

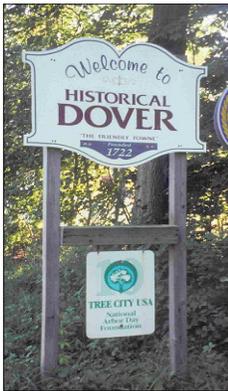


# Ye Old Tye News



The Salvation Army in Dover continues to carry on its mission work for over 100 years.

The band plays in front of their headquarters at 14 S. Morris St. in this c 1901



For years, Dover residents debated whether this sign was grammatically correct or not.

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## Historic Condict House Restoration

DOVER-Slowly but surely restoration and repair work continues at the Dr. Arthur W. Condict House, the future home of the Dover Area Historical Society and museum. Exterior repair and painting was contracted out to Duke's Painting of Dover. The third floor cedar shakes are to be repaired, the house completely steam-washed and then painted. The new color scheme of the building was suggested by Sack's Paint and Wallpaper of Dover and approved by the Presbyterian Church. When completed, the museum will surely be a major contributor to the historic downtown district.



Interior work has already begun with Bob Wagner beginning the room he pledged to complete. The Rotary Club of Dover has begun work on their room and soon the Masonic Lodge will begin work on the three rooms they pledged to complete on the second floor. Society member and trustee, Jim Johnson has pledged to restore the stained glass window on the ground floor. Work sessions at the house will soon begin for the many individuals who have offered to come in and help scrap the walls, paint the rooms and repair the floors.



All the interior electrical repairs have been contracted out to Paul Sullivan, a long-time member and supporter of the historical society. Hedden Oil, Signs of Sense and several other organizations have already donated much needed materials and repairs.

**Upcoming Condict House Work Sessions**

- Sept 13 \* 7-9 PM**
- Sept. 27 \* 7-9 PM**
- Oct. 11 \* 7-9 PM**
- Oct. 25 \* 7-9 PM**
- Nov. 8 \* 7-9 PM**
- Nov. 22 \* 7-9 PM**

## New Owners/ New Baker Theatre/ New Programs

DOVER - To everyone's surprise, the Baker Theatre was sold. The new owner, **Lee Levitt** was quoted in the papers that he wanted to open the theatre to community groups. Through the efforts of **Kay Walker**, Mr. Levitt gave permission to the society to host its program "The History of Dover Churches" on July 1, 2004.

Nearly 200 people showed up to witness the event and hear Mr. Levitt explain his future plans for the Baker. Everyone was very impressed and are now looking forward to a new beginning for the Baker.

The historical society was pleased to be part of a new chapter in the history of the



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**2005 Paid Membership begins Jan. 1st.**  
**Early payment means one-complete year**  
**from Jan 1 to Dec. 31, 2005.**

# History of the Dover Public School System

By Stan Schoonmaker

## Notes on the History of Dover Public Schools

The history of Dover's Public Schools dates back into the late 18<sup>th</sup> Century. If you have questions or comments regarding these notes, **Stan Schoonmaker** will be happy to hear from you. (973-366-2319)

This photo post card was recently received from **Don Alpert** and his wife who have retired to Colorado. Don was Principal of Dover High School and a former Alderman and Board of Education member.

The photo shows the old wooden building opened in 1871 that replaced the "Old School House" on Dickerson St. The brick portion of this building was constructed in 1882. The two buildings were connected as seen in this photo, but in 1908 when the site was expanded, the wooden structure was moved to the rear of the site. From 1885, when the first graduates of a two-year high school program were awarded diplomas, until 1908, this was Dover High School.

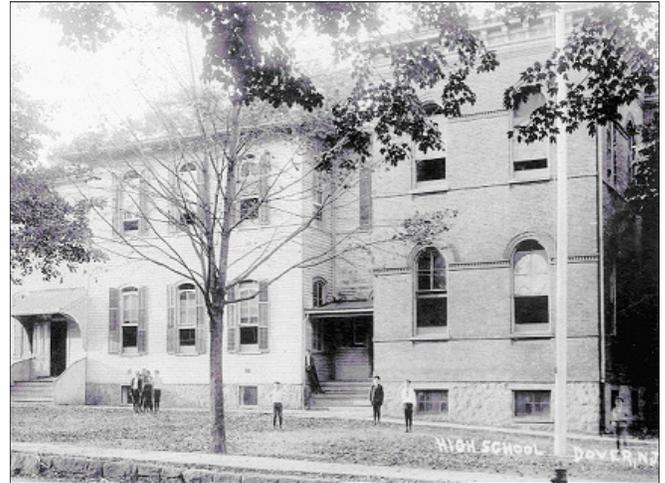
Who was the first person to receive a diploma from Dover High? Well, if we can assume that diplomas were awarded in alphabetical order, it would have been **Carrie Allen**.

