

**PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION
NOVEMBER 17, 2004
MINUTES**

A meeting of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission was held on November 17, 2004, in the Board Room of the State Museum, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The following Commissioners were present: Wayne S. Spilove, Chairman; Rhonda R. Cohen, Senator Jane Earll, Dr. Gordon A. Haaland, Robert A. Janosov, Janet S. Klein, Cheryl McClenney-Brooker, Dr. Brian C. Mitchell, Kathleen Pavelko and M. Clare Zales. The following staff were present: Barbara Franco, Anita Blackaby, Jane Crawford, Jean Cutler, Wasyl Polischuk, Diane Reed, Donna Williams and Robert Weible. Marcia Gobrecht represented the Pennsylvania Heritage Society.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Spilove called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m. Chairman Spilove welcomed Diane Reed. Ms. Reed distributed copies of the new Pennsylvania Trail of History Cookbook to all Commissioners.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2004 MEETING

Chairman Spilove called for a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Janosov asked that the minutes reflect that he abstained from voting on the "Huber Breaker Preservation Society" Keystone Historic Preservation Grant not "Preservation Williamsport" grant. On motion by Senator Earll, seconded by Dr. Mitchell, minutes were approved with corrections.

III. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Spilove reported that he represented the Commission at a memorial service for Charlie Peterson. He also attended the grand opening of the Army War

College Library in Carlisle and a marker dedication for Katherine Drexel. Chairman Spilove wrote an article that appeared in the Patriot News about David Salisbury Franks and the marker dedication.

Chairman Spilove attended a Grants Committee meeting and a meeting with Senator Conti, Representative Petri, Barbara Franco, Janet Klein and Donna Williams regarding Washington Crossing Historic Park. He also attended a preservation law seminar in Philadelphia where Ms. Franco was a keynote speaker.

Chairman Spilove toured the museum of the First Troop Philadelphia City Calvary; he attended the Governor's Award for Arts in Reading and the opening of the Smarty Jones exhibit at the State Museum. Chairman Spilove thanked Anita Blackaby, Howard Pollman and Don Giles for their work on the Smarty Jones exhibit.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT

Ms. Franco thanked staff for their work on the Smarty Jones exhibit and welcomed Wasyl Polischuk the new Director of the Bureau of Management Services.

Ms. Franco announced the appointment of David Haury the new Director for the Bureau of Archives and History. Mr. Haury comes from the Kansas State Historical Society. Mr. Haury will begin working for the Commission December 13, 2004.

Ms. Franco, Ms. Williams, Mr. Janosov and PHMC staff met with the Eckley Miners' Village Associates group regarding the possibility of Eckley Miners' Village partnering with a non-profit group to renovate currently unoccupied houses for affordable housing. It is clear during this meeting that the Associates group and PHMC staff need to work on a strategic plan for the site to arrive at consensus about how the site should be preserved and the buildings reused.

Ms. Franco, Ms. Williams, Michael Bertheaud and Chairman Spilove met with legislators interested in Washington Crossing to discuss the planned renovations to the visitor center and the re-enactors.

Ms. Franco has met with the Department of General Services to review our five-year plan and to discuss this year's priorities for capital projects based on criteria of health and safety as well as potential for economic development.

Ms. Franco and Ms. Williams met with Potter County Commissioners to discuss the potential for expansion of the Lumber Museum as part of the tourism development associated with Route 6 initiatives.

Ms. Franco represented the Commission on behalf of Mr. Janosov at a conference on the Underground Railroad at the Luzerne County Community College and attended the marker dedication for abolitionist William Gildersleeve in Wilkes Barre.

The State Museum is now engaged in a Master Planning process with exhibit designers Krent Paffett Carney, Inc. The first meeting was held on September 23rd and the second meeting was held on November 2nd. The first meeting focused on creating a shared vocabulary, identifying values and building consensus to define our vision. The second meeting looked at different interpretive structures and museum models. The next meeting will involve architects, civic planners and economic analysts to look at the practical applications of the emerging vision.

