



# Village Notes

A Newsletter of the Moorestown Improvement Association

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## A Century Ago ...

This is a feature started in last year's newsletter to highlight what the Moorestown Improvement Association (MIA) was working on over a hundred years ago.

In 1907, the MIA launched a new program that continues to this day - the Planting of Shade Trees. Every year since 1907, the MIA has helped to plant shade trees around Moorestown to continue its ongoing beautification.

## 2006 Scholarships Awarded

Annually MIA awards a scholarship to graduating Moorestown High School seniors who show academic achievement. In 2006, we were proud to award two scholarships to sisters - Jennifer and Mindy Huffman. We wish both girls the best in their college studies and look forward to seeing them back in Moorestown on their school breaks.

### Mission Statement

The Moorestown Improvement Association is dedicated to preserving and enhancing the quality of life in the community. Members strive to advance the common good through personal commitment, active participation, and financial support. Activities focus on historic preservation, heritage appreciation, the perpetuation of the tree planting tradition, and environmental concerns.

## Annual Meeting Scheduled

March 30, 2007

7:00 pm in the Club Room

Moorestown Community House

A social with wine, cheese, fruit, desserts, coffee and tea is being planned for this years Annual Meeting.

A presentation is presently being prepared on the direction and "Visioning" project happening in Moorestown right

now. Come and here the latest on the future of Main Street, Camden Avenue, and the Moorestown Mall areas.

All are welcome - members, friends, just an interested neighbor. We would love to see you, please join us in the Club Room, March 30th.

Space is limited. For additional information or to RSVP, please contact Ed Armstead @ 856-235-1359 or warmstead2@comcast.net Please RSVP by March 23rd.

## It's Time to Renew Your Membership, or Become a Member for the First Time

Many of Moorestown's residents have heard of the Moorestown Improvement Association but really don't know what this organization does. For starters, we're one of the oldest service organizations in town. Our history of accomplishments can be viewed on our membership application, but this note is to inform you of what we're working on presently.

Some current projects include completing the installation of the "Welcome To Historic Moorestown" signs placed on the roads into town (thus far we've installed 15). Overseeing the relettering of the Church Street water tower to read "Historic

Moorestown Founded 1682".

We are continuing our oral histories project of senior Moorestown residents. We're working on the establishment of an exercise trail along Strawbridge Lake. We're spearheading an effort to commemorate the Indian Spring garden monument.

We're working to update our famous Walking Tour of Moorestown booklet to include additional routes. We are actively working to educate the public on the need to embrace Historic Preservation in Moorestown. We're working to update our Moorestown slide show, originally done in the 1970's, with a new

narrator and improved photos of the town.

These are just some of the projects on our plate with many more on the shelf. However, as in most everything in our lives, it takes money to accomplish many of the dreams that we envision. Those dollars are generated from you, our members, through your membership in this fine organization.

Please consider renewing your membership, or if you have never been a member, join us for a wonderful trip down the road to a better Moorestown.

See you around town!

**Dave Schill,**  
Membership Chair