

Bernards Township 250th Anniversary

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Did you identify this landmark?

This is the last remaining "Lincoln Swag" fence



post in Bernards Township. The swag was created to memorialize the life of Abraham Lincoln. At one time the design could be found on various media, including iron-work, china, glassware and paper. This post was saved by the Presbyterian Church and is found along the fence dividing the church property from the house next to it on East Allen Street.

Can you identify the location of the local landmark below? Check your answer next month!

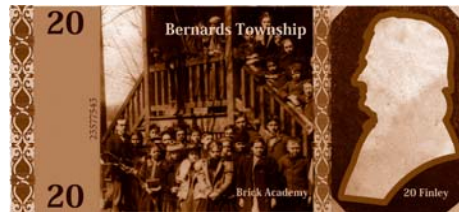


Don't miss the "Sons of Liberty" Park Dedication and Liberty Elm Tree Planting - April 24 at our new park on Allen Road! Go [here](#) for background on the special tree.

Two Exciting Events in May will Celebrate Township's 250th Anniversary

Charter Day— May 15

Be sure to look for the **250 Anniversary Booth** at this year's Charter Day celebration, May 15. Among the special offerings will be a set of "**Bernards Bucks**," a set of striking commemorative currency designed by Ridge High School art students using historical documents and original graphic designs. For a \$20 donation, you'll receive a set of 7 different Bernards Bucks, plus an additional one on which you can write a "message to the future" to be included in the **250 Anniversary Time Capsule**. Also available at Charter Day will be



250th Anniversary collectible postal envelopes. You'll be able to choose from one of two designs, depicting either Basking Ridge or Liberty Corner, by local artist Linda Arnold. The envelopes can be picked up at the **250 Booth**, and if you would like to have the postal service "cancel" your collectible envelope, there will be a booth set up at the corner of Henry Street and Brownlee Place. Click [here](#) for a closer look at one of the Bernards Bucks.

Special Performance— May 25

The **Northeast Navy Pops Ensemble**, directed by Lieutenant Carl Gerhard, will appear at the Ridge High School Cultural Arts Center on May 25, 2010 at 7 PM for a free special performance in honor of the 250th Anniversary of Bernards Township. The Northeast Navy Pops Ensemble, a



forty-five piece band, represents the Navy at public concerts throughout the Northeastern United States. The band is under the direction of Basking Ridge's own Lieutenant Carl J. Gerhard who grew up on Haas Road and graduated from Ridge High School. This concert is free but seating is limited and a ticket is required for admission. Residents can obtain tickets at the Bernards Township Municipal Building between the hours of 8:30 AM—4:30 PM Monday through Friday, beginning Monday April 26. After May 10, any remaining tickets will be available to non-residents. Please click [here](#) for more information on this event, including donation information.



Did you know . . . ? The building which now houses Atelier Salon at the corner of Henry Street and Brownlee Place (constructed in 1842 or earlier) was where uniforms for northern troops were made during the Civil War.

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