

**JUNE 2017 EDIT** 

### PROGRAM HANDBOOK

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A new handbook is distributed once every five years. An addendum may be prepared and distributed as needed at the Spring Conference.

We suggest placing the handbook in a binder to be kept by the Chapter program chair and passed on to each succeeding program chair.

You may get additional copies of the Program Handbook from the State 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. There is a \$5 charge for a hard copy to cover the cost of duplicating and mailing. Electronic copies in PDF format can be sent free of charge.

The names and telephone numbers of those listed are intended for use by Questers only. Please get permission before sharing a person's contact information.

Please help keep the list of speakers current by sending the following information to the State 2nd Vice President:

- New Speakers or programs including names, contact information, and topics;
- Changes to speakers or programs already listed;
- Unique place to visit;
- Speakers or programs that should be deleted.

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### CHAPTER YEARBOOK

Your yearbook should be distributed to your members at you first meeting of the year. Since this is usually September, you will want to schedule your programs and prepare the yearbook over the summer.

Bring TWO copies of your chapter yearbook to Fall Council. If unable to attend that state meeting, mail those copies to the PA Questers 2nd VP. She

will then forward one copy of each chapter yearbook in one mailing to the International Questers 2nd VP. Those yearbooks will be judged on the International level based on the following criteria:

- Thorough content as itemized on page 2 of this Bluebook;
- Detailed organization
- Creative graphic design

The second copy will be judged by a panel on the state level with winners announced and certificates awarded at the Spring Convention in April. In addition to the International level criteria, consideration will be given to the Best Pocket Size Yearbook and the Best Reusable Book.

### **SUGGESTED CONTENTS**

Questers motto: "It's fun to search and a joy to find."

Questers colors: Blue and Gold

Headquarters - The Questers, 210 South Quince Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107-5534, 215-923-

5183, Hours: 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday

"What's In A Name" statement for the Chapter

The Questers website: www.questers1944.org – Password: Heritage

Founder's Award Topic for the fiscal year

Chapter Bylaws
Chapter Officers

Chapter membership list with addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses

Chapter program for each meeting with the date, time and location

Hostesses for meetings

Committees and Committee Chairpersons

### **OPTIONAL**

Phone Chain for the Chapter

Chapter charter date and list of charter members

State and Local dues and dates payable

List of past chapter presidents

Membership Policies

Attendance and/or participation requirements

New Members policies

In Chartered States or Provinces, lists of officers and dates of State or Provincial Meetings

**International Officers** 

Photographs

Much of the material will not change from year to year; some will need to be updated each year.

### PLANNING YOUR PROGRAM YEAR

### **Budget**

You will need funds from your treasury for program expenses, yearbook costs, duplicating costs, supplies and postage. Speakers' fees will probably be the largest expense. You don't have to spread the money evenly over the year. You may want to have lower cost programs in some months so that you can "splurge" some months.

### **Meeting Date and Time**

It is best to have a regular meeting day and time to avoid conflicts with members' other activities. But do be flexible. Please check a calendar for the dates of religious and secular holidays that change each year such as Yom Kippur, Easter and others and adjust your meeting dates accordingly.

Programs can be more meaningful if connected to events such as Black History Month, Women's History Month, Christmas, Thanksgiving, Veterans' Day, Memorial Day, Halloween, Chinese New Year, etc.

If a meeting is not on the usual day of the month, or at a different time, or if you need to make a last-minute change, you will need to remind your members either by e-mail, telephone, or postcard. When using e-mail, make sure your members use it. Many have it available, but are not frequent users. If you have a phone chain, you will want to test it to be sure messages go through to the end of the chain.

Members may also need to be reminded of January meetings. We all get a new calendar for the coming year, but meeting dates may not be noted.

The annual Spring Conference is always in April and should be on your yearly schedule.

### Agenda

Meetings usually consist of the chapter business meeting, program and refreshments. The order may vary. Will there be a business meeting before or after an outing? Will you visit a restaurant? Whatever is decided, it should be communicated to all members either in the yearbook or by whatever other method your chapter uses before the meeting date.

### **Program Sources**

### **Ouesters**

- Donation only
- Experienced life-long collectors
- Will usually travel to your location
- May be available on short notice (especially in the event of a last-minute cancelation).

### **Non-Questers**

- Usually cost more
- Offer broader range of topics
- May need equipment and more space
- May travel or offer on-site programs

#### Other Sources

- Museums
  - Travelling exhibits
- Videos and DVDs from public library or Bess Bardens Library
- Historical Societies
- AAA travel guides "Gems"
- Travel Brochures
- Newspapers and Magazines
- Colleges and University Outreach Programs
- Historic Sites call for speakers
- Internet
- Designer House Tour in Your Area.

### Within your Chapter and Other Low Cost Programs

- Collections
- Workshops
- Study Papers
- Ethnic cooking
- Picnic [and tour] at one of Pennsylvania State Park
- Trip to a Flea Market
- "You've Come a Long Way Baby" Today's woman compared to mom and grand mom.
- "I Remember ...." [Games, Toys, Early Radio Programs
- Exchange Christmas Ornaments
- Christmas Traditions Around the World
- Show and Tell:
  - Oldest Item in your Closet;
  - o "Off The Wall" each member brings an item such as a photograph, plaque, award, diploma, tapestry, etc. to share;
  - Heirlooms

### **Scheduling Programs**

- Start early spring or early summer.
- Determine when you want to schedule in house speakers and when you want to plan trips. A museum may be fine for cold weather, but walking tours and outdoor activities are better for the warmer months.
- For the winter months, you may want to schedule snow day alternatives with your speakers as well as your hostesses.
- At a spring meeting, ask your members for program suggestions for the following year. A "brainstorm" session may give you some new suggestions and also give you a better idea of where your members' interests lie.
- Themes: not necessary but they can be fun and give you programs direction for the year.
- Consider a program each year that includes a spouse or guest of each member. Try to select a program that would interest everyone.

### **Combined Meetings with Other Questers Chapters**

- You can schedule more expensive programs by sharing costs with other chapters.
- Your hostesses should coordinate hospitality so each chapter shares in providing refreshments and helps with set up and clean up.
- You will probably need to find a larger space. Consider:
  - Library; Township Building meeting room; school or church meeting room; social club, or a public meeting room. Some restaurants may allow meetings if you purchase snacks and beverages.

### **Contacting Speakers**

- Be sure to confirm the topic. Many presenters offer several programs.
- Determine fees: Always mention that you are a Quester. Many speakers will negotiate fees for Questers.
- Ask about equipment and space needs such as display tables, screens or other equipment that will limit where that program may be held.
- Discuss length of program and let him/her know how many will attend.
- Put all details in writing with the speaker either through an e-mail or confirmation letter.

### Things to do Prior to a Meeting

- Call your speaker to confirm date, time and place. Schedule the speaker for his or her starting time so they do not have to wait for your chapter meeting to end.
- Provide directions.
- Provide your cell phone number as well as the hostess's phone number.
- Let speaker know if a meal or refreshments will be served.
- Ask for biographical material if you want to prepare an introduction.
- Let the hostess know if tables or other equipment will be used.
- Let you Treasurer know the amount and name for the check.

### Things to do the Day of the Meeting

- Save a parking space for the speaker and make sure no one else uses it.
- Provide help in carrying in any display materials or equipment.
- Get the check from the Treasurer and have it in an envelope. Give it to the speaker prior to the meeting.
- Provide a glass of water for the speaker.
- Introduce the speaker.
- Be prepared to end the program if a Q&A runs too long.
- Thank the speaker.
- Be sure to treat the speaker as a guest and allow him or her to access the refreshments before the members.
- Assist with packing up.
- Send a thank you note.

