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The Historic New-to-You & Vintage Barn Sale Reimagined
Historic Bethlehem Museums & Sites Seeks Donations for Hybrid Shopping Experience

BETHLEHEM, PA, February 2021 – If the snow and cold weather have you stuck inside this week, it may be a great time to get a headstart on your spring cleaning. Historic Bethlehem Museums & Sites (HBMS) is looking for donations for the New-to-You & Vintage Barn Sale. This historic, eco-friendly event is being reimagined and brought back to Burnside Plantation, Bethlehem’s farm-in-the-city, in 2021.

A variety of items will be accepted during open donation days and will be resold online and in person during the New-to-You & Vintage Barn Sale. Accepted donation items include home décor, jewelry, books, vintage items, outdoor décor, Christmas decorations, handmade crafts, dishes, glasses, china, and paintings. All donations are considered charitable contributions to the fullest extent of the law. The following items cannot be accepted: clothing, upholstered furniture, exercise equipment, and electronics.

Donations can be dropped off February 15-26 on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at Burnside Plantation, 1461 Schoenersville Road, Bethlehem, PA 18018. Donations can also be scheduled directly with Jennifer Bender at jbender@historicbethlehem.org or 610.882.0450 ext. 27.

The New-to-You & Vintage Barn Sale offers a unique shopping experience both online and at Burnside Plantation. The online shop opens on Friday, March 19 and items will be available for purchase through Friday, April 2. In person shopping at Burnside Plantation is open the weekend of April 10 & 11 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm each day. Visitors will be able to browse items in an outdoor marketplace setting and pick up their online purchases.

If you are looking for a new DIY project, the New-to-You & Vintage Barn Sale is the perfect place to start. Through this sale, HBMS is encouraging sustainability as patrons can repurpose furniture and other items from one home to another. Websites like Pinterest and HGTV have a wealth of ideas and resources on how to create the perfect pieces for your home from those similar to what you will be able to find online and at Burnside Plantation this spring.

All proceeds of the New-to-You & Vintage Barn sale will directly support Burnside Plantation. The historic Burnside Plantation consists of 6.5 acres with two bank barns, a historic house, two volunteer run gardens, and is the home of public programming throughout the year including the annual Blueberry Festival and Apple Days celebrations. HBMS is able to share the stories of Bethlehem’s past through the generosity of donors and participation in events like the New-to-You & Vintage Barn Sale.
HBMS is also looking for volunteers for drop off donation days and the in person sale. If you are interested in volunteering for the New-to-You & Vintage Barn Sale, please contact Jennifer Bender at jbender@historicbethlehem.org or 610.882.0450 ext. 27. For more information about donations and the New-to-You & Vintage Barn Sale please visit the Historic Bethlehem Museums & Sites website.

*Historic Bethlehem Museums & Sites* is a not-for-profit institution that brings to life three centuries of American history. Historic Bethlehem tells the story of a small town of great influence, home to some of our nation’s early settlers, to the first pumped municipal water system in the American colonies, and to one of the world’s greatest industrial companies. Historic Bethlehem is located in eastern Pennsylvania, only an hour’s drive north from Philadelphia and 2 hours west of New York City. Historic Bethlehem is an Affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, part of a National Historic Landmark District, and a designated site on the US Tentative List.

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