



# LancasterHistory

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## April 2023 Upcoming Events

*from LancasterHistory*

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### Storytime: Celebrating Women's History!

**Saturday, April 1**

**10am** at LancasterHistory

***\*\*This event was previously scheduled for March 18, but was rescheduled to April 1.\*\****

Join LancasterHistory for Saturday Storytime! We'll read a history-themed story and then have time for a creative craft. This month's Storytime will feature *Pocket Full of Colors*, a children's book by Amy Guglielmo and Jacqueline Tourville (illustrated by Brigette Barrager), that tells the story of Mary Blair, a pioneering designer, illustrator, and animator at Walt Disney Studios. Afterwards, children will be able to put their own artistic flair on coloring pages designed by Lancaster's Florence Starr Taylor.

This program broadens kids' historical knowledge, and establishes museum literacy and critical thinking skills. The program is free, and registration is required to ensure we have craft supplies for everyone. Suggested for ages 12 and under. Register for Storytime [online](#) or over the phone by calling (717) 392-4633.

*Event takes place at LancasterHistory, 230 N. President Avenue, Lancaster, PA*

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## A Stern But Devoted Uncle

**Saturday, April 1**

**Tours from 10am - 3pm**

**\*\*NOTE FOR MEDIA: A full press release was disseminated on Thursday, March 16. [Click here to view.](#)\*\***

James Buchanan's parents raised him to believe that one day he would be the family patriarch. The stern and devoted persona that Buchanan carried throughout his life correlated to his childhood. Buchanan's father was more adept to criticize rather than praise young James' work and his mother was modest and humble. But despite having no children of his own, James Buchanan was devoted to his nieces and nephews, such as James Buchanan "Buck" Henry and Harriet Lane, as well as numerous others who visited Wheatland regularly. During this special tour of Wheatland on Saturday, April 1, visitors will hear about how Buchanan cared for his wards and relatives, his critical yet caring method of instruction, and stories of how Buck and Harriet would hide their secular newspapers and novels on Sundays!

*A Stern but Devoted Uncle*, a special guided tour of Wheatland, will be held on Saturday, April 1. Tours will be available on the hour, beginning at 10am and continuing until the last tour at 3pm. **Please Note: These tours are not our regular General Admission tours and will be more focused on a particular topic than a general history of Buchanan and the home.**

Tickets are available for purchase [online](#) or over the phone by calling (717) 392-4633. When booking online, be sure to first select the date of April 1, followed by the tour time of your choice. Advance reservations are highly recommended as tours may sell out and walk-in tickets may not be available. Members receive complimentary admission, but should reserve their tickets in advance to guarantee the tour time of their choice.

*Event takes place at LancasterHistory, 230 N. President Avenue, Lancaster, PA*

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## "American Ramble:" An Evening with Neil King, Jr.

**Tuesday, April 4**

**5pm Booksigning | 5:30pm Author Talk**

**\*\*NOTE FOR MEDIA: A full press release was disseminated on Thursday, March 6. [Click here to view.](#)\*\***

Join LancasterHistory on **Tuesday, April 4 at 5:30pm** as we welcome author Neil King, Jr. back to Lancaster for the launch of his new book, *American Ramble*. King's *American Ramble* is a revelatory memoir about a 330-mile walk from Washington, D.C. to New York City, an unforgettable pilgrimage to the heart of America across some of our oldest common ground.

Neil King, Jr.'s desire to walk from Washington, D.C., to New York City began as a whim and soon became an obsession. Determined to rediscover what matters in life and to see our national story with new eyes, Neil turned north with a small satchel on his back and one mission in mind: To pay close attention to the land he crossed and the people he met. What followed is an extraordinary 26-day journey through historic battlefields and cemeteries, over the Mason-Dixon line, through Lancaster County's historic sites, past Quaker and Amish farms, along Valley Forge stream beds, atop a New Jersey trash mound, across New York Harbor, and finally, to his ultimate destination: the Ramble, where a tangle of pathways converges in Central Park. The journey travels deep into America's past and present, uncovering forgotten pockets and overlooked people. At a time of mounting disunity, the trip reveals the profound power of our shared ground.