Ms. Franco announced that this year's annual report will include information from 2002 – 2004 with the theme “looking forward and looking back”. The report is scheduled to be complete at the end of this year.

At this time, Senator Earll presented Ms. Franco with a resolution that was unanimously passed by the Senate. The resolution recognizes the contributions of Pennsylvania conservationists and requests the Commission to establish a Pennsylvania Conservation Heritage Initiative.

Ms. Klein commented on the report to the Commission from the Bureau for Historic Preservation. She was impressed that letters encouraging participation in the Preserve America were mailed to all Act 167 municipalities, county historical societies, Main Street communities, League of Cities and the Borough Associations and Certified Local Governments.

Ms. Klein commented on HB 54 regarding special commemorative registration plates and asked if the Commission would have an opportunity to have another specialized license plate. Ms. Levin replied that the bill would not pass in committee.

V. COURTESY RESOLUTIONS

At this time Chairman Spilove called for a motion to approve a resolution honoring Senator Allyson Schwartz for her service as commissioner to the Commission and congratulating her on becoming elected as Representative to the United States Congress from Pennsylvania.

On motion by Senator Earll, seconded by Mr. Janosov, motion was approved to prepare a resolution honoring Senator Allyson Schwartz. (SEE ATTACHMENT A)

Chairman Spilove called for a motion to approve a courtesy resolution for John T. Griffith, retired PHMC staff person from Washington Crossing Historic Park. On motion by Mr. Janosov, seconded by Ms. Klein courtesy resolution was approved for Mr. Griffith. (SEE ATTACHMENT B)

Chairman Spilove called for a motion to approve a courtesy resolution for Cheryl Klipa, retired PHMC staff person from the State Records Center. On motion by Ms. Pavelko, seconded by Dr. Haaland courtesy resolution was approved for Ms. Klipa. (SEE ATTACHMENT C)

Chairman Spilove called for a motion to approve a courtesy resolution for Tomas Hoskins Spiers, architect who passed away. Mr. Spiers contributed to the development of historic preservation in Pennsylvania. On motion by Ms. Pavelko, seconded by Ms. Klein courtesy resolution was approved for Mr. Spiers. (SEE ATTACHMENT D)

VI. ACTION ITEMS

a) Strategic Plan

Dr. Haaland reported that the current document reflects a tremendous amount of work on the part of both the staff and the Commission to merge many agendas and ideas into a comprehensive plan that can guide the Commission for the next three years and beyond.

The intent of this plan is to be a flexible working document that is reviewed annually to prepare specific work plans and budgets. The responsibility of planning will continue to be part of the work of every Bureau and Division. Regular quarterly reports to the Commission on the progress of the plan will provide an opportunity to update and amend the action steps as needed and will insure that the goals we have outlined will be achieved.

Chairman Spilove called for a motion to accept the edited strategic plan with the understanding that of there will be updated changes. On motion by Mr. Janosov, seconded by Ms. Pavelko the motion was accepted.

b) Recommendations of Black History Advisory Committee

Mr. Weible reported that the Black History Advisory Committee has recommended the following list of people to fill committee vacancies that will become available on January 1, 2005. All terms will run for three years. Philadelphia Region: Diane Turner, African American Museum in Philadelphia and Jacqueline Wiggins, independent educator (reappointment), Philadelphia. South Central Region: Stephen Patrick, Department of Transportation (reappointment), Harrisburg. Pittsburgh Region: John Brewer, Trolley Station Oral History Project, Pittsburgh and Northwest Region: Gregory Fowler, Penn State Behrend, Erie.

Chairman Spilove called for a motion to approve the recommendations by the Black History Advisory Committee. On motion by Ms. Pavelko, seconded by Mr. Janosov, motion approved to accept recommendations by the Black History Advisory Committee. (SEE ATTACHMENT E)

c) Recommendations for Historical Marker Nomination

Mr. Weible requested the approval of a historical marker to recognize "Engine 11," the historic African American fire fighting company in Philadelphia.

