

## Development Report

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1. Tubman event as far as Solebury Meeting is concerned is going very well. I was asked to send out a formal invitation to every one and did via email. Forgot to mention reservations, but Stu and John immediately sent out an email to that effect. So, I guess that they are firm on the seating arrangements for 150 only. I also went to meeting this past Sunday to personally invite everyone and hang up a sign or two. And, I was so very old news. They even had a stack of glossy postcards announcing the event on the sharing bench. Seems people are excited about it though, so good.
2. I've finally stumbled upon an event that no one else in our area has tried yet. It's tons of fun and could likely bring a fresh group of faces into the fold. You may have heard of "Painting with a Twist". It seems to be a big thing to do by a younger crowd in more urban areas. (I first heard of it through my nieces who live in Las Vegas) Usually you have to go to their facility and its BYOB. They do a lot of parties, birthdays and showers were big on the calendar. I was at Bucks hosting an art opening and the Bucks Alumni Association was hosting a Painting with a Twist event in the adjacent studio. These people (40+) were having a blast and Bucks doesn't allow booze. They had great music, people who had never met were mingling, and the Alumni Association got people back on campus who may, perhaps, take another course. Bottom line is: They will travel- you pay a little more per person, Bucks paid \$40 for a \$35 (2 hr) "lesson" . You do not need painting experience. The franchise brings everything from drop clothes to canvases to artist aprons to paints, even extra cups. We pick the painting from over 2,000 choices. I'm thinking Van Gogh- - I'm thinking 3 to 6 Sunday afternoon in October- maybe. Not so much a fundraiser as a bring them in event. That's the question. Do we want to try to tack on something more to charge more? I'm thinking a wine tasting and appetizer after party, maybe?