**Neil King Jr.** grew up in Colorado in a house with the Rocky Mountains out the back door and the flat plains out the front. He went to school in Chicago and then New York City, where he studied philosophy at Columbia University. He worked a multitude of jobs, from busboy and ranch hand to cab driver and private investigator, before settling into a career in journalism. He worked in Florida for the *Tampa Tribune* and later for the *Prague Post* in the newly born Czech Republic. For 20 years he traveled to more than 50 countries in all continents to write and report and poke around as a reporter for *The Wall Street Journal*. During his years in Washington, DC, he served as chief diplomatic correspondent, national political reporter and, at the end, the *Journal's* global economics editor. He now travels and writes on his own. He is the founder and editor of [Gotham Canoe](#), an online journal dedicated to life out of doors. [American Ramble: A Walk of Memory and Renewal](#) is his first book. He lives with his wife in Washington DC.

### **About the Event**

*American Ramble: An Evening with Neil King, Jr.* will take place on **Tuesday, April 4, 2023** at the [Ware Center for the Performing Arts](#), 42 N. Prince Street in Lancaster. A book signing will begin at 5pm, followed by the main event at 5:30pm. The event is free and open to the public, but advance tickets are recommended to guarantee a seat at the program. (Seats are not assigned.) *American Ramble* books will be available for sale at the event while supplies last. Parking is available in the nearby [Hager Parking Lots](#) and [Prince Street Garage](#) for a fee. (This event will not be recorded.) [Venue accessibility information is available online.](#)

Tickets may be reserved [online](#) or by calling (717) 392-4633.

Event takes place at the Ware Center for the Performing Arts, 42 N. Prince Street, Lancaster, PA.

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## Nature Series: "Growing Community through Urban Agriculture"

**Saturday, April 8**

**10am at LancasterHistory**

**\*\*NOTE FOR MEDIA: A full press release for the Nature Series was disseminated on Thursday, March 9. [Click here to view.](#)\*\***

Join the Friends of the Tanger Arboretum as they kick off their 2023 Nature Series on Saturday, April 8 with "Growing Community through Urban Agriculture!" Presenter Madison Walter, urban agriculture coordinator for the New Castle Conservation District, will review what urban agriculture is, its different forms, and the surprising impacts it can make within a community. Participants will learn about how urban agriculture projects transform spaces and empower individuals to reclaim ownership of their environment. Walk away feeling inspired to get your hands dirty and grow something new this year!

**Madison Walter** is the urban agriculture coordinator for the New Castle Conservation District and chair of the Delaware Urban Farm and Food Coalition. Leveraging her background in horticulture and Masters Degree in Environmental Education, Madison has presented to local, national, and international audiences to build understanding on how connections developed through farming and gardening build stronger communities. Her passion for plants and an equitable local food system are what drive her to encourage others to believe in a brighter, greener future.

### HOW TO REGISTER

The event, "Growing Community through Urban Agriculture," will take place on Saturday, April 8, 2023 at 10am at LancasterHistory. Tickets are \$5/Adult (18+) and \$3/Child. Friends of the Tanger Arboretum members receive complimentary admission, but should still register for the program. Tickets may be purchased [online](#) or by calling (717) 392-4633. Advance tickets recommended as the program has limited capacity.

The Friends of the Tanger Arboretum is a member of the [American Horticultural Society Reciprocal Admission Program](#). AHS Reciprocal Admission Program members may register for tickets in advance and must show a valid membership card upon checking in. AHS Members should contact Emily Miller, [emily.miller@lancasterhistory.org](mailto:emily.miller@lancasterhistory.org), with any questions or to register for tickets in advance.

This event is hosted by the Friends of the Tanger Arboretum. The Friends of the Tanger Arboretum, a subsidiary organization of LancasterHistory, helps foster public interest in, and support for, the maintenance and development of the Tanger Arboretum as a community asset. To learn more about the Arboretum or to become a member, [please visit the Arboretum's webpage](#).