In 1896, a three year high school diploma was first awarded. The first graduate of this class was **Mame Baker**.

Finally, in 1901, the traditionally and still recognized four year program had its first graduation. The first person to receive a diploma for completing a four-year course of study

was **Robert Baker**. (Note: Robert Baker went on to NYU Law School and became a lawyer.)

Graduation exercises were never held in this building. Ceremonies were held either at the Baker Opera House or in later years at the Baker Theatre.



Today, this is the site of the Northside Apartments, praised by the Morris County Heritage Commission as a perfect example of "adoptive reuse" of historic preservation in Morris County.

## Historic Baker Projectors To Be Donated To Historical Society



The historic projectors still sitting in their original position in the projection room of the Baker will soon be donated to the historical society. The society hopes to have the projectors refurbished by "professional" volunteers. Eventually, the projectors will go on public display.

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## Salvation Army of Dover Started 1900

The Salvation Army was organized in 1865 as the Christian Mission. Dover's Chapter was established in 1900 and was located on the second floor of the **Woodhull Grocery Store** at 14 S. Morris St. Today the site is a parking lot. At the time, there were between 150 to 175 members. Today the Dover Salvation Army remains active with headquarters on Bergen Street and a major outlet of used clothing and furniture in the old Acme building on Bassett Highway.



## The Dover Shopping Center - First Of Its Kind In U.S.

DOVER-In 1956, the threat of nearby shopping centers like Rockaway Sales on Rt 46 and the shopping centers going up along Rt. 10, coupled with the lack of parking along Blackwell St. caused **Mayor John Roach** to promote the idea of an inner-city shopping center, the first of its kind in America. Filling in the Mill Pond along the Rockaway River and widening Bassett Highway, previously Canal St. created a broad thoroughfare to create the "ground work" for such a project.

The multi-million dollar shopping center was built by New York developer **Milton Ehrlich**. When completed, the Dover Shopping Center boasted of two major supermarkets, Acme and Foodfair. Three major department stores that included W. T. Grants, F. W. Woolworths and J. C. Penney. The center had several men's and women's clothing stores, three shoe stores, a jewelry store, an upstairs bowling alley and several other shops and businesses. It even had one of the first of its kind in the area, a Chinese restaurant called The Shantung. More importantly, this new modern day marvel had over 2,000 parking spaces with a double decked parking lot, which for a short time hosted the first of its kind, "in town" Drive In Movie Theater on the upper deck.

With the grand opening of this new impressive shopping center in 1957 along with the already busy and bustling Blackwell St. business district, Dover reached its peak in retail sales and business strength. Shoppers from miles around made Dover their destination.

# Dover's Birthplace & Founder still a Mystery

.DOVER-**John Jackson** has always been considered "The Founder of Dover." Who was John Jackson? Where did he go?

According to **Richard T. Irwin** in "A History of Randolph Township" "John Jackson finalized the purchase in 1722 of a 527-acre tract of the western part of Dover from **Joseph Latham** of Hempstead, NY. Jackson himself was from N.Y. living in Flushing at the time of the purchase. He was 21 years old and perhaps with the help of his father James, was able to come up with the money."

As a strong, young man, Jackson made his way into the wilderness to stake his claim at Dover. Upon his arrival, he constructed a forge next to a large, friendly Indian settlement along "Granny's Brook."

What is known about Jackson is this. He was born in Flushing in 1701,

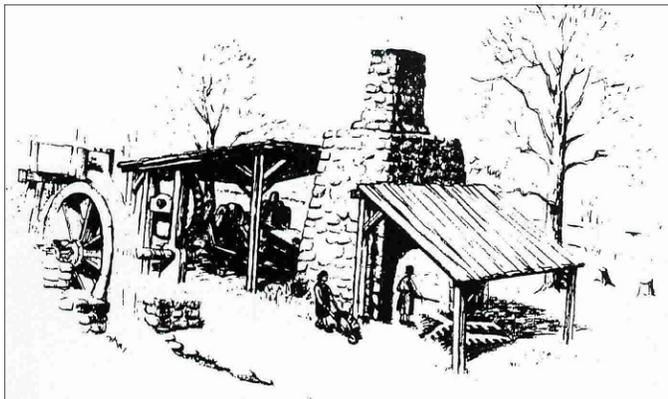
a Quaker and was married having a daughter named Elizabeth who later married **Joseph Shotwell** in 1743. Around 1745, his son-in-law Shotwell, started the Quaker Iron Works which later became the Ulster Iron Works."

