

## ATA EVENTS AT NTSS

### President's Reception—Friday, June 22



The ATA President's Reception will be held off site at the Historic Revere Tavern in Paradise, Pa. A coach will depart from the Lancaster Host Hotel at 6:30 pm for a short ride to the reception site. Participants can also go directly to the reception at 6:45; do notify tour director Bob Mather if you plan to meet there.

The Revere Tavern is loaded with history, from King George V to William Penn to Paul Revere, and its heritage has created a legacy of influence and prosperity. Built in 1740, it was formerly known as "The Sign of the Spread Eagle." It served as one of the better stagecoach stops between Philadelphia and Lancaster. In 1841 it was purchased by James Buchanan, the 15<sup>th</sup> president of the U.S., and it became the parsonage for his brother, the Rev. Edward Buchanan and his wife Eliza Foster Buchanan. It was here on the banks of the Pequea River that Eliza's brother, Stephen Foster, wrote some of his immortal songs, including *Oh Susannah!* And *My Old Kentucky Home*.

To this day, the Revere Tavern creates the perfect ambiance for you to create your own history. ATA members will be treated to a sit-down dinner. A few society presentations will be made. Then Al Schaub (local stamp dealer and NTSS table holder) will present "Mail Box Secrets of World War II." Schaub will tell us how stamps and envelopes were used to convey secret messages and how our troops were able to include forbidden messages in their letters to family members. Each attendee will receive a replica of actual codes that were used and will be able to decode their own personal copy of a letter from an American POW.

The coach will return reception participants to the Lancaster Host Hotel after what should be a fun and interesting evening. The cost of only \$30 covers dinner, gratuity and transportation.



### Awards Banquet—Saturday, June 23

The NTSS Awards Banquet will be held at the Lancaster Host Hotel from 7-9:30 pm; a no-host reception begins at 6:30. Menu choices include Stuffed Chicken Breast, Broiled Atlantic Salmon and Roast Sirloin of Beef. Ticket cost is \$40.

Reserve space by May 31 for the President's Reception or the Awards Banquet by submitting the form at on the inside front cover of the Mar-Apr *Topical Time*, or at

[http://americantopicalassn.org/ntss/2012/registration\\_form.pdf](http://americantopicalassn.org/ntss/2012/registration_form.pdf)

Contact the ATA Office at 618-985-5100, or email [americantopical@msn.com](mailto:americantopical@msn.com) to reserve your tickets. After May 31, event prices are increased by \$5 per ticket.

Call Bob Mather at 262-968-2392, or email [burrobb@wi.rr.com](mailto:burrobb@wi.rr.com) with any questions.