### Travel – Off Site

- Weather: schedule travel for the warmer months when there is no risk of snow or ice.
- Carpool: mention driving expenses so that riders will offer to share costs with the driver.
- Trains: Regional rails are discounted for seniors even during peak hours.
- Philly Phlash in Philadelphia: The purple Phlash usually runs from May through September. It makes a loop from Old City out to Benjamin Franklin Parkway with frequent stops in between for all of the sites along its path. There is a stop at 9<sup>th</sup> and Market which is at the Market East train stop.
- Taxis: Not expensive with multiple riders. That may be the easiest way to get to the attractions along the Parkway in Philadelphia when the Phlash is not running.

### **County Transit Group Travel**

Many Pennsylvania counties provide group transportation service for seniors living within that county. This service is subsidized by the state. Do not confuse this with the shared ride program for seniors or disabled people use for doctor visits. You travel as a group and visit only the places you designate.

Visit your county's website and click on the Area Agency on Aging link. Follow that link for additional information. Call them for details and registration forms.

- Cost: May vary by county.
- Vehicle: Usually a 20-seat van. No restroom.
- They will make multiple stops; i.e., one picks-up location, a tour site, a restaurant, and one drop-off location on return.
- Requirement: Riders must be:
  - o 65 or over or disabled
  - o Registered with the County Transit Service (free). Registration requires proof of age such as a copy of a driver's license or passport.
- Travel Limits: *Contiguous* Pennsylvania Counties. They do not travel to New Jersey. If you live in Bucks County, the Transit service will take your group to Northampton, Montgomery, Lehigh or Philadelphia counties. Check with your Area Agency on Aging for travel limits for your county's transit service.
- Reservations for a group trip must be made ahead of time and vans are available on a first come first served basis.
- A group request form must be submitted showing date, time, places to be visited, and names and registration numbers of those traveling.
- You may use this service as often as you wish, but you will need to complete a group trip
  request for each reservation. You will also need to submit the list of travelers for each of
  the trips.

# SPEAKERS WHO ARE QUESTERS Donation to PA Questers Suggested

BERGERE, NANCY 790 Spring Valley Road Doylestown, PA 18901 215-348-9328 nancybergere99@msn.com	Early Lighting (in her home)
CAMPBELL, DOROTHY 1211 Foulkeways Gwynedd, PA 1936 Dottiec1120@gmail.com	<ul> <li>Sailors' Valentines</li> <li>Robert Todd Lincoln</li> <li>Angels</li> <li>1949 French Marci/Gratitude Train</li> </ul>
DiMARIA, JOAN 1010 Pelham Drive Hatfield, PA 19440 215-822-7422 Joandimaria@hotmail.com	Ladies Lingerie through the Ages Evenings Only
GHERING, SANDRA W. 551 Maple Avenue Doylestown, PA 18901 215-348-4097	Pocket Match Safes Not available October through April
KEISER, RUTH 1418 Brittany Pointe Lansdale, PA 19446 215-675-0515	Quilts of the Underground Railroad  Day Time
LEWICKI, CHERYL 18 John Dyer Way Doylestown, PA 18901 215-340-0980 cslewicki@yahoo.com	DAR Museum Slide/Power Point Presentations Christmas in the DAR Period Rooms (evolution of Christmas) For the Fun of It (toys of yesteryear) American Costumes Wedding Customs Myths or Truth of Early America
MacKENZIE, IRMA 1520 Temple Drive Maple Glen, PA 19002 215-643-3067 Mackenziewood1@msn.com	Cooking Trends in the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century with kitchen artifacts Program held in her home in daytime; No January, February or March

MAURONE, LILLIAN 857 Nathaniel Trail Warwick, PA 18974 dmaurone@verizon.net 215-443-9779	Tea – History of Tea Ice Cream – History of Ice Cream Coca Cola –History of Coca Cola Cookies – History of Cookies I will prepare a lunch and tea for the group. 20 people at my house. \$6,00 a person
MIKELBERG, SANDRA 24315 Ann's Choice Way Warminster, PA 18974 215-675-1639	<ul> <li>Paperweights</li> <li>Glass Whimsies</li> <li>Antique Bottles</li> <li>Only in her House</li> </ul>
SANDER, DALE 134 Shepherds Way Warminster, PA 18974 215-675-6078 Pythagoras62@verizon.net	18 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup> C. Presidents: Washington to McKinley 20 <sup>th</sup> C Presidents: McKinley to Bush Vice Presidents Needs display table
SEYMOUR, KATHLEEN 269 Old Limekiln Rd., Chalfont 18914 ksantiques@comcast.net	History of New Britain Baptist Church (1744 – 2009)
STEVENSON, ELEANOR 115 South Founders Court Warrington, PA 18976 215-918-1999	Presidential Spoons – 20th Century Pressed Pattern Glass –States Patterns by U.S. Glass Co. Story of Sears Roebuck Houses Day Time

### **OUTSIDE SOURCES FOR SPEAKERS**

Fees are subject to change

### **SPEAKERS**

Most museums, colleges and universities have outreach programs and a speaker's service. Call for information. Visit their websites for updates on new programs.

When looking for a speaker on a particular topic, call the historic site for information. Many will offer programs at their site or at your location. They can usually refer you to speakers. If you are interested in a specific type of antique call an antique store that specializes in those items. They may offer to come out to do a presentation, refer you to a speaker, or invite you to visit their shop.

ARMSTRONG, JACK 610-584-4115		Revolutionary War Soldier – uniform and life of a soldier
ATKINS, ANN ann@annatkins.com	Fee	The Life of Eleanor Roosevelt
BAER, MATTHEW Ridgewood, NJ 074560 201-670-6191 Yabumeizan.aol.com		Japanese Porcelain –Imari
BARROWS, TINA 1326 Yost School Road Ottsville, PA 18941 215-795-2182	\$60	Basketry: World-wide Collection
BLISS, LAURALEE 366 Morning Glory Road Rockersville, PA 22968 434-985-3284 blissfulhiking@gmail.com	Fee Negotiable	4,000 Miles on the Appalachian Trail" slide presentation
BOSWELL, LaRUE P.O. Box 466 Skippack, PA 19474 610-489-3932	No Fee	LaRue's Doll Review - A Unique Doll Presentation – In her home only – limit 15
BRIER, TOM 215-431-7365	Fee	Aaron Burr

BRODY, SUSAN EXTON, PA 610-384-3781 susannabrody@comcast.net		Storyteller- Rebecca Lukens in her own words (in costume) Visit:www.susannabrody.com
CALLAHAN, DANE Newtown Historic Association The Half Moon Inn 215-805-8772	Donation	Tour includes painted signs and many other treasurers.
CLARK, KATHLEEN ZINGARO 63 Spring Drive Doylestown, PA 18901 215-348-8679 kzingaro@verizon.net www.historiaproductions.com	\$100	<ul> <li>The Flapper</li> <li>Images of America: Bucks County</li> <li>Images of America: Inns &amp; Taverns</li> <li>Images of America: Warminster (avail. 2011)</li> <li>Image programs are slide Presentations based on her books</li> </ul>
COLLIER, CHRIS 108 East Butler Ave. Ambler, Pa 215-345-7855		Ambler Movie Theater: Tour of projection room and slides showing history of building
DUPUY, ALISA Historical Teas Yardley, PA 215-778-9860 usadupuy@yahoo.com	Fee	Tea House with various programs including Titanic Time Period Many, Many Characters – see website
FLEISHER, ERIK Street & Newtown Roads Warminster, PA 18974 215-230-7712	Donation	John Fitch, Inventor of the Steamboat – at the John Fitch Steamboat Museum on the grounds of Craven Hall  Craven Hall Restoration 19 <sup>th</sup> C.  Mansion – slide presentation
FRIENDS OF THE WISSAHICKON Speakers Bureau 8708 Germantown Ave. Phila., PA 19118 215-247-0417 www.fow.org	Donation	<ul> <li>Multiple Programs on Ecology and History</li> <li>History of Horses in the Wissahickon</li> <li>Birds of the Wissahickon</li> <li>Walnut Lane Bridge at 100</li> <li>Art Inspired by the Wissahickon</li> <li>Postcards from the Wissahickon</li> </ul>