In 1753 Jackson was forced to sell all his belongings at a Sheriff's Sale. What happened to Jackson after that remains a mystery. **Charles Platt** says that Jackson moved to W. Virginia where a town was named after him. However, research found that Jackson, W. Virginia was named after **President Andrew Jackson**. Where is John Jackson buried? That answer may never be known.

Efforts to establish a small park at the site have been discussed, but to date nothing has been done. Interested? Join the DAHS today.



This is the site where many believe Dover was born. Behind the Silk Mill building on Park Heights Ave., old foundations call still be seen. Jackson used the water-power of "Granny's Brook" to supply the power needed to hammer his iron bars and fan the fire for his forge. Remains of this once profitable business can still be seen to this day. The British Parliament drove Jackson out-of-business in 1753.



An artist's rendering of what John Jackson's Forge may have looked like. Old foundations found on the site at Park Heights Ave. may possibly be the actual furnace from c 1750.

## Historic Account Of Jackson's Forge

DOVER-According to official writings from Proceedings of N.J. Historical Society, Jackson's forge was the first of its kind in Morris Co. established in 1722 and sold on Aug. 15, 1753. During the operation, Jackson hired **Moses Hurd**. The ore used came from the Succasunna and Dickerson Mines. The next forge established in Dover was **Josiah Beman** at the Mill Pond in 1745. **Edward Fitz Randolph** (Randolph Twp) acquired Jackson's forge while **Canfield and Losey** acquired Beman's forge in 1792. Dover was first called "**Old Tye**" then "**Beman's**" for a short period and finally between 1790—1796, "**Dover**". Canfield & Losey failed following the War of 1812 and sold out to **McFarlan & Blackwell** in 1816. In 1827, with the arrival of the soon-to-be **Morris Canal**, Dover's street grid was laid out and property lots were offered for sale at reasonable rates. Thus Dover, as we know it today,

## 2004 Dover Carnival A Huge Success - Thank You

The Dover Area Historical Society worked on the 2004 Carnival with the Dover Women's Club. Special thanks to the following volunteers: **Stanley Manning, Bill Woodhull, Stan Schoonmaker, Joan Bocchino, Pat Kalena, Jane Curtin, Phyllis Casey, Peg and Bill Shuler, Phyllis Fisher, Kathi Gilbert, Richard Kelly, George Laurie, Mary and Bill Inglis, Martha Salvesen and Paula Henn**. We were able to sell books of 50/50s thanks to **Phyllis Fisher, Jim Althoff, Connie Foster, Jim Slattery, Kay Walker, Joan Bocchino, George Laurie, Pat Kalena, Marilyn Blide, Brenda Woodhull, Phyllis Casey, Henry Will, Betty Inglis, Peg Shuler, Verna Johnson, Ernestine Thwaites, Stan Schoonmaker and Stuart Inglis**. The winner was from our group of sales. The lucky winner was **Joan Bocchino!** Congratulations, Joan!

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## A Hawaiian Festival

OCT. 10, 2004

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In memory of Joseph Kekuku, Inventor of the Hawaiian Steel Guitar  
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# The Little Brick Building That Saved Dover

DOVER-This small building at 8 W. Blackwell St. has a very intriguing history. Constructed in 1851 as a drug store by **Wm H. Goodale**, it is historically known as Dover's "first brick building." It is also known as "the little brick building that saved Dover." This building is so unique that it also made history by housing the very first FM Radio Station to broadcast in stereo in the New York City metropolitan area.

**William Goodale** moved to Dover in 1850 and established his business by having the bricks brought into town via the Morris Canal. Prior to this, all of Dover's buildings were either wood or stone.

"The Great Fire of 1885" started at 5:20 am on Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> in a clothing store near the corner of Warren and Blackwell. The fire quickly spread and engulfed Mr. Baker's building (**Baker Opera House**) within a matter of minutes. An alarm was given and the fire department responded "with remarkable alacrity." The steamer's suction was dropped in the Sussex St. canal lock. But hardly had the water reached the fire .

before the hoses broke from the freezing cold weather. By now the fire was spreading in both directions of the clothing store. By the time the water lines were fixed it was quite evident that all the buildings were doomed.

Dispatches were sent to Morristown for assistance, but the reply back was they wouldn't come. The winds were driving the flames which were leaping skyward illuminating the entire downtown. Across the street, the heat was so intense that window panes and the heavy plate-glass storefront windows were beginning to crack.

There were about 20 business firms and about a dozen residences with wooden structures not to mention the interior of the block with barns, sheds and outhouses, that appeared doomed. Focus was now on Goodale's brick building as a fire wall. Two water hoses were set up on the top of the brick building and firemen standing on the ice coated, slippery roof attacked the fire in the rear and the other to the west. (cont. next pg.)



