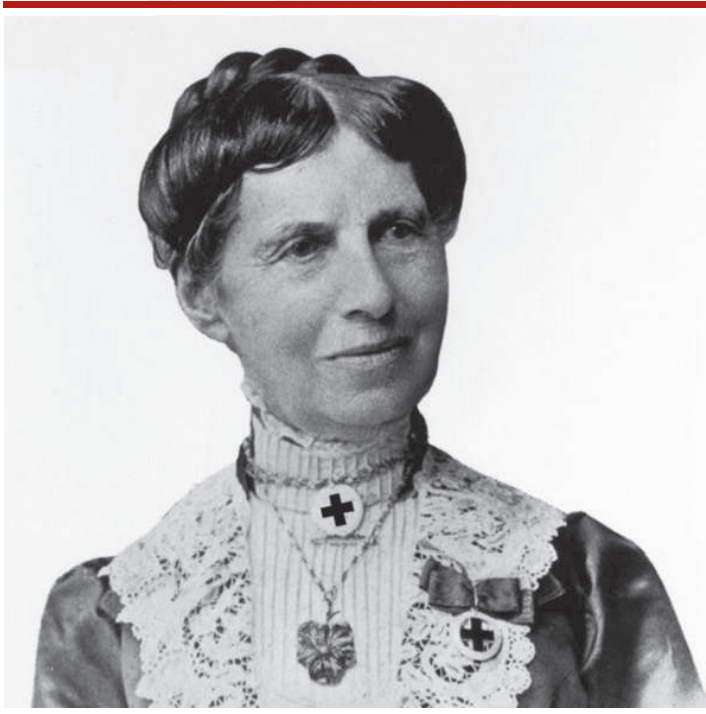




Society's Spring Programs to Feature Clara Barton

With the sesquicentennial of the Civil War in full swing, the Chevy Chase Historical Society's focus this year is on Washington area women who played extraordinary roles during that conflict, and continues with spring programming featuring Clarissa Harlowe "Clara" Barton. On Sunday, March 18, Barton's remarkable life and accomplishments will be described at our Spring Lecture by speaker Kevin Patti, Park Ranger at the Clara Barton National Historic Site in Glen Echo, Maryland.

In an era when women rarely ventured outside the home, this shy woman rose from a middle class



background to become a world renowned American heroine. Perhaps best remembered as the founder of the American Red Cross, Barton was a pioneer and humanitarian throughout her life. Among the first women employed by the federal government, she later risked her life to bring supplies and support to soldiers on the battlefields of the Civil War. By the force of her personal example, she opened paths to the new field of volunteer service. Her intense devotion to the aim of serving others resulted in enough achievements to fill several ordinary lifetimes.

Mr. Patti's lecture on Barton will be held at 4:00 p.m., at the Lawton Community Center, 4301 Willow Lane, in the Town of Chevy Chase. The program will be free of charge and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served.

The following Saturday, March 24, Mr. Patti will lead a tour of Barton's home, that also served as Red Cross headquarters and living quarters for volunteers and staff members, at the Clara Barton National Historic Site in Glen Echo, Maryland (see page three for details).

Please note: preceding the March 18 program, CCHS members will elect the society's President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and four Directors-at-Large.



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The Chevy Chase Historical Society collects, records, interprets and shares materials relating to the history of Chevy Chase, Maryland, one of America's first streetcar suburbs.

The organization provides resources for historical research and sponsors a variety of programs and activities to foster knowledge and appreciation of the community's history.

Recent Acquisitions

"Recent Acquisitions" is a regular feature in the newsletter, describing documents and other items acquired for the society's Archive and Research Center.

1. Five photographs of the house at 3409 Thornapple Street, built by Edgar and Bertha Fowler in 1937. The photographs show the exterior of the house, including the picnic area, yard, and garden. Donated by Roberta Liebman.
2. A book, *Bold Plum: With the Guerrillas in China's War Against Japan*, written by Hisao Li Lindsay. It relates Hisao's experiences during World War II, including her studies in Beijing, which became occupied by the Japanese, her marriage to Lord Michael Lindsay, and their escape from the city. Lindsay, a resident of Section 3 living at 6812 Delaware Street, and Hisao worked with the Chinese Communist guerrillas to fight the Japanese occupation. Donated by Helen Secrest.



