

NEWSPAPERS IN DELAWARE COUNTY

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- Radnor Historical Society article (1965)
- Jordan's History of Delaware County (1914): see pages 514-517 (Vol 2)
- Ashmead's History of Delaware County

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- Newspaper Archives of Delaware County Library
- NewspaperARCHIVE.com
- State Library of Pennsylvania collection
- Pennsylvania Newspaper Collection: Delaware County:
- Search U.S. Newspaper Directory, 1690-Present
- Keith Lockhart's Delco newspaper page

CONTACTS

- Mark Dixon
- Rich Crowe
- Ted Pollard
- Greg Pritchard
- Tom Smith

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- Brotherhood (The) (1833-?)
- Chariot (The) (1842-?)
- Chester Advertiser (1866-?)
- Chester Advocate (1868-1874*)
- Chester Business Mirror (1882-?)
- Chester Daily Times (1876 - 1882)
- Chester Evening News (1872-1899)
- Chester Evening Times (1886-1886)
- Chester Herald (1850-?)
- Chester Independent (1869-1874)
- Chester Reporter (1941-1941)
- Chester Times (*1882-1959)
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- County Press (1983-current)
- County Leader (1918-1983)
- Delaware County Daily and Sunday Times (
- Delco Realtors publication
- Daily Chronicle (1933-1934)
- Daily Times (1977-2007?)
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- Darby Progress (
- Darby Record (
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- Delaware County Republican & Farmers, Mechanics, and Manufacturers Advocate (1833-1895)
- Delaware County Mail (1872-1876*)
- Delaware County Morning Republican (*1900-1923*)

Delaware County Leader
 Delaware County News
 Delaware County News Network (web site)
 Delaware County Press
 Delaware County Prohibitionist (1891-1894)
 Delaware County Record (1878-1924)
 Delaware County Times (1910-current)
 Democratic Pilot (1871-1876)
 Evening Star (1857-?)
 Garnet Valley Press ()
 Havertown Leader (?)
 Independent (The) (1869-1874)
 Interboro News (1932-1991)
 King of Prussia Courier
 Liberal Press and Labor's Press of Delaware County (1937-1948)
 Main Line Times
 Marcus Hook Herald (1896-1897)
 Marple Newtown County Leader
 Media Advertiser
 Media Ledger (1891-1913)
 Media News (1831-?)
 Morning Republican
 Morton Chronicle (1880-?)
 News of Delaware County
 Owl (The) (1858-?)
 Pennsylvania Gazette (1728-1800)
 Philadelphia Inquirer Historical Archive 1860-1922
 Philadelphia Inquirer Historical Archive (1/1/1981 - Current)
 Philadelphia Evening Bulletin (1847-1982)
 Philadelphia Record (1877-1947)
 Pilot (The) (1835-?)
 Post Boy (1817-1826*)
 Progress (1889-1952)
 Progressive Weekly (1935-1942)
 Public Ledger (1836-1942)
 Ridley Park News (1913-1917)
 Ridley Press (1962-current)
 Rockdale Herald (Aston, Pa) (1898-1948)
 Springfield Press (1931-current)
 Suburban (1855-?)
 Suburban Advertiser
 Suburban and Wayne Times (1906-1985)
 Swarthmore News (1914-1928)
 Swarthmore Swarthmorean (1942 - 1953)
 Town Talk (1967-current)
 Upland Union (*1826-1852)
 Upland Union and Delaware County Democrat (1856-short lived)
 Upper Darby Herald (1915-1923)
 Wayne Argus
 Wayne Gazette
 Wayne Signal
 Weekly Reporter (1881-?)
 Weekly Visitor (1828-1832)

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Identifying the historical newspapers of Delaware County, Pennsylvania

Dates of publication in parentheses when known. An asterisk besides the first or second date indicates a predecessor or successor publication.

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Radnor Historical Society article (1965)

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Of the more than 30 weeklies now published in Delaware county, only four were in existence before the turn of the century. Among them is “The Suburban”, founded in 1885. The others are “The Weekly Reporter”, a legal journal founded in 1881 and also published in Chester, and “The Rockdale Herald”, a Democratic weekly founded in 1898, and the “Darby Progress.”