FRITZ, DAVID (Member: APIC – American Political Items Collectors) 1611 Clearbrook Road Lansdale, PA Weteach2@verizon.net 215-362-0763		Political Memorabilia
GREEN, JENNIFER Media, Phila., PA 19063 610-566-1725	\$75 within 25 miles	History of Flour Life in Early Pennsylvania
GOLDSTEIN, JERRY/TUCK, DAVID 215-946-7356	Donation	Holocaust
GOODMAN, SALLY 21 Ferry Street New Hope, PA 215-862-5754	Fee	Romantic Staffordshire Transfer Ware
GOSCHENOPPEN HISTORIANS Routes 29 and 63 Green Lane, PA Ed Johnson 215-234-9252 www.goschenhoppen.org		Local history museums and folk life library Redman's Hall Antes House Festival
HANLEY, KIM kimehanley@gmail.com 610-639-4025 www.remberingtheladies.com	\$75 - \$100	<ul> <li>Abigail Adams</li> <li>Annie Oakley</li> <li>Betsy Ross</li> <li>Alice Roosevelt</li> </ul>
HELSINGER, LORNA 873 Barnswallow Road Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006 215-947-0159	Fee	Personal and Private of our Founding Fathers
HERR, AUDREY 728 Norristown Road Lower Gwynedd, PA 19002 215-646-5193	Fee	John Morton, signer of the Declaration of Independence (with a surprise ending).

HENRY, JEFF President, SS United States Foundation Glenside, PA 856-297-3143		SS United States (National Flagship) – Listed on National Register of Historic Places Cruise ship, Secret Military Transport
HIND, KEN #228 – 4000 Gypsy Lane Philadelphia, PA 19129 215-848-6991	Fee	Philadelphia: before and after WWII: Society Hill, Ben Franklin Bridge, Penn Center etc. Uses Carousel or Power Point
HOLLINGSHEAD, ROBERTA Villanova, PA 610-293-1424	Fee	Antique Silver
HURFORD, ROBERT 201 Pineville Road Wrightstown, PA 18940 215-598-3896	Donation Wife is a Quester	Calligraphy – History of Penmanship
IRWIN-KLOTZ, JANE 1445 Cathy's Lane, North Wales 19454 215-368-0982	\$50	Lavender
JARVIS, ELIZABETH FARMER 215-813-8328 or 215-248-9744	Fee	Chestnut Hill Historical Society and Germantown Historical Society
JESBERGER, MICHAEL 267-278-0943 J4Regimento@comcast.net	Fee Negotiable	The life, uniforms, and equipment of infantry soldiers in the Revolutionary and Civil Wars.
JONES, DAVID www.currierandives.com	Fee	Printmakers Currier & Ives in 19 <sup>th</sup> Century
KARSCHNER, DICK 1108 Kenyon Drive Fort Washington, PA 215-646-6788	Fee depending on size of group	<ul> <li>Willow Grove Park &amp; John Philip Sousa</li> <li>Willow Grove Park: Its Music &amp;Souvenirs</li> </ul>
KAUFFMAN, HERBERT Professor of Civil War History Manor College		Medicine in the Civil War

KLEIN, A. LUDWIG & SON, Inc. Mark Powell Route 63 Harleysville, PA 19438 215-256-9004	Fee – 30-day notice	Invisible Fine China Repairing and Restoration of Porcelain and Glass Tues. – Fri. 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Dr. Donald G. Koones 6449 Oak View Drive Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17112 Telephone: (717) 657-1066 E-Mail: dgkoones@hacc.edu	\$300.00 (Includes Travel Expenses	Celebrating the Wyeth Legacy Call for list of other topics
LARASON, LEW 2 East Butler Avenue Chalfont, PA 18914 215-822-3987 guthrielarason@earthlink.net	Fee – varies by program	Antiques Baskets Nature Many programs and titles – call for specifics
LAVIN, CLAIRE PO Box 354 Cheltenham, PA 19012 215-663-9523	\$125	Vintage Halloween Collectibles
LA VO, CARL clavo@calkins.com		<ul> <li>Nine Wonders of Bucks County</li> <li>The Ghosts of Pen Ryn</li> <li>How a Central Bucks Highway is reminder of the Civil War</li> <li>The Legacy of Edward Hicks</li> </ul>
LINDHOLD, HARDING 11212 Ann's Choice Way Warminster, PA 18974 215-672-7246		Widow Winchester's Ghostly Obsession Narrated slide show on the Winchester House in San Jose, CA
LUDWIG, DAVID P.O. Box 141 Mount Laurel, NJ 08054 Paperman#hotmail.com	Donation	Marbleheaders who managed the Durham boats that took Washington across the Delaware to Trenton
MacKAY, KAREN 304-645-3903	Fee – Negotiable	The West Virginia Woman The West Virginia Hills

MARSHALL, JEFFREY Heritage Conservancy 215-345-7020 x 113 www.heritageconservancy.org	Donation Negotiable	Power Point – Old Bucks Homes/Barns
MEADE, EVELYN Willow Grove, PA 215-659-3897		Original Paper Cuttings by Evelyn Audience will do paper cuttings Day preferred – Needs table for display
MERCER MUSEUM PROGRAMS 215-345-0210 (Ext. 125	Fee Travel costs if outside of Bucks County	<ul> <li>Bucks County Illustrated</li> <li>Greetings from Bucks (postcards)</li> <li>Haunted Bucks;</li> <li>Henry Mercer: Renaissance Man;</li> <li>Victorian Valentines</li> <li>Needs table for projector</li> </ul>
MITCHELL, MILLARD 215-493-2059	Fee	Underground Railroad and Tour of Yardley & Lower Bucks County
MOLESWORTH, BOB 53 Keeley Avenue New Britain, PA 18901 215-345-6358	Fee Negotiable 15 People	Antique radios, phonographs, band organs, player pianos, theater pipe organ, and 21 seat theater  In his home only.
MORAVIAN CULTURAL CENTER c/o Wendy Weida director@moravianhistoricalsociety.org 214 East Center Street Nazareth, PA 18064 610-759-5070	\$100 to \$200	<ul> <li>Moravian History</li> <li>Christmas Customs</li> <li>Artifacts Collection</li> <li>Musical Instruments</li> <li>John Valentine Haidt</li> <li>Colonial Clothing</li> <li>Victorian and Colonial Tea Service</li> </ul>
NAGY, JOHN A. PO Box 141 Mount Laurel, NJ 08054 paperman@hotmail.com	Fee	Spy craft during the American Revolution: invisible ink, codes, ciphers, spy technology, etc.
NEDDENIEP, DICK 215-348-5618	Donation	Portrays Lt. Edwin Fretz of the 104 <sup>th</sup> Regiment in Civil War at the Civil War Museum in Doylestown

NEWMAN, CAROL 215-423-3930	Donation	<ul><li> Nurses in the Civil War</li><li> Clara Barton</li></ul>
NIEDERKORN, GARY Niederkorn Antique Silver 2005 Locust Street Philadelphia, PA 19103 215-567-2606	\$40 – available day or night	History of Silver Shop open Tuesday - Saturday
OKENQUIST, HELEN 123 Butternut Drive Hatboro, PA 215-675-8536	Fee	<ul> <li>Helen's Historical Hat Rack</li> <li>Parasols&amp; Umbrellas – Past and Present</li> <li>Perky Purses – Yesterday &amp; Today</li> </ul>
PARISH, JUDY 111 Clover Lane Royersford, PA 19468 610-495-8383 jwpstar@aol.com – identify yourself as a Quester	\$100	History of Old Willow Grove Park – 1895 through 1976 Myths and Legends of Santa Clause and why we believe in Santa Clause And the Legends Continue (Christmas) Needs two 6-foot tables.
PETERSON, DEBORAH 327 Sumneytown Pike Harleysville, PA 19438 215-256-9399 Debpeterson.org debpeterson@comcast.net	Fee – \$150	Colonial Programs – many including food and kitchen items Also, packaging of 18 <sup>th</sup> Century PowerPoint
PERRY, CANDACE 215-679-3103	\$75	<ul><li>Fraktur</li><li>Textiles</li><li>Hex Signs</li></ul>
POLIKOFF, MURIEL 7708 Woodlawn Avenue Elkins Park, PA 19027 215-635-4948	Fee	Antique Wedgewood with 200 Slides  Ask about equipment needs.
PROKOPOVYCH, CHRISTINE Manor College 400 Foxchase Road Jenkintown, PA 215-885-2360 x293	Fee	"Pysanky" – Ukranian eggs

