

Where Northampton County Was Born

Students will be introduced to key figures in early Northampton County history. Cemetery tours will also highlight local connections to major historical figures including President George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, and President Theodore Roosevelt.



Topic:	Craig's Scotch-Irish Settlement (1728)
Cost:*	Free
Length:	As you wish
Maximum group size:	25
Adult/ Child Ratio:	1:25
Location/address for bus:	4965 Nor-Bath Blvd. Northampton, PA.
Grade Level/ Ages:	Grades 3-8
Accommodations?	Yes, handicap accessible.
Other information:	This program highlights local history not taught in schools.

Horner's Cemetery Historical Society

Horner's is noted as being the oldest cemetery in Northampton County. The land Horner's Cemetery lies on was part of Craig's Scotch-Irish Settlement, a group of Ulster immigrants who arrived in Philadelphia and settled in Northampton County in 1728 – years before the Moravians settled in Nazareth and Bethlehem. While the newly settled community struggled to establish itself in the New World, a woman by the name of Jane Horner was struck in the head by a tomahawk, becoming the first woman killed during the French and Indian War, as well as the namesake for Horner Cemetery. The cemetery holds the remains of many founders and notable figures of Northampton County, including three generals, seven esquires, four doctors, three ministers, and at least 21 documented veterans of four wars. The Horner's Cemetery Historical Society, a 501(c)(3) organization founded in 2011 by Peggy May Moser, aims to restore and upkeep the cemetery's memorials as well as to preserve, record, and disseminate the important history of Northampton County. Many members of the historical society have ancestors and close family members who are buried in the cemetery, making the preservation of the past a personal mission as well as an educational one.

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