Source: <http://radnorhistory.org/archive/articles/ytmt/?p=101>

Jordan’s History of Delaware County (1914): see pages 514-517 (Vol 2)

Ashmead’s History of Delaware County

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DIGITIZING PROJECT

Every local community has or had a local newspaper, and many of those archives of paper newspapers remain. There are organizations out in the world who are digitizing those old collections. Some are for-profit companies who will digitize the collection, make it searchable, and then make it available to paid subscribers for a few. There is also a nationwide effort to digitize old newspapers:

The National Digital Newspaper Program (NDNP), a partnership between the [National Endowment for the Humanities \(NEH\)](#) and the Library of Congress (LC), is a long-term effort to develop an Internet-based, searchable database of U.S. newspapers with descriptive information and select digitization of historic pages. Supported by NEH, this rich digital resource will be developed and permanently maintained at the Library of Congress. An NEH award program will fund the contribution of content from, eventually, all U.S. states and territories.

see <http://www.loc.gov/ndnp/>

There are organizations making grant money available for this purpose as well – see these links for examples:

<http://www.emc.com/about/news/press/2012/20120511-02.htm>
https://www.facebook.com/emccorp/app_222471081145150?twitter

In Marple Newtown, we have such an archive of an old newspapers – have not checked out exactly what they have and what has been lost, but my understanding is that the Delaware County Leader exists in paper form. I've been in touch with Radnor, and they said that they have the old Suburban and Wayne Times in paper form. That led me to think about all of the archives of local newspapers sitting around in Delaware County. How many of these old newspapers do we have? If we can identify them all, and propose to digitize them all, then our prospects of finding either a grant, or a larger organization to do it all for us increases, when we are proposing to digitize everything in the county, rather than just one community.

So, first question is: do you have old newspaper archives in your community? Let's do a quick survey and figure out what was published here, when, and what portions of it are still available. I know that certain papers have been digitized: here they are, and they are free: <http://delawarecolib.newspaperarchive.com/> . What else is out there? If you can respond on behalf of your community, I will begin making a list of what was published, when and where, and what paper copies still exist.

Second: does anyone want to work on this project? I would love to – but I have a day job right now and don't want to take on any more big projects. If you are interested, or know of someone who may be, or know of people already doing this type of work, then I'd be glad to reach out to them and help try to get something off the ground.

Thanks!

Sorry for the double post – I had suggested turning off the google list – for those of you who did not follow instructions and transition your list membership to the Yahoo list. But we decided to continue the parallel lists for a little longer. We have about 60 of you who made the move to the new list, leaving about 100 who have not. If you are receiving this message twice – that's why. If you are receiving this message just once – from the google group – then your membership in this group will be terminated with extreme prejudice shortly, when we abandon the google group. If you don't want that to happen, go to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DCHPN/> and join the list there.

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Current Pa Newspapers Online:

<http://www.usnpl.com/panews.php>

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Newspaper Archives of Delaware County Library

Every newspaper in the database is fully searchable by keyword and date, making it easy to quickly explore historical content. Use the archive to gain a local perspective on historical news, to research your family history, or to simply read about a person or event of interest. We invite you to visit the archive often, as additional pages will be added as they become available. This archive is hosted by NewspaperARCHIVE.com largest historical newspaper database online.

Browse Available Papers



A screenshot of a web browser's dropdown menu. The menu is open, showing a list of newspaper titles and their corresponding date ranges. The first item is "All Titles" with a small downward arrow icon. Below it, the same "All Titles" is repeated. The next item is "Chester Daily Times (1876 - 1882)" which is highlighted in blue. Following are "Chester Evening Times (1886 - 1886)", "Chester Reporter (1941 - 1941)", "Chester Times (1882 - 1959)", "Daily Times (1977 - 2007)", and "Delaware County Daily Times (1959 - 1976)".

<http://delawarecolib.newspaperarchive.com/>

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NewspaperARCHIVE.com

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Fax: 319-396-4329

Mailing Address:

Customer Service
NewspaperARCHIVE.com
855 Wright Bros. Blvd. #2A
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404

11-6-12: general inquiry sent off to them on what they do and under what terms.

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State Library of Pennsylvania collection

<http://www.accesspdr.org/cdm4/browse.php?CISOROOT=%2Fsstlp-newsp>

United States Indian School, Carlisle Pennsylvania Newspapers contains copies of the Red Man and the Indian craftsman, published by the United States Indian School in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. Also individual issues of the Catholic Herald, the Episcopal Record, and more. Pennsylvania newspapers will continue to be added.