PRURO, LIZ 222 New Road – Suite 700 Linwood, NJ 08221 WWW.MISSAMERICA.ORG Liz@MissAmerica.org	Fee	Miss America
RSVP: Retired & Senior Volunteer Program of Montgomery County – Speakers Bureau 610-834-1040 ext. 15		Speakers Bureau – Call for list of Speakers and Programs
RAMSAY, MELISSA 244 Spring Garden Street Easton, PA 610-730-4072	Fee	<ul> <li>Bringing History to Life - Dolly Madison/Mary Todd Lincoln</li> <li>Letters from the Victorian Heart</li> <li>Unsinkable Molly Brown</li> <li>Abigail Adams</li> </ul>
RAMSAY, CHET E. Fallowfield Township 2460 Strasburg Road Coatesville, PA 19320 610-384-0514	\$10 per person 10 person Minimum	<ul> <li>Antique Music Boxes</li> <li>House Tour (Nat'l Hist. Registry – c. 1823)</li> <li>Their location only – 2 hour program</li> </ul>
ROBERTO, BETTY 215-723-2804		Hobo Culture
ROSENFELD, DR. JACK 267-261-7114 (cell)	Donation	Shaker and Nantucket Baskets Avail: Wednesday afternoon; Tues., Wed., or Fri. Evenings – needs display table
SEYFRIED, STEVE 215-527-6109	Fee	Portrays – James Madison
SHAFER, MARY PO Box 97 Ferndale, PA 18921 610-847-2456 floodbook@thewordforge.com www.55flood.com	\$100 Plus the ability to sell and sign her books	Devastation on the Delaware, the Deadly Flood of 1955  PowerPoint: Needs card table and 3-prong extension cord from table to outlet

SCHAEFF, ROBERT & KAY 1714 North Limekiln Pike Chalfont, PA 18914 215-822-2222	\$45 in their home	Pennsylvania German Redware Samplers Painted Bride Boxes
SHIKHVARG, ALLAN S. 215-888-0134 Old_pete@comcast.net	Donation	<ul> <li>Civil War Stories</li> <li>Lt. General James Longstreet</li> </ul>
SKALER, ROBERT Forensic Architect forensicarch@comcast.net 7615 Garden Road Cheltenham, PA 19012 215-635-1887	\$200 Travel 45 min. from Cheltenham Afternoons	Society Hill & Old City (Power Point) Rittenhouse Square (Power Point) History of Broad St. – North & South Circa 1910 (slides) University City – West Phila. to 52nd St. (slides)  Power Point – may need equipment Screen, computer
SNYDER, SUE 1332 Jericho Road Abington, PA 215-885-7069	\$50: her home \$100 your site	<ul> <li>Bathing Suits</li> <li>Handbags through the ages</li> <li>Shoes and Hats</li> <li>Wedding Dresses</li> <li>Travel Limit – 1 hour</li> </ul>
STEELEY, MARTY Sellersville Museum 140 East Church Street Sellersville, PA 18960 215-453-8268	Fee	"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to Sellersville."  June Brides  Famous People of Bucks County
STEPHENSON'S AUCTION Tom Wakeley - Appraiser 1005 Industrial Blvd. Southampton, PA 18966 215-322-6182	Fee Negotiable	Topics include books, jewelry, furniture, auctions, E-bay, etc.
STITELY, PAM Phila., Media 610-565-6189	Donation	Early American Coins – collection includes originals and copies Ancient Coins almost 3,000 years old Junk or Antiques History of Wooden Works Clocks

SUTOR, MARGARET JOHNSON Fox Hound Drive Lafayette Hill, PA 215-646-7593	Fee	Redware and English Ceramics
TAYLOR, SUSAN, Exec. Dir. Friends of the Delaware Canal – Locktender's House/Lock 11 145 South Main Street New Hope, PA 18938 215 862 2021 www.FODC.org	Donation – \$50+ Not over 15 miles from New Hope	<ul> <li>Delaware Canal History</li> <li>Delaware Commerce Conservationist Calamaties</li> <li>Screen needed for PowerPoint.</li> </ul>
TOWNSEND, RAMON 256 Eagleview Blvd., #367 Exton, PA 19341 610-507-0827 ramontownsend@yahoo.com		<ul><li>Colonial Bindery</li><li>Custom bookbinding and repair.</li><li>Small or large group</li></ul>
WANGER, WILLIAM (Bill) Gwynedd, PA 610-397-6503 wwanger@foxrothchild.com		<ul> <li>Political Memorabilia: Campaign Buttons, Autographs</li> <li>Space Program</li> </ul>
WASKIE, DR. ANDY andy.waskie@temple.edu prefers email 215-204-5452	Donation	Gen. George Meade (1 <sup>st</sup> person) Laurel Hill Cemetery Philadelphia and the Civil War Grand Army of the Republic Civil War Veterans
WEBER, DR. FREDERIC 901 Quinard Court Ambler, PA 215-628-3641	Fee	Historic Flags
WEISBECKER, CAROLINE West Chester, PA 610-344-7704	Fee	Estate – Tag Sales
WHITLEY, ROBERT 6677 Laurel Road New Hope, PA 18938 215-297-8452 www.bob@whitleystudio.com	Fee	Living Art – Furniture Designs

WISMER, LOIS 591 Township Line Road Telford, PA 18969 215-723-7779	\$80 at her place Evening, Sat. & Sun.	<ul> <li>Glimpses of the Shaker Experiences</li> <li>Herbs and their Uses</li> <li>Christmas Herbs</li> <li>Christmas in Williamsburg</li> <li>(Garden tour included if held in her home)</li> </ul>
WRIGHT, MARY 1820 West Union Blvd. Bethlehem, PA 18018 610-867-8528 www.spiritedstories.com	Fee	Story Teller – traditional folk tales, historic stories, personal tales
YANTZ, DAVID 16 Shady Brook Drive Langhorne, PA 19047 215-493-2861	\$75 to \$100 Day Only at his home	Christmas Collections Easter Collection Halloween Collection
ZAGAROLI, CAMILLE Warminster, PA 18974 215-675-2324	Fee	Antique Dolls

## **PROGRAMS FOR COMBINED QUESTER MEETINGS**Fees may change and may be negotiable for Questers.

AMERICAN HISTORICAL THEATER 325 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19106 215-625-0986 http://ahtheatre.org/america/characters http://ahtheatre.org/america/about/history http://ahtheatre.org/america/	Fee	Call AHT for their long list of historic characters portrayed by various actors.
BACHMAN, BONNIE 1757 S. Valley Forge Road Lansdale, PA 19446 610-222-0871 www.historicalheroines.com	Fee Negotiable	Nursing and Medical Heroines

