

# **Bertolet Burying Ground Association records**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Historical Society of Montgomery County
<b>Creator</b>	Bertolet Burying Ground Association.
<b>Title</b>	Bertolet Burying Ground Association records
<b>Call number</b>	18
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1874-1992
<b>Extent</b>	1.5 linear feet
<b>General Physical Description note</b>	2 boxes
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Abstract</b>	<p>The Bertolet Meeting House and Burial Ground is a restored one-story brick Mennonite meeting house with a burial ground in Upper Frederick, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. The Bertolet Burying Ground Association records, 1874-1992, consist primarily of financial and administrative records of the Bertolet Burying Ground Association, with genealogical research on the Bertolet family. It features minute books dating from the start of the organization, in 1889, through 1992; most of the remaining materials date from the 1970s to the 1990s.</p>

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## Biography/History

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The Bertolet Meeting House and Burial Ground is a restored one-story brick Mennonite meeting house with a burial ground in Upper Frederick, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. The cemetery was set aside in 1725 on a piece of the land belonging to William Frey. Samuel Bertolet (1743-1805) is known as the founder of the burying ground, and Daniel Bertolet (1796-1868) is known as the builder of the meeting house. In 1890, it was formally incorporated as "Bertolet's Burying Ground."

**Bibliography:**

Bertolet Burying Ground Association. "The Bertolet's Burying Grounds and 1847 Mennonite Meeting House." Undated pamphlet, found in collection.

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection consists primarily of financial and administrative records of the Bertolet Burying Ground Association, with genealogical research on the Bertolet family. It features minute books dating from the start of the organization, in 1889, through 1992; most of the remaining materials date from the 1970s to the 1990s. These include treasurer's reports, family data fact sheets, correspondence, charter and by-laws, and newsletters and pamphlets. There are some deeds and miscellaneous other documents dating back to 1872.

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## Administrative Information

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**Access Restrictions**

Contact Historical Society of Montgomery County for information about accessing this collection.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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**CORPORATE NAME(S)**

- Bertolet Burying Ground Association.

**FAMILY NAME(S)**

- Bertolet family

**GEOGRAPHIC NAME(S)**

- Montgomery County (Pa.)
- Upper Frederick (Pa. : Township)

**PERSONAL NAME(S)**

- Clemmer, Leon

**SUBJECT(S)**

- Cemeteries
- Family reunions
- Genealogy
- Historic sites--Conservation and restoration
- Mennonites