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Pennsylvania Newspaper Collection: Delaware County:

<http://www.accessible-archives.com/collections/the-pennsylvania-newspaper-record-of-delaware-county/>

This collection includes material from the following newspapers:

- *CHESTER COUNTY REPUBLICAN* (FEW ISSUES, 1842)
- *DELAWARE COUNTY AMERICAN*, MEDIA, PA (1851–1871)
- *DELAWARE COUNTY DEMOCRAT*, CHESTER, PA (TWO ISSUES)
- *DELAWARE COUNTY REPUBLICAN*, DARBY & CHESTER, PA (1833–1870)
- *MEDIA ADVERTISER* (1855–1856)
- *THE POST BOY*, CHESTER, PA (FEW ISSUES)
- *THE UPLAND UNION*, CHESTER, PA (1825–1835; 1850–1852)
- *THE WEEKLY VISITOR* (FEW ISSUES, 1830)

More History at: <http://www.accessible-archives.com/collections/the-pennsylvania-newspaper-record-of-delaware-county/#ixzz2BU7rRwKD>

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Search U.S. Newspaper Directory, 1690-Present

This directory of newspapers published in the United States since 1690 can help identify what titles exist for a specific place and time, and how to access them. Use the options below to select a particular place and time, using keywords to locate specific titles. Titles currently listed: 151,814.

<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/search/titles/>

Keith Lockhart's Delco newspaper page

<http://delawarecountyhistory.com/DelawareCountyNewspaper.htm>

Delaware County Daily Times has been published since 1876, and is the oldest local newspaper in the county. The newspaper is searchable and can be accessed thru my site here. It can be searched thru the Delaware County Library System website.

Morton Chronicle (1880-1890) there as well.

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Interested in Archives project:

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610-971-0649

OK, let me know when you have a quorum. My immediate thought about a home for this is the Delaware County Library System. Currently, DCLS offers the *Delaware County Daily Times* free on its website. My bias is that it's better to build on an existing something than to create a new something. Also better to rely on an established and ongoing organization rather than an individual. (Keith Lockhart -- God bless him -- has papers on his website, but Keith is not imperishable.) Doing this under DCLS' wing may even open grant opportunities.

Rich Crowe

From: Rich Crowe [mailto:rcrowe@journalregister.com]

Sent: Monday, November 05, 2012 5:48 PM

To: doug.humes@verizon.net

Subject: RE: Digitizing old community newspapers

Doug,

I would love to see our papers scanned, we have most of them here in our Ridley office since we just moved them from Newtown Square 2 months ago. Many are bound or in binders by year. The history in them is priceless.

Our budget here I can only guess would be zero. Our corporate company is in bankruptcy at this time and usually has little money for preserving old papers.

I have most of the Marple Newtown County Leaders from 1931 thru 1982 (missing a few years in the 40's and 50's due to water damage they received from the past owner of the papers). I also have the Havertown Leader and Drexel Hill Leaders from the 70's and early 80's. I have the Springfield Press from 1931 thru today. (I believe the Springfield Historical Society scanned most of them about 15 years ago)

We are more than willing to provide these papers to whoever can preserve them by scanning or whatever.

Let me know your thoughts.

Rich

We also have the News of Delaware County on microfilm from January of 1952 through November 2009.

I'm getting together the brief history of each of our publications now.

Our office is located at 1914 Parker Ave. Holmes (behind Nifty Fifties)

Most of the files are in the basement or in the garage in file cabinets or moving boxes. Any time you want to check it out is fine.

Rich

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Ted Pollard

Anyway, the old Suburban and Wayne Times donated all of their old bound newspapers to the Radnor Historical Society...lucky us! Lynn Ellis

Hi Doug:

No, our S&W Times have not been scanned, but should be. I know there are some sources for doing this, but need a push in the right direction. They have so much valuable info it's incredible!! If you have any idea, pls let me know. Ted

I have included Greg Prichard on this thread as he has interest in this project. The more hands/heads the better. Thanks for your inspiration! Ted

Greg Pritchard

Radnor Library?

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Tom Smith

Keep me in the loop.

Thanks

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Aldan Sun (1943-??)

[Aldan sun. \(Aldan, Pa.\) 1943-19??](#)

Brotherhood (The) (1833-?)

October 1883 – monthly journal devoted to interests of the Brotherhood of the Union (H.F.).
Brotherhood Publication Company, Charles K. Melville, editor.

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Chariot (The) (1842-?)

August 1842 – Edward E. Flavill and Jackson - advocated temperance.

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Chester Advertiser (1866-?)

10-27-1866 weekly advertising sheet. John Spencer and Dr. William Taylor.

