

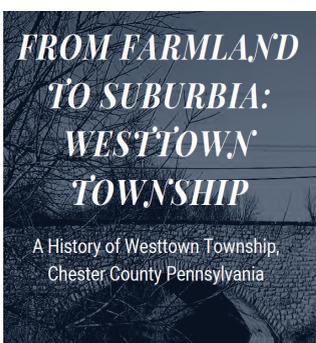
# Historical Commission News

## Militia Monument Dedication Ceremony

On Saturday, May 20, Westtown Township dedicated the long-awaited Westtown Revolutionary War Militia Monument. Located on Township open space at 1147 S. Concord Road, the Monument honors Col. Thomas Taylor, his two sons, Thomas, Jr. and Titus, and neighbors John and Henry Faucett, who were members of the Chester County Militia and lie buried in Westtown. The project was organized by the Historical Commission, and funded mostly by private donations from organizations and individuals. O'Rourke & Sons and the Maris Grove Woodshop Club were instrumental in the installation of the monument stones. Westtown Township provided the historical interpretive marker. With other dignitaries, fife and drummers, and color guard, Tom Foster, Chair of the Board of Supervisors, made remarks honoring the memory of Westtown's Revolutionary War patriots.



Westtown's new Revolutionary War Militia Monument dedicated by Dave Walter, Westtown Historical Commissioner, and Maj. General Marquis de Lafayette (portrayed by Gene Pisasale)



## Westtown History Book Sale

*From Farmland to Suburbia* is a well-researched history of Westtown Township originally published in 1973 and updated in 2020. The book details how the Township evolved from early settler days until modern times. Chapters cover our natural resources, transportation growth, military history, noteworthy properties, churches, cemeteries, and more. It features illustrations and photographs, plus a fold out map of Westtown Township. It also details stories and anecdotes from residents and business owners throughout our long history. To make this book accessible to as many Township residents as possible, the Township has reduced the price from \$30 to \$20. Books are available for purchase at the Township Building.

## Westtown Video History

The Historical Commission is planning to create a series of online historical videos, with the help of Westtown and Chester County residents. This effort is planned as a YouTube channel with presentations and interviews that highlight the rich history of the Township. The Commission is interested in interviewing local residents about Westtown memories and family anecdotes. This includes memories about interesting properties and local memorabilia. The plan is for the new channel to reflect the voice of the people who grew up in Westtown and of their families. Anyone who would like to participate in providing historical information and memories of growing up in Westtown can contact the Commission at [historical@westtown.org](mailto:historical@westtown.org).