This is also the site of the first curb-side gasoline pump in Morris County.

## HISTORIC DOVER HOUSE NOT BERRY'S, BUT RICHARD'S



DOVER-The photo displayed in the last issue of Ye Old Tye News as that of the Berry Homestead was actually the home of

**John B. Richards**, the town's butcher. Richards arrived from England as a young man and soon sent for his wife. He moved to this 86-acre site and developed his abattoir employing about 20 people. One of the largest in Northern N.J. except for Paterson, Richards shipped his pork to the New York markets. Both Armour and Swift tried to cut Richards out of his prosperous business. He continued until his death at the age

It was quite an exciting event in town with the arrival of his new shipment of hogs each week. They arrived on the **Central Railroad** and were unloaded at the Sussex St. terminal. The hogs were driven through the dusty streets of town usually followed by a gang of children. Mr. Richards later constructed the **Hudson Street Bridge** in order to reach his property on the other side of the



The Berry Homestead located at 301 E. McFarland St. **Titus Berry** purchased from forge owner **John Jacob Faesch** in 1788 most of the land of east Dover from the Rockaway River into Rockaway Twp.

## History of Churches Program Steps Inside Many Beautiful Sanctuaries

One of the most delightful results of preparing the program "History of Dover's Churches" was being able to get a glimpse of the many interiors of sanctuaries of the beautiful historic churches of the Dover area. The research revealed that churches have played a major role in Dover's development from the very first church gathering in 1816 to the latest church organizations establishing themselves in Dover in 2004. The historical society hopes to publish the results of this study along with displays at the new museum



First Presbyterian Church



St Mary's Church



Founders Baptist Church



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## Little Brick Building/WDHA (CONT.)

During the course of the fire, what started out as a light rain had intensified to a heavy downpour pelting the firemen with ice balls and coating the streets, sidewalks and buildings with heavy sheets of ice. It was so slippery that the steamer had difficulty returning to the firehouse.

### WDHA - FM

WDHA moved into the second floor of this building and went on the air in February 1961 with their 100 foot tower located along Rt. 10. The station was the first in New York City to broadcast in stereo, the first in the nation to broadcast in Quadraphonic Sound, the first to broadcast on compact discs instead of records and the first FM station in Morris County. WDHA stands for Drexel Hill Associates and was started by **Peter Arnow** who came from Drexel Hill, Pa.



Pictured: George Laurie sitting at the controls of WDHA at 8 W. Blackwell St. in March.

Today, WDHA is still licensed to Dover but operates its studios out of Cedar Knolls. WDHA is rated one of NJ's most popular stations.

## Dover Speedway Scheduled

DOVER-The history of the Dover Speedway goes back to before the Civil War. Again, by popular demand, historian **Bob Wagner** of Wharton will present this fascinating story about memories that will never be forgotten. The last time Bob presented this program, people had to be turned away for lack of enough seating.

In addition to the vast amount of photos and documents, Bob has added actual footage of the cars racing alone with sound to add to the excitement. This is one program you won't want to miss. We are looking at an October or Nov. date for this exciting program. Call (973) 361-6205 for further details. Because of the expected turn out, we are seeking out a large auditorium. Date TBA.



### Become a Member of The Dover Area Historical Society

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**OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS AT THE CONDUCT HOUSE** – A Holiday get together on Dec. 14th at 7:30 PM. Refreshments & presents. R.S.V.P (973) 366-0629

## Stewart's Root Beer Stand donates to the Root Beer Social

DOVER-Peter Sevailaly, owner/operator of the Stewart's Root Beer stand on Route 46 donated over 10-gallons of his famous root beer and souvenir "Stewart's" mugs to the Dover Area Historical Society to help celebrate the Second Annual "1840 Wm Young Root Beer Social." The event is held each year in memory of **William Young**, Dover's first professional baker who would brew root beer as an alternative drink to the Applejack alcohol that was being abused at that time in history.



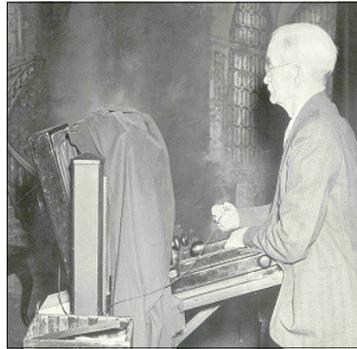
Stewart's of Dover opened in 1948. The original menu consisted of Tasty Franks, Coney Islands, Scramburgers, French Fries and, of course, Stewart's Root Beer. From its modest beginnings, it has turned into a Morris County landmark and one of the few remaining drive-ins in New Jersey. It is now serving its fifth generation of customers. So come, taste the legend! Call a friend or bring a date and enjoy a great treat at Stewart's.