*Event takes place at LancasterHistory, 230 N. President Avenue, Lancaster, PA.*

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## Publicity & Persuasion: 300 Years of Advertising in Lancaster County

**Saturday, April 8**

**2pm at LancasterHistory**

**\*\*NOTE FOR MEDIA: A press release for "Publicity & Persuasion" will be disseminated on Thursday, March 23. Please check our [Press Room](#) for this release.\*\***

From outdoor signs for taverns to *Life* magazine spreads for Hamilton watches, advertisements are as old as commerce itself. Ads catch our attention and, when successful, convince us to part with our money. In this *Collections Up Close* program, attendees will be able to peruse historic publications from the 1760s through the 1960s and explore the history of advertising in Lancaster County over the last three hundred years.

In *Collections Up Close* tours, LancasterHistory staff and visiting experts highlight documents, photos, and artifacts from LancasterHistory's vast collections. In a conversational setting, participants will hear the stories of these objects and what they reveal to us about the history of Lancaster County and its place in American history.

"Publicity & Persuasion: 300 Years of Advertising in Lancaster County," a *Collections Up Close* tour, takes place on Saturday, April 8 at 2pm at LancasterHistory. Tickets are \$10/Adults (18+), \$8/Seniors (65+), and \$6/Students (11-College ID). LancasterHistory Members are free, but should still register in advance to receive their complimentary admission. Tickets can be purchased or reserved [online](#) or by calling (717) 392-4633. Capacity is limited, so advance registration is strongly recommended.

*Event takes place at LancasterHistory, 230 N. President Avenue, Lancaster, PA.*

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# Dutchirican: A Latinx History of Central Pennsylvania

Thursday, April 20

5:30pm at LancasterHistory

**\*\*NOTE FOR MEDIA: A press release for "Dutchirican" will be disseminated in early April. Please check our [Press Room](#) for this release.\*\***

On **Thursday, April 20** join LancasterHistory as we welcome Lebanon Valley College professors Dr. John Hinshaw and Dr. Ivette Guzmán-Zavala to discuss how, why, and when Latinos moved to central Pennsylvania, revealing a history that lies at the intersection of local, national, and global trends.

From the *tomateros* who came to pick fruits and vegetables in the 1950s to more recent arrivals drawn to the region by affordable housing, Latinx people have long been a part of the rich community fabric of central Pennsylvania. Through oral history interviews with area residents, Guzmán-Zavala, Hinshaw, and their students have documented the stories of these migrants. In this lecture, the speakers will share those stories of migration, personal sacrifice, racism, and the formation of communities that cross cultural lines. Living alongside Mennonites in a place shaped by Pennsylvania Dutch history, Puerto Ricans have found new identities as *Dutchiricans*.

**Dr. Ivette Guzmán-Zavala** is a Professor of Spanish at Lebanon Valley College. Guzmán-Zavala hails from Caguas, Puerto Rico where she graduated from the University of Puerto Rico in art education. She continued her education to receive a Masters from Syracuse University and her Ph.D. from Rutgers University. Guzmán-Zavala has published several articles on the literary, artistic, and photographic perceptions of mothers and women in Puerto Rican history, analyzing the role of migration and the diaspora in Puerto Rican women's narratives. Her forthcoming book *Maternidades puertorriqueñas* examines visual and textual representations of biological and non-biological mothers.

**Dr. John Hinshaw** is a Professor of History at Lebanon Valley College. Hinshaw hails from Columbia, Missouri. He received his Bachelors from Macalester College in Minnesota and his Masters and Ph.D. from Carnegie Mellon University. He has written or co-written three books on industrial and labor history in the United States and world.

## EVENT DETAILS & HOW TO REGISTER

This event is expected to take place in person at LancasterHistory on **Thursday, April 20, 2023**. Doors open and the reception begins at 5pm. The lecture will begin at 5:30pm. The lecture will also be streamed to Zoom at 5:30pm for those who wish to join us virtually.

This program is free and open to the public. In-person attendance requires advance registration in order to guarantee a seat. Due to capacity restrictions, tickets may not be available at the door. Virtual attendance requires advance registration in order to receive the Zoom link. Register online by clicking the appropriate link below or by calling (717) 392-4633.