This recommendation has come to us through the local committee assisting PHMC with the planning of the 2005 Conference on Black History in Pennsylvania. If approved, the marker will be dedicated at the conclusion of the conference in April.

Chairman Spilove called for a motion to approve the Historical Marker Nomination. On motion by Ms. Pavelko, seconded by Ms. McClenney-Brooker, motion approved the Historical Marker Nomination. (SEE ATTACHMENT F)

d) Recommendations for Historical Marker Review Panel

Mr. Weible reported that the Historical Marker Review Panel would like to recommended the following people for membership on the Historical Marker Review Panel: Simon Bronner, Professor of American Studies and Folklore at Penn State Harrisburg; Jennifer Janofsky, a Philadelphia historian and board member of the Pennsylvania Historical Association; and Jesse Teitelbaum, Executive Director of the Luzerne County Historical Society.

Dr. Bronner, Dr. Janofsky and Mr. Teitelbaum would serve two-year terms, beginning on January 1, 2005, and they would replace Kenneth Finkel of WHYY, Mary Ann Moran of the Lackawanna Historical Society, and Timothy Shannon of Gettysburg College as panel members. Jacqueline Melander of the Centre County Historical Society and Paul D. Newman of the University of Pittsburgh – Johnstown remain on the panel through December 31, 2005.

Chairman Spilove called for a motion to approve the recommendations to the Historical Marker Review Panel. On motion by Dr. Haaland, seconded by Mr. Janosov, motion approved to accept recommendations to the Historical Marker Review Panel. (SEE ATTACHMENT G)

VII. OTHER REPORTS

a) 100th Anniversary of the State Museum

Ms. Blackaby reported that the State Museum will celebrate its anniversary in 2005 through 2007. The museum was created in 1905 it was not funded until 1907 by the legislature. We are hoping to have some major documents on display as part of the official anniversary. In addition, we are looking to have public meetings throughout the Commonwealth to receive public input on the master plan.

Ms. Blackaby announced that the *Pennsylvania* Trail of History Guides: Pennsylvania State Museum published by Stackpole Books will be available 2005 as part of the celebration.

In celebration of the museum's anniversary, Eric Ledell Smith has written the history of the State Museum and construction for the new planetarium projector will be completed by March 2005.

Ms. Blackaby reported that the Stanaway Sculpture will be installed in the old lobby near the auditorium; the Fine Arts Gallery is being upgraded; exhibit spaces are changing and there will be a historic marker for the State Museum.

b) Budget Report

Chairman Spilove welcomed Wasyl Polischuk to the Commission. Mr. Polischuk is Director of Management Services.

Mr. Polischuk provided Commissioners with budget request documents. At this time he reviewed the documents.

c) Grants Committee Report

Ms. McClenney-Brooker reported that the Grants Committee consists of Ms. Pavelko, Representative Maitland and herself. The Committee along with grant staff from the Commission met on October 26, 2004 to discuss the process of the grants program. Ms. Zales and Mr. Janosov participated in this meeting as well.

The group discussed strengths, weaknesses and where help was needed within the grants staff. Staff was asked to describe to the committee the various funding programs of the commission and how those programs relate to the goals and objectives of the

Commission. After conversation the group saw how they fit into a Strategic Plan in the direction the Commission is taking.

Some of the major areas discussed were: the flexibility and streamlining of the process; how the process can be made fairer; eligibility requirements; the possibility of adding another category of funding and collapsing some of the current categories. We also discussed new and enhanced program categories with new opportunities through technology.

The next steps are for the grant staff to send the grants committee the list of recommendations that came as a result of this meeting. Those recommendations will be reviewed by the Grant Committee and then brought to the Commission.

