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Historic Preservation Efforts Maintain Not Just Our Place in American History but Burlington's Unique Identity and Spirit

by Mayor Barry Conaway

The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) held a Special Awards Ceremony on May 3 to recognize projects that espoused the ideals of historic preservation within the City of Burlington, NJ. First, on behalf of all of the residents of Burlington, I want to congratulate the recipients, and I also want to thank them and members of the Commission for serving as role models for all of the many other historic property owners in the City who face the often daunting prospect of maintaining and restoring charming but quite old buildings and their outdated plumbing, electrical, heating, and other systems. It is truly a labor of love for those who have an eye for beauty and appreciation for antiques as well as the artisans who made things the old-fashioned way.



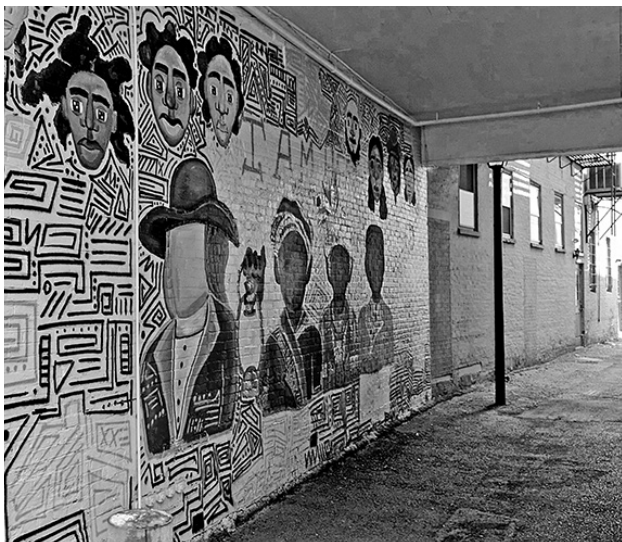
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Frank Caruso, Jr. is the current Chairman of the HPC, which is made up of interested, discerning citizens who value Burlington's history and want to maintain it for current and future generations. John Hatch, of Clarke-Caton-Hintz, is the HPC's long-time Historic Architectural Consultant, who can explain the fine details of historical buildings and provide practical advice on how best to preserve them.

Frank, what criteria did members of the HPC use to decide what projects should be recognized this year? What projects were reviewed and what do you want to tell other historic property owners?

(Caruso) HPC members Alma Saravia and Milton Smith led the charge as we reviewed many candidates, trying to include a range of possible preservation projects that recognized individual and group efforts that would also demonstrate to other historical property owners what is possible.

May is National Historic Preservation Month, and the HPC was pleased to recognize residents and businesses who espouse the ideals of preserving history within the City's preservation ordinances. We reviewed restoration projects that have applied for a Certificate of



Underground Railroad mural by Takiera c at 351 High Street.



Mayor Conaway, Councilman Babula, and members Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) held a Special Achievement Awards Ceremony on May 3 to recognize projects that espoused the ideals of historic preservation within the City of Burlington, NJ (Special Achievement Awards in text box).

Appropriateness from the HPC and that have successfully completed their projects within our three historic districts. We look for a variety of project types, such as commercial storefronts, commercial signage, residential façade elements such as roofing, porches and facades, and street-facing accessories such as fences. Above all, we look for projects in which the applicant conforms to the historic style of their home or business within their overall streetscape.

John, Why is it a good idea for homeowners to preserve their historical properties (sooner than later maybe), and why is it good for neighborhoods and cities to encourage preservation efforts?

(Hatch) The Historic Preservation Awards program is a great way for the City to show off its wonderful historic assets, to thank homeowners and property owners for the great restoration work they have done, and to underscore how important historic preservation is to an extraordinarily historic place like the City of Burlington. Numerous studies have shown that historic preservation is the key to redeveloping our historic places, attracting new residents and businesses, and encouraging heritage tourism.

Frank, John, present and past members of the HPC, and all of the historical property owners in the historic port City of Burlington, thank you for all of your tireless efforts to protect our City's important past for

generations to come. Once an historical property gets replaced with a modern version, it is gone from the physical world. Sometimes it is necessary to demolish, but Burlington has been more fortunate than many other cities in always having a strong group of citizens to lobby for preserving our heritage and, I think, our unique identity and soul.