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Chester Advocate (1868-1874*)

First issue June 6, 1868; John Spencer and Richard Miller, first called **Chester Advocate**. Weekly. Sept 1874 name change by Spencer to [Delaware County Advocate](#).

[The Chester advocate and Delaware County item. \(Chester, Pa.\) 1871-1874](#)

First Issue: June 6, 1868
Last Issue: September 1874
Archives:

Chester Business Mirror (1882-?)

Founded 1882 as monthly advertising paper. Published by Edward Frysinger.

First Issue:
Last Issue:
Archives:

Chester Daily Times (1876 - 1882)

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[Chester daily times. \(Chester, Pa.\) 1876-1882](#)

First Issue:
Last Issue:
Archives: <http://delawarecolib.newspaperarchive.com/>

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Chester Reporter (1941 - 1941)	
Chester Times (1882 - 1959)	
Daily Times (1977 - 2007)	
Delaware County Daily Times (1959 - 1976)	

Chester Evening News (1872-1899)

First published as Evening News June 1, 1872 by F. Stanhope Hill. June 17th name changed to Chester Evening News.

[Chester evening news. \(Chester, Pa.\) 1872-1899](#)

First Issue:
Last Issue:
Archives:

Chester Evening Times (1886-1886)

First Issue:
Last Issue:
Archives: <http://delawarecolib.newspaperarchive.com/>

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Chester Herald (1850-?)

April 1850; S.E. Cohen – monthly, than weekly then discontinued after a year.

First Issue:
Last Issue:
Archives:

Chester Independent (1869-1874)

[The Chester independent. \(Chester, Pa.\) 1869-1874](#)

Chester Reporter (1941-1941)

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives: <http://delawarecolib.newspaperarchive.com/>

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Chester Times (*1882-1959)

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[Chester times. \(Chester, Pa.\) 1882-1959](#)

First Issue: September 1876

Last Issue:

Archives: <http://delawarecolib.newspaperarchive.com/>

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Collingdale ColHums

Collingdale High school Alumni publishes a newsletter called ColHums which was the school newspaper when Collingdale High was still in existence. I also have a copy, not the original, of a newsletter Collingdale Fire Co#1 put out....

<http://www.collingdalehigh.org/content/history>

Thanks, Doug. I'll contact Tom Morse when you need this. The Alumni Room at the Collingdale Community Center has all the back editions, as far as I know of this paper.

e_macguire@yahoo.com

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

County Press (1983-current)

([web site](#)) of [Newtown Square, Pennsylvania](#)

Current

[County press. \(Newtown Square, Pa.\) 1983-current](#)

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

County Leader (1918-1983)

County leader. : (Broomall, Pa.) 1918-1983

Alternative Titles:

- Leader

Place of publication:

Broomall, Pa.

Geographic coverage:

- Broomall, Delaware, Pennsylvania | View more titles from this: [City County, State](#)
- Newtown Square, Delaware, Pennsylvania | View more titles from this: [City County, State](#)

Publisher:

Gerald S. Fuller

Dates of publication:

1918-1983

Description:

- -v. 52, no. 27 (July 6, 1983).
- Began in 1918?

Frequency:

Weekly

Language:

- English

Notes:

- "Serving residents in Marple, Newtown, Edgmont, Upper Providence and Middletown Townships."
- Description based on: Vol. 36, no. 13 (Jan. 5, 1956).
- Published in: Broomall and Newtown Square, Pa., <Jan. 5, 1956>-Oct. 3, 1968; Newtown Square, Pa., Oct. 10, 1968-July 6, 1983.
- Publishers: Gerald S. Fuller, <Jan. 5, 1956>-Oct. 3, 1968; Andrew J. Audet, Oct. 10, 1968-July 6, 1983.

LCCN:

sn 85055015

OCLC:

12202250

Preceding Titles:

- [The Marple mirror. \(Broomall \[Pa.\] 1968-1968](#)

Succeeding Titles:

- [County press. \(Newtown Square, Pa.\) 1983-1983](#)

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Delaware County Daily and Sunday Times (

(*web site*) of Primos [Upper Darby Township, Pennsylvania](#)

Current

Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Delaware_County_Daily_and_Sunday_Times

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Last Issue:

Archives: <http://delawarecolib.newspaperarchive.com/>

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Delco Realtors publication

2-12: Keth Lockhart said Delco Realtors put out a publication from 20's to 70's - with a lot of good information inside; find if Delco Realtors Association is still around and whether those publications still exist or were thrown out;