It was agreed by the committee members that members of the grants committee and staff are working very hard to increase efficiency and usability for the applicants and to increase efficiency and responsiveness from staff.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

At this time a power point presentation was shown. This draft presentation is a result of recommendations from staff needing a tool to identify the Commission. After some discussion it was agreed that the presentation should focus of the audience.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

Ms. McClenney-Brooker asked if the dates of upcoming Commission Meetings could be listed on the agenda. Ms. McClenney-Brooker asked if someone could talk about Dr. Cornell and his participation with the Commission.

Chairman Spilove said that he helped organize the memorial service for Dr. Cornell and that Dr. Cornell will be missed by a lot of people.

Mr. Janosov said that he was very impressed by the fact that at his first Commission meeting, Dr. Cornell had made the effort to know who the new appointee was and had given him a signed copy of his Pennsylvania History Book.

Ms. Klein said that Dr. Cornell had some of the grandest and most innovative ideas of any Commissioners.

Mr. Janosov asked Ms. Williams for details about the break in that occurred at Eckley Miner's Village. Ms. Williams said there were 60 items stolen. These collections were not highly monitored. These objects were stored in a building waiting to be moved to a collection storage building. Ms. Williams has spoken with dealers to make them aware that these items were stolen.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Spilove called for a motion for adjournment. On motion by seconded by motion to approve to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

ATTACHMENT A

Whereas, Allyson Y. Schwartz, Senator of the State of Pennsylvania has been elected a Representative to the United States Congress from Pennsylvania; and

Whereas, Senator Schwartz has been, for nine years, a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission appointed by and representing the Democratic members of the Pennsylvania State Senate; and

Whereas, Senator Schwartz has been a faithful participant in many of the actions taken by the Commissioners; and

Whereas, Senator Schwartz supported the accomplishments of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission ranging from the preparation of the first manual compiling the policies and procedures of the Commission to the creation of the special annual programs known as the Pennsylvania Founder's Awards and the Commonwealth Treasure Awards; and

Whereas, Senator Schwartz offered her personal guidance to the Commission regarding strategic long range planning and development of committees to assist the staff in implementing the plans; and

Whereas, Senator Schwartz will assume the responsibilities inherent in her new position as a member of the United States Congress and will therefore no longer be an active member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

Now, therefore, the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission congratulates Senator Allyson Y. Schwartz on the great honor that has been accorded her and notes with pride her commitment and dedication to serving the citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania;

And further, the Commissioners wish Senator Allyson Y. Schwartz success and satisfaction in her new role as a member of the United States Congress;

And directs that a copy of this Resolution, approved unanimously by the Commissioners of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission on November 17, 2004, be transmitted to Senator Allyson Y. Schwartz.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission at its November 17, 2004 meeting.

Wayne S. Spilove
Chairman

Barbara Franco
Executive Director

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

RETIREMENT RESOLUTION

John T. Griffith

WHEREAS, John T. Griffith will be retiring on December 10 as a maintenance repairman at Washington Crossing Historic Park, having served the Historical and Museum Commission for more than eleven years in the care of the site's buildings and grounds; and,

WHEREAS, the scope of Jack Griffith's service included caring for the Upper and Lower Parks as well as the structures located in Taylorsville, Bowman's Hill Tower and the gravesites of Revolutionary War soldiers; and,

WHEREAS, during the period of service he effectively assisted during the seasons of the year in the transformation of the site from a "state park" to a historic site of national significance; and,

WHEREAS, in addition, Jack Griffith participated in preparing Washington Crossing Historic Park for various public and educational events including the daily accommodation of the visiting public; and,

WHEREAS, throughout his period of service, Jack effectively worked with a wide range of staff members, volunteers and interested people to advance the mission and reputation of Washington Crossing Historic Park; and,

WHEREAS, Jack was on the job each Christmas morning for the past eleven years, despite frequent winter weather conditions, helping to present the annual Crossing Program to spirited visitors and reenactors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission wishes to acknowledge and thank John T. Griffith for his service to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Washington Crossing Historic Park, wishes him well in future endeavors, and extends best wishes for an enjoyable retirement.

