

Events, Workshops & Special Programs ~ 2023

Traveling on the Perkiomen Railroad **Sat., Jan. 28 1 pm**

In the heyday of railroad travel, the Perkiomen Railroad was the connector between Philadelphia and Bethlehem. Join the Perkiomen Railroad Historical Society for a fascinating look at this important train line. *All ages, FREE*

Valentine Workshop for Kids **Sat., Feb. 4 10 am—12 pm**

Create four wonderful Valentine crafts to share at this special workshop just for kids. *Kids ages 5-10 years are welcome.*
Fee: \$5/child, accompanied by 1 adult
Call 610-287-9349 to pre-register.

Gallery Talk: The Ladies of Pennypacker Mills **Sat., Mar. 4 & Sun., March 5 1 pm**

Join us for an in-depth talk about the fascinating lives of the women who called Pennypacker Mills home in the 20th century! Located on the 2nd floor in the galleries. *All ages, FREE*

Blue Bird Workshop **Sat., Mar. 25 10 am to 12 pm**

Come to the Mills for a special program on blue birds. Hear a talk about their habitat and then we'll make a nest box. All ages welcome. One nest box per family. Bring a hammer. All nest box supplies provided. *Fee: \$10/nest box. Call 610-287-9349 to pre-register.*

Spring Workshop for Kids! **Sat., Apr. 1 10 am—12 pm**

Join the fun as we make four delightful spring crafts in this special workshop just for kids! *Kids ages 5-10 years are welcome. Fee: \$5/child, accompanied by 1 adult. Call 610-287-9349 to pre-register.*

More Trees Please! **Sat., Apr. 29 10 am to 2 pm**

Celebrate the importance of Pennsylvania's native trees. Visit the Woodmobile, take a walk to learn about our native trees, visit our bee keeper, & tour the Pennypacker mansion too. *All ages welcome. FREE*

Patriots along the Perkiomen **The Continental Army at Pennypacker Mills** **Sat., May 20 10 am—5 pm** **Sun., May 21 10 am to 4 pm**

Spend the day learning about the encampment that happened here in 1777 with the Continental Line. See a court martial, kids can be a soldier, see exhibits in the mansion & much more! *All ages welcome. FREE*

Porch Performance **Celebrating Juneteenth** **Sat., June 10 4 pm**

Abolitionist William Still was a prominent civil rights activist who coined the term "underground railroad:" and was one of the chief "conductors" in Pennsylvania. Hear his story of how he helped as many as 800 enslaved people to achieve freedom. *Mansion open for tours prior to the performance. All ages. Bring a chair to sit on. FREE*

Vintage Base Ball at its Best! **Sat., June 24 1-3 pm**

Watch as the Athletic Base Ball Club of Philadelphia plays a rousing game using 1860's rules, uniforms, and equipment. *Mansion open for tours. All ages, bring a chair to sit on. FREE*

Porch Performance **Meet Theodore Roosevelt** **Sat., July 22 4 pm**

Meet the 26th President of the United States as he speaks on his personal life and his time in office. As President, he viewed himself as a "steward of the people" and felt he should take whatever action necessary for the public good. *Mansion open for tours prior to the performance. All ages, bring a chair to sit on. FREE*

Victorian Game Day **Sun., Aug. 6 1-3 pm**

Spend the afternoon playing tabletop and lawn games at the Mills. Croquet, Graces, Dominos, & optical illusion toys galore! *Great for adults & kids, FREE*

Porch Performance **Montgomery County Concert Band** **Sat., Aug. 19 4 pm**

Hear Sousa marching music, patriotic songs and celebrate an all-American summer concert. *Mansion open for tours prior to the performance. Bring a chair to sit on. All ages, FREE*

Craft Marketplace **Sat., Sept. 16 9:30 am—3 pm**

Buy one-of-a-kind crafts, food, gifts and much more at this award winning craft fair. *Mansion open for tours. All ages, FREE*

Porch Performance **The Legend of Sleepy Hollow** **Sat., Oct. 7 4 pm**

Join us as we meet Ichabod Crane in the classic horror tale by Washington Irving. *Mansion open for tours prior to the performance. All ages. Bring a chair to sit on. FREE*

All Hallows Eve Fall Festival **Sat., Oct. 21 1 to 4 pm**

Enjoy old-fashioned fall fun as kids make crafts, paint pumpkins, shuck corn, press apples into cider, play bean bag toss & jump in the hay pile. The whole family can enjoy a tractor-pulled hayride around the meadow. *All ages. FREE*

Holiday Tours

Tues., Nov. 21—Sun., Jan. 7, 2024

Tour the spectacular Pennypacker mansion for over-the-top decorations and a fascinating look at Christmas in 1900. *Museum Shop stocked with gifts & decorations. All ages. FREE*

Victorian Christmas Open House **Sat., Dec. 9 2-8 pm**

Visit the Pennypacker mansion for a fascinating look at Christmas in the early 1900's. See how Christmas decorations & celebrations changed. *All ages. FREE*

What Else is New at the Mills!

New Exhibit: The Ladies of Pennypacker Mills

Tues., Feb. 21 to Sun., Jan. 28, 2024

Virginia, Josephine, Anna Maria, and Eliza. Each of these women have a fascinating story that continues beyond the Pennypacker family name. Visitors will learn a more intimate history of each of these amazing women through letters, family scrapbooks, photographs, and so much more! Included on all guided tours. *All ages; FREE*

Pennypacker Mills' StoryWalk

Starting at the main gate, walk along the driveway to exercise while youngsters read each panel of these beginner reading books. It's free and fun!

November—December

"Eat My Dust—Henry Ford's First Race"

Follow Henry Ford's efforts to build an automobile that everyone could afford.

January—February

"Buffalo Bill & the Pony Express"

Discover how the Pony Express started & the dangers involved.

March—April

"More Trees Please"

Learn all about the importance of native trees.

May—June

"George Washington & the General's Dog"

Learn the story of a dog who followed the troops back to Pennypacker Mills.

July—August

"Take a Hike, Teddy Roosevelt!"

Follow Teddy Roosevelt from a sickly youngster who learns the importance of exercise, became a staunch environmentalist, and eventually the 26th President of the United States!

Check our website for other StoryWalk titles that will be added for the remainder of the year!

Information

Hours of Operation

**Tuesday through Saturday, 10 am to 4 pm
& Sunday, 1 to 4 pm**

Closed **all** Mondays, Easter Sunday, Independence Day, Election Day, Veteran's Day (observed), Thanksgiving, & Christmas Eve & New Year's Eve.

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Guided Tours

Tours are offered year-round & take approximately one hour. Last tour at 3:00 pm. Tours are FREE; suggested donation \$2 per person.

Groups Tours

Groups of 10 or more should contact the office in advance to arrange a tour.

Pennypacker Express Newsletter bi-monthly e-newsletter, contact us with your email address or subscribe for a paper copy to be mailed to your home for \$5/ year.

Pennypacker Mills is operated by the Montgomery County Division of Parks, Trails & Historic Sites.

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