BLAIR COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY Peggy Fields 1407 Park Blvd. Altoona, PA 16601-5308 814-946-5281	Fee Plus per mile	<ul> <li>Bosom Buddies to Bustles</li> <li>Women's Costumes from 1770 to 1900 modeled with commentary</li> <li>Program: 45 to 60 minutes; comes with 5 models</li> </ul>
BRUCE, DR. EDGAR State College 814-238-0229 Ford City 724-845-6547	Fee plus per mile	<ul> <li>History of French &amp; Indian War in period costume</li> <li>Reamer Collection</li> <li>Speaks for 1 hour in costume</li> </ul>
BRODY, SUSANNAH 443 Concord Avenue Exton, PA 19341 Susannabrody@comcast.net www.susannabrody.com	Fee	Author, Storyteller Check website for Stories and Character Portrayals
EDENBO, STEVEN steve@yourthomasjefferson.com 215-514-1927	Fee Negotiable	Thomas Jefferson Interpretation Bringing Thomas Jefferson to Life
EISENBERG, ROCHELLE Art Directives, Inc. 455 Pennsylvania Ave., Suite 130 Ft. Washington, PA 19034 215-646-0233 www.artdirectives.com	Fee	Appraiser: Fine Art, Antiques, Decorative Arts, Furniture, Glass How to be a Savvy Collector
FROMAN, CHARLOTTE 14 Hawley Place Willingboro, NJ - 08046 609-871-1194 Chared36@yahoo.com	\$300  If over 3 hours away, it is an overnight w/husband.  Prefers lapel mike.	<ul> <li>Talk &amp; Sampler examples</li> <li>Quilts: helping abolitionists</li> <li>Flowers of Colonial Gardens</li> <li>Stitchery</li> <li>How to teach stitchery to children (3hr. workshop or 1-1/2 hr. lecture</li> <li>How children were taught from Colonial times to today</li> <li>Conservation and Preservation of Textiles*</li> <li>And More</li> </ul>

GILLESPIE, RIC www.tighar.org tigharic@mac.com	\$500 plus expenses	Author of "Finding Amelia – The True Story of the Earhart Disappearance"
GOODWIN, JOANN PO Box 310 Holicong, PA 18928 215-794-7153 joanngoodwin@comcast.net	\$100	History of Silhouettes (Lecture developed as training for Philadelphia Museum of Art Park House Program) – Travel Limit – 45 minutes from Holicong Slide program – has equip., needs dark room.
HARTLEY, NEILL 250 Brookline Road Havertown, PA 19083 Neill.hartley@gmail.com www.neillhartley.com 610-789-9243	\$250 to \$300	One-man Shows: P.T. Barnum; Ichabod Crane; Sherlock Holmes; Charles Lindbergh; and FDR – A New Deal for America
HOFER, MARGARET New York Historical Society	Fee	New Lights on Tiffany – Clara Dricoll & Tiffany Girls
JOHNSON, CHRISTIAN 111 Uxbridge Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 856-857-0650	Fee	Charles Wilson Peale
JORDAN, PAT 1093 Radnor Road Wayne, PA 19087 610-688-5842	Fee Negotiable	Life Stories of Famous American Women: Louisa May Alcott, Dorothea Dix, Grace Galloway, Sarah Gibbons, Martha Washington, Betsy Ross, Clara Barton, Anna Holstein Three Liberty Belles – 3 characters converse with each other
KENYON, LINDA 202-674-8547	\$175 over 50 miles plus \$50	Julia Child says "Bon Appétit" Meet Eleanor Roosevelt Babe Didrikson Zaharias – all round sports woman
LOANE, DR. NANCY K. 610-415-9247 www.womennatvalleydyforge.com	Fee plus per mile travel expenses	Author of Following the Drum - Women at the Valley Forge Encampment

LORICCHIO, SUSAN 370 Seventh Street Jersey City, NJ 07302 skyvisions@hotmail.com 201-659-6258 201-306-2550 (cell)	Fee	<ul> <li>Amelia Earhart</li> <li>"We've Come a Long Way, Baby – Amelia Earhart to Spaceship One"</li> <li>"Queen Bessie" Coleman</li> </ul>
LEWIS, NOAH 11Wellington Road Upper Darby, PA 19082 201-659-6258 201-306-2550 (cell)	Fee Negotiable	Ned Hector: A Dramatization of the Life and Time of a Black Revolutionary War Soldier – a visitor from the past.
ORNER, MARGARET 106 Meadowlark Terrace Glen Mill, PA 19342 610-384-3131 Mother_jones@hotmail.com	Fee Negotiable	<ol> <li>Mother Jones: My Life &amp; Times – a one-woman play</li> <li>Granuaile, The Pirate Queen of Ireland</li> <li>The Unsinkable Molly Brown</li> <li>Others</li> </ol>
ROWLAND, DAVID Old York Road – Historical Society 215-886-8590 or 215-341-6366	Fee	Famous Philadelphia families including architect Horace Trambauer
Schwartz, Fran 215-884-2659 franrschwartz@yahoo.com	Fee	Pianist, Lecturer, Teacher – various topics Combination of entertainment and education
SHAPIRO, MIMI 331-Hamilton Road Merion, PA 19066 610-664-7211 Mshapiro10@comcast.net	Fee - Negotiable	Atlantic City Memorabilia: dolls, toys and treasures from the 1950's and 1960's.  Her treasure-filled house or your location.
STANSELL, L. E. 2525 Ebright Road Wilmington, DE 19810 302-475-1534	Fee	Bookbinding

STOLTZ, DR. DON & PHYLLIS 9563 Walley Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19115 215-676-4082 215-901-6220 (cell)	Fee Negotiable	<ol> <li>A Visit with Norman Rockwell</li> <li>Great Cover Artists of the Saturday         Evening Post</li> <li>Fran Schwartz</li> <li>Piano Composers         No January, February or March</li> </ol>
SUMMERFIELD, PAMELA 215-232-2690	Fee	Living History, American Historical Theater
TUFO, JO ANN 212A North Bellevue Avenue Langhorne, PA 215-741-5950 www.srclasstrip.com	\$175 – likes a microphone  Large group	Mrs. Benjamin Franklin Grace Kelly Mary Todd Lincoln
VERDERAME, DR. LORI PO Box 188 Trumbauersville, PA, PA, PA 18970 888-431-1010	Fee	<ol> <li>Antique Appraisals</li> <li>Art Lectures</li> </ol>
WILLS, WILLIAM & SUE 443-366-3429 www.presladies.com	Fee Negotiable	Presidents and their 1 <sup>st</sup> Ladies
MILLER, MARY LOU PO Box 3 Gradyville, PA 19039 610-459-2836	Fee – will not travel	Appraiser: Antique Road Show Rendition (See Welch, John for possible combined program)
WELCH, JOHN P.O. Box 302 Gradyville, PA 19039 610-358-4489	Fee- will not travel	Ben Franklin
WORSDALE, MAGGIE 732-961-3319 www.marthawashington.com	Fee	Martha Washington

## OTHER SOURCES FOR SPEAKER AND VISITS OR TOURS:

BUCKS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY 84 South Pine Street Doylestown, PA 18901-4930

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY 1654 DeKalb Street Norristown, PA 19401 www.hsmcpa.org 610-272-0297

THE SOLITUDE HOUSE AT THE PHILADELPHIA ZOO 3400 West Girard Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19104 215-243-5235 to make reservations

## Places to Visit

Use *Google* or *Yahoo* to search for almost any topic or location of interest. You will find specific information about that location. Telephone numbers have been provided for most all sites.

Following are some other resources to use to locate additional places to visit.

- AAA Tour Guide
- Tourism Bureau and Visitor Guides
- Historical Societies
- Magazines and Newspapers
- Museums
- •Colleges and Universities

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## Southeast Pennsylvania

**Alderfer Auction House:** 501 Fairgrounds Rd. (215) 390 3000 Talk given at the site.

**Ambler Movie Theatre:** 108 East Butler Ave, Ambler (215)345-7855 Tour of projection room and slides showing history of building.

**American Philosophical Society Museum and Library:** 101 South Fifth Street, Philadelphia. (215) 440 3440. Adjacent to Independence Hall, Guided tours, ADA.

