



*October 2015*

### **Three Historic Events**



#### **Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Manayunk Bridge Trail**

Friday, October 30th at 11:00am  
on the Manayunk Bridge  
where High Street meets Dupont Street  
in the Manayunk Section of Philadelphia

Thank you to SEPTA, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, PennDOT, Montgomery County, the City of Philadelphia, the Township of Lower Merion, the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission, the Bicycle Coalition of Greater Philadelphia, the William Penn Foundation, the Manayunk Development Corporation, and others. At long last, the

Manayunk Bridge is going to reopen as a pedestrian/bicycle trail connecting the Cynwyd Heritage Trail to Manayunk and the Schuylkill River Trail. Come celebrate with officials and community members the opening of the Manayunk Bridge Trail! After the ceremony, enjoy the afternoon and take a walk/ride along the Trail to the Cynwyd Station Trailhead and stop in at the [Cynwyd Station Café and Tea Room](#).

Also, view this special edition of [LMTV's Out & About](#) recorded on location at the Manayunk Bridge with Commissioner Scott Zelov and Donna Heller, Director of the Township's Parks & Recreation Department. The bridge is ALMOST ready for its ribbon-cutting and opening to bicyclists and pedestrians! In the meantime, enjoy this a sneak preview with a bit of history in the mix.

#### **Sleepy Hollow Halloween Festival**

Saturday, October 31st 4:00pm to 8:30pm  
at the Cynwyd Station Cafe and Tea Room  
and in the Cynwyd Station Park

Welcome to *Sleepy Hollow* in Bala Cynwyd! Join us at the Café for pumpkin carving and painting starting at 4:00pm. When it gets dark, visit the park and join Lower Merion Historical Society's President Jerry Francis for his famous *Haunted History: The True Ghost Stories of Lower Merion* lecture. Using the large outdoor movie screen, there will be a PowerPoint and video presentation. Jerry will overview thirteen notable, and not so notable residents. There will be a showing of a 1988 television episode of *Unsolved Mysteries* hosted by Robert Stack featuring the haunted *General Wayne Inn* and its resident Wilhelm the Hessian soldier (winter of 1777). Afterwards there will be Disney Halloween cartoons and a viewing of the film *Sleepy Hollow*. But BEWARE! There may be a headless horseman lurking around the grounds. Admission is *Free*. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on.





## Re-Dedication of the Georgia Continental Historical Marker

Gather Sunday, November 1, 2015, 4:00pm-5:00pm  
front lawn of the Church of St. John  
404 Levering Mill Road  
Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004  
free admission followed by light refreshments

On February 22, 1919 (on Washington's Birthday) the *Merion Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution*, unveiled a bronze marker on the lawn of Saint John's Episcopal Church identifying the campground of the Georgia Continentals, 4th Battalion, under the command of General Lachlan McIntosh, in August 1777. This Battalion was part of the outer defenses of the City of Philadelphia, then the capital city of the Revolution. A few decades ago, the marker went missing, but it has been found.

Please join Saint John's Parish, the Pennsylvania Sons of the American Revolution Honor Guard, the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Historical Society, West Laurel Hill, local dignitaries, and others for a community sing along of *Yankee Doodle* and the re-installation and re-dedication of this historical marker. For additional information, click on [Historical Marker for the Camp Ground of the Georgia Continentals](#) and [The Fourth Continental Battalion from Georgia 1777: A footnote from the dusty records of the American Revolution.](#)

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