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Annual Sheep Shearing Program at the Wentz Farmstead
Saturday, April 11, 2015 from 10:00am-3:00pm

Worcester, PA (April 6, 2015) – Enjoy a fun-filled day for the entire family by visiting the historic Peter Wentz Farmstead on Saturday, April 11, 2015 from 10:00am to 3:00pm for the annual shearing of the sheep and other activities on the colonial Pennsylvania German farm.

Many trades and crafts typical of a rural community of the late 18th through early 19th centuries will be demonstrated throughout the day, including the shearing of the sheep. Visitors young and old can try their hand at scratching designs onto dyed eggs, making butter, creating hooked rugs, and brushing wool in preparation for the spinners to twist it into yarn. Skilled artisans will explain the techniques of natural dyeing, various types of woodworking, and the culture of the native Lenape people. Visitors will enjoy music performed by students of The Bakshi Studio Baroque Players while touring the historic Wentz house.

Children will enjoy colonial toys and games and building scarecrows. There will also be a performance of the puppet show “St. George and the Dragon” performed by Tuckers’ Tales Puppet Theatre at 12:00pm and an interactive storybook program featuring the book “Charlie Needs a Cloak” at 2:00pm.

Refreshments will be available for purchase and the Museum Shop will be open featuring items related to the program. A donation of \$2.00 per person is suggested.

For more information about this program and others, please call the Peter Wentz Farmstead at 610-584-5104 or visit <http://www.montcopa.org/peterwentzfarmstead>. The restored 18th century Pennsylvania German historic site is owned and operated by the County of Montgomery and receives support from the Peter Wentz Farmstead Society. The site is regularly open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00am to 4:00pm and Sunday from 1:00pm to 4:00pm, with guided tours offered on the hour.

The last tour begins at 3:00pm. The Peter Wentz Farmstead is located at 2030 Shearer Road, Lansdale, PA 19446.