**American Treasure Tour:** 422 Business Center, Oaks (610)-666-0363. Ride in a tram through a vast collections antique cars, dolls, orchestrions and player pianos, and other memorability from the earth 20<sup>th</sup> Century.

**Arcadia University**: 450 S. Easton Road, Glenside; (856) 371-8255; Contact: Randall Smedley; RSMEDLEY@ARCADIA.EDU. Tur and History of Grey Towers with PowerPoint presentation. Small or large group.

**Barnes Foundation:** 20<sup>th</sup> Street and Ben Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia (215) 278 7200. Strict policies, read online. Buy tickets there or on line.

**Bartram Gardens and House:** 54St and Lindbergh Blvd. Philadelphia (215) 729 5281. House not open in 2015. Guided tour of gardens

**Belmont Mansion in Fairmount Park**.:2000 Belmont Mansion Dr. Philadelphia 19131 (215) 878 8844. Restored mansion, includes information on the Underground Railroad

**Beth Shalom Synagogue:** 8231 Old York Road, Elkins Park (215) 887 134. Designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. Tour and movie

**Briar Bush Nature Center:** 1212 Edgehill Road, Abington 19001. (215) 887 6603. Many programs, guided nature hike, Native American

**Bryn Athyn Cathedral and Glen Cairn Museum:** 1001 Paper Mill Road, Bryn Athyn (215) 947 0266Guided tours available. ADA

**Byers Choice:** 4355 County Line Road, Chalfont (215) 822 6700. Doll factory started in a local garage. Tour and video, crèche collection

**Civil War Museum and Library**: 32 North Broad Street, Doylestown, 18901 - (215) 348 8293 or (215) 822 1562. Free on Saturday, call to arrange for special times for tours during the week.

**Clifton House:** 437 Bethlehem Pike, Fort Washington (215) 646 6065. Home of Historical Society of Fort Washington. Office hours Wednesdays 2-4 PM to arrange for tours

### **Craven Hall and John Fitch Museum:**

Street Road and Centennial Road Warminster (215) 675 4698. Tour Federal/Greek Revival home and museum. Craven Hall dates to 1790 and John Fitch was the inventor of the steam engine.

Culinary Arts Institute, Montgomery County Community College, Contact: Cheryl Niedzwiecki, 1400 Forty Foot Road, Lansdale, PA 19446 267-646-5976 – Opt. 3. Tour of facility and ethnic food lunch prepared by students. Fall and spring hours vary. Not suitable for a meeting. No fee for tour. Lunch prices vary.

**Doylestown Walking Tours**: 215-345-9430 Meet in the Park behind the Society building at 56 S. Main Street. Suggested donation of \$10 per person. Max. 15 people

**Eastern State Penitentiary:** 2027 Fairmount Ave, Philadelphia 19130 (215) 236-5111. Tours every day 10 AM to 5 PM. Adults \$11, Seniors \$10. See cells of notable inmates-interpretative tours.

**Ebenezer Maxwell Mansion**: Contact: Diane Richardson, 200 West Tulpehocken Street, Philadelphia, PA 19144, 215-438-1861. Victorian Home Tour; Demonstrations and Workshops. Voted Best Museum in Phila. 2016. \$7 per person.

**Elfreth's Alley Museum:** 126 Elfreth's Alley Philadelphia. 19106 (215) 574-0560. Tour tells story of two dressmakers who ran sewing business. Fee: \$5.

**Fairmount Water Works:** 640 Water Works Drive, Philadelphia 19130 Second municipal waterworks built between 1870-1872 houses a visitor center, film and interactive exhibits as well as architecture. Tours available

**Fordhook Farm:** Contact: Sharon Koszan, Fordhook Farm, New Britain Road, Doylestown, PA 18901, skaszan@burpee.com. History of W. Atlee Burpee's contribution to Home Gardening. includes tour of farm and garden. No Fee.

**Fort Mifflin:** Contact: Kevin Impellizeri, Fort Mifflin & Hogs Roads, Phila., P19153, 215-685-4165. Tour of Fort. \$8 adult - Canon Fire demonstration for group of 20+ for add'l fee of \$35.

**Franklinville School**: 1701 Morris Road, Blue Bell PA [Historical Society of Whitpain] 215-542-8845] Served as public school until 1908. Inside are exact replicas of students' desks from the time the school house was used, a teacher's desk, original potbelly stove.

**Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge**: 1601 Valley Forge Road, Valley Forge, PA 19481 (610) 933-8825. Free guided tours of campus & the Medal of Honor Grove Monday thru Friday.

**Garden of Reflection:** 1950 Woodside Road, Yardley 215 493 3646. Memorial to the victims of September 11<sup>th</sup>. A virtual tour online makes the symbolism more meaningful

**G.A.R. Museum**: (Grand Army of the Republic) 4279 Griscom Street, Philadelphia PA 19124 (215) 289-6484. The museum hosts a free OPEN HOUSE from noon to 5:00 p.m. on the first Sunday monthly - aspects of the Civil War and life in Victorian-age America.

**Glencairn Museum**, home of Raymond Pitcairn. 1001 Cathedral Rd, Bryn Athyn, PA 19009 (267) 502-2600. Guided tours \$10 adults \$8 seniors. Family home and religious art galleries. Ride in original elevator to the Tower, with view of the local area and the Philadelphia skyline.

**Goschenhoppen Historians**: Folklife Museum & Library Routes 29 and 63, Green Lane, PA 215-234-8953. Folk culture of the area's earliest immigrant settlers-Pennsylvania Dutch. Tours by appointment only. Not handicapped accessible.

**Graeme Park: [home of 1st Governor of PA]** 859 County Line Road in Horsham, PA 19044. 215-343-0965. 18th century home with original woodwork and paint in some rooms, open areas, stream, pond, and trails through the woods. Tours of Keith House \$6, Seniors \$5 – tour grounds free. Groups 10 or more \$5 each.

**Grumblethorpe:** 5267 Germantown Ave. Philadelphia 19144 (215) 843-4820. 18<sup>th</sup> century farmstead in Germantown with 2-acre garden. Guided tours \$3 per person for groups of ten or more.

**The Half Moon Inn:** Newtown Historic Association. (215) 805 8772. Tour includes painted signs and many other treasures.

**Harrisburg, PA:** Capitol Building, North 3<sup>rd</sup> & State Street, Harrisburg, PA, 800-866-7672 and Governor's Mansion, 2035 N. Front Street, Harrisburg, PA, www.residence.pa.gov. Arrangements may also be made through your State Representative or Senator.

**Harriton House**: 500 Harriton Rd, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010. (610) 525-0201. House built 1740, most famously the residence of Charles Thomson, the secretary of the Continental Congress. Tours are available Wednesday through Saturday, from 10:00am to 4:00pm by appointment only. Admission to the house is \$6.00 per adult.

**James A. Michener Art Center**: 138 S Pine St, Doylestown, PA 18901. 215.340.9800 ext. 124. Changing exhibits. Discounted admission rates for groups of 10 or more. Guided tours (2 hours) are available by reservation. Customized tours available. Café on site.

**Jenkins Homestead**: Contact: Clarence Kinsey, 137 Jenkins Ave., Lansdale, Pa 19446 at Lansdale Historical Society - 215-844-1872. Tour of restored 1770-era homestead. Donation.

**Joseph Ambler Inn**: 1005 Horsham Road, North Wales PA 19454. (215) 565-0139 Free tours of 300-year-old farmhouse and buildings provided, with lunch afterwards. (not free).

**Laurel Hill Cemetery:** 3822 Ridge Ave. Philadelphia 19132 (215) 228-8200. Guided tours \$15, Seniors \$10. Deposit required. Graves of Civil War era generals and prominent Philadelphians. Great architecture.

