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LancasterHistory curators to host "white glove" quilt turning, examination of social history imbued in quilts

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Lancaster, PA (March 5, 2020) – Join LancasterHistory on Wednesday, March 25 at 5:30pm for a close look at the social and personal histories layered into quilts. Participants will get to see several quilts from our renowned quilt collection, and enjoy a discussion about the histories of these beautiful objects. Assistant Curator Tori Pyle, in conversation with Director of Education Stephanie Townrow, will educate participants about several Lancaster County quilts, while conducting a "white glove" quilt turning. The program will highlight a diverse sampling of quilts from the late 1700s to the 1900s.

Tori Pyle, Assistant Curator, joined LancasterHistory after studying history and material culture at the Winterthur Program in American Material Culture. She seeks to build empathy between past and present people by understanding worldviews and their context, and to make transparent the process of history as a means of understanding the past.

Stephanie Townrow, Director of Education & Public Programs, came to LancasterHistory from New York City, where she worked in some of the country's most celebrated cultural institutions, including the Brooklyn Historical Society and The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History.

She is passionate about inclusive museum education and fostering community dialogues centered on our shared histories.

About This Program: The Material Culture Conversations series offers an artifact-focused experience in which participants are invited to see and learn from our renowned collections in a "white glove" setting. LancasterHistory's expert staff will share highlights from our collections related to a topic or theme, and participants will receive special access to view materials up-close. Members of LancasterHistory's staff, in dialogue with each other, will provide information and insight into the theme and its related collections materials, and will invite the group to engage in conversation about the theme and its material culture. This program is limited to 20 participants.

Tickets: The event "Piecing Together the Histories of Lancaster County Quilts" will take place on Wednesday, March 25, 2020 at 5:30pm at LancasterHistory, 230 N. President Avenue in Lancaster. Tickets are \$15 for LancasterHistory members, \$20 for non-members. The event is capped at 20 participants, so advance tickets are highly recommended. Tickets may be purchased online at lancasterhistory.org or by calling (717) 392-4633. Questions and accessibility requests may be directed to info@lancasterhistory.org or (717) 392-4633.

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