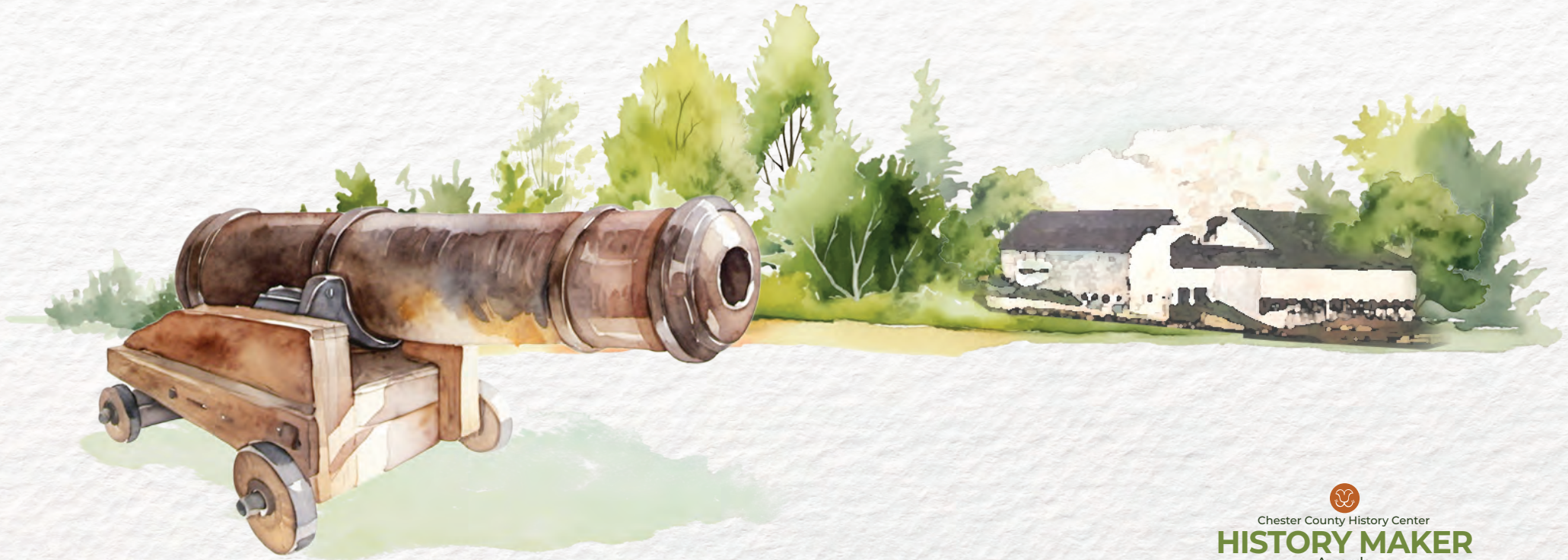


HISTORY

LIVED, PRESERVED, UNEARTHED

A CHESTER COUNTY REVOLUTIONARY WAR STORY



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This history-making story remembers Warwick Furnace and the key people who once made it roar with the fires of industry, and shaped the very tools of revolution. This historic furnace transformed iron into cannons which supplied the Continental Army allowing them to secure independence.

The landscape surrounding Warwick Furnace has witnessed centuries of change, yet its beauty and historical significance endure. French & Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust's tireless efforts to conserve this hallowed ground has ensured that we, and future generations, can walk the same paths as those who fought for freedom.

As it sometimes happens, history lies buried, waiting to be rediscovered. Ray Bentley and Jim Moore, with their passion for history, love for Chester County, and their unwavering curiosity, led an excavation that brought to light four Revolutionary War cannons hidden for centuries. Their dedication reminds us that the past is never truly lost, and that new discoveries can always enrich our understanding of history.

The History Maker Awards celebrates these connected stories of history lived, preserved, and unearthed. We honor Ray Bentley, Jim Moore, and the French & Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust, for their contributions to our shared heritage. They remind us that history is not just a collection of dates and facts, but alive and filled with human experience.



Ray Bentley, and Jim Moore

One of the four unearthed Revolutionary War -Era Cannons.
Thomas P. Bentley Preserve - Warwick Furnace





Those who call Chester County home know the ground beneath our feet holds centuries of secrets, whispers of lives lived and battles fought. The echoes of the Revolutionary War still reverberate in our lands and buildings, reminding us of the sacrifices made to forge our nation.

Ironmaster's Manor House
Warwick Furnace Farm



HONORING

MR. RAY BENTLEY AND MR. JIM MOORE

EXCAVATION LEADERS
FOUNDERS OF THE UNEARTHED REVOLUTIONARY WAR-ERA CANNONS

AND

FRENCH & PICKERING CREEKS CONSERVATION TRUST

LAND PRESERVATION

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Warwick Furnace Journal 1748
Historical Society of Pennsylvania



“History is not the past but a map of the past, drawn from a particular point of view, to be useful to the modern traveller.”

Henry Glassie
American folklorist and historian



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AWARD CEREMONY & FUNDRAISING DINNER

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FRIDAY, APRIL 25, 2025

6:00 PM

CHESTER COUNTY HISTORY CENTER

On Friday April 25, 2025 the History Center will host an exclusive award ceremony and fundraising dinner honoring Mr. Ray Bentley, Mr. Jim Moore, and French & Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust for their work, dedication, and contributions to the preservation and re-discovery of Chester County Revolutionary War-era history.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Presenting Sponsor **\$25,000**

ACCOUNTED

Prominently recognized as Presenting Sponsor in all event promotion - printed and digital marketing- including event banner, event program, website, and social media

Full page ad in event program

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Reserved table and tickets for 10 guests

Yearlong recognition on CCHC website

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Visionary Sponsor **\$15,000**

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Yearlong recognition on CCHC website

Recognition on Annual Report

Catalyst Sponsor **\$7,500**

Recognized as Catalyst Sponsor in all event promotion - printed and digital marketing- including event banner, event program, website, and social media

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Reserved seating and tickets for 4 guests

Yearlong recognition on CCHC website

Recognition on Annual Report





SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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Sponsor **\$5,000**

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Recognized as Achiever Sponsor on event invitation (deadlines apply)

Tickets for 4 guests

Yearlong recognition on CCHC website

Recognition on Annual Report

Community

Sponsor **\$2,500**

Recognized as Community Sponsor in event promotion - printed and digital marketing- including event banner, event program, website, and social media

Recognized as Community Sponsor on event invitation (deadlines apply)

Tickets for 2 guests

Yearlong recognition on CCHC website

Recognition on Annual Report





OUR WORK

Chester County History Center –CCHC– is committed to the diverse community of Chester County, the preservation of its history, and serves as a resource for new history makers since its founding in 1893. CCHC is a non-profit educational institution with the mission to *Link the Past to the Present, to Inspire the Future* while continuing to engage, preserve, educate, connect, and imagine with our community.

CCHC is responsible for three centuries of history through the preservation of documents, photographs, and newspapers in our research library and photo archives, a new and interactive 5,000 sq. ft. exhibit, *Becoming Chester County*, and year-round youth and adult education programs accessible to all community members.





Part of the Cannon Dig Team
Center: Ray Moore, Jim Bentley, Bill Gladden.

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