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## ***Afternoon History Series***

### **New Oxford Area Oral History Project**

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 beginning at 1:30 pm, Cross Keys Village

On **Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>**, beginning at 1:30 p.m., the New Oxford Area Historical Society (NOAHS) is pleased to continue its collaboration with Cross Keys Village (CKV) and announce our first program for 2024 – the continuation of our *New Oxford Area Oral History Project*. The purpose of the project is to capture the oral histories of longtime area residents and add those records to the historical collection being held and maintained by NOAHS. The programs held at Cross Keys Village are open to residents of Cross Keys and members of the New Oxford Area Historical Society.

The February 20<sup>th</sup> program will focus on the ***Stores, Shops and Merchants*** in and around New Oxford during the post WW-II years, as remembered by two long-time New Oxford residents. In addition, NOAHS will exhibit a few of the artifacts it holds in its collection that feature some of the shops and merchants from the 1950s-1970s. Lastly, NOAHS President Mike Schen will offer a preview of a new effort by NOAHS to assemble a genealogical record of the various merchants, businesses and places of employment that resided in New Oxford and surrounding area since its founding.

The program will be held in the *CKV Auditorium*, located within the Harmony Ridge Center, located on Harmony Drive, New Oxford, PA. Persons interested in attending should **pre-register by Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>** to ensure seating. After this, names may be added to a wait list. Cross Keys residents should register using the Cross Key's "Touchtown" app or at the Harmony Ridge Library. NOAHS members should contact Beverly Smith by phone at (717) 624-3805 or email at bevsmith8945@gmail.com.

This program is open exclusively to residents of CKV and NOAHS members, is free of charge, and made possible by the generous donations of NOAHS' members, supporters, and CKV.

To become a member or learn more about NOAHS, visit the organization's recently launched website at [www.newoxfordareahistory.org](http://www.newoxfordareahistory.org) or visit their Facebook page @NOAHS17350. Inquiries about the organization, how to support it, and our goals and programs for 2024 should be sent to [NOAHS17350@gmail.com](mailto:NOAHS17350@gmail.com).

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