

NEW EXHIBIT

Preserving Valley Forge:
A Family Affair

March 1st - October 15th, 2027

This year marks the 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, as well as the 50th Anniversary of Valley Forge becoming a National Park. The transition from Pennsylvania State Park to National Park occurred on the Bicentennial, July 4, 1976. It is the only National Park created on July 4th.

The Pennypacker family was a driving force in the preservation of Valley Forge and its restoration. Learn about their contributions in this exhibit included on all tours and located in the second floor gallery.

GUIDED TOURS

Tours of the fully-furnished Edwardian mansion are offered year-round and take approximately one hour. Groups of 10 or more should contact the site in advance to arrange a tour. Tours are FREE; suggested donation of \$2 per person.

ACCESSIBILITY

The first floor of the mansion is accessible. The site is equipped with accessible restroom facilities. Please contact the site for more information about specific accommodations.

VOLUNTEERING

We are always looking for volunteers to help with a variety of projects including guided tours, special events, the Museum Shop, collections, educational programs, and holiday decorating! To learn more, call 610-287-9349.



MONTCO PARKS, TRAILS, AND
HISTORIC SITES PRESENTS:

Ordinary People, Extraordinary Times:
Montgomery County
During the American Revolution
Sat., March 21st, 9:30am to 3:30pm

In honor of America's 250th anniversary, regional historians will present aspects of the Revolutionary era that impacted civilians throughout Montgomery County, answering the question, "How were ordinary people affected by independence and war?"
Registration required, fees apply.
Location: John James Audubon Center at Mill Grove

Montgomery County Homeschool Day
Wed., September 23rd
Morning Session: 10am-12pm
Afternoon Session: 1pm-3pm

Join Montgomery County's parks and historic sites for a day of educational programming that will engage students in the themes of nature and history.
Registration required. Call 610-287-9349 for more information.
Location: Norristown Farm Park

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MUSEUM HOURS

Tuesday - Saturday, 10am to 4pm
Sunday, 1pm to 4pm

Last tour of the day beginning at 3:00pm

Closed all Mondays and the following holidays:

- Easter- April 5th
- Juneteenth- June 19th
- Independence Day- July 3rd and 4th
- Election Day- November 3rd
- Veterans Day- November 11th
- Thanksgiving- November 26th
- Black Friday- November 27th
- Christmas Eve- December 24th
- Christmas- December 25th
- New Year's Eve- December 31st
- New Year's Day- January 1st, 2027

The mansion is not open for tours on Oct. 24th.
Limited hours on Dec. 12th (2-8pm).



Pennypacker Mills is operated by the
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Historic
PENNYPACKER
MILLS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Celebrating America's 250th

Identifying and Caring for Historic Photographs Workshop

Sun., January 25th at 1pm

Learn how to properly identify, handle, and store your old photographs. Held in the Classroom at Pennypacker Mills. Pre-registration is required. Call 610-287-9349 to pre-register.

CRAFT WORKSHOPS FOR KIDS!

Valentine Crafts

Sat., Feb. 7th

10am-1pm



Spring Crafts

Sat., Mar. 14th

10am-1pm

Let's get crafty! At these FREE, drop-in workshops, kids will make themed crafts at their own pace. All materials provided. Pre-registration preferred. Call 610-287-9349.

Gallery Talk:

Preserving Valley Forge: A Family Affair

Sun., April 19th at 1pm

Join the Pennypacker Mills Historic Site Supervisor for an in-depth talk on our new exhibit, Preserving Valley Forge: A Family Affair. Located on the second floor of the mansion.

REVOLUTIONARY WAR WEEKEND



Sat., May 16th from 10am-5pm

Sun., May 17th from 10am-4pm

Experience a Revolutionary War encampment at the Mills! This weekend of history and excitement will feature dozens of reenactors showcasing military and civilian life. See live demonstrations, musicians, speakers, and much more. There will be activities for the whole family. Check our website for more info.

Porch Performance: Phillis Wheatley

Sat., June 20th at 4pm

In this stirring portrayal of Phillis Wheatley, visitors will learn about the life and work of an enslaved woman who became the first published African American poet. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on at this outdoor performance for all ages!

Sponsored by the Friends of Pennypacker Mills.

VICTORIAN GAME DAY & VINTAGE BASEBALL



Sat., June 27th from 12-3pm



Spend a summer afternoon playing games at the Mills! Visitors are invited to play croquet, graces, ring toss, and many more old fashioned lawn and tabletop games.

The Athletic Base Ball Club of Philadelphia will play a doubleheader using 1860s rules, uniforms, and equipment. Fun for the whole family!

Porch Performance: Benjamin Franklin

Sat., July 11th at 4pm

Meet "The First American," Benjamin Franklin. Learn how he tamed electricity, founded the first lending library, and ultimately signed the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on at this outdoor performance for all ages.

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Porch Performance: Montco Concert Band

Sat., August 22nd at 4pm

Enjoy a summer concert presented by the Montgomery County Concert Band. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on at this outdoor performance for all ages.

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The Legacy of Samuel W. Pennypacker

Wed., September 2nd at 11am

Join us for a wreath-laying ceremony at Morris Cemetery in Phoenixville on the 110th Anniversary of Governor Samuel W. Pennypacker's death.



15th Annual Craft Marketplace

Sat., September 19th from 9:30am-3pm

Buy one-of-a-kind crafts, food, gifts, and much more at this award-winning craft fair put on by the Friends of Pennypacker Mills.

Porch Performance: Edgar Allan Poe

Sat., October 3rd at 4pm

Exposing the inner machinations of the human mind and heart, Edgar Allan Poe provides vivid images, tells terrifying tales, and creates heart-thumping excitement. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on at this outdoor performance for all ages!

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ALL HALLOWS EVE FALL FESTIVAL

Sat., October 24th from 12-4pm

Enjoy a FREE afternoon of old-fashioned fall fun as kids make crafts, paint pumpkins, shuck corn, and press apples into cider. The whole family is welcome to play games, complete a scavenger hunt, and take a hayride around the meadow.

Note: the mansion will be CLOSED on October 24.



CELEBRATE THE Holidays

HOLIDAY TOURS

November 24th-January 3rd, 2027

Tour the spectacularly decorated Pennypacker mansion and learn more about Christmas in the early 1900s. The Museum Shop will be stocked with unique gifts and decorations. Tours start on the hour and half hour; last tours of the day start at 3pm.



VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

Sat., December 12th from 2-8pm

Celebrate the holiday season with a night of festivities at the Mills! Take in the sights and sounds of Christmas past with musicians on the porch, Victorian decorations throughout the mansion, clear toy candy making demonstrations in the kitchen, and visits with Santa and Mrs. Claus in the Classroom. A spectacular holiday experience for the whole family!

Note: the mansion will be CLOSED prior to 2pm on December 12.

Unless otherwise stated, all events are FREE with a suggested donation of \$2 per person. Check our website for event updates and additional details.