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LancasterHistory to Celebrate Capital Day with Music, Fall Fun, and Lancaster County History-themed Trivia

Tickets Now Available, Benefit LancasterHistory Education and Public Programs

LANCASTER, PA — Celebrate the day Lancaster served as the nation's capital on September 27, 1777! **LancasterHistory** is throwing its first ever **Capital Day Celebration** on Friday, September 27 from 5:30-8pm. Full of family fun and quirky history, there will be activities throughout the evening to celebrate Lancaster's claim to nation's capital fame!

A home-grown holiday celebrated by history-loving Lancaster residents, Capital Day is a yearly reminder of Lancaster's importance during the American Revolution. On September 27, 1777, Lancaster served as the capital of the United States. British troops occupied Philadelphia on September 26, forcing the Continental Congress to flee westward to escape capture and execution. The Continental Congress stopped in Lancaster, resting for an evening before continuing on the next day to York. Lancaster continued to be an important munitions center during the American Revolution and, from 1799 to 1812, served as the capital of Pennsylvania before it was moved to Harrisburg.

The doors open at 5:30pm on Friday, September 27 for the Capital Day Celebration at LancasterHistory, 230 N. President Avenue. A tentative schedule of events include:

- **5:30-6:30pm:** Music by **Vivace Live Strings** and a special performance of “The Capital Day Song” by **Leo DiSanto**
- **6:40pm:** “On this Day in History:” Five Minute History with **Adam Zurn of Uncharted Lancaster**
- **6:45-7:45pm:** “LancasterQuiztory,” a Lancaster County-themed game of trivia—with prizes!

Activities available throughout the evening include an all-ages indoor/outdoor scavenger hunt, LancasterHistory museum exhibit access, a kids’ station, and yard games. Fall-themed food and beverages will also be available throughout the evening, including outdoor firepits with s’mores. All attendees will receive a complimentary coupon to redeem at FoxDuck’s West King Street location for a special, free Capital Day poster for a limited time.

Those interested in registering to participate in “LancasterQuiztory” will sign up on-site at the Capital Day Celebration before 6:30pm. Individuals and groups of up to six persons may participate as a team. For those not interested in joining for trivia, all other activities will continue on during that time.

Tickets to the Capital Day Celebration are \$50/Adult (18+) and \$10/Child, and include food, drink, entertainment, and activities. The Capital Day Celebration puts the “fun” in fundraiser and benefits the education and public programs of LancasterHistory. Firepit (\$500 for 4 people) and Firepit Plus (\$1,000 for 8 people) Sponsors can reserve a firepit for their group’s exclusive use. Adult and Child tickets will be available at the door, but are not guaranteed. Advance registration is recommended.

To purchase your tickets, please go [online](#) or call 717-392-4633 to purchase over the phone. Event accessibility information is available [on LancasterHistory's website](#).

About LancasterHistory

LancasterHistory is a community-based, not-for-profit organization established to educate the

public on the history of Lancaster County and its place in the history of Pennsylvania and the United States, to advance the missions of regional historical organizations, and to promote the acquisition, preservation, and interpretation of resources representing the history of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania within the broader context of state and national history, including the homes of 15th US President James Buchanan and Congressman Thaddeus Stevens and Lydia Hamilton Smith.

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