This house, located at 3407 Thornapple Street, was built in 1937 by the Fowlers. Bertha loved to garden, and shared many flowers with her next door neighbors.

3. A copy of the Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School yearbook, *The Pine Tree*, from 1953, and a program for the graduation exercises held on June 19, 1953. Acquired by staff.
4. Architectural specifications relating to the building design and seven photographs of the house built at 116 East Melrose Street. The Hon. Philip Milton and Rose Deborah Glick built the house in 1948 and lived there until their deaths in 2004 and 1996 respectively. Photographs show interior and exterior views of the home. Donated by Neil Glick.

Spring History-Go-Round Tour Of Clara Barton's Home

One week after CCHS presents its Spring Lecture on Clara Barton (described on page one) the society will continue its year of bringing to the fore some of the notable Washington area women who played significant roles in the Civil War.

On Saturday, March 24th at 11:00 a.m., CCHS will offer a History-Go-Round tour of the Clara Barton National Historic Site in Glen Echo, Maryland. The tour will feature Barton's home, which also served as the national headquarters of the American Red Cross and provided living quarters for Red Cross volunteers and staff members.

Kevin Patti, Park Ranger at the historic site and the speaker at the society's Spring Lecture about Barton, will lead the tour, which will be free of charge and open to the public.



Clara Barton house at National Historic Site

An optional lunch will follow at the nearby Irish Inn in Glen Echo. The cost of the lunch will be \$20.00, covering tax and tip. Diners will have a choice of several entrees. To reserve a place for the tour and/or the lunch, and for more information, please call Mary Anne Tuohey at (301) 656-1779 or send her an email at maryanne2e@mac.com. Mrs. Tuohey will provide the address to which those who make lunch reservations may mail their checks for \$20.00, made out to CCHS, in advance of the event.

CCHS "Out and About"

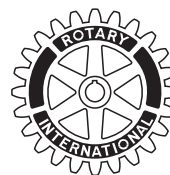
CCHS board member and former president Joan Marsh, co-author with Frances Stickles of the society's popular new book *Placenames of Chevy Chase, Maryland* about our community's history, is really getting "out and about!"

So far, Marsh and Stickles have given book talks at three Chevy Chase venues: the CCHS May Day program "Chevy Chase Celebrates" at the Lawton Town Center; the Chevy Chase Village Hall, for Chevy Chase at Home, an initiative to enable community residents to "age in place" in their homes; and the Friendship Heights Community Center. Book sales have been brisk.*



On February 20, the pair gave a shorter presentation with more Q&A that Marsh has developed, at the Asbury Methodist Home in Gaithersburg where Stickles resides.

The Bethesda-Chevy Chase Rotary Club will host Marsh and Stickles at its June 12 meeting at Kenwood Country Club. Marsh was recruited by club member Lawrence Kotcheck, the account executive for CCHS' publishing at Print 1 in Bethesda. Ever even handed, Marsh also has consulted attorney husband Richard, a member of the Kiwanis Club of Washington, DC, about content that will be of interest to a businesspersons' club.



"It's a nice feeling to be doing something for other people. I have most enjoyed learning about different venues," reports Marsh. "There's so much to learn about Chevy Chase – writing the book was fun because we learned a lot we didn't know ourselves." Those interested in having the authors speak to their group or organization may call CCHS Archive and Research Center at (301) 656-6141.

* CCHS thanks local merchants Periwinkle, Strosniders, Brookville Pharmacy, and Johnson's Florist and Garden Center for offering *Placenames* for sale.

MYSTERY!

"Mystery!" is a regular feature in the Newsletter. We invite all sleuths to help CCHS solve "mysteries" contained in the society's archive.



Can you help solve another mystery about the Town of Chevy Chase's 65th Anniversary celebrations? In 1983, the Town marked the occasion with a parade featuring musicians, clowns, and a fire truck. While we know the parade culminated at Rosemary Circle, can you tell us which street these children on decorated bikes are riding down? Write to us at our email at chevyCHASEhistory@msn.com, or call us at (301) 656-6141. The first person to solve this mystery wins a "Chevy Chase Historical Society" bumper sticker!

Thank you to all who identified one musician from our last mystery, Dr. Louis "Beau" Kaplan.

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