Resolution

Cheryl Klipa

Whereas, Cheryl Klipa joined the staff of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission on April 15, 1976;

Whereas, During these twenty-eight years of service, she has given unselfishly of her time, talent, and thought to assist her peers and colleagues, as well as members of the general public;

Whereas, She has generously contributed her energies to ensuring that programs and projects with which she has been associated have a positive impact on the Commission's audiences and constituencies, as well as its image and profile;

Whereas, Miss Klipa has admirably served as a competent staff member of The State Museum of Pennsylvania, the Executive Office of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, and the State Records Center during her affiliation with the agency, graciously undertaking a wide variety of new and challenging tasks;

Whereas, She has discharged her varied duties and responsibilities with efficiency and cheerfulness during the past three decades;

Whereas, Miss Klipa's contributions have earned her the respect and esteem of fellow staff members, as well as that of the individuals and institutions with which she has worked;

Whereas, Cheryl Klipa is leaving the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission to pursue a degree in higher education to enable her to teach; and

Whereas, She will continue ^{to} reflect the ideals of the agency long after her departure on December 24, 2004.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved that the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission honor Cheryl Klipa with this Resolution citing her accomplishments, her many contributions to the agency, and her continuing education, as well as thanking her for her twenty-eight years of service that distinguish her as a genuine professional dedicated to serving fellow Pennsylvanians.

WHEREAS, Tomas Hoskins Spiers, Architect, made an outstanding contribution to the development of historic preservation in Pennsylvania in his work for the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission during his long and prolific career; and

WHEREAS, he served with distinction on the Commission's Historic Preservation Board from 1980 through 1984 and again from 1986 through 1990; and

WHEREAS, he worked extensively as an architect and preservation consultant at the Commission's historic sites and museums, including the Joseph Priestley House, Anthracite Heritage Museum, Eckley Miner's Village, Cornwall Iron Furnace, Curtin Village, The Highlands and Old Mill Village; and

WHEREAS, he established a national reputation in the fields of architecture and historic preservation as president of the Association for Preservation Technology and as an elected fellow in both the American Institute of Architects and the Association for Preservation Technology; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions in the preservation, restoration and study of other historic sites and buildings throughout Pennsylvania and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Tomas Hoskins Spiers passed away on November 3, 2004;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission recognizes the distinguished service of Tomas Hoskins Spiers to the historic preservation movement in Pennsylvania and to the development of the Commission's historic sites and museums; appreciates his many successful efforts to preserve and protect important resources by participating in the founding of the Association for Preservation Technology; and expresses its condolences to his family on this sad occasion.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission at its _____ meeting.

Wayne S. Spilove
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MEMORANDUM

Date: November 5, 2004
Subject: Black History Advisory Committee Membership
To: Barbara Franco, Executive Director
From: Robert Weible, Acting Director, Bureau of Archives & History

PHMC's Black History Advisory Committee has recommended the following list of people to fill committee vacancies that will become available on January 1, 2005. All terms will run for three years.

Philadelphia Region:

Diane Turner, African American Museum in Philadelphia
Jacqueline Wiggins, independent educator (reappointment), Philadelphia

South Central Region:

Stephen Patrick, Department of Transportation (reappointment),
Harrisburg

Pittsburgh Region:

John Brewer, Trolley Station Oral History Project, Pittsburgh

Northwest Region:

Gregory Fowler, Penn State Behrend, Erie



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Date: November 5, 2004
Subject: Historical Marker Nomination
To: Barbara Franco, Executive Director
From: Robert Weible, Acting Director, Bureau of Archives and History 

We are requesting Commission approval of a historical marker to recognize "Engine 11," the historic African American fire fighting company in Philadelphia.

This recommendation has come to us through the local committee assisting PHMC with the planning of the 2005 Conference on Black History in Pennsylvania. If approved, the marker will be dedicated at the conclusion of the conference in April.

A copy of the letter recommending approval is attached.

