

Help for Veterans

Vet Center • 215-823-5245

at Universal Technical Institute
750 Pennsylvania Drive, Exton, PA 19341

The goal of the Vet Center is to provide a broad range of counseling, outreach, and referral services to eligible veterans in order to help them make a post-war readjustment to civilian life.

Eligibility Requirements:

- All veterans who served in any combat zone, from WW II to the present, including Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom.
- Other periods of hostilities such as: Lebanon, Grenada, Kosovo/Bosnia, Persian Gulf, Somalia etc. are also eligible.
- Services are available for family members of the above Veteran if the Veteran is registered at the Vet Center.
- Any veteran who served as medical or mental health personnel during War-time era.

For a complete list of eligibility requirements or if you have any questions regarding eligibility, call the Vet Center.

Services Provided:

- Individual Counseling
- Group Counseling
- Marital/Family/Significant Other Counseling
- Alcohol/Drug Assessment and Referral
- Benefits Referral
- Employment Counseling and Guidance
- Liaison with VA Facilities
- Referral to Community Agencies
- Bereavement Counseling (family members)
- Sexual Harassment/Trauma Counseling

Vet Center Combat Call Center 1-877-WAR-VETS (1-877-927-8387) is an around-the-clock confidential call center where combat Veterans and their families can call to talk about their military experience or any other issue they are facing in their readjustment to civilian life. The staff is comprised of combat Veterans from several eras as well as family members of combat Veterans. This benefit is prepaid through the Veteran's Military Service.

East Bradford Worldly Goods

This is the first in a series of articles showcasing items (Worldly Goods) made or owned by 18th or 19th century East Bradford residents. Where we can, we will link the Worldly Good with the East Bradford structure (Historic Resource) in which it was made or cherished. East Bradford has over 360 Historic Resources, and the Historical Commission hopes to highlight many of them in this Worldly Goods series. If you have an item with a history of being in East Bradford during the 18th or 19th century, please contact the Historical Commission (info@eastbradford.org) and help us reach our goal. Examples include furniture, documents such as deeds and marriage certificates, paintings, maps and needlework.

This sampler was wrought by Ruth Carter who was born in East Bradford in 1800. Ruth has simplified our task of identifying her family by naming her grandparents (George & Lydia Carter and George & Martha Martin), parents (George & Ruth Carter) and seven siblings. Note that Ruth stitched her grandparents' and three sisters' names in black. This is because they were deceased before 1811, when Ruth made her sampler. As you will see from articles in this series, East Bradford's young women were skilled and prolific needleworkers whose needlework showed the learning their parents "on me bestow" (a phrase often stitched in the needlework). In the center of her sampler, Ruth named her teacher, Hannah Carpenter of West Bradford. Hannah Carpenter and Lydia Carter (Ruth's sister) also made samplers in 1811. Hannah's sampler is in the collection of the Chester County Historical Society. We'll feature Lydia Carter's sampler in a subsequent Worldly Goods article.



Ruth Carter's 1811 sampler.
Private collection; photograph
courtesy of M. Finkel & Daughter
(www.samplings.com)



George Carter Farmhouse (HR#93).
Pennsylvania Historic Resource Survey Form

George and Ruth Carter raised Ruth in the Carter homestead which still stands on Lucky Hill Road in the Worth/Jefferis Rural Historic District. (George Carter Farmhouse, Historic Resource #93) The homestead was built by young Ruth's grandfather or great-grandfather, both named George Carter, long before the Revolutionary War. A recent Brandywine Battlefield Preservation Plan concluded that on September 11, 1777, about 9,000 Crown Forces led by General Howe marched down a now abandoned road that connected Camp Linden Road with Lucky Hill Road and formed the Southern border of George and Ruth Carter's property. Supporting evidence includes the following report of the Bradford Monthly Meeting committee for the purpose of documenting sufferings: "George Carter had taken from him by some among the English Army as it passed thru his Plantation on the 11th of the Ninth month 1777 property including six "Horse Creatures," pewter vessels, 16 yards of linen, oats, wheat and hay. Bradford Monthly Meeting minutes held November 5, 1777.

For more information on the march of General Howe's troops in East Bradford:

Visit www.landscapes2.org/publications/PubHistoric.cfm; or email East Bradford's Historic Resources, at info@eastbradford.org. To receive the Township's June newsletter with our next Worldly Goods article, send your email address to info@eastbradford.org.