Porch and balcony restoration at 305 East Union Street.

HPC SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENTS for 2023:

1. 305 East Union Street – Restoration of porch & balcony – Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Swan
2. 213 East Broad Street – Porch and façade renovations – Mr. James Monford
3. 102 East Union Street – Wood Shake Roof installation – Ms. Rosanne Harding
4. 23 West Union Street – ADA elevator entrance – The Library Company of Burlington
5. 116 E. Union Street – Daughters of the American Revolution plaque for the 18th Century home of African-American Revolutionary Private Oliver Cromwell – Mr. Harry Heck
6. 351 High Street & 410 High Street – Art projects depicting the Richardson Underground Railroad and the Bielings train mural – The Arts Guild of New Jersey as well as Chigoes Island Properties & 410 High Street, LLC



Things for Kids to Do in Summer of 2023

by Mayor Barry Conaway

Every January, I'm approached by worried parents who are concerned that "there's nothing for kids to do in Summers in Burlington." So last year, I asked our staff to compile a list of summer activities for kids, and we still have up to 8 pages of over 34 activities in town or in the region, and the list is growing and being updated continually.

This activities list should have something for almost every kid and every interest, including sports/e-sports, arts/culture, movie nights/book clubs/STEAM/Lego clubs, theater/music/art/creative play, education/leadership skills/summer jobs, trips/museums/zoos/nature hikes, camping/fishing/swimming, reading/games/storytelling, and more.

Please email me any activity you know of in case I missed something (at BConaway@burlingtonnj.us), and we'll add it to the list, which will be frequently updated and can be viewed on the City's website homepage News section and at www.burlingtonnj.us/departments/public_affairs/recreation.php.

HOSTED BY PEARL POINTE APARTMENTS

FOOD TRUCK TUESDAYS

WITH ARTS GUILD NJ VISUAL & PERFORMING TALENT & THE MAIN STREET BURLINGTON FARMERS MARKET

EVERY TUESDAY 4PM - DUSK
MAY 2 to SEPTEMBER 26

WEEKLY AT HOPE FIREHOUSE 110 HIGH STREET BURLINGTON, NJ 08016

OUTDOOR FUN ON THE RIVERFRONT PROMENADE

BURLINGTON YOUTH FISHING KIDS FISHING DERBY

JUNE 3, 2023
REGISTRATION STARTS 7:30AM

MORE DETAILS

[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/BURLINGTONYOUTHFISHING](https://www.facebook.com/BurlingtonYouthFishing)
CONTACT JAMES THOMPSON
609-458-8634

The City of Burlington BCPD Presents

JEEPS ON THE WATERFRONT

RAIN DATE 6/4

SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2023 12PM TO 5PM
Food Vendors, JEEP Vendors, DJ, Silent Auction & More!
PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE BCPD COMMUNITY POLICING PROGRAMS

REGISTRATION WILL BE \$20 THE DAY OF THE SHOW
Registrations will not be accepted after 2pm

Top 40 trophies include all categories plus Special Awards for Cleanest, Dirtiest, Highest Lift, Club Participation & Sound Off Competition

SOCIAL DISTANCING RECOMMENDED

Visit us on Facebook at BCPD JEEPS
GPS Location: 101 Pearl Blvd. East, Burlington, NJ

For info & questions contact Lisa at 609-386-0754 x1, Cell: 609-351-7629
lschiller@burlingtonnj.us

City of Burlington. NJ 2023 Calendar of Events

Event	Date	Time
Kids Fishing Derby, JFK Lake	June 3	8 am to 12 pm
Jeeps on the Waterfront	June 3	12 pm to 5 pm
K-9 Cruise Night & Summer Concert	June 15	6 pm to 8 pm
Freedom Day/Juneteenth	June 17-18	(TBD*)
Kids Day Burlington, Mitchell Field	June 24	10 am to 2 pm
Stroke & Concussion Screening, Bible Way	June 24	1 pm (TBD*)
July		
Police K-9 Motorcycle Run	Cancelled	
K-9 Cruise Night & Summer Concert	July 20	6 pm to 8 pm
August		
National Night Out	August 1	4 pm to 10 pm
Festival of Lights/Boat Parade & Fireworks	Cancelled	
K-9 Cruise Night & Summer Concert	August 17	6 pm to 8 pm