November 1, 2004

Robert Weible
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Dear Mr. Weible:

This letter is respectfully submitted to request approval for a historical marker for Engine 11 to be placed 1016 South Street during the African American History Conference to be held in Philadelphia from April 20 to 23, 2005. This marker will commemorate African American fire fighters contributions to American History. This history extends beyond their participation in the Philadelphia Fire Department and is an essential part of the history of Black fire fighters in Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and our nation. As there are only a few of the members of Engine 11 still living, the placement of this historical marker would also provide the city and state with an opportunity to give recognition to "living history" makers.

Engine 11's history can be traced back to colonial times, beginning as early as the nineteenth century when an enslaved girl answered the alarms with her master in 1818. That same year, persons of color attempted to form a fire and hose company, called the African Fire Association, with Derrick Johnson, president and Joseph Allen, secretary. African American efforts to form a fire engine and hose company were met with opposition by White fire and hose companies resulting in a resolution passed to prevent the African Company from opening the fire-plugs. African Americans responded by adopting a resolution, entering a public protest and dissolved the company. Engine 11 was one of the original 22 fire companies when the Philadelphia Fire Department became a professional fire service in 1871. On April 13, 1886, African American, Isaac Jacobs, was appointed as a hoseman, assigned to Engine Eleven, then located at 1035 Lombard Street. From 1886 to 1926, twenty-six African Americans were appointed and assigned

to Engine Company Number Eleven. From the 1920s through the 1930s members of Engine Eleven received many awards and promotions because of on their valor and dedication in fire service. The City of Philadelphia presented David Mullen with a gold medal in recognition of his rescue of a baby from a burning bedroom around 1924. Peter C. Graham was promoted to Lieutenant on January 1, 1931 and James G. Davis became the first African American in Philadelphia to be promoted from a civil service position to the rank of battalion chief on January 1, 1953. There are many rich stories and accounts about Philadelphia's African American firemen that document Black firefighter's struggles against discrimination and segregation in Pennsylvania as well as our nation.

Engine 11's historical significance is associated with the struggles of Black firemen in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to pursue a democratic policy of integration. The history of Engine 11 represents "colored" firemen's efforts to gain recognition in fire service during a period of segregation and exclusion. Engine 11 was the first all-black fire company in the city. In 1902, Engine 11 moved from 1035 Lombard to 1016 South Street where it remained until 1976. It was an institution where African Americans developed comradeship during a period of racial segregation in the city of "Brotherly Love." Once the numbers of African American firefighters increased, they were placed into two segregated companies and restricted from joining the 112 white companies in the Philadelphia Fire Bureau. In spite of segregation, Engine 11 developed one of the finest records of any unit in Philadelphia. By 1949, Black firemen joined other companies and in 1952 Engine 11 was integrated but Black firemen's struggles for equality as firemen continued. Many firemen's experiences of alienation and racial discrimination continued. In 1962, Black firemen in Philadelphia organized The Valiants, with the motto "Good conduct and courage leads to honor." In 1964, Black firefighters achieved some power to end racism with the passage of Civil Rights Act. By 1969, a conference was held in New York City with Black firefighters represented from major cities throughout the United States. After 1972, Black firemen's protracted struggles resulted in the hiring of 38 Blacks sworn into the Philadelphia Fire Department during one ceremony and 13 men were promoted. This was a first in the history of the Philadelphia Fire Department.

The emergence and development of Engine 11 is an important chapter in local, regional and national history. The courageous men of valor who were members of Engine 11 made many contributions and were instrumental in eradicating segregation. Engine 11's history needs to be preserved through a historical marker.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Diane Turner, Ph.D.
Curator of Collections and
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Dr. Bronner, Dr. Janofsky, and Mr. Teitelbaum would serve two-year terms, beginning on January 1, 2005, and they would replace Kenneth Finkel of WHY, Mary Ann Moran of the Lackawanna Historical Society, and Timothy Shannon of Gettysburg College as panel members. Jacqueline Melander of the Centre County Historical Society and Paul D. Newman of the University of Pittsburgh—Johnstown remain on the panel through December 31, 2005.