Did follow up with Meg Shea; she gave name of successor organization;

I just got off the phone with Keith Lockhart, who is Mr. Delaware County history. He has an amazing collection of local history, and scans and posts it all up on his website. He is always on the lookout for more. He mentioned a great old resource that he used to use, and wondered what had become of it. He said the Delco Realtors used to publish a monthly paper or magazine, from the 20's through the 70's, that had a wealth of information on the county. He said the papers were kept at the office on Sproul Road near the Springfield Mall. But the realtors have moved from there - and so he wonders if the old papers still exist or were thrown out. He is willing to see about scanning them if they still exist. Do you know where that organization is these days, who is in charge, and who we would approach with this inquiry? I didn't find anything in a quick internet search. Thanks!

Hi Doug, the best place to start would be Suburban West Realtors Association:

Suburban West Realtors Association
100 Deerfield Lane, Suite 240
Malvern, PA 19355
(610) 560-4800

I don't have a name for you, but these folks are very helpful. I hope this helps.

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Daily Chronicle (1933-1934)

[The daily chronicle. \(Upper Darby, Pa.\) 1933-1934](#)

Daily Times (1977-2007?)

First Issue:

Last Issue:

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Darby Independent (1887-1889)

[The Darby independent. \(Darby, Pa.\) 1887-1889](#)

Darby Progress (

(Darby, Pa)

I know there were several papers in Darby including the Record and the *Delaware County Republican and Farmers, Mechanics, and Manufacturers Advocate*, published at Darby, PA by Y.S. Walter in the 1930's

editor of the Darby Progress Capt Albert Magnin: <http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GRid=86187121>

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Darby Record (

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Last Issue:
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Delaware County Advocate (*1874-1942)

First issue June 6, 1868; John Spencer and Richard Miller, first called Chester Advocate. Weekly. Sept 1874 name change by Spencer to Delaware County Advocate. Jordan: still published in 1914 – Republican in politics. See p-515.

[The Delaware County advocate. \(Chester, Pa.\) 1874-1942](#)

First Issue:
Last Issue:
Archives:

Delaware County American (1851–1871)

[Delaware County American. \(Media, Delaware County, Pa.\) 1859-1917](#)

First Issue:
Last Issue:
Archives: *DELAWARE COUNTY AMERICAN, MEDIA, PA (1851–1871)*
<http://www.accessible-archives.com/collections/the-pennsylvania-newspaper-record-of-delaware-county/>

Delaware County Chronicle

Morton

1921-22 Smull's Legislative Hand Book and Manual of the State of Pennsylvania
By Thomas Baumgardner Cochran (comp.), W. Harry Baker (comp.)

Delaware County Citizen (1888-1890)

[Delaware County citizen. \(Wayne, Pa.\) 1888-1890](#)

Delaware County Daily Times (1959 - 1985)

<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/lccn/sn89077807/>

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[Delaware County Democrat. \(Chester, Pa.\) 1867-1916](#)

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First Issue: 8-31-1833
Last Issue:
Archives: *Delaware County Republican*, Darby & Chester, PA (1833–1870)

More History at: <http://www.accessible-archives.com/collections/the-pennsylvania-newspaper-record-of-delaware-county/#ixzz2BU8FJqmN>

Delaware County Mail (1872-1876*)

11-27-1872 Joseph T. DeSilver & Co. 11-27-1876 sold and merged into The Delaware County Paper.

[Delaware County mail. \(Chester, Pa.\) 1872-1876](#)

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Delaware County Leader

First Issue:
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Delaware County News

Swarthmore

1921-22 Smull's Legislative Hand Book and Manual of the State of Pennsylvania
By Thomas Baumgardner Cochran (comp.), W. Harry Baker (comp.)

Delaware County News Network ([web site](#))

First Issue:
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Delaware County Press

Marcus Hook

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Delaware County Prohibitionist (1891-1894)

[Delaware County prohibitionist. \(Chester, Pa.\) 1891-1894](#)

Delaware County Record (1878-1924)

Media

[The Delaware County record. \(Media, Pa.\) 1878-1924](#)

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Delaware County Times (1910-current)

Lansdowne

[The Delaware County times. \(Lansdowne, Pa.\) 1910-current](#)

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Democratic Pilot (1871-1876)

[The Democratic pilot. \(Chester, Pa.\) 1871-1876](#)

Evening Star (1857-?)