NOTICE City of Burlington Voters Primary Election June 6, 2023

Polling locations for City of Burlington residents are as follows:

Ward 1, District 1	Burlington Manor Apartments	255 East Pearl Blvd
Ward 1, District 2	Corson-Poley Center	454 Lawrence Street
Ward 2, Districts 1, 2, 3	Lyceum Hall	432 High Street
Ward 3, District 1	Neptune Firehouse	721 Bordentown Road
Ward 3, District 2	Lucas Motor Company	900 Route 130
Ward 3, District 3	Burlington City High School	100 Blue Devil Way
Ward 4, Districts 1, 3	Samuel Smith School	250 Farmer Avenue
Ward 4, District 2	Burlington Housing Authority	800 Walnut Street

Cindy A. Crivaro, RMC, City Clerk

ALL KIDS WELCOME!

KIDS DAY BURLINGTON 2023

Bring the family out for a FREE day of fun!

Saturday June 24, 2023
10am-2pm
Mitchell Field (E Federal St & Mitchell Ave)

WATER SLIDES, BOUNCE HOUSES, PETTING ZOO, PONY RIDES, FACE PAINTING, BALLOON ANIMALS, LIVE DJ, FREE CHICK-FIL-A, FREE RITA'S WATER ICE, TODDLER ZONE, COMMUNITY TABLES WITH GIVEAWAYS, AND MUCH MORE!

EVERYTHING IS FREE!

Sponsored by City of Refuge Fellowship

call 609-531-0816 with questions
cityofrefugefellowship.org



Burlington Then and Now

by Doug Ghaul,
Contributing Historian

150 years ago, 1873

June 6, Oneida Boat Club organized, D. G. Walker, President with 10 charter members at the Alcazar Hotel.

June 30, cornerstone laid for the new Presbyterian Church.

125 years ago, 1898

June 4, newspapers report the passing away of the famous Beldin House monkey, "Mickey."

June 18, Lakanoo Boat Club organized, with Hobart D. Hewitt, Commodore

June 20, Laurel Hill Cemetery dedicated by Bishop James A. McFaul.

June 24, Masonic Home dedicated (see below).

75 years ago, 1948

June 14, Blake T. O'Farrow was first African-American police officer appointed.

25 years ago, 1998

June 2, New Jersey State Softball Championship Group 1 Championship.

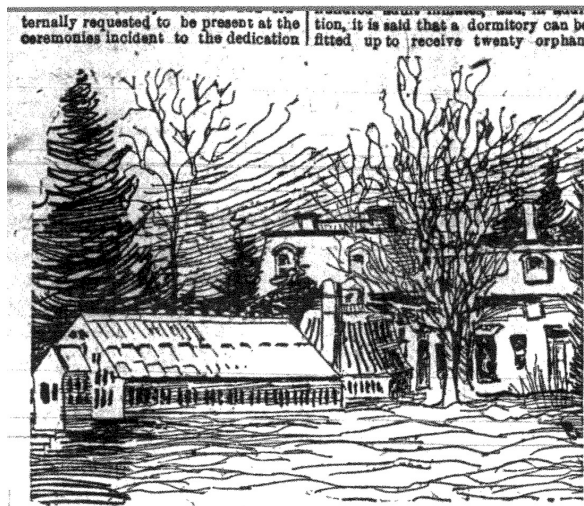
Burlington 17-2 faced Montgomery High 10-5 in the State semifinals. Burlington went on to defeat them 6-4 to advance to the Championship game. In the finals Burlington faces Cedar Grove 24-8 for the championship. The finals saw

Montgomery jump out to a 5 to 1 lead after 4 innings. Burlington bats came alive scoring 3 in the 5th to trail 5 to 4 after 5 innings. Burlington put the game away scoring 6 runs in both the 6th and 7th innings for a 15 to 5 victory.

