yet! Renovations will continue through the winter months as possible."

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