VISITOR GUIDE & MAP

WELCOME TO LANCasterHISTORY

Whether you’re here to make new connections to the past, find your roots in the Research Center, or simply enjoy the beautiful gardens and grounds, there are new discoveries in store for you.

Here at LancasterHistory, you will learn about Lancaster County and 300 years of fascinating history. From the extraordinary lives of 15th US President James Buchanan and abolitionist Congressman Thaddeus Stevens, to the struggles and triumphs of generations of ordinary Americans, the Campus of History has stories, exhibitions, and learning opportunities for every visitor. Thank you for coming and enjoy your visit!

WHAT TO DO AT LANCasterHISTORY

PRESIDENT JAMES BUCHANAN’S WHEATLAND
Tour Wheatland and learn about the life and legacy of James Buchanan, the 15th President of the United States, and the family who called the 1828 mansion home. Visit Wheatland from mid-November – December to enjoy a holiday favorite, Yuletide at Wheatland.

MUSEUM EXHIBITIONS
Explore three centuries of history through a series of changing interpretive exhibitions featuring historic art, artifacts, and archival materials.

RESEARCH CENTER
Let LancasterHistory help you explore your family’s history and the Lancaster community’s past. The Research Center has many historic resources, contemporary services, and an expert staff that can help you with your scholarly or genealogical research.

MUSEUM STORE
Take a piece of history home with you by shopping local in LancasterHistory’s Museum Store. Filled with unique local folk art, gift items, souvenirs, and books, there is something for everyone to enjoy in the Museum Store.

TANGER ARBORETUM
Revel in the changing of the seasons on the grounds of LancasterHistory in the Louise Arnold Tanger Arboretum, home to a large variety of mature species of trees from around the globe, pollinator gardens, and an American Conifer Society Reference Garden.