Masonic Home Dedication 1898

New Masonic Home was dedicated on Taylor's Hill. Almost 16,000 Masons, their families, and citizens witnessed the ceremony.


At the beginning of the ceremony at the front entrance of the building Jacob Ringle presented the Lodge with a stone from King Solomon Quarries in Jerusalem to the Most Worshipful Grand Master Josiah W. Ewan of Mt. Holly.



NEW MASONIC HOME NEAR BURLINGTON.
The Masonic Home at Burlington, N. J., on Friday, June 24, at twelve o'clock noon. All Masons in New Jersey are hereby granted permission and are authorized and requested to appear in Masonic clothing, apron and jewel.


June 14th as memorial exercises in memory of deceased members, the State have had since during the past to that known as the Senatus Lodge, of the occasion on last at their sides their own was a large representation of the lodges, including and Grand Chap arrangement of the a very impressive head of the roof properly decorated some closed casket beautiful sheaf of white ribbon, up following inscript Joseph L. Lamb, a casket on an easel like picture of late Grand Treas the picture surround The ceremony of it impressive, and were by all. The the singing of the l accompanied by the bone, Brother Cad organ and Brother trombone, Brother as master of cerema offered by the Grand W. C. McIntire, all deceased members

From a story published in the Courier-Post, June 17, 1898



2023

Cruzin on the River Car & Motorcycle Cruise Nights & Concerts



**Hosted by the
City of Burlington & the BCPD K-9 Unit**

Located on the Riverfront Promenade 6:00-8:00 PM

Thursday, June 15th - Cruise & Concert
 Thursday, July 20th - Cruise & Concert
 Thursday, August 17th - Cruise & Concert
 Thursday, Sept. 21st - Cruise & Concert
 K-9 Car Show - Sat, October 7th - 10am-3pm

Come and park your cars and motorcycles up on the Promenade. Admire the great sunsets along the river and enjoy local bands perform!

* Trophies awarded monthly * No Admission *
 Food Vendors * Door Prizes * Dining Coupons
 Donations Appreciated & Accepted
 Call Lisa Schiller for info at 609-351-7629 or
 Email — lschiller@burlingtonNJ.us
 Facebook: City of Burlington Police K-9 Car & Bike Show
 Social Distancing Recommended

SPONSORS WANTED!

THE CITY OF BURLINGTON GARDEN CLUB

is looking for sponsors of our 2023 hanging baskets and NOW large street planters.

Cost is \$100 for baskets and \$250 for street planters

Please make your check payable to:
MSB-NJ City of Burlington Garden Club

Mailing address: PO BOX 1553, Burlington NJ 08016

Thank you for your consideration

New for 2023, large street planters.



High Street flower baskets

THE CITY OF BURLINGTON PARKS & RECREATION

2023 FALL FOOTBALL

MUST BE 5 BY 12/1

REGISTER AT
WWW.BCREC08016.COM

Click More Info on flyer or scan QR code.

DEADLINE JULY 25, 2023
 \$30PP- BURLINGTON CITY RESIDENT (\$90PER FAMILY)
 \$50PP- NON-BURLINGTON CITY RESIDENT

THE CITY OF BURLINGTON PARKS & RECREATION

REGISTRATIONS OPEN 5/1-7/25
 www.bcrec08016.com



DEADLINE 7/25

2023 YOUTH FALL SOCCER

FOR KIDS Ages 5 & up

\$30 pp - City Resident
 \$50pp - Non-resident

Interested in being a volunteer complete a volunteer form at www.bcrec08016.com

FALL REGISTRATIONS OPENS
MAY 1ST - JULY 25TH
WWW.BCREC08016.COM

NOTICE

The Boat Ramp's usual April 1 opening will be delayed until late June, owing to floating dock issues. We apologize for the delay.



Pop-up Free Food Pantry

NEW START TIME!!

Sat., June 10, 10 am – 11:30 pm
 (now 2nd Saturdays each month)

Keegan Recreation Ctr

522 Wood St., Enter through JFK Park, Burlington, NJ

Please bring proof of NJ residency to receive up to two weeks' worth of free food. Please wear mask.