### [REGISTER TO ATTEND IN PERSON](#)

### [REGISTER TO ATTEND ONLINE](#)

*Event takes place at LancasterHistory, 230 N. President Avenue, Lancaster, PA or online via Zoom.*

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## 2023 Annual Presidential Wreath Laying Ceremony

**Saturday, April 22**

**10am at Woodward Hill Cemetery**

Join us on Saturday, April 22 at 10am at Woodward Hill Cemetery for the Annual Presidential Wreath Ceremony. Hosted by the Woodward Hill Cemetery, the ceremony features a wreath laying of fresh flowers at the gravesite of James Buchanan, the 15th President of the United States of America. The wreath will be presented at Mr. Buchanan's grave on behalf of President Joseph R. Biden by a member of the U.S. Army National Guard. Also in attendance will be a bugler from the Red Rose Veterans Honor Guard and members of the Lancaster Masonic Lodge #43 who will give a presentation on Buchanan's history in Freemasonry.

More information about the ceremony to follow. [Please check LancasterHistory's website for more information as it becomes available.](#)

*Event takes place at Woodward Hill Cemetery, 501 South Queen Street, Lancaster, PA.*

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## Lancaster Vice: The Hidden History of Sex, Crime, and Power in the 1900s

**Saturday, April 22**

**Walking Tours at 11am & 2pm**

**\*\*NOTE FOR MEDIA: A press release for "Lancaster Vice" will be disseminated in early April. Please check our [Press Room](#) for this release.\*\***

In the early 1900s, Lancaster City was known as a “wide open” city where police and city officials looked the other way and sometimes even encouraged drinking, gambling, and prostitution. Brothel keepers, bartenders, charity girls, and traveling salesmen shared the city with crooked politicians and moralistic reformers. On this walking tour, attendees will visit the streets they called home and learn about the history of gender, sexuality, and the law through the stories of Reverend Clifford Twombly, Mayor Frank McClain, and the men and women of Lancaster’s Red-Light Districts.

*Lancaster Vice*, a walking tour, will take place on Saturday, April 22 with tours departing at 11am and 2pm. The tour meeting location is to be determined. Tours last approximately 90 minutes. Tickets are \$10 for LancasterHistory Members and Students; \$15 for Non-Members. This program is suggested for ages 18 and older. **Advance registration is strongly recommended.** Tickets may be purchased online or by calling (717) 392-4633.

### **TICKETS FOR THE 11AM TOUR**

### **TICKETS FOR THE 2PM TOUR**

*Tour departure location to be determined. Attendees will be notified of the location via email.*

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## **CURRENT EXHIBITIONS**

### **Main Exhibition - *Lancaster in the '60s***

Over the course of more than 350 years, the physical and cultural landscapes of Lancaster County have undergone transformative change. *Lancaster in the '60s* examines the issues of conflict, resolution, and protest against the backdrop of four pivotal decades—the 1660s, 1760s, 1860s, and 1960s—in Lancaster County’s history. The pivotal events that transpired in each of these decades changed the lives of those who experienced them, and continue to impact the way we live our lives today.

### **Special Exhibition - *A Sweet Start: Milton Hershey's Lancaster Connections***

Milton Hershey spent much of his early life in Lancaster County. Hershey grew up on a farm in Bart Township and then, as a young man, learned how to make chocolate and established his first successful business in Lancaster City on Church Street. Buoyed by success, Hershey founded the Hershey Chocolate Company in Lancaster in 1894 and lived in the city with his wife from 1898 until 1904. Explore the photograph exhibit, *A Sweet Start*, highlighting Milton Hershey’s personal and professional connections to Lancaster.



# LANCASTERHISTORY HOURS OF OPERATION

April 2023

Beginning April 3, 2023, LancasterHistory will be open Mondays through Saturdays from 9:30am to 5pm to the public. Tours of Wheatland are available from 10am to 3pm. The Research Center, however, will retain its schedule of Tuesdays - Saturdays from 9:30am to 2pm for appointments.