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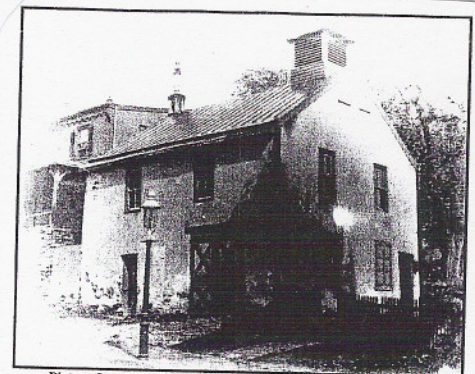
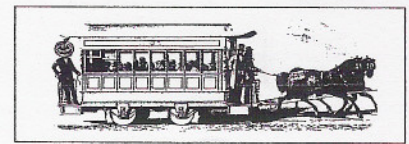
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Dear Friends,

In 2009, a year that was good,
We celebrated 8 years in our Darby neighborhood.
The Fearne House we live in turned 275,
On July 20, we toasted our silver anniversary and we thrive!
We again led the Creek Clean for DCVA,
Our 5th coordinating year on April's 25th day,
Raising money for placemaps & tee shirts & all,
We labored creatively to answer the call.
'Twas also our 5th year of OcTrolleyFest,
Even the rain couldn't dampen our quest:
We raised dollars to rehab Darby's Old Borough Hall,
A tarp for the leaky roof was our very first call.
We networked to save our bridge of old trolleys,
And ended up dodging some unwanted volleys --
For when SEPTA asked us to create signs of Darby's history --
Some others didn't want to help us. (Well, that's their mystery.)
With divine intervention, six signs were completed,
Designed beautifully, for free; we were not defeated!
In summer, we worked again for Historic Philadelphia, Inc.
Bringing musical living history to life is a pleasure, we think!
When we could, we visited NY, MA and the Jersey shore,
(We always enjoy friends there and wish we could go more!)
In November, DCVA celebrated 25 years
Of protecting our watershed and we were feted by our peers!
We received their Award called the Ribbon of Green
For promoting their goals and keeping the Creek clean.
They said we had labored "with humor, music and wit."
We were humbled by their words and we thanked them for it.
It was a busy year with many completions --
Some greater, some lesser, some with minor deletions.
God willing, next year we'll tackle some more!
There's still 1000 Main as an Arts Center to explore,
And more work Old Borough Hall to renew,
So now we take a brief holiday rest and wish you:
A Merry, Merry Christmas and Happy, Healthy New Year,
Full of love, good friends, good work, and good cheer!

Wishing you Blessings in the new decade ahead,
Love, Jan and John & Kirby and Misty

For more photos and info on our doings, check out www.darbyhistory.com and our music
at www.pasttimespresent.com.



Picture from collection of Keith Lockhart showing OBH in 1902
Building was used as a School, Jail, Police Station and Borough Offices