



Dear Friends, Supporters, and Partners,

After a decade of extraordinary leadership, we share the news that Dr. Patricia Pongracz will be stepping down as Executive Director of Macculloch Hall Historical Museum (MHHM), effective May 31, 2025.

Since joining the Museum in 2015, Dr. Pongracz has been a visionary and steadfast leader. Under her guidance, MHHM has experienced remarkable growth and recognition. Whether by expanding our educational programs, strengthening community partnerships, enriching and interpreting our collections, assuring accessibility, and deepening our philanthropic engagement, Dr. Pongracz has had a significant and lasting impact on the Museum. Notably, she has also raised the stature of MHHM nationally by launching the Bloomberg Connects app which opens the Museum's doors virtually to people throughout the country and earning accreditation for MHHM from the prestigious American Alliance of Museums. Her unwavering dedication to excellence has left an enduring mark on our institution and the broader community we serve. Though we will deeply miss Patricia's leadership and presence, we are confident that her future contributions within the New Jersey Historical Community will be as meaningful and inspiring as the legacy she created at Macculloch Hall Historical Museum.

The Board of Trustees is committed to ensuring a smooth transition to the next chapter of MHHM leadership. During this interim period, Carly Cheponis, our current Operations Manager, will assume the role of Interim Director, providing continuity in leadership and operations. With deep institutional knowledge and strong commitment to our mission, Carly is well-positioned to guide the Museum during this important time and we appreciate her willingness to step into an interim role.

The Board and Museum staff remain as committed as ever to preserving and sharing the history and mission that defines Macculloch Hall Historical Museum—and we are grateful for your continued support as we move forward together.

Please join us in the Museum's Historic Gardens on Saturday, May 10, to celebrate National Public Gardens Day (10:00 am – 1:00 pm) and wish Tricia well in her next endeavors.

With appreciation and warm regards,

**Jock Clark**  
President, Board of Trustees  
**Macculloch Hall Historical Museum**  
*Morristown's Community Museum*



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