# John Price Captured Dover History On Film

DOVER-Much of Dover's photographic history has been recorded through the eyes of the popular **John Price**, long-time Dover photographer. Many of the early pictures of Dover, still in circulation to this day, bare the name of "Price." Who was John Price?

**John Price** was born in Paradise, Pennsylvania in 1865. Being a country boy, he attended common schools until the age of 12, when he started earning his own way in life. For three years he worked at a local glass factory and then for six years he worked as a clerk in a grocery store. During this time, his attention was attracted to the newly developed photography. After an apprenticeship in the trade he moved to Dover and established his business in 1892. His first location was a small rented shop on Blackwell Street. From there he moved into larger quarters on N. Sussex Street behind the **Mansion House Hotel**. Here Price became very successful in his trade offering family photographs and high school year book pictures. Fire struck Price's office on May 1, 1935 destroying most of his equipment and photographs. Mr. Price then purchased property at 25 E. Blackwell St. and had his new store constructed. He modeled his new Kodak studios after lines of equipment that offered the best photography that any metropolitan studio could offer. Price sold his business on April 1, 1945 and the business has continued in operation



**John Price** was married to **Ida Posten** in 1889. The family attended the Presbyterian Church.

Pictured is Mr. Price preparing his camera. Below, Price's studios located on Sussex St. before moving to Blackwell St. Even to this day, Price photos can go



## Hawaiian Festival To Honor Joseph Kekuku & Steel Guitar

DOVER-The Dover Renaissance, Inc. and the Dover Area Historical Society in conjunction with the Hawaiian Steel Guitar Association will present a one-day Hawaiian Music and Food Festival October 10, 2004.

Plans are being made to host a variety of Hawaiian Steel Guitar performers along with a Hawaiian food buffet. There will be an historic account of the history of **Joseph Kekuku**, the inventor of the Hawaiian Steel Guitar, with a Power Point presentation, photos and displays. There will also be Hawaiian hula dancing, dance lessons and demonstrations will be given along with introductory lessons on how to play the Hawaiian Steel Guitar.

This fund raising event is to honor the memory of **Joseph Kekuku** who was born in La'ie, Hawaii in 1874 and later in life, lived in Dover. Mr. Kekuku passed away while living at 88 Prospect Street on January 16, 1932 and was buried in the Orchard Street Cemetery in Dover by **Rev. Hedding D. Leech** of the Presbyterian Church.

The event is to be held at the Dover American Legion Hall. A memorial service will be conducted at 3:30 pm at the grave of Mr. Kekuku at the Orchard St. Cemetery. At 4 pm there will be a social hour at the lodge with a Hawaiian style buffet at 5:00. An evening of Hawaiian music and entertainment will begin at 7:00 pm. Reservations are \$20 each and should be made by calling **Kay Walker** at (973) 361-0264.

It is believed that Mr. Kekuku was performing at Dover's Baker Theater in the late 1920s when he decided to settle down and stay. All proceeds from this fund raising event will eventually go toward a new monument at his grave and any extra money will be donated to the Cemetery Assoc. for upkeep of the

### SHAKE YOUR FAMILY TREE (AND SEE WHAT NUTS FALL OUT)

Sept. 21st \* 7:30 PM

Dover Moose Lodge

**Bo Holley**, who has traced his own family roots back to before the Mayflower, gives a detailed hands-on lecture of Genealogy research, with clever tips and ideas. A program you don't want to miss. Bring a relative.

Refreshments served \* No Admission

### HISTORY OF PAUL GUENTHER

Oct. 19th \* 7:30 PM

Back by popular demand. **Ulla Shuler** will present this wonderful history of **Paul Guenther** and his worldwide distribution of silk stocking manufactured at this King St. plant. This is one program you won't want to miss. Bring a friend! Bring two friends! \$3-members \$5-non-members \* Refreshments served

### DOVER CADETS REUNION

Nov. 16th \* 7:30 PM

Dover Moose Lodge

**Stan Schoonmaker** presents a PowerPoint presentation of its history and people. .

Bring a friend and enjoy an evening remembering the Dover Cadets. Refreshments will be served. No charge. Call 366-

### ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

November date to be announced.

### OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS AT THE DR. CONDUCT HOUSE

Dec. 14th \* 7:30 PM

R.S.V.P. necessary.

(973) 366-0629

These programs are subject to change. Call (973) 366-0620 for info.

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