1857 literary paper; Edward A. Price and Miss Kate Taylor.

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Garnet Valley Press ()

([web site](#)) of [Glen Mills, Pennsylvania](#)

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First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

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Havertown Leader (?)

I also have the Havertown Leader and Drexel Hill Leaders from the 70's and early 80's. Rich Crowe

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Independent (The) (1869-1874)

1869 H.Y. Arnold and Wilmer W. James; weekly advertising sheet; discontinued in 1874.

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Interboro News (1932-1991)

[Interboro news. \(Prospect Park, Pa.\) 1932-1991](#)

Doug,

Great idea, but OMG, that would be a mountain of work.

I used to be the managing editor for *The Interboro News of Southern Delaware County* . . . usually just referred to as the *Interboro News*. That was put out by Hayden Machamer in Propsect Park. Hayden started there as a teenager during the Great Depression and later took over the paper. He had it until 1982 when Peter Tozer (the judge) bought it from his friend and fellow Kiwanis Club member. Some guy named Wilkes was the last owner in the early/mid 90s. The paper went belly up.

Hey, don't forget to put the Town Talk on your list.

The Interboro News office (run out of Interboro Printing) used to be on 10th or 11th Street right across from the Prospect Park Post Office. Hayden lived in the house next door. Last I heard, Hayden was 95 or 96 and in assisted living (wife Jean passed away a decade or two ago). I had a few copies from 1982-83, but most of those got destroyed when my basement flooded in 1996.

Hayden used to keep IN copies stored in piles on his front enclosed porch. His family may or may not have kept them. The son's name is Tommy Machamer. Peter Tozer, the judge and former owner, is a good guy . . . you could call his office to find out if he knows if copies are stored anywhere. I remember the piles because I prepped the mailed copies on the enclosed porch and lugged them over to the post office. They had some machine from the 1890s that used pedal power to stamp addresses on the papers. It was like a combination between a piano and a typewriter with a typewriter ribbon.

The printer for the paper was on the Main Line, on Lancaster Avenue behind a music company. They might also have old issues, although somehow I doubt that. Tozer may remember their name, or Tommy Machamer might. I seem to remember initials, something like CK printing. They used to print lots of small town weeklies that have since disappeared.

I also used to work for the Main Line Times. They ran the News of Delaware County and the Main Line Times out of the same building in Ardmore on Lancaster Ave. I know they kept old issues in a storage room, because I saw that once. But I was a circulation manager for about 10 months and never got much involved with other facets of the organization. I got out of the news business after that and went into technical writing. Not as fun as the news business but it pays the bills.

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[District Magistrate Judge Peter P. Tozer](#)

Profile: Admitted:1978

ISLN:918433624

Biographical Info: Peter P. Tozer is a judge of the Delaware County Magisterial District in Pennsylvania. His current term expires in 2018.

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11-7-12: sent [letter](#) and pitch to Judge Tozer

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King of Prussia Courier

Greg Pritchard: Actually, Ted, the Suburban fire was in 1906, so we have from about 1906-1996. There are some fragmentary issues from earlier, and also some copies of the "Wayne Signal," "Wayne Argus" and an entire volume (1872-1873 I believe) of the "Wayne Gazette." Of course we also have the "Suburban Advertiser" and "King of Prussia Courier" (which were printed by the Suburban), though neither cover Delaware County.

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Liberal Press and Labor's Press of Delaware County (1937-1948)

[Liberal press and labor's press of Delaware County. \(Chester, Pa.\) 1937-1948](#)

Main Line Times

([web site](#)) of [Ardmore, Pennsylvania](#)
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First Issue:
Last Issue:
Archives:

Marcus Hook Herald (1896-1897)

[The Marcus Hook herald. \(Marcus Hook, Pa.\) 1896-1897](#)

Marple Newtown County Leader

I have most of the Marple Newtown County Leaders from 1931 thru 1982 (missing a few years in the 40's and 50's due to water damage they received from the past owner of the papers). Rich Crowe

First Issue:
Last Issue:
Archives:

Media Advertiser

Archives: MEDIA ADVERTISER (1855–1856)
<http://www.accessible-archives.com/collections/the-pennsylvania-newspaper-record-of-delaware-county/>

First Issue:
Last Issue:
Archives:

Media Ledger (1891-1913)

[Media ledger. \(Media, Pa.\) 1891-1913](#)

Media News (1831-?)

[The Media news. \(Media, Pa.\) 1931-19??](#)

Morning Republican

Jordan (p-514): now published daily in Chester, is one of the official newspapers of the city, Samuel Burke, editor, Charles R. Long, general manager.

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Morton Chronicle (1880-?)

Morton Chronicle newspaper, which was first published in 1880 by Edward W. Smith and later by Charles Whitaker. The newspaper covered Swarthmore and points east, going as far as Lansdowne and Fernwood. The paper was published once a week and was only four pages.

1880-90: <http://delawarecountyhistory.com/DelawareCountyNewspaper.htm>

News of Delaware County

([web site](#)) of [Havertown, Pennsylvania](#)

Current

Rich Crowe: We also have the News of Delaware County on microfilm from January of 1952 through November 2009.

I'm getting together the brief history of each of our publications now.

Our office is located at 1914 Parker Ave. Holmes (behind Nifty Fifties)

Most of the files are in the basement or in the garage in file cabinets or moving boxes. Any time you want to check it out is fine.

Rich

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

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Owl (The) (1858-?)

1848 – small folio published in Chester; very personal in its articles. Didn't last long.

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Pennsylvania Gazette (1728-1800)

Pennsylvania Gazette was one of the [United States'](#) most prominent newspapers from 1728, before the time period of the [American Revolution](#), until 1800. The newspaper was first published in 1728 by [Samuel Keimer] and was the second newspaper to be published in [Pennsylvania](#) under the name *The Universal Instructor in all Arts and Sciences: and Pennsylvania Gazette*, alluding to Keimer's intention to print out a page of [Ephraim Chambers' Cyclopaedia, or Universal Dictionary of Arts and Sciences](#) in each copy.^[1] On October 2, 1729, [Benjamin Franklin](#) and [Hugh Meredith](#) bought the paper and shortened its name, as well as dropping Keimer's grandiose plan to print out the *Cyclopaedia*.^[1] Franklin not only printed the paper but also often contributed pieces to the paper under [aliases](#). His newspaper soon became the most successful in the colonies.

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives: Archives are available online for a fee. <http://www.accessible-archives.com/collections/the-pennsylvania-gazette/>

Philadelphia Inquirer Historical Archive 1860-1922

Available through Delaware County Library system – see databases.

The Philadelphia Inquirer is a morning daily [newspaper](#) that serves the [Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, metropolitan area](#) of the United States. The newspaper was founded by John R. Walker and [John Norvell](#) in June 1829 as The Pennsylvania Inquirer and is the third-oldest surviving daily newspaper in the United States.^[2]

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Philadelphia Inquirer Historical Archive (1/1/1981 - Current)

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First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Philadelphia Evening Bulletin (1847-1982)

The Philadelphia Bulletin was a daily evening [newspaper](#) published from 1847 to 1982 in Philadelphia, [Pennsylvania](#). It was the largest circulation newspaper in Philadelphia for 76 years and was once the largest evening newspaper in the [United States](#). It was widely known for its slogan: "In Philadelphia, nearly everybody reads *The Bulletin*."

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Philadelphia Record (1877-1947)

The Philadelphia Record was a daily newspaper published in [Philadelphia](#), [Pennsylvania](#) from 1877 until 1947. The *Record* was founded in 1877 as a one-cent daily newspaper.^{[1][3]} In 1894, *The New York Times* praised it as "one of the best and most widely circulated newspapers in the United States."^[1]

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Pilot (The) (1835-?)

Another very early Delaware County newspaper was "The Delaware County Democrat", founded in Chester in 1835. Some years later it merged with "The Pilot", which was started in 1877. Many other newspapers, too numerous to name individually, were established in the county, most of them with but short terms of existence.

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Post Boy (1817-1826*)

Post Boy”, because it was delivered by post riders. This quaint old periodical, of which there are only four known copies in existence, was owned by Steuben Bulter and Eliphaleb B. Worthington. Nine years later, in 1826, it was renamed the “Upland Union”, continuing in operation under that title until 1852. Weekly folio. First issue 11-8-1817. See Ashmead p-382. Motto: “Intelligence is the life of liberty”

Jordan: this was the earliest newspaper enterprise in Delco.

[The post-boy, or Delaware County union. \(Chester, Pa.\) 18??-182?](#)

First Issue: 11-8-1817

Last Issue:

Archives: *THE POST BOY*, CHESTER, PA (FEW ISSUES)

<http://www.accessible-archives.com/collections/the-pennsylvania-newspaper-record-of-delaware-county/>

Progress (1889-1952)

[The progress. \(Darby, Pa.\) 1889-1952](#)

Progressive Weekly (1935-1942)

[Progressive weekly. \(Chester, Pa.\) 1935-1942](#)

Public Ledger (1836-1942)

The **Public Ledger** was a daily newspaper in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania published from March 25, 1836 to January 1942. Its motto was "Virtue Liberty and Independence". For a time, it was Philadelphia's most popular newspaper, but circulation declined in the mid-1930s.

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Ridley Park News (1913-1917)

Ridley Press (1962-current)

[Ridley press. \(Drexel Hill, Pa.\) 1962-current](#)

Rockdale Herald (Aston, Pa) (1898-1948)

a Democratic weekly founded in 1898,

The Rockdale Herald from 1898 to 1948 50th edition is online It was a small weekly newspaper in Aston PA William E. Griffith was the founder and publisher of "The Rockdale Herald". "The writer, who is and has been the publisher through all these years entered the newspaper business in a small way at the tender age of 7 yrs. At that time it was our job to go down to Rockdale station every afternoon and get the Chester Newspapers, the Times and the old Evening News and distribute them through the neighborhood. We stayed in that distribution, including the six Phila newspapers, for more than 20 yrs, thus acquiring an attachment for the distribution of news."

Interesting tidbit of other newspaper names in days gone by that were delivered or sold to Delco people..

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Springfield Press (1931-current)

([web site](#)) of [Springfield, Pennsylvania](#)

Current. I have the Springfield Press from 1931 thru today. (I believe the Springfield Historical Society scanned most of them about 15 years ago)

Rich Crowe.

[Springfield press. \(Springfield, Pa.\) 1931-current](#)

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Suburban (1855-?)

“The Suburban”, founded in 1885 - same as Suburban and Wayne Times?

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Suburban Advertiser

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First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Suburban and Wayne Times (1906-1985)

Ted Pollard: We have from 1913 or so til it stopped publication a few yrs ago, plus some older ones. There was a fire in 1913 and much was lost.

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Archives:

Swarthmore News (1914-1928)

[The Swarthmore news. \(Swarthmore, Pa.\) 1914-1928](#)

Swarthmore Swarthmorean (1942 - 1953)

[The Swarthmorean. \(Swarthmore, Pa.\) 1929-current](#)

First Issue:
Last Issue:
Archives:

Town Talk (1967-current)

([web site](#)) of [Ridley, Pennsylvania](#)
Current

[Town talk. \(Media, Pa.\) 1967-19??](#)

First Issue:
Last Issue:
Archives:

Upland Union (*1826-1852)

Originally the “Post Boy”, because it was delivered by post riders. This quaint old periodical, of which there are only four known copies in existence, was owned by Steuben Bulter and Elijahaleb B. Worthington. Nine years later, in 1826, it was renamed the “Upland Union”, continuing in operation under that title until 1852. Weekly folio. First issue 11-8-1817. Alexander McKeever discontinued it in 1852. See Ashmead p-382.

First Issue:
Last Issue: March 30, 1852
Archives: *UPLAND UNION*, CHESTER, PA (1825–1835; 1850–1852)

<http://www.accessible-archives.com/collections/the-pennsylvania-newspaper-record-of-delaware-county/>

Upland Union and Delaware County Democrat (1856-short lived)

Jordan p-515

[Upland union, and Delaware County Democrat and people's advocate. \(Chester, Pa.\) 18??-186?](#)

[Upland Union Newspaper November 1833 thru May 1834](#)

Upper Darby Herald (1915-1923)

Drexel Hill

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Wayne Argus

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Last Issue:

Archives:

Wayne Gazette

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Last Issue:

Archives:

Wayne Signal

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Last Issue:

Archives:

Weekly Reporter (1881-?)

The Weekly Reporter, a legal journal founded in 1881 and also published in Chester,

First Issue:

Last Issue:

Archives:

Weekly Visitor (1828-1832)

Weekly Visitor, owned by William Russell and edited by Strange N. Palmer, was first edited in 1828, in the interests of the opponents of the Democratic party. The paper existed in a very weak condition until 1832 when it gave up the ghost. See Jordan, p-514.

[The Weekly visitor, or, Delaware County gazette. \(Chester, Pa.\) 1828-1832](#)

First Issue: 1828

Last Issue: 1832

Archives: ARCHIVES: *WEEKLY VISITOR* (FEW ISSUES, 1830)

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