

Northeast Philadelphia History Network

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Meeting Notice

<u>Hybrid In-person & Virtual</u>
7:00 PM, Wednesday, October 2, 2024

Pennepack Baptist Meetinghouse 8732 Krewstown Rd, Phila, 19115

Topic: Thomas Holme, Surveyor General

Speaker: Jim Shomper, Surveyors Historical Society



Thomas Holme's 1683 Portraiture of the City of Philadelphia in the Province of Pennsylvania.

November 3, 2024, will mark the 400th anniversary of the birth of William Penn's Surveyor General, Thomas Holme (1624-1695), upon whom Penn relied for surveying and mapping his nascent Province of Pennsylvania. Holme was also one of the earliest landowners and residents of what would become known as Northeast Philadelphia. He is buried at the Holme-Crispin Cemetery on Holme Avenue.

Retired Professional Land Surveyor and Holmesburg resident, Jim Shomper, will speak on Thomas Holme's life in England and Ireland before coming to Pennsylvania with some history of England that affected both Holme and Penn. Included will be a discussion of 17th century surveying methods and an examination the 1683 Portraiture of the City and how it relates to today. Antique surveying tools will be displayed.

For those attending virtually, a link will be sent out a day or two prior to the meeting. Please send a request for the zoom link to nephillyhistory@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page.