

# Borough's history depicted on street banners

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It's been a banner summer for Camp Hill — literally.

Twenty banners commemorating Camp Hill's history, a Historical Society of Camp Hill project that has had a lot of help from the graduating classes of Camp Hill High School, were hung on utility poles along Market Street.

Each Camp Hill-blue banner has been printed with a historic borough photograph selected by a graduating class of the high school.

The banners, which were paid for by the individual classes, also display the sponsoring class' year of graduation and a brief description of the photograph.

Camp Hill resident and historical society board member Virginia Springen said the banners, which

## How to help

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are an ongoing project, are a way for the community "to see a bit of our history."

The banners begin at the borough's border with Lemoyne and end at 32nd Street.

But as more banners are designed, the society plans to continue the project down Market Street to 36th Street.

Doris Fitting, who has lived in the borough for more than 68 years, has spearheaded much of the project.

Fitting has spread the word about the banners, found photo-

graphs and helped the different graduating classes select images for their banners. Currently, five more banners are in the works.

"I think they're absolutely great," Fitting said.

The banners are hung in close proximity to the items they commemorate, and there's already quite a variety of Camp Hill's history out on Market Street for walkers and drivers to see.

Camp Hill High School's graduating class of 1952 selected an



Camp Hill resident Doris Fitting helps supervise the hanging of the Camp Hill Historical Society's banners on Market Street, commemorating the history of the borough.

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image of Schaeffer Elementary School for its banner.

The banner sponsored by the class of 1959 commemorates the White Horse Tavern — the date on the banner for the tavern is 1736. The class of 1951 selected Camp Hill High School, circa 1915, for its banner.

Fitting's graduating class, 1955, selected an image of the front of Camp Hill High School, as built in 1952, for its banner. She said all of the banners are terrific, but she's partial to theirs.