**Malmark Bellcraftsmen Bell Park:** 5712 Easton Road, Plumsteadville, 18949 (215) 766 7200.

**Masonic Temple**: 1 N Broad St, Philadelphia, PA 19107. (215) 988-1917. Architecture is amazing and varied—Moorish, Gothic, painted wood sculptures. Library and museum also on premises. Groups \$7 each for 1 hour guided tours.

**Mennonite Heritage Center**: 565 Yoder Road in Harleysville, Pa 19438. History and artifacts of Mennonites in the area, 30 min. video and museum. (215)-256-3020.Guided tours. \$5 admission donation.

**Mercer Museum**: 84 S Pine St, Doylestown, PA 18901. (215) 345-0210. Group tours, minimum 10 people \$11 each. History museum of everyday life in America during the 18th and 19th centuries. Lots of steps!

**Mill Grove**: (John James Audubon Center at Mill Grove) 1201 Pawlings Road, Audubon, PA19403. Phone: 610-666-5593. 18<sup>th</sup> century estate of Audubon exhibiting the artwork of John James Audubon. Group tours \$8 each - the home is 3 stories with <u>no elevator</u>. Tours usually take about 45 minutes to 1 hour.

**Morgan Hughes Homestead B&B**: 1100 Sumneytown Pike, Lansdale, PA 19446. (215) 362-6898. Historic homestead and barn from 1700's.

**Morgan Log House**: 850 Weikel Rd, Kulpsville, PA 19443. (215) 368-2480. Colonial German log house. Interior of the historic building only available on a guided tour--\$5 adults, \$4 seniors. Tours last 45 minutes to 1 hour depending on group size. Museum Store, Visitor Center and site grounds free of charge.

**Mummer's Museum:** 1100 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> street, Philadelphia 19147 (215)336-3050. Costumes and history of mummers. Thursday have buffet lunch and entertainment by retired mummers.

**Mural Art Tour of Philadelphia** .1128 N. Broad Street, Philadelphia. Walking and trolley tours.

Nakashima, George Studio: 1847 Aquetong Rd., New Hope (215) 862-2272

New Hope-Ivyland Railroad: (215) 862 2332. Newhoperailroad.com

**Newlin Grist Mill**: 21 S. Cheyney Rd, Glen Mills (610)459 2359 Park, blacksmith, Miller House and working mill

**Pearl S. Buck House:** 520 Dublin Rd, Perkasie (215) 249 0100. Tours especially interesting at holiday time

**Pennsbury Manor (home of Wm Penn)** (215) 946 0400. Visitor center, film, tour of house Tues –Sat. 9-5

**Pennsylvania German Cultural Center**: 22 Lukenbill Rd. Kutztown 19530 (610) 683 1589.

**Pennypacker Mills**: 5 Haldeman Rd, Schwenksville (610) 287 9349. Home of former governor. Tours. Beautiful grounds, Education Center.

**Philadelphia Doll Museum:** 2253 North Broad St. Philadelphia (215) 787 0220. Black doll history.

**Questers Headquarters:** 210 S. Quince St. Philadelphia 19107. Restored Federal Era building. A virtual tour is available online. (215) 923 5183. Call Irene Doll for possible tour.

**Renfrew Museum and Park**: 1010 E. Main St. Waynesboro (717) 762-4723. Great collection of quilts and walking tour of farmstead.

**Richard Wall House**: Church Rd and Wallpark Dr., Elkins Park. Oldest house in Pennsylvania. (215) 887 1000

**Salem United Church of Christ**: 186 E. Court St., Doylestown, PA, 215-348-9860.

The Bible in tiles (gift of Henry Mercer).

**Shoe Museum**: Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine. Philadelphia. (215) 625-5243. Free but must have an appointment.

**Shofuso House**(**Japanese**) and **Ohio House**: Fairmount Park, Philadelphia (215)878 -5097. Open April-October on Wed and Friday.

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church**.: Ashbourne & Old York Rd, Elkins Park. Rev. Marisa Herrera, Rector. Tours of Tiffany Windows, by appointment. (215) 6354185.

Schwenkfelder Church: 105 Seminary Street, Pennsburg 18073. (215) 679-5321.

Schwenkfelder History Museum: Pennsburg (215) 679-3103.

**Schuylkill Canal #60**: 400 Towpath Rd, Mont Clare 19453. (610)-917-0021. This canal has the only lock on the Schuylkill.

**Stenton Mansion**: 4601 N. 18<sup>th</sup> St. Philadelphia (215) 329-7312. Home of James Logan, Secretary to Wm. Penn. Closed Jan-March.

**Stephen Girard College**: 2101 S. College Ave. Philadelphia. 19121 (215)787 - 2600. Included an organ recital

**Stoogeum Collection**: 904 Shelbe Lane, Lower Gwynedd. (267)468-0818. Large collection of The Three Stooges memorabilia.

**Summerseat**: Morrisville, (215)295 -7339. Stone farmhouse that was Washington's headquarters in December 1776.

**Tea with an Accent**: Afton Ave., Yardley (215) 321-9866. History of tea.

**Thaddeus Kosciuszko House**: 301 Pine St, Philadelphia. (215) 597 – 7130. Will open April 2015 only weekends. Free, walk in. Home of Polish fighter who helped during the Revolutionary War, met with Jefferson here.

University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology: 3260 South St, Philadelphia. 19104. (215)898-4015.

**Washington's Crossing and Museum:** Box 103 Washington's Crossing, 188977 (215) 493 4076. Tours by appointment

**Worcester Historical Society Farm Museum:** Box 112, Worcester 19490. Three-acre farm and home community, school records, library and cemetery records.

**Wyck House and Garden**: Springfield Mill, Morris Arboretum. (215) 247-5777 to schedule tour. Contact Lisa Bailey at <a href="mailto:bailey1@upenn.edu">bailey1@upenn.edu</a>.

**Zane Grey Museum**: 135 Lackawaxen Scenic Drive, Lackawaxen, PA 18435, 570-685-4871. Zane Grey Home -National Park Service. Upper Delaware Scenic & Recreation River Area. Free

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**Asa Packer Mansion:** Jim Thorpe, (570) 325 3229 Open April thru October. National Historic Landmark. Strict rules

**Augustus Lutheran Church:** 717 West Main Street, Trappe, Pa. (610) 489 9625. Church 250 years old. Tours given by appointment.

**Daniel Boone Homestead**: 400 Daniel Boone Rd, Birdsboro, PA 19508. (610) 582-4900. Visitor center free --has various exhibits, an orientation video.

**Eckley's Miners' Village**: 2 Eckley Back Rd, Weatherly, PA 18255. (570) 636-2070. Company-owned PA coal mining community from mid-19<sup>th</sup> century. Tours can be given as a walking-only tour, or on the tour bus with visitors getting off the bus at each stop in the village. \$9 each. *Not all buildings in the village are handicap accessible*.

**Electric City Trolley Museum:** 300 Cliff Street, Scranton, PA 18503. (570) 963-6590 located at Steamtown National Historic Site. Museum about trolleys, plus scenic trip on running trolley including tunnel through mountain.

**Hopewell Furnace**: 2 Mark Bird Lane, Elverson, PA 19520. (610) 582-8773 extension 232. Take a self-guided walking tour of the historic community. Living history programs and demonstrations June through Labor Day. Free. Groups of 20 or more are requested to notify the park of the expected date and time of their visit. Tours last 45 minutes to 1 hour depending on group size. Museum Store, Visitor Center and site grounds free of charge.

**Martin Guitar Factory**: 510 Sycamore St., Nazareth, PA 18064. Explore the art of guitar making, from old world tools to our state-of-the-art facility.

**Museum of Anthracite Mining**: 401 S 18th St, Ashland, PA 17921. (570) 875-2411. Small museum - displays of equipment miners used, all sorts of pictures, maps, models of cranes and coal breakers. Self-guided tour \$3.50 admission.

**National Canal Museum:** (610) 923-3548. Mule drawn float down the Lehigh Canal in Easton with speaker on board. www.canals.org. Excellent rating.

**PA Anthracite Heritage Museum**: 22 Bald Mountain Rd, Scranton, PA 18504. (570) 963-4804. Diverse regional collections represent all facets of work, life and values of the region's ethnic communities. Adults \$7seniors\$6. Special group rates.

**Scranton Iron Furnaces**: 159 Cedar Ave, Scranton, PA 18504 (near Steamtown Nat'l Historic Site and Electric City Trolley Museum). Historic site-- four massive stone blast furnaces--heritage of iron making in the U.S. Free, self-guided walking tour.

## LANCASTER AND CENTRAL AREA

**Amish Farm and House**: 2395 Lincoln Highway E, Lancaster (717) 394- 9185. Bus tours, tours of farm house.

**Amish Homestead at Plain and Fancy Farm:** 3121 Old Philadelphia Pike, Birdin-Hand, PA (717) 768-8400. Guided tours.

**Anselma Mill**: 1730 Conestoga Rd. Chester Springs, Pa 19425 (610) 827 1906. Mill is still operating. Flour and corn meal may be purchased. Open April through December, National Historic Landmark

**Brandywine Battlefield Park**: Route 1, Chadds Ford (610) 459- 3342 Park is free.

**Brandywine River Museum:** Chadds Ford (610) 388 2700. Near the Benjamin Ring and Gideon Gilpin homes of Revolutionary War era.

**Berman Museum of Art**: 601 E. Main St. Collegeville, PA (610) 409 3500. On campus of Ursinus College, interesting sculptures

**Chanticleer, Estate of Adolph Rosengarten**: 786 Church Road, Wayne – (610) 687-4163. House tour, extensive gardens. Open April through October

**Hershey Museum**: 63 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey, PA 17033 (717) 534-8939. Museum Experience (history of Milton Hershey) and Chocolate Lab (45-minute, hands-on class) -- Adult group rate: \$8.50 per person for each venue or \$15 each for both. Café Zooka located inside Museum building.

**Historic Sugartown**: 690 Sugartown Rd, Malvern, PA 19355 (610) 640-2667. a 19th-century village, to provide an authentic experience of culture and architecture. Group Tours - \$6/person. Minimum of \$25 per group.

**Faunbrook B&B:** 699 West Rosedale Ave., West Chester, PA 19382 (610) 436-5788 an elegant Bed and Breakfast, circa 1860, in a grand manor once owned by a Civil War-era congressman. Call for price of tour with meal.

Lancaster Underground Railroad—Living the Experience: Bethel A.M.E. of Church Towne, 450-512 East Strawberry Street, Lancaster PA 17602-4449. (717) 509-1177 — ext. 113. Interactive historical reenactment of the Underground Railroad, buffet meal included

**Ephrata Cloister:** 632 W Main St, Ephrata, PA 17522. 632 W Main St, Ephrata, PA 17522. (717) 733-6600. Founded1732 by German settlers--unique European style buildings. Guided tours last approximately one hour. Group rates available for 10 or more.

**Joseph Priestly House:** 472 Priestley Ave, Northumberland, PA 17857. (near Harrisburg) (570) 473-9474. Discover of oxygen - site features Priestley's 1798 manor house with its laboratory. Guided tours weekends only. Adults \$6 seniors \$5.50.

**Landis Valley Museum:** 2451 Kissel Hill Rd, Lancaster, PA 17601. (717) 581-0431. Largest "living history" village in the country dedicated to the total preservation of early Pennsylvania German/Dutch life. Rated "Must See" by AAA. Tour group pricing.

**New Holland Band Museum:** 11 Chestnut Drive, New Holland, PA 17557. 717-355-5096. Tours free by appointment. Impressive displays of band memorabilia.

**National Watch and Clock Museum: 514** Poplar Street, Columbia 17512. (717) 684-8261. Audio tours and library.

**National Civil War Museum:** 1 Lincoln Center at Reservoir Park, Harrisburg (717) 260 1861

**Phoenxville Iron Foundry Museum:** Film presentation and tour at the restored/remodeled foundry that was active for more than 100 years **State Museum of Pennsylvania:** 300 North St, Harrisburg, PA 17120. (downtown Harrisburg) (717) 772-6997. collection of nearly 5 million artifacts and objects that interpret the rich history and pre-history of the state. Museum \$7 seniors \$6. Tours available with reservations.

**Tate Farm Tour and Tea**: Hunterstown, located four miles NE of Gettysburg. The farm served as a blacksmith shop where Gen. George Washington stopped in 1794

**Wolf Museum of Music & Art**: 423 W Chestnut St, Lancaster, PA 17603 (corner W. Chestnut and Lancaster Ave.) (717) 392-6382. Queen Anne style home decorated with 19th and early 20th century furniture and art collection.

**Wharton Esherick Museum:** 1520 Horseshoe Trail, Malvern (610) 644-5822. Tues-Fri 10-5.

## WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

**Bushy Run Battlefield:** Harrison City.15637 (724)527 5584. 1763 Battle that helped open western PA for settlement. Bush Run Road, Jeannette19644. Wed –Sunday, April-October

**Drake Well Museum**: Titusville 16354 (814)827-2797. Replica of the world's first oil well.

**Fort Pitt Museum**: Point State Park, Pittsburgh (412 )454-6418/ History of Fort Duquesne, Fort Pitt and early Pittsburgh

**Old Economy Village**: Ambridge15003(724)266-4500, ext. 101. Restored village built by George Rapp and his German followers. It was home to the Harmonists.

**Pennsylvania Lumber Museum**: Route 6, Galeton (814)435-2652. Heritage of lumber in Pennsylvania. Tour includes logging camp and sawmill.

**Pennsylvania Military Museum**: Route 322, Boalsburg.18627 (814)466-6263.PA history from Ben Franklin through the Viet Nam conflict.

## **OUT OF STATE**

#### **DELAWARE**

**Hagley Museum**: 298 Buck Rd, Wilmington, DE 19807. (302) 658-2400, ext. 259. Tour of black powder industry buildings and DuPont home. Special tours \$14 each. Belin House Organic Café on grounds.

**Mt. Cuba Gardens**: 3120 Barley Mill Rd. Hockessin, DE 19707 (302) 239-4244. Experienced docents lead 2-hour garden tours. \$10 **Odessa, Delaware:** Historic Odessa includes tours of 18<sup>th</sup> century homes and

gardens including the Nemours Estate (302) 378-4119.

### MARYLAND

**Hampton Mansion**: 535 Hampton Ln, Towson, MD 21286. 410-823-1309 x208. Showcases Mid-Atlantic life from before American Revolution to after World War II. Free guided tours of mansion limited to 15 people per tour, last 45 minutes. Not handicap accessible. 63-acre park.

### **NEW JERSEY**

**Gardens for Sculpture:** 18 Fairgrounds Rd. Hamilton, NJ 08619. (609)586-0616. Seniors \$12. Limit of 2,500 guests, ADA accessible. Restaurant on premises.

**Morris Museum**: 6 Normandy Heights Rd, Morristown, NJ 07860. (973) 971 3700. Collection of music boxes

**Tour of Historic Moven and Afternoon Tea in Princeton**. 18<sup>th</sup> century home of Richard Stockton, signer of Declaration of Independence and original Governor's Mansion.

### SUGGESTIONS FOR "GET ACQUAINTED" MEETINGS

- Bring a picture of an ancestor and tell their story.
- "Still Just Kids" bring something you have owned since childhood and tell why you still have it.
- Bring the oldest item you own and tell its history.
- Bring something you inherited from a family member and tell its story.
- Wear a piece of jewelry that has family history and share the story.
- "True or False" Come ready to share three little knowns facts about yourself, two of which are true and one that is false. Everyone guesses.
- Bring an antique tool and everyone guesses how it was used.
- Share a holiday decoration from your family and why it is important to you (any holiday).
- "Heritage" Luncheon of family